

U.S. Bobsled & Skeleton
USOC Athletes' Advisory Council Election Announcement & Process

The U.S. Bobsled & Skeleton Federation (USBSF) will be selecting a representative and alternate to serve on the USOC Athlete Advisory Council (AAC). The USBSF selection will be through an electronic voting process as detailed in the Section 11 of the USBSF bylaws (<http://bobsled.teamusa.org/content/index/2350>).

The term for all representatives to the USOC Athletes' Advisory Council is for four (4) years. A representative shall remain on the USOC Athletes' Advisory Council until the representative's successor is elected and qualified, or until the representative's earlier resignation, removal, incapacity, disability or death.

Eligible athletes are those individuals who have represented the United States as athletes in the Olympic Games, World Championships, or other Operation Gold event within the ten (10) year period prior to December 31, 2008 (December 31, 1998 to December 31, 2008). Additionally, in order to be eligible to run for election, an individual must be a citizen of the United States, eighteen (18) years of age or older by December 31, 2008 and must not be a paid employee of USBSF or the USOC. However a paid employee of USBSF or the USOC who is an eligible athlete can vote in the election.

In order to be placed on the ballot, an eligible athlete must be nominated, either by themselves or by another eligible athlete. Nominations must be submitted in writing to Darrin Steele, USBSF CEO, no later than 5:00 p.m. MST on **Friday, December 19, 2008**. Nominations may be emailed to dstele@usbsf.com or faxed to 719-520-3212.

The CEO will verify the authenticity and eligibility of the nominated individuals and place them on the ballot. On Tuesday, **December 23, 2008** the CEO will send electronic ballots to all eligible athletes to vote for the USBSF USOC Athletes' Advisory position. If you feel that you are an eligible athlete and do not receive an electronic ballot on December 23rd, 2008, contact Darrin Steele via email by 5:00 p.m. MST on December 24th, 2008. If it is determined that you are in fact eligible to vote, you will then receive an electronic ballot. Voting will conclude at 5:00 p.m. MST on **Wednesday, January 7, 2009**.

On **Friday, January 9, 2009** the CEO will post the election results on the USBSF web-site (<http://bobsled.teamusa.org>). The nominee with the most votes will be named the new USOC AAC representative. The individual with the second highest vote total of the opposite gender will be named as the alternate. Both the representative and the alternate will also serve on the USBSF Athletes' Advisory Council.