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### NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS TO BE HELD APRIL 25, 2012

#### Dear Shareholder:

You are invited to attend the Annual Meeting of Shareholders of USANA Health Sciences, Inc. ("USANA" or the "Company"), to be held at its corporate headquarters, 3838 West Parkway Boulevard, Salt Lake City, Utah 84120 on April 25, 2012 at 11:00 a.m., Mountain Daylight Time, for the following purposes:

- To elect five directors to serve for one year each, until the next Annual Meeting of Shareholders and until a successor is elected and shall qualify;
- To ratify the selection of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP as the Company's independent registered public accountant for the fiscal year 2012; and
- To consider and act upon such other business as may properly come before the meeting or at any postponement or adjournment thereof.

Only USANA shareholders of record at the close of business on March 2, 2012, have the right to receive notice of, and to vote at, the Annual Meeting of Shareholders and any adjournment thereof. A list of shareholders entitled to receive notice and to vote at the meeting will be available for examination by a shareholder for any purpose that is germane to the meeting during ordinary business hours at the offices of USANA at 3838 West Parkway Boulevard, Salt Lake City, Utah, during the 10 days prior to the meeting.

YOUR VOTE IS IMPORTANT. WHETHER OR NOT YOU EXPECT TO ATTEND THE MEETING, YOU ARE REQUESTED TO SIGN, DATE AND RETURN THE ENCLOSED PROXY CARD AS PROMPTLY AS POSSIBLE IN THE ENCLOSED STAMPED ENVELOPE.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

James H. Bramble Corporate Secretary

Salt Lake City, Utah March 23, 2012

Important Notice Regarding the Availability of Proxy Materials for the Annual Meeting of Stockholders to be Held on April 25, 2012: Our Annual Report to Shareholders and the accompanying Proxy Statement are available online at www.usanahealthsciences.com.

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# PROXY STATEMENT FOR THE ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS TO BE HELD APRIL 25, 2012

The Board of Directors of USANA Health Sciences, Inc. ("We," "USANA," or the "Company") is soliciting proxies to be used at the 2012 Annual Meeting of Shareholders (the "Annual Meeting"). Distribution of this Proxy Statement and the accompanying proxy card is scheduled to begin on or about March 23, 2012. The mailing address of USANA's principal executive offices is 3838 West Parkway Boulevard, Salt Lake City, Utah 84120-6336. If you attend the Annual Meeting, you may withdraw any prior vote by voting in person on any matters that are brought properly before the meeting. USANA will pay all expenses of the meeting, including the cost of printing and mailing the proxy statement and related materials and the cost of the solicitation process.

#### QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS ABOUT THE MEETING

Why did I receive this proxy statement? We have sent you the Notice of Annual Meeting of Shareholders, this Proxy Statement, and the enclosed proxy or voting instruction card because the USANA Board of Directors is soliciting your proxy to vote at USANA's Annual Meeting, which will be held on April 25, 2012 at 11:00 a.m. at USANA's corporate headquarters at 3838 West Parkway Boulevard, Salt Lake City, Utah 84120. This Proxy Statement contains information about matters to be voted on at the Annual Meeting.

Who is entitled to vote? You may vote if you owned common stock as of the close of business on March 2, 2012. On March 2, 2012, there were 14,990,415 shares of our common stock that were outstanding and entitled to vote at the Annual Meeting.

How many votes do I have? Each share of common stock that you own at the close of business on March 2, 2012 entitles you to one vote.

What am I voting on? You will be voting on proposals to:

Elect five directors to serve for one year each, until the next Annual Meeting of Shareholders or until a successor is elected and shall qualify;

Ratify the selection of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP as the Company's independent registered public accountant for the fiscal year 2012; and

Consider and act upon such other business as may properly come before the meeting or at any postponement or adjournment thereof.

How do I vote? You can vote in the following ways:

**By Mail:** If you are a holder of record, you can vote by marking, dating and signing your proxy card and returning it by mail in the enclosed postage-paid addressed envelope. If you hold your shares in the account or name of a broker or bank, or "street name", please complete and mail the voting instruction card that you will receive from your broker or bank.

At the Annual Meeting: If you are planning to attend the Annual Meeting and wish to vote your shares in person, we will give you a ballot at the meeting. If your shares are held in street name, you need to bring an account statement or letter from your broker, bank or other nominee, indicating that

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you are the beneficial owner of the shares on March 2, 2012, the record date for voting. Even if you plan to be present at the meeting, we encourage you to complete and mail the enclosed card in advance of the meeting to vote your shares by proxy.

What if I return my proxy or voting instruction card but do not mark it to show how I am voting? Your shares will be voted according to the instructions you have indicated on your proxy or voting instruction card. You can specify whether your shares should be voted for all, some, or none of the nominees for director. You can also specify whether you approve, disapprove, or abstain from the other proposals. If no direction is indicated, your shares will be voted FOR the election of all of the nominees for director, and FOR the ratification of the selection of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP as our independent registered public accountant.

May I revoke my proxy or change my vote after I return my proxy card or voting instruction card? You may revoke your proxy or change your vote at any time before it is exercised in one of three ways:

Notify our Corporate Secretary in writing before the Annual Meeting that you are revoking your proxy;

Submit another proxy card (or voting instruction card if you hold your shares in street name) with a later date; or

Vote in person on April 25, 2012, at the Annual Meeting.

What does it mean if I receive more than one proxy or voting instruction card? It means that you have multiple accounts at the transfer agent and/or with banks and stockbrokers. Please vote all of your shares by returning all proxy and voting instruction cards you receive.

What constitutes a quorum? A quorum must be present to properly convene the Annual Meeting. The presence, in person or by proxy, of the holders of a majority of the outstanding shares that are entitled to vote at the Annual Meeting constitutes a quorum. You will be considered part of the quorum if you return a signed and dated proxy or voting instruction card or if you attend the Annual Meeting. Abstentions and broker non-votes will be counted as shares present at the meeting for purposes of determining whether a quorum exists, but not as shares cast for any proposal. Because abstentions and broker non-votes are not treated as shares cast, they would have no impact on any of the proposals.

What vote is required in order to approve each proposal? The required vote is as follows:

Election of Directors: The election of the nominees for director requires the affirmative vote of a plurality of the shares cast at the Annual Meeting. This means that the five nominees receiving the greatest number of votes in favor of their election will be elected, even if they receive less than a majority of votes cast at the meeting. If you do not want to vote your shares for a particular nominee, you may so indicate in the space provided on the proxy card or on the voting instruction card. In the unanticipated event that any of the nominees is unable or declines to serve, the proxy holder will have the discretion to vote the proxy for another person, as shall be designated by the Board of Directors to replace the nominee, or, in lieu thereof, the Board may reduce the number of directors.

Ratification of the Selection of Independent Registered Public Accountant: Ratification of the selection of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP as our independent registered public accountant requires the affirmative vote of a majority of the shares cast at the Annual Meeting. If the shareholders do not ratify the appointment of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP, the Audit Committee of the Board of Directors may, but is not required to, reconsider such appointment.

How will voting on any other business be conducted? We do not know of any business or proposals to be considered at the Annual Meeting other than those that are described in this Proxy Statement. If any

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other business is proposed and we decide to allow it to be presented at the Annual Meeting, the proxies that we receive from our shareholders give the proxy holders the authority to vote on that matter according to their best judgment.

Who will count the votes? Broadridge Investor Communications Services will tabulate the votes that are received prior to the Annual Meeting. Representatives of USANA will act as the inspectors of election and will tabulate the votes, if any, that are cast in person at the Annual Meeting.

May my broker vote my shares in the broker's discretion if I do not provide guidance on how I wish to vote? Pursuant to New York Stock Exchange ("NYSE") rules, your broker will not have discretion to vote your shares absent direction from you on the matters to be presented at the Annual Meeting because such matters are "non-routine" within the meaning of such rules.

Who pays to prepare, mail, and solicit the proxies? We will pay all of the costs of soliciting these proxies. We will ask banks, brokers, and other nominees and fiduciaries to forward the proxy materials to the beneficial owners of our common stock and to obtain the authority of executed proxies. We will reimburse them for their reasonable expenses. In addition to the use of the mail, proxies may be solicited by our officers, directors, and other employees by telephone or by personal solicitation. We will not pay additional compensation to these individuals.

How do I submit a shareholder proposal for next year's Annual Meeting? Any shareholder who intends to present a proposal at the 2013 Annual Meeting of Shareholders must deliver such proposal to the Corporate Secretary, c/o USANA Health Sciences, Inc., 3838 West Parkway Blvd., Salt Lake City, Utah 84120, not later than November 25, 2012, if the proposal is submitted for inclusion in our proxy materials for that meeting pursuant to Rule 14a-8 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

Who should I call if I have questions? If you have questions about the proposals or the Annual Meeting, you may call Patrique Richards, USANA Investor Relations, at (801) 954-7100. You may also send an e-mail to investor relations@us.usana.com.

#### PROPOSAL #1 ELECTION OF DIRECTORS

Our Bylaws provide that the shareholders or the Board of Directors shall determine the number of directors from time to time, but that there shall be no less than three directors. The Board of Directors, by resolution, has set the number of directors at five. The Governance and Nominating Committee of the Board of Directors has nominated and recommends that our current five directors stand for re-election at the Annual Meeting. Each director who is elected at the Annual Meeting will hold office until the Company's Annual Meeting in 2013, until a successor is elected and qualified, or until the director resigns, is removed, or becomes disqualified. The Board of Directors has no reason to believe that any of the nominees for director will be unwilling or unable to serve, if elected. If due to unforeseen circumstances a nominee should become unavailable for election, the Board may either reduce the number of directors or may substitute another person for that nominee, in which event your shares will be voted for that other person.

#### **Director Nominees**

The nominees to the Board of Directors in 2012 are Robert Anciaux, Gilbert A. Fuller, Jerry G. McClain, Ronald S. Poelman, and Myron W. Wentz, Ph.D. All of these nominees currently serve as members of the Board of Directors. Messrs. Anciaux, McClain, and Poelman are independent directors under the rules of the NYSE. The following information is furnished with respect to these nominees:

**Robert Anciaux**, 66, has served as a director of USANA since July 1996. Since 1990, he has been the Managing Director of S.E.I. s.a., a consulting and investment management firm in Brussels, Belgium. Additionally, since 1982 Mr. Anciaux has been self-employed as a venture capitalist in

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Europe, investing in various commercial, industrial, and real estate venture companies. In some of these privately held companies, Mr. Anciaux also serves as a director. Mr. Anciaux received an Ingenieur Commercial degree from Ecole de Commerce Solvay Universite Libre de Bruxelles. We believe Mr. Anciaux's qualifications to sit on our Board include his financial expertise and experience in providing consulting and strategic advisory services to complex organizations.

Gilbert A. Fuller, 71, has served as a director of USANA since September 2008. Prior to that, he served as our Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer, and Secretary since January 2006. Mr. Fuller joined USANA in May 1996 as the Vice President of Finance and served in this role until June 1999, when he was appointed as the Company's Senior Vice President. Mr. Fuller had served as the Company's Chief Financial Officer since October 1997. Before joining USANA, from January 1994 to May 1996, Mr. Fuller was the Executive Vice President of Winder Dairy, Inc., a regional commercial dairy operation. From May 1991 through October 1993, Mr. Fuller was Chief Administrative Officer and Treasurer of Melaleuca, Inc., a manufacturer and network marketer of personal care products. From July 1984 through January 1991, Mr. Fuller was the Vice President and Treasurer of Norton Company, a multinational manufacturer of ceramics and abrasives. He obtained his certified public accountant license in 1970 and kept it current until his career path developed into corporate finance. Mr. Fuller received a B.S. in Accounting and an M.B.A. from the University of Utah. We believe Mr. Fuller's qualifications to sit on our Board include his 12 years of experience as an executive officer of USANA, his deep understanding of our business, people and products, his 15 years of experience as a financial officer in the direct selling industry, as well as his accounting, finance and corporate strategy expertise.

Jerry G. McClain, 71, has served as a director of USANA since June 2001. Since January 2003, Mr. McClain has been self-employed, operating his own investment and real estate business in Salt Lake City, Utah and Santa Rosa, California. From August 2000 to December 2002, Mr. McClain was the Chief Financial Officer of Cerberian, Inc., a privately held company that was headquartered in Salt Lake City, Utah. From 1998 to 2000, Mr. McClain was the Chief Financial Officer and Sr. Vice President of Assentive Solutions, Inc., a company he also co-founded. From 1997 to 1998, Mr. McClain was the Chief Financial Officer for the Salt Lake Organizing Committee for the 2002 Winter Olympic Games. Before 1997, Mr. McClain served as a key financial advisor to many companies as an Audit Partner and a Managing Partner of Ernst & Young LLP for 35 years in several cities throughout the world. Mr. McClain is a former CPA and a graduate from the University of Southern Mississippi and Oklahoma State University, where he received a B.S. in Accounting and an M.S. in Accounting, respectively. We believe Mr. McClain's qualifications to sit on our Board include his extensive international experience with accounting and financial matters for public companies, his years of experience as the chief financial officer of various organizations, his corporate governance expertise and his years of experience providing independent audits and strategic advice to complex organizations.

Ronald S. Poelman, 58, has served as a director of USANA since 1995. Since 1994, he has been a partner in the Salt Lake City, Utah law firm of Jones, Waldo, Holbrook & McDonough, where he is head of the Corporate and Securities Practice Group. Mr. Poelman began his legal career in Silicon Valley in California, and has assisted in the organization and financing of numerous companies for almost 30 years. Mr. Poelman is the President of the Utah Chapter of the National Association of Corporate Directors and frequently lectures at the meetings of this and other organizations. Mr. Poelman received a B.A. in English from Brigham Young University and a J.D. from the University of California, Berkeley. We believe Mr. Poelman's qualifications to sit on our Board include his nearly 30 years of experience as a corporate, finance and securities attorney, his long association with and service to the National Association of Corporate Directors ("NACD"), as well as his corporate governance and strategy expertise. Mr. Poelman is a 2011 NACD Governance Fellow, which is a demonstration of his commitment to boardroom excellence through completing NACD's comprehensive program of study for corporate directors.

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Myron W. Wentz, Ph.D., 71, founded USANA in 1992 and served as the Chief Executive Officer and Chairman of the Board of USANA from the time of its inception to July 2008, when he retired as Chief Executive Officer. Dr. Wentz continues to serve as Chairman of the Board. In 1974, Dr. Wentz founded Gull Laboratories, Inc., which was a developer and manufacturer of medical diagnostic test kits and was the former parent corporation of USANA. Dr. Wentz served as Chairman of Gull from 1974 until 1998. In 1998, Dr. Wentz founded Sanoviv, S.A. de C.V. ("Sanoviv"), a health and wellness center that is located near Rosarito, Mexico. Joining a pathology group in Peoria, Illinois, from 1969 to 1973, Dr. Wentz served as infectious disease specialist and directed the microbiology and immunology laboratories for three hospitals in the Peoria area. He received a B.S. in Biology from North Central College, Naperville, Illinois, an M.S. in Microbiology from the University of North Dakota, and a Ph.D. in Microbiology and Immunology from the University of Utah. We believe Dr. Wentz's qualifications to sit on our Board include his vast education and professional experience as a microbiologist, immunologist, and pioneer in the development of human cell culture technology, as well as his service as our founder, Chairman and formerly as our Chief Executive Officer.

We will vote your shares as you specify in your proxy card. If you sign, date, and return your proxy card but do not specify how you want your shares voted, we will vote them FOR the election of each of the director nominees who are listed above.

#### RECOMMENDATION

The Board of Directors unanimously recommends a vote FOR each director nominee.

#### BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

The Board of Directors is elected by and is accountable to the shareholders of the Company. The Board establishes policy and provides strategic direction, oversight, and control of the Company. The Board met 12 times during fiscal year 2011. All directors attended at least 75% of the meetings of the Board and the Board Committees of which they are members.

#### **Board Leadership Structure**

Our founder, Dr. Myron Wentz, is the Chairman of our Board of Directors and David A. Wentz is our Chief Executive Officer, or CEO. The Board has not adopted a specific policy on whether the same person should serve as both the CEO and chairman of the board or, if the roles are separate, whether the chairman should be selected from the non-employee directors or should be an employee. The Board believes it is most appropriate to retain the discretion and flexibility to make these determinations at any given point in time in the way that it believes best to provide appropriate leadership for the Company at that time.

Historically, Dr. Wentz has served as both Chairman of the Board and CEO of the Company. In 2008, however, Dr. Wentz retired as CEO and the Board appointed David A. Wentz as CEO. We believe it is currently appropriate to separate the roles of CEO and Chairman of the Board as a result of the differences between the two roles. Our CEO is responsible for setting the strategic direction for the Company, with guidance from the Board. He is also responsible for the day-to-day leadership and performance of the Company, while the Chairman of the Board provides guidance to the CEO and sets the agenda for Board meetings and presides over meetings of the full Board. Although Dr. Wentz is not independent under the rules of the NYSE, the Board believes the experience, leadership and vision he provides as Chairman of the Board is essential to the short-and-long-term success of the Company.

The Board maintains a number of governance practices to ensure effective independent oversight of Board decisions, including (i) the appointment of strong, independent directors who constitute a majority of the Board and intimately understand the Company's business and industry; (ii) executive sessions of the independent directors in connection with every Board meeting; and (iii) annual

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evaluations of the performance of the Board, carried out by the independent directors. The independent members of the Board have not chosen one particular director to act as the lead independent director or to preside at all executive sessions of the Board.

#### Director Independence

NYSE rules and regulations generally require listed companies to have a board of directors with a majority of independent directors. However, the rules exempt companies meeting the definition of a "Controlled Company" from this and certain other requirements related to corporate governance. The Board has determined that the Company is a "Controlled Company" under the NYSE rules because Gull Holdings, Ltd. owns and controls more than 50% of the Company's outstanding shares of common stock. Gull Holdings, Ltd. is an entity that is solely owned and controlled by our founder and chairman, Dr. Myron Wentz. Notwithstanding the Company's status as a Controlled Company, a majority of the members of the Board of Directors are independent, as discussed below.

To assist the Board in making its determination regarding director independence, the Board has adopted independence standards that conform to the independence requirements of the NYSE. In addition to evaluating each director's independence, the Board considers all relevant facts and circumstances in making its independence determination. We assess director independence on an annual basis. The Board has determined, after careful review, that all of the current directors, other than Dr. Myron Wentz and Gilbert A. Fuller, who have also been nominated for election at the 2012 Annual Meeting are independent based on the applicable rules of the NYSE and the applicable regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC"). In particular, the Board noted that Robert Anciaux, Jerry G. McClain, and Ronald S. Poelman had no material relationship with the Company (either directly or as a partner, shareholder or officer of an organization that has a relationship with the Company) and determined that each of them is "independent" under NYSE listing standards.

#### Communications with Directors

Our shareholders or other interested parties wishing to communicate with the Board of Directors, the non-management directors as a group, or any individual director may do so in writing by addressing the correspondence to that individual or group, c/o James H. Bramble, Corporate Secretary, USANA Health Sciences, Inc., 3838 West Parkway Boulevard, Salt Lake City, Utah 84120. All such communications will be initially received and processed by our Corporate Secretary. Accounting, audit, internal accounting controls and other financial matters will be referred to our Audit Committee chair. Other matters will be referred to the Board of Directors, the non-management directors, or individual directors as appropriate.

Directors are encouraged by the Company to attend the Annual Meeting of Shareholders if their schedules permit. All directors, except Dr. Wentz and Mr. Anciaux, were present at the Company's Annual Meeting of the Shareholders that was held in April 2011.

## Committees of the Board of Directors

The Board of Directors has a separately-designated standing Audit Committee, Compensation Committee, and Governance and Nominating Committee. Information about the composition and responsibilities of each committee is provided below.

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Governance and Nominating Committee. The Governance and Nominating Committee of the Board of Directors (the "Governance Committee") was established in February 2004. The Governance Committee met four (4) times during 2011, with all members of the committee participating in each meeting. Members of the Governance Committee during fiscal 2011 and at the date of this Proxy Statement are Gilbert A. Fuller, Chairman, Robert Anciaux, Jerry G. McClain, and Ronald S. Poelman. Each member of the Governance Committee except for Mr. Fuller meets the definition of "independent" set forth in the rules of the NYSE. The Board believes that, considering Mr. Fuller's 12 years of experience as an employee and executive officer of the Company, his sound judgment and his expertise with corporate governance matters, it is essential for him to serve as a member of the Governance Committee. As a result, the Board has utilized the Controlled Company exemption under the rules of the NYSE to appoint Mr. Fuller to the Governance Committee.

The Governance Committee's responsibilities include: (i) identifying and evaluating prospective nominees for director, (ii) nominating the director nominees for election at the annual meeting of shareholders, (iii) periodically reviewing the performance of the Board and its members and determining the number, function, and composition of the Board's committees, and (iv) overseeing corporate governance matters. Additionally, the Board has delegated much of its responsibility for risk oversight and management to the Governance Committee. The Governance Committee conducts these risk oversight and management functions as part of its corporate governance oversight and reports its findings with respect to risk oversight and management to the entire Board. More information about the Board of Directors and Governance Committee's risk oversight and management practices is provided below under the caption "Risk Oversight and Management".

The Governance Committee believes, among other things, that the Company's Board of Directors should be composed of directors with varied, complementary backgrounds, which reflect a diversity of viewpoints, backgrounds, experience and other factors. The Governance Committee also believes that directors should, at a minimum, (i) have expertise that may be useful to the Company, (ii) possess the highest personal and professional ethics, and (iii) be willing and able to devote the required amount of time to the Company's business. In light of these beliefs, the Governance Committee considers many factors in evaluating the suitability of candidates for Board membership, and also determining whether a director should be retained and stand for re-election, including: whether the candidate meets the requirements for independence; the candidate's background and experience, particularly in the Company's industry; the candidate's personal qualities, accomplishments, character and reputation in the business community; and the fit of the candidate's individual skills and personality with those of the Company's other directors.

The Governance Committee may from time to time consider qualified nominees who are recommended by shareholders. The Governance Committee does not have different standards for evaluating nominees based on whether they have been suggested by our shareholders or by our directors. Shareholders who wish to make such a recommendation may do so by sending a written notice, as described under the heading "How do I submit a shareholder proposal for next year's Annual Meeting?" in the section of this Proxy Statement titled "Questions and Answers about the Meeting."

Audit Committee. The Audit Committee of the Board of Directors (the "Audit Committee") is a standing committee of the Board, which has been established as required by Section 3(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the "Exchange Act") and the rules of the NYSE. The Audit Committee met five (5) times during 2011, with all members participating in each meeting. Members of the Audit Committee during fiscal 2011 and at the date of this Proxy Statement are Jerry G. McClain, Chairman, Ronald S. Poelman, and Robert Anciaux, each of whom meets the definition of "independent" set forth above. The Board has determined that Mr. McClain is an "audit committee financial expert," as defined by the applicable regulations promulgated by the SEC under the Exchange Act. The Board also believes that each member of the Audit Committee meets the NYSE composition

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requirements, including the requirements regarding financial literacy. The Audit Committee's responsibilities include: (i) appointing the independent registered public accountant of the Company, (ii) reviewing, approving and monitoring the scope and cost of any proposed audit and non-audit services that are provided by, as well as the qualifications and independence of, the independent registered public accountant, (iii) reviewing and monitoring with the independent registered public accountant, and internal audit staff, the results of audits, any recommendations from the independent registered public accountant and the status of management's actions for implementing such recommendations, as well as the quality and adequacy of our internal financial controls and internal audit staff, and (iv) reviewing and monitoring the Company's annual and quarterly financial statements and the status of material pending litigation and regulatory proceedings.

Compensation Committee. The Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors (the "Compensation Committee") met four (4) times during 2011, with all members of the committee participating. Members of the Compensation Committee during fiscal 2011 and at the date of this Proxy Statement are Ronald S. Poelman, Chairman, Robert Anciaux, and Jerry G. McClain, each of whom meets the definition of "independent" set forth in the rules of the NYSE. In addition, all members of the Compensation Committee are outside directors as defined by Rule 162(m) of the Internal Revenue Code and are non-employee directors as defined by the applicable regulations promulgated by the SEC under the Exchange Act. The Compensation Committee's responsibilities include: (i) reviewing and recommending to the full Board of Directors the salaries, bonuses, and other forms of compensation and benefit plans for management and (ii) administering USANA's equity compensation plans. The duties of the Compensation Committee as the administrator of those plans include, but are not limited to, determining those persons who are eligible to receive awards, establishing terms of all awards, authorizing officers of the Company to execute grants of awards, and interpreting the provisions of the equity compensation plans and grants that are made under those plans. The Compensation Committee is also responsible for reviewing and approving the Compensation Discussion and Analysis included in this Proxy Statement.

#### Risk Oversight and Management

Our Board of Directors is actively involved in the oversight and management of the material risks that could affect the Company. Historically, our Board of Directors has carried out its risk oversight and management responsibilities by both monitoring risk directly as a full board and, where appropriate, through Board committees. The Board's direct role in our risk management process includes receiving regular reports from our executive officers and other members of senior management on areas of material risk to the Company, including operational, strategic, financial, legal and regulatory risks. In 2009, the Board delegated much of its direct risk oversight and management responsibility to the Governance Committee. The mandate of the Governance Committee with respect to risk management is to work with management to create an efficient process for assessing and reporting material risk to the Governance Committee and, ultimately, the Board. The Governance Committee continued to utilize this process during 2011.

The Board has also historically delegated the oversight and management of certain risks to the Audit Committee and Compensation Committee. The Audit Committee is responsible for the oversight of Company risks relating to accounting matters, financial reporting and related party transactions. To satisfy these oversight responsibilities, the Audit Committee regularly meets with and receives reports from the Company's Chief Financial Officer, director of internal audit, the Company's independent registered public accountant, PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP, and the Company's in-house and outside legal counsel. The Audit Committee is also responsible for discussing with management, our independent registered public accountant and the chair of the Governance Committee, the areas of risk management overseen by the Governance Committee.

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The Compensation Committee is responsible for the oversight of risk relating to the Company's compensation and benefits programs. To satisfy these oversight responsibilities, the Compensation Committee regularly meets with and receives reports from the Company's Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer to understand the financial, human resources and shareholder implications of compensation and benefits decisions.

#### Compensation Risk Analysis

Our Compensation Committee considers the risk to the Company associated with each component of our executive compensation program, namely base salary, and short-and-long term incentive compensation. In considering these risks, the Compensation Committee believes that the following factors, among others, reduce the likelihood of excessive risk taking in connection with executive compensation at USANA:

Our compensation components provide a balanced mix of (i) cash and equity compensation, (ii) short-term and long-term incentive compensation, and (iii) financial and non-financial performance metrics;

All U.S.-based employees participate in the same short-term incentive program with similar performance metrics;

Maximum pay-out levels for short-term incentive compensation are generally capped at 100% of an executive officer's and employee's base salary;

Our equity awards generally vest over five years and are only valuable if the Company performs and our stock price increases over time:

We maintain strict internal controls over the determination and pay-out of each component of executive compensation;

We do not enter into employment, severance or other management agreements with any of our executive officers that contain post-termination or change-in-control payments; and

We generally do not provide significant perquisites or personal benefits to our executive officers.

Based on the Compensation Committee's review of these factors and others, the Committee does not believe that the Company's executive compensation program creates risks that are reasonably likely to have a material adverse effect on the Company.

### **Board Committee Charters**

A written charter has been adopted for each of the Audit Committee, Compensation Committee and Governance and Nominating Committee. Copies of the Audit Committee Charter, Compensation Committee Charter, and Governance and Nominating Committee Charter are available, free of charge, on the Company's website at <a href="https://www.usanahealthsciences.com">www.usanahealthsciences.com</a> under the "Corporate Governance" tab. The information contained on the website is not incorporated by reference in, or considered part of, this Proxy Statement.

#### Corporate Governance Guidelines

The Company has adopted Corporate Governance Guidelines that outline the Company's corporate governance policies and principles. The Company's Corporate Governance Guidelines are available, free of charge, on the Company's website at <a href="https://www.usanahealthsciences.com">www.usanahealthsciences.com</a> under the "Corporate Governance" tab.

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#### Code of Ethics

We have adopted a code of ethics that applies to all of our directors, officers (including our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial and Accounting Officer), and employees. We require that all of our directors, officers and employees certify on an annual basis that they are in compliance with the code. A copy of the code of ethics is available on the corporate governance section of our web site at <a href="https://www.usanahealthsciences.com">www.usanahealthsciences.com</a>. In the event the Company makes any amendments to, or grants any waivers of, a provision of its code of ethics that applies to the principal executive officer, principal financial officer or principal accounting officer of the Company that requires disclosure under applicable SEC rules, the Company intends to disclose such amendment or waiver and the reasons therefor on a Current Report on Form 8-K or on its next periodic report filed under the Exchange Act.

#### COMPENSATION COMMITTEE INTERLOCKS AND INSIDER PARTICIPATION

The Compensation Committee during fiscal 2011 was composed of Ronald S. Poelman, Chairman, Robert Anciaux and Jerry G. McClain. All members of the Compensation Committee are independent directors. No member of the Company's Compensation Committee is a current or former officer or employee of the Company or any of its subsidiaries, or had any relationship requiring disclosure by Item 404 of Regulation S-K. Additionally, no director or executive officer of the Company is a director or executive officer of any other corporation that has a director or executive officer who is also a director of the Company.

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#### **EXECUTIVE OFFICERS**

The executive officers of USANA at January 1, 2012, and as of the date of this Proxy Statement were

Name	Position		
Myron W. Wentz, Ph.D.	Chairman of the Board		
David A. Wentz	Chief Executive Officer		
Kevin G. Guest	President of North America		
Deborah Woo	President of Asia Pacific		
G. Douglas Hekking	Chief Financial Officer		
Roy W. Truett	Chief Operating Officer		
Daniel Macuga	Chief Communications Officer		
James H. Bramble	Chief Legal Officer		

Biographical information for Myron W. Wentz is included above with the other nominees for director. The following information is provided for each of our other executive officers.

David A. Wentz, 41, Chief Executive Officer. Mr. Wentz joined USANA as a part-time employee in 1992. He has been a full-time employee since March 1994. From 1993 until April 2004, he was a member of the Company's Board of Directors. Mr. Wentz was appointed Chief Executive Officer in July 2008. He served as President from July 2002 to July 2008 and previously served as the Company's Executive Vice President from October 2001 to July 2002. He served as the Company's Senior Vice President of Strategic Development from June 1999 to October 2001, and as the Company's Vice President of Strategic Development from August 1996 to June 1999. Mr. Wentz received a B.S. in Bioengineering from the University of California, San Diego. Mr. Wentz is the son of Dr. Wentz, who is the founder of the Company and Chairman of the Company's Board of Directors.

**Kevin G. Guest,** 49, President of North America. Mr. Guest joined USANA on a part-time basis in April 2003, as Executive Director of Media and Events. Following the Company's acquisition of FMG Productions, a media, video, and event productions company that was founded by Mr. Guest, he became a full-time employee of the Company and was promoted to Vice President of Media and Events in February 2004. In January 2006, he was appointed as the Company's Executive Vice President of Marketing and served in that role until July 2008, when he was appointed Chief Marketing Officer. Mr. Guest served in this role until May 2011, when he was appointed as President of North America. Prior to joining USANA full-time, from 1992 to February 2004, Mr. Guest served as the Managing Partner of FMG Productions. Mr. Guest has been part of the media production arena for more than 20 years and has received numerous awards for producing, directing, and writing. He has overseen USANA's audio, video, and event productions worldwide since the Company's inception. Mr. Guest earned a B.A. in Communications from Brigham Young University.

**Deborah Woo,** 58, President of Asia Pacific. Mrs. Woo joined USANA as General Manager of USANA Hong Kong in 1999. Mrs. Woo served as the Company's General Manager of USANA Hong Kong from 1999 to 2003. In 2003, she was promoted to Regional General Manager and became responsible for the Hong Kong, Taiwan, and Singapore markets. Mrs. Woo was subsequently promoted to Vice President of Greater China and East Asia in 2005. As a result of USANA's strategic regional alignment in 2007, Mrs. Woo was appointed as Vice President of Greater China and North Asia. In 2008, Mrs. Woo was promoted to Executive Vice President of Asia. In February 2010, Mrs. Woo was promoted to Executive Vice President of Sales and served in this role until May 2011, when she was appointed President of Asia Pacific. Mrs. Woo entered the direct selling industry in 1990 as a Distributor Relations Manager for Amway Hong Kong. She later became Director of Sales for Caring International (Hong Kong) Limited in 1996 where she headed up multifunctional teams in operations, distributor relations, and marketing.

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**G. Douglas Hekking,** 42, Chief Financial Officer. Mr. Hekking joined USANA in 1992 and served the company in several management positions until March 1996, when he was appointed as controller. Mr. Hekking served as controller from March 1996 until February 2005 when he was appointed as Vice President of Finance until July 2007, when he transitioned to USANA's operations group and was appointed as Executive Director of Special Projects. He served in this position until May 2011, when he was promoted to Chief Financial Officer. Mr. Hekking received a B.S. in accounting from the University of Utah and an M.B.A. from Brigham Young University.

Roy W. Truett, 44, Chief Operating Officer. Mr. Truett joined USANA in April 2003 as Executive Director of Information Technology. He served in this role until July 2005, when he was appointed Vice President of Information Technology. In July 2008, Mr. Truett was appointed Chief Information Officer and served in this role until May 2011, when he was appointed as Chief Operating Officer. Prior to joining USANA, Mr. Truett was employed at Humana Inc., where he was accountable for all IT systems related to corporate sales, marketing, and telemarketing activities. Mr. Truett received a B.S. in business administration with an emphasis in information systems management from Francis Marion University in Florence, South Carolina and a M.B.A. from the University of Phoenix.

James H. Bramble, 42, Chief Legal Officer. Mr. Bramble joined USANA in March 1998 to manage the Compliance and Legal Departments. In April 2006 he was appointed Vice President and General Counsel. In July 2008, Mr. Bramble was also appointed Corporate Secretary. Prior to joining USANA, Mr. Bramble was employed with Novus Services. Mr. Bramble received a B.S. in political science with a minor in Spanish from the University of Utah in Salt Lake City, Utah. He received his J.D from the S.J. Quinney College of Law at the University of Utah.

**Dan Macuga**, 42, Chief Communications Officer. Mr. Macuga joined USANA in 2007 as Vice President of Network Development and Public Relations. In July 2008, he was appointed as Vice President of Marketing, Public Relations and Social Media and served in that role until December 2011, when he was appointed Chief Communications Officer. Prior to joining USANA, Mr. Macuga was employed at the Chrysler Corporation, where he spent 15 years working closely with independent dealership entrepreneurs to help them build their businesses, increase awareness for their products, and keep them focused on effective customer relationship management. Mr. Macuga received a B.A. in communications from the University of California, San Diego.

#### **EXECUTIVE COMPENSATION**

#### COMPENSATION DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

The following Compensation Discussion and Analysis describes the material elements of the compensation and benefit programs for our executive officers who are identified in the Summary Compensation Table ("Named Executive Officers") of this Proxy Statement.

#### Role of Compensation Committee

The executive compensation philosophy and practice of USANA has been developed through a collaborative effort of the Compensation Committee, the Company's Chief Executive Officer, and the Vice President of Human Resources. While these officers offer ideas, opinions, and proposals in Compensation Committee meetings, the Compensation Committee functions and votes independently from these officers. The Compensation Committee is responsible for all changes to the executive compensation philosophy and program. The Compensation Committee consists of three members of USANA's Board of Directors, all of whom are "independent" under the rules of the NYSE. These members are appointed to the Compensation Committee by the Board of Directors. The Compensation Committee acts under a written charter, which outlines the committee's authority and responsibilities.

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#### Role of Corporate Leadership in Assisting Compensation Committee

The Compensation Committee has the primary authority to determine the Company's compensation philosophy and to establish compensation for the Company's executives, including the Named Executive Officers (each also an "Executive" and collectively, "Executives"). It is responsible for ensuring that executive compensation decisions are thoroughly researched and implemented. All of the Company's Executives and employees participate in an annual performance review with their immediate supervisor, during which the Executive or employee receives input about his or her performance and contributions to the Company's results for the period being assessed. The Compensation Committee seeks input from the Company's Chief Executive Officer, Chief Financial Officer, and Vice President of Human Resources to identify key factors and to obtain information that is related to executive compensation. These key factors and information generally involve the individual Executive's level of responsibility, his or her years of experience, his or her current overall compensation level in relation to external market studies and internal equity analysis between executives, the impact of current compensation practices on the Company's financial statements, and the relationship between executive compensation and performance of the Company.

The Company's Vice President of Human Resources takes direction from and makes suggestions to the Chairman of the Compensation Committee in establishing the quarterly committee meeting agenda and in preparing the materials to be presented to the Compensation Committee. These materials contain minutes from prior meetings, key items to be addressed, and background information to help the Compensation Committee in its decision-making process.

#### Compensation Philosophy and Objectives

The Company's compensation philosophy, as approved by the Compensation Committee, is to establish and maintain executive compensation programs that are designed to accomplish the following objectives:

To attract and retain, through a fair and competitive compensation plan, Executives who have the intelligence, education, and experience that is required to effectively administer the affairs of the Company;

To motivate our Executives to achieve certain financial and non-financial performance objectives for the benefit of our shareholders by tying components of their total compensation to individual and Company performance; and

To ensure that compensation practices do not impair USANA's financial strength or future success.

The Compensation Committee intends to meet these objectives by utilizing and maintaining a balance among three major components of compensation: base salary, short-term incentive compensation (cash bonus), and equity compensation. The Committee believes that these three components provide the appropriate framework to attract, retain and motivate our Executives, and align a significant portion of executive compensation with short-and long-term performance objectives that drive shareholder value. As shown in the compensation tables following this report, our Executives do not currently receive retirement benefits, severance arrangements, deferred compensation opportunities, or other perquisites that are commonly provided to executives of similarly sized companies.

#### **Compensation Consultants**

During 2011, we did not engage or consult with a compensation consultant in connection with rendering decisions on Executive compensation. In the past, however, the Compensation Committee has engaged Frederic W. Cook & Co., Inc. ("FWC"), an independent executive compensation

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consulting firm, to advise and make recommendations regarding USANA's executive compensation program. During 2011, the Compensation Committee utilized the following materials, along with other resources and tools, to render compensation decisions for 2011: (i) surveys and reports of executive compensation paid by public companies, with characteristics similar to USANA, on a national basis; and (ii) surveys from Mercer, ERI, U.S. Direct Selling Association, and Western Management Group of executive compensation paid by certain of the Company's direct competitors, consisting of both public and private companies, on a local and national basis.

#### Components of Compensation

#### Base Salary

Base salary represents the fixed component of executive compensation. It is designed to compensate our Executives fairly and competitively at levels necessary to attract, retain and motivate qualified executives in our industry. Consistent with this philosophy, the Compensation Committee, on an annual basis, evaluates our Executives' base salaries. The Committee asks for input and recommendations from the CEO and Vice President of Human Resources and then considers (i) the Executive's scope of responsibilities, maturity in role, demonstrated level of performance, accomplishments and contributions to the Company; (ii) the performance of USANA, both financially and operationally; (iii) current market data and salary levels for each Executive's particular position; and (iv) the total compensation paid to each Executive. The Committee then renders a decision for each Executive's base salary based on the total mix of the foregoing information.

As part of its 2011 Executive compensation evaluation, the Compensation Committee, after reviewing the information outlined above, approved the Executives' base salaries from July 2011 through June 2012 as follows:

		2010 - 2011		2011 - 2012	
Executive	Appointed Office	Base Salary (\$)		Base Salary (\$)	
David A. Wentz	Chief Executive Officer	\$	600,000	\$	618,000
Kevin G. Guest	President of North America	\$	520,150	\$	566,500*
Deborah Woo	President of Asia Pacific	\$	442,074	\$	543,068*
G. Douglas Hekking	Chief Financial Officer	\$	186,727	\$	280,000*
Roy W. Truett	Chief Operating Officer				