

Jr. Board Meeting
August 16, 2006
Conference Room at Region Office

Board Members in attendance

1. Ed Garza
2. Jon Rye
3. Kent Parsons
4. Laura Gomez
5. Kathy Stanfield
6. Forrest Medcalf
7. Alice Klunck
8. Suzanne Motes
9. Andy Reitinger

Board Members absent: Laurie Bruscato, Judy Fox

Visitors in attendance

- Michael DiDonato
- Becky Hughes
- Maria Ortiz
- Eric Zender
- Chad Klunck
- Mike Wilhelm
- Rodney Prater
- Jim and Roseann Irwin
- Andy Gass
- Robin Barlow

Handouts

- NTR Board Meeting Agenda
- 06-07 NTR Tournament Requests
- NTR Power League Bid Form
- North Texas Region Rules of Order
- NTR Budget
- Jr. Meeting 02/06 Meeting Minutes
- NTR Due Process
- NTR Region Handbook

Meeting Called to order by Andy Reitinger at 6:18

Becky Hughes

Andy Reitinger made a Motion to give Becky Hughes Lifetime membership to the North Texas Region

Jon Rye second

Vote: All in favor

MOTION PASSED To give Becky Hughes Lifetime membership to the North Texas Region

Robin Barlow hired for the staff position of Executive Director

Minutes from meeting on Feb 26th

Forrest Medcalf made a motion to accept

Kent Parsons Second

Vote: All in favor

Rules of Order

Missing from tonight's meeting Judy Fox, Laurie Bruscato
Quorum is present
Andy Reitinger went over the rules of order

Bylaws

The region bylaws have been changed and are located on the Region Website.
There are some word changes by the attorney per Rodney. This will be posted shortly on the region website

Handbook

1. We looked over the handbook. This will be the our guide for the region
2. Fee Change
 - 45.00 will be the new region registration fee that is a change from last year.
 - It was voted on at the last junior meeting
3. Junior player playing Adult (page 6)
 - Discussed whether a junior player can or cannot play at the adult level
 - Jon Rye said that only about 3 people have raised the question in the past since he was registrar.
 - Board decided that we are ok with not allowing for this in the future
4. Officials fee has gone up so we are looking at raising the tournament fee. we will look at later tonight
5. Recollection of what is guaranteed games for a tournament.
 - 6 games are guaranteed for one day tournament.
6. Becky Hughes asked about entry fees and awards
 - Tournament directors recommended that 10% go to awards. We need to clarify this later

Director of Competition

We need to vote on someone to be the Director of Competition at the next junior meeting, as Steve Robb is no longer filling that position.

Operating Codes

Andy Reitinger said that some of the things were changed this summer and they are shown highlighted in this document.

- You have to be registered in the region to be on the board.
- We need to discuss the fact that we never have a quorum at our normal meetings
- Directors that miss 2 meetings are taken off the board. We need to discuss later

Voting

We went over the number of votes per membership.
Should we have to have everyone present to be able vote?
Forrest Medcalf asked if the director can vote using all of their club's votes.
Forrest Medcalf made a MOTION: One representative from the club can exercise all votes for their club at the junior meeting.
Jon Rye second
Discussion
VOTE

MOTION PASSED: That one representative from the club can exercise all votes for their club at the junior meeting.

Motion: Alice Klunck made a motion that a club has to be in existence with the Region for a year prior to earning a vote.

No second

Motion FAILED

Andy Reitingger said that he would like to see that Jr. Reps to the NTR Board to also be on the NTR Junior Board. Motion made by Andy Reitingger.

Motion: Junior Region Board Representatives are members of the NTR Junior Board *ad hoc*

Forrest Medcalf second

Discussion

VOTE

MOTION PASSED: Junior Region Board Representatives are members of the NTR Junior Board *ad hoc*

Operating codes

Fiscal year change to October 1st

Forrest Medcalf asked about quorum on page 6

Motion: The quorum is the majority of the Jr. Board of Directors. No director may vote by proxy

Forrest Medcalf second

VOTE

MOTION PASSED: The quorum is the majority of the Jr. Board of Directors. No director may vote by proxy

New Club Director Handbook

Page 6 will be updated by staff once decided

Page 7 will be updated by staff once decided

Suzanne Motes asked about the one mailing.

It appears that it was passed by the juniors but not passed by the Region Board

DISCUSSION

Forrest Medcalf, Suzanne Motes, Kent Parsons and Kathy Stanfield to work on suggestions for recruiting guidelines to bring to next meeting

Club Agreement

Rodney Prater is still working on this and we should see it shortly.

Club registration fee? We will discuss later tonight.

Region Budget

Rodney Prater said that he is rebuilding the system at this point since the books are messed up from past years

The Region is healthy just not sure how healthy

Due Process

The staff will make most of the sanctions. Commissioner, ED, and Directors will have the authority to do this.

You can appeal if hit with a sanction.

Vice president of eligibility is Kathy Stanfield and she will hear the appeal

This information is posted on the website also.

Power League Bid Process

Competition Committee came up with the Power League name.

- This will replace the Ranking Tournament name from this past year.

- Took dates from the dates last year
- TOT/TCS dates were used when looking at this
- 3 dates at least 3 weeks apart
- In the past they were just awarded to people, but now there is a bid process for 4 tournaments.
- Committee of 3 people that will determine who gets the tournaments. Michele Furlong will be on this committee, as will one member from the region staff and another individual to be decided. No club directors will be eligible for membership on this committee.
- Open to anyone that wants to bid on it. Resume will be helpful to decide who gets the date
- 3 dates power league and one that is a convention center date on march 24th

Question was asked about criteria.... Anyone can put in a bid

Let's add... minimum courts will be added to the sheet

Other tournaments may be run on Power League weekends, but they will not be staffed with region referees ("C" tournaments).

Tournaments

- Tournament schedule from last year was used to begin this year's schedule.
- The committee went to others interested in hosting a tournament to be able to add to this list if they want to request to run a tournament.
- If there are tournaments that we don't have refs for, they can still have a tournament but it will be a "C" level tournament
- Preference given to those that have been doing it for a while
- We will have a form used to rate the tournaments to be able to determine that everyone that has tournaments are doing a good job. Region is working on that now to make sure that good tourneys are being offered

Suggestions: A form online for people to be able to do this is a possibility or an email that gets sent out

Checking Registrations

Rodney asked about us having laptops to make sure that all participants are registered at tournament sites

Andy Reitingger asked for this to be tabled

Andy Reitingger said competition committee can look into this.

5 minutes break

Tryout procedure

- Window starts Saturday morning, and ends Wednesday at noon.
- Trying to avoid people pressuring kids into making decisions that may not be the decision that they want to make
- 2 committee groups that looked at this

There is no perfect answer

- Alice Klunck and Laura Gomez to come up with a letter of intent to email blast to everyone
- This policy must be signed before your link is live on the Region website.
- Also must have all the disclaimers on your site

We need to either pass what came from the committee or shoot it down

Jon Rye discussed options below

1. The system that was attached. Tryout window, you can make offers, but

region will not acknowledge registration until the signing date.

2. You can make an offer at any time and it is binding...there is no signing date.
3. There is a tryout start period (Saturday) you can not make an offer until the signing date.

DISCUSSION

All in favor of motion as written on the tryout procedure handed out AS

WRITTEN.

VOTE 7 in favor

MOTION PASSED: North Texas Region Tryout procedure

We are going to create a window in which players can have an opportunity to tryout for multiple clubs. The window will start with a Saturday morning and run through Wednesday at noon. Clubs can have as many tryouts as they want, this simply creates the front end of the tryouts for clubs. A club may give an offer to a player and that player may accept that offer. Instead of a complicated 48-hour rule that starts at different times based on the tryout, we created a window where a club can not take an offer off of the table. The region will however not acknowledge an offer until the signing date, so a written offer must stay on the table until the signing date (Wednesday at noon.)

18 & Under, 17 & Under and 16 & Under divisions:

The first day of physical tryouts will be no earlier than 7 days prior to the final day of competition for the UIL State Volleyball tournament in all classifications. A written offer can be made on or after that date and accepted; however the North Texas region will not acknowledge any registration until 12:00 noon the Wednesday following the first day of physical tryouts. (Dates for 2006 - 1st date of tryouts would be November 11, 2006, registration acknowledged, "Signing Date" Wednesday November 15, 2006.)

15 & Under and 14 & Under divisions:

The first day of physical tryouts will be no earlier than 14 days prior to the final day of competition for the UIL State Volleyball tournament in all classifications. A written offer can be made on or after that date and accepted; however the North Texas region will not acknowledge any registration until 12:00 noon the Wednesday following the first day of physical tryouts. (Dates for 2006 - 1st date of tryouts would be November 4, 2006, registration acknowledged, "Signing Date" Wednesday November 8, 2006.)

13 & Under and 12 & Under divisions:

The first day of physical tryouts will be no earlier than 21 days prior to the final day of competition for the UIL State Volleyball tournament in all classifications. A written offer can be made on or after that date and accepted; however the North Texas region will not acknowledge any registration until 12:00 noon the Monday following the first day of physical tryouts. (Dates for 2006 - 1st date of tryouts would be October 28, 2006, registration acknowledged, "Signing Date" Wednesday November 1, 2006.)

This procedure should be a compromise by allowing players to go to multiple tryouts within the window, along with allowing clubs to make timely selections putting their teams together. By taking away the 48-hour requirement and any waiting period for the 2nd tryout, the final selections should be done in a timely manner.

Age	Signing Date	Day of tryouts
18/17/16 & Under	07-15-06	Thu-Fri-06
15/14 & Under	01-08-08	Thu-Fri-06
13/12 & Under	11-01-06	Thu-Fri-06

Amendment from Jon Rye

Suzanne Motes seconds

MOTION: To read: A written offer can be made on or after the date and will be accepted and recognized by the Region. However, if the written offer is made, the club must leave that offer on the table until 12 noon the following Wednesday after physical tryouts.

DISCUSSION

Vote on the above motion

Vote 5-3

MOTION PASSES: A written offer can be made on or after the date and will be accepted and recognized by the Region. However, if the written offer is made, the club must leave that offer on the table until 12 noon the following Wednesday after physical tryouts.

Tournament Fees

Andy Reitingger made a motion to raise the entry fee from \$175.00 to \$200.00 for a one-day tournament, and from \$300.00 to \$350.00 for a two-day tournament.

Ed Garza seconds

Discussion

Friendly amendment from Kathy Stanfield to go to \$185.00 and \$315.00

Andy Reitingger accepts the friendly amendment

Ed Garza accepts the friendly amendment

Further Discussion

VOTE 7-1

MOTION PASSED: To raise the entry fee from \$175.00 to \$185.00 for a one-day tournament, and from \$300.00 to \$315.00 for a two-day tournament.

Annual Club Registration Fee

Andy Reitingger made a Motion that the North Texas Region charge a \$50.00 annual fee for a club registration fee.

2nd Forrest Medcalf

Discussion

VOTE

MOTION PASSED: North Texas Region will charge a \$50.00 annual fee for a club registration fee.

Regionals

Change name of open to bid tournament so that people that win Club Regionals don't believe that they get a bid. Just looking at changing the name, but let's table the name change until the next meeting.

Power League

Andy Reitingger made a motion that a team must play in 2 PL tournaments to be eligible for the bid tournament.

Suzanne Motes 2nd

Discussion

Vote 7-1

MOTION PASSED: That a team must play in 2 PL tournaments to be eligible for the bid tournament.

Coaches Contract and Player Contracts

Andy Reitingger asked if we would like to have them done by the attorney to be able to use if you want.

Not mandatory.

Let's recommend that the Region does this or not.

Poll.... 4-1 (2 undecided) for the Region to pursue it

NTR Convention

Kent Parsons, Rodney Prater and Maria Ortiz to look into having a NTR convention. To shop clubs, have vendors and do clinics during this also.

Motion from Andy Reitingger to dismiss meeting

2nd from Jon Rye

Meeting dismissed at 9:22