

NORTH TEXAS REGION-USA VOLLEYBALL

Junior Board of Directors of Director's Meeting

February 28, 2012

NTR Office, 7:00pm

- I. Welcome-Call to Order 7:00pm
- II. Introductions
- III. Call to Order by Forrest at 7:00pm
 - a. Roll Call: Board Members Present: Corinne Atchison, Whitney Sample, Julie Vordenbaum, Steve Hargrave, Eric Zender, Forrest Medcalf, Kevin Anderson, Andy Gass, Ray Manly, Rodney Lawson, Meredith Grady.
 - b. Guests: Andy Reitingger, Geoff Kiessling, Linda Harris, Robyn Barlow, Amy Nichols, Bill Tippett, Jon Rye.
 - c. Declare Quorum- A quorum was declared
 - d. Rules of Order
- IV. Minutes from September 28, 2011 Meeting: Eric motions to accept, Rodney 2nds the motion to accept. Motions passed by all.
- V. Reports from Committees
 - a. Budget: Andy Gass reports-(Eric and Julie also on committee)-HP could affect the budget this year. Club fair budget might have impact on budget. Have until July to talk through committee and meet before July (big board) to enact before club meeting.
 - b. Coaches: Eric Zender reports they would like to continue offering CAP clinics through the region and leaving them in December. Discussions about holding middle school coaches' clinics before school starts and having nearby high school coaches who have won state championships lead the clinics. Idea is to get the clinicians first, then promote to the schools and coaches. They will need a budget for this to pay for the clinicians. Forrest ask date to be set to prepare for budget and would like to have that meeting held before the July meeting. Other items discussed: Can you vote via email? Yes, special meeting. Eric asked about having our region make IMPACT certification a 4 year term instead of lifetime. Robyn replied back with "Region can require Impact to be retested, but not CAP-that's through USAV." Forrest inquired about coaches clinics other than middle school initiative. Rodney asked about having more college coaches' clinics again for next year? Forrest and Eric replied back about the issues they had this past year: Communication issues, forgetting to follow through, not highly attended. Julie asked about how to possibly tie the SEAL program in with coaching accreditation. Possibly showing how many are IMPACT and CAP certified, maybe a percentage instead of number.
 - c. Competition: Steve Hargrave reports having 11 items submitted at the meeting, but only one item came out with a motion.

- i. Item F: Steve shared survey report from a 1 ½ year ago that showed most people wanted to change the rule, but the committee voted it down (5-1).
- ii. Item G: Motion did come forward to eliminate requirement for tournaments to complete evaluation forms. Motion passes to “Eliminate section V.J.2 from the Handbook.
- iii. Agenda items can be submitted online via portal (2 weeks prior to Sept meeting). Also will try to meet between now and then.

VI. Unfinished Business: Discussion made about how committees are formed and who can be on them. Anyone can ask to be on a committee, and the chairman has to get approval from Forrest before allowing that person on the committee. Forrest also reminded that we must keep in balance by having half the members elected.

VII. New Business

- a. HP: pressure from USAV and being urged to start the NTR HP. Robyn reported having about a dozen applicants interested in being director. The previous budget for this program used to be about \$5000/team. Last year they talked and looking closer to about \$6000/team. Looking to need about 1-3 teams to field and having 12 kids/team. College coaches and staff are needed to Head Coach these teams at the tournament, camps, and tryouts. Only club personnel were those who volunteered to help at tryouts and camps. Currently, our kids are playing on USAV Continental teams (because our region does not offer HP) and possibly paying higher prices. A motion is needed to get this process started. Andy says we just need a recommendation to the Region board to have a High Performance program. Motion by Kevin Anderson to start a high performance program to the 2012 season. Eric 2nds the motion. The expenditure is mandated by the Region board, the Junior Board would run it. The Junior Board would make a HP Committee that would also need to include a budget for this program. Motion passes 5-3 to send recommendation. Big board meets on Monday and will decide to do or not. Committee: Corinne, Meredith, Kevin asked to be on the committee for this.
- b. Club Fair-Forrest asks about forming a committee to go over these agenda items (Club Fair, Club Seal, and Tryouts) before any motions be made. Julie, Meredith, Ray, Rodney, Kevin to serve on this committee.
- c. Club Seal: See Item “b” above.
- d. Tryouts: See Item “b” above.
- e. Boys: There is a need to promote boys volleyball, but the logistics are still being discussed. Ideas to try: Running the boys’ season during the May-August timeline to not interfere with the girls’ season. If we try to do girls and boys at same time, we run into conflicts with coaches/facilities/etc. The thought is to maybe focus on younger ages (12-14’s) to begin with. For tournaments, we could play without refs, set up play days with other teams, no travel. Maybe by keeping at a lower cost, more boys would open to try. Approx \$300/kid maybe?
- f. Libero serve rule: Jon Rye brought in something to try and motion (he can’t vote). Jon motions for “A tournament to have the option to allow the designated libero(s) to be

permitted to serve in 1 rotation with exception to ranking and regional championship events." Steve 2nd the motion. Andy thinks it will come nationally soon-they are getting the pressure to do it. More regions are doing it. Goals of kids are to play high school/college and not internationally. This would NOT be for this year, it would be next year. Motion passes with 7-3 vote. Goes to big board on Monday.

- g. Additional Signing Day Proposal: Motion brought forth by Steve Hargrave. Andy Gass 2nd the motion. "On the 3rd Saturday of September, all registered NTR junior players will have the opportunity to elect to play with the club they were registered with the previous season. This window of club acceptance will be open from 10:00am to 2:00pm on that Saturday. All players who are signed on this date will be published on the region website." Motion defeated 1-7.
 - h. Date for next meeting set: May 8th (Tuesday) at 7pm at the NTR Office.
- VIII. Adjourn: Steve motions to adjourn. Eric 2nds the motion. Meeting adjourned at 8:05pm.