

# NORTH TEXAS REGION - USA VOLLEYBALL

## Junior Board of Directors Meeting

August 28th, 2016

**ELECTRONIC APPROVAL 9-6-2016**

### I. Call to Order

Steve Hargrave called to order the regular meeting of the North Texas Region Junior Board of Directors on August 28<sup>th</sup>, 2016 at The North Texas Region office, 1004 N Avenue Suite 120, Plano, TX 75074 at 3:35pm.

### II. Roll Call

Steve Hargrave conducted a roll call. The following persons were present: Eric Zender, Karen Wright, Tonia Price, Geoff Kiessling, Jon Rye, Jason Sears, Joe Jablonski, and Kevin Anderson

Also in attendance: Richard Ryder, Ray Manly, Andy Reitingger, Donise King, Linda Harris, Greg Kruger, and Brad Lawson

### III. Quorum declared based on roll call

### IV. Rules of Order - Roberts Rules of Order

### V. Approval of minutes from last regular meeting and special session

Summary: Steve Hargrave reminds the board members that the special session and regular meeting minutes were sent to the board via electronic motion for review and approval. Jon Rye confirms that the email was sent the 15<sup>th</sup> of August 2016.

**Steve Hargrave Motion - Motion to approve the minutes via electronic motion.  
MOTION PASSES August 15<sup>th</sup>, 2016**

### VI. Additions to the Agenda

- A. Ability to stream or record and replay on-line junior board meetings
- B. Jon Rye – Junior Board Approval for handbook changes
- C. Joe Jablonski – Ability to move Inter-club pool conflicts
- D. Steve Hargrave – Power pool implementation into bid events

### VII. Approve the Agenda

**Kevin Anderson Motion - motion to approve the agenda, Eric Zender seconds.  
MOTION PASSES UNANIMOUSLY**

### VIII. Board of Director Positions and Officers

- A. Approve Appointed Board of Director Positions
  - 1. Richard Ryder, Ray Manly, Lee Wisner\* and Brad Lawson all appointed to the Junior Board via unanimous vote. (\* Lee Wisner not in attendance)
- B. Appointment of New Officers
  - 1. VP of Coaches Education – Kevin Anderson
  - 2. VP of Competition Committee – Ray Manly
  - 3. VP of Budget and Finance – Eric Zender
  - 4. Secretary – Brad Lawson

## IX. Reports

### A. Report from Staff

Summary: No New Reports, Recommendation from board to staff to have membership data for the General Assembly meeting.

### B. Report from Officials

Summary: Grant money is being used for new/incoming officials to get up and running, Complaints from clinicians regarding facilities being under-prepared or over booked – referred to Executive Director. Issues from previous seasons regarding R2 and Scorekeeper verification on rosters – added to agenda for competition committee to select deadline date for certification.

### C. Report from VP of Budget and Finance

Summary: No sitting VP of Budget and Finance – No report available.

### D. Report from VP of Coaches Education

Summary: Discussion ongoing with Gold Medal Squared and Art of Coaching to offer clinic(s) to NTR region coaches.

### E. Report from VP of Competition

1. **Motion 1 - The level of play for boy's teams in girl's events is at the discretion of the Executive Director or Junior Coordinator.**

Summary: This motion is to specifically address 14 and under boy's teams that are more concerned with wins than competition.

**MOTION PASSES UNANIMOUSLY**

2. **Motion 2 - Any team that is paid and not DROPPED in the tournament registration system prior to the day of the event who does not show for the event will incur the Late Drop Fee and an additional \$200.00 for the first infraction. Fines will increase by an additional \$100.00 for each infraction thereafter.**

Summary: Motion intent was to add a level of fines for teams/clubs that flat out no-show.

**MOTION PASSES UNANIMOUSLY (JON RYE ABSTAIN)**

3. **Motion 3 - A one-time transfer of a player between clubs shall be permitted provided that the player has met their financial obligation to the satisfaction of the original club director and both club directors have provided written permission to the Executive Director.**

Summary: This motion applies for local events only. Rule would not prohibit a player from playing in a regional bid event as written. Intent of motion is to allow a player to transfer once it is determined that it is not a good fit for player or club.

**MOTION PASSES (ERIC ZENDER, AND KEVIN ANDERSON ABSTAIN)**

**4. Motion 4 - Any player may transfer to a different club after the NTR Bid Championship provided the player has met their financial obligation to the satisfaction of the original club director and their current team's season has concluded. Any such player is ineligible to play in any USAV National Championship Bid Division.**

Summary: The intent of the motion is to allow players to continue to play once their current team's season is complete. This rule allows a transfer to occur without consent from previous club/team. Executive Director has discretion to determine when a team's season has concluded.

**MOTION PASSES (ERIC ZENDER ABSTAIN)**

**5. Motion 5 - The 18's Regional Bid Tournament date will be chosen annually with a recommendation from the competition committee.**

Summary: The intent of this motion is to help avoid conflicts on the schedule and offer flexibility in choosing dates.

**MOTION PASSES UNANIMOUSLY (GEOFF KIESSLING ABSTAIN)**

**6. Motion 6 - To schedule the 18's Regional Bid Tournament for March 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> of 2017.**

Summary: This date falls after the 18's Lone Star Qualifier and before the Tour of Texas finals, this represented the most open dates for the aforementioned event.

**MOTION PASSES UNANIMOUSLY**

**7. VStar Clarification and Updates**

Summary: This mainly pertains to 11's and 12's divisions and also dropping the pre-season ranking score after the MLK event.

## **X. Old Business**

A. Approval of the NTR Junior Handbook (moved to end of Agenda)

B. May Meeting and Considerations

1. Keeping the New General Assembly Date or Maintain the Status Quo

Summary: General consensus from board is to keep new date

2. Discussion regarding setting the date of the General Assembly.

Summary: Saturday, May 13<sup>th</sup>

**Steve Hargrave Motion - to set the date of aforementioned meeting.**

**Jon Rye seconds.**

**MOTION PASSES UNANIMOUSLY**

3. Date of Two Annual Junior Board Meeting  
**Jon Rye Motion - to make date of the first (1<sup>st</sup>) of two (2) annual Junior Board of Directors meetings be held within seven (7) days before or after the first (1<sup>st</sup>) Sunday in May. Brad Lawson seconds. MOTION PASSES UNANIMOUSLY**  
**Jon Rye Motion - to make date of the second (2<sup>nd</sup>) of two (2) annual Junior Board of Directors meetings be held within seven (7) days before or after the second (2<sup>nd</sup>) Sunday in September. Brad Lawson seconds. MOTION PASSES UNANIMOUSLY**
  4. Shortened Appointed and Elected Durations  
Summary: Board members elected to the two-year seats will come up for re-election in August two years from date of meeting. However, those elected to the one-year seats or those appointed to board, their terms will come up for re-election or appointment in May of 2017. Those that were previously elected will serve their full amount of term.
- C. Region Handling Payment of Officials for Tournaments  
Summary: The recommendation is to explore this item further with tournament directors during the Tournament Directors meeting.
  - D. Tournament Directors and Site Directors Training  
Summary: Looking at adding a Tournament Director Meeting. Also look at making sure the backside of bid event gold brackets are uniform in their flow.
  - E. Boys Teams in Club Divisions of Bid Events  
Summary: Rationale of rule is to prevent a boy's teams from eliminating girl's teams from bid competition.  
**Jon Rye Motion - 14 and under and younger boy's teams cannot play in club divisions of regional bid events. Joe Jablonski seconds. MOTION PASSES UNANIMOUSLY (KEVIN ANDERSON ABSTAIN)**

## XI. **New Business**

- A. Annual Tournament Directors Meeting  
Summary: Covered in old business.
- B. Electronic Voting  
Summary: Consensus from board is to continue with electronic voting procedure. Issue is sent to committee (Geoff Kiessling is lead, Jon Rye and Steve Hargrave ad hoc) to work with staff on any and all measure to make sure that information regarding electronic voting is sent out and accessible to all voting members and explore all avenues for streamlining the process.

- C. Committee to Explore Membership Initiatives  
Summary: Committee formed (Brad Lawson is lead, 50% Junior Board members will make up half and the other 50% coming from non-board members)
- D. Issues Surrounding the Region Board Motion XI from the July Meeting  
Summary: Covered in old business

## XII. Additional Agenda Items

- A. Ability to stream or record and replay on-line junior board meetings  
Summary: Steve Hargrave will review options
- B. Joe Jablonski – Ability to move Inter-club pool conflicts  
Summary: Sent back to the competition committee for final review with the added provision of applying this to bid events only.
- C. Steve Hargrave – Power pool implementation into bid events  
Summary: Board discussion regarding the new power pool format would make for a better experience in the long run for all team.  
**Jon Rye Motion - Give the regional bid event tournament directors the option to use the power pool format on a one-year provisional basis except for the first bid event of the year. Brad Lawson seconds.**  
**MOTION PASSES UNANIMOUSLY**
- D. Jon Rye – Junior Board Approval for handbook changes  
Summary: The intent for Junior Board approval is to ensure that what is included in the Junior Handbook reflects the original intent of the motions passed by the board.  
**Jon Rye Motion - Junior Board shall approve all revisions to the junior participation competition handbook. Geoff Kiessling seconds.**  
**MOTION PASSES UNANIMOUSLY**
- E. Approval of the NTR Junior Handbook  
Summary: The newest revision of the handbook better reflects the motions that have been passed over the years. The previous copy(s) of the handbook did not do an adequate job of organizing the information in a presentable manner to all members. Final approval of the handbook will be voted on by electronic measure within this upcoming business week.  
**Steve Hargrave Motion - Motion to approve the NTR Junior Handbook via electronic motion.**  
**MOTION PASSES September 1<sup>st</sup>, 2016**

## XIII. Adjourn

- Brad Lawson Motion - Motion to Adjourn at 6:05pm. Eric Zender seconds.**  
**MOTION PASSES UNANIMOUSLY.**