

NORTH TEXAS REGION – USA VOLLEYBALL

Junior Board of Directors Meeting

May 13th, 2017

I. Call to Order

Steve Hargrave called to order the regular meeting of the North Texas Region Junior Board of Directors on May 13th, 2017 at The North Texas Region office, 1004 N Avenue Suite 120, Plano, TX 75074 at 5:35pm.

II. Roll Call

Steve Hargrave conducted a roll call. The following persons were present: Geoff Kiessling, Richard Ryder, Dylan Cheng, Joe Jablonski, Jon Rye, Brad Lawson, Sherri Hausner, Tonia Price, Karen Wright, and Kevin Anderson

Board members not in attendance: Ray Manly, and Lee Wisner.

Also in attendance: Andy Reitingner, Greg Kruger, Linda Harris, Krista Gibson, Lance Black, Nathan Quilon, and Donise King.

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 send to the board via electronic motion for review and approval, email was sent the 5th of September 2016. **Brad Lawson Motion – motion to approve the minutes via electronic motion. Joe Jablonski seconds. MOTION PASSES September 5th, 2016**

VI. Additions to the Agenda

- A. Should proxies for the club directors meeting be from that club
- B. Seedings from the same pool
- C. Clarification of the written offer

VII. Approve the Agenda

Joe Rye Motion – motion to approve the agenda, Joe Jablonski seconds. MOTION PASSES UNANIMOUSLY

VIII. Board of Director Positions and Officers

- A. Approve Appointed Board of Director Positions
 - 1. Lee Wisner* – **no motion to approve at this time. (*Lee Wisner not in attendance)**
 - 2. Richard Ryder – **Kevin Anderson motion to approve, Brad Lawson second. MOTION PASSES UNANIMOUSLY**
 - 3. Dylan Cheng – **Geoff Kiessling to approve, Sherri Hausner second. MOTION PASSES UNANIMOUSLY**
 - 4. Ray Manley – **no motion to approve at this time.**
- B. Appointment of New Officers
 - 1. VP of Coaches Education – Kevin Anderson
 - 2. VP of Competition Committee – Jon Rye
 - 3. VP of Budget and Finance – Sherri Hausner
 - 4. Secretary – Brad Lawson

IX. Reports

- A. **Report from Staff**

Summary: No new reports following the discussion at Club Directors meeting.
- B. **Report from Officials**

Summary: No new reports following the discussion at Club Directors meeting.
- C. **Report from VP of Budget and Finance**

Summary: No sitting VP of Budget and Finance – No report available. Discussion regarding preparing the new VP and gather information for the budget for the next July North Texas Board of Directors meeting and added discussion from Donise King that all budget items are on track for the next fiscal year.
- D. **Report from VP of Coaches Education**

Summary: Continued discussion with making the budgeted \$20,000, Gold Medal Squared and Art of Coaching coaches' clinics a line item for the next budget. Item has been sent back to committee to review the numbers and check money allocation for July's budget meeting.
- E. **Report from Membership Committee on Growth**

Summary: The key recommendations are outlined in the report. Also, the committee would like to seek to make this committee permanent and expand its members to include members from Sequor Youth Development Initiative at Texas A&M, Tonia Price, and Karen Wright. There was additional discussion about adding an unaffiliated division at NTR run events for players that are not currently playing with a club. Jon Rye also added discussion that he will bring to the Region Board, about creating a \$40,000 budget for radio advertisements for 14 weeks, 42 air times per week and also creating a website for NTR dedicated solely to trying to attract new members.

X. Old Business

A. Review of special election dates concerning current terms

Summary: When the General Assembly and elections were moved to May and if all elections had been moved to May that would have shorten certain seats which is not allowed by our current bylaws. Therefore, there we will have a special election in September which will be the last of the special elections and those elected will be elected to shortened terms. After that all elections will be held in May.

B. Review of the Electronic Voting method

Summary: General consensus is to keep the electronic method and work to make the system more efficient. Also, create an annual "Sign-up To Vote" and the number of individuals that register within that system from year to year will be used to determine a quorum.

C. Review of the Power Pool Format and its legitimacy for Bid Events

Summary: Concerns that the format can be viewed as elitist and that participants were not informed in a timely manner for its use. The format was also viewed as accomplishing its mission and reducing the disparity in point differential. Additional discussion regarding the format in its final form must be approved and voted on for future use. It is suggested that it will be sent to competition committee for review and then sent to board for final approval. **Jon Rye motion: Motion to approve the power pool format as a permanent option for second, third, and fourth bid events with the one exception being the first bid event of the season. Geoff Kiessling seconds. MOTION PASSES 8-2, 1 abstention Sherri Hausner.**

D. Review qualification for Bid Regionals through McChesney

Summary: Purpose is to limit the number of teams in attendance at the NTR Bid event so that through the qualification process it limits the number of matches needed in order to qualify. **Kevin Anderson motion: Motion that finishing in the top 4 at the NTR McChesney Tournament DOES NOT qualify you for NTR Bid Regionals. Sherri Hausner seconds. MOTION PASSES 8-2.**

XI. New Business

A. Discussions Derived from the General Assembly Meeting

1. Same Pool Conflicts – no action. (Joe Jablonski notes he's over it.)

B. Clarification of what constitutes a written offer

Summary: Anything that is in writing (e.g. text, email, written club offer) will have to be reviewed by the Executive Director to determine if such an offer exists. Discussion about creating a list of consequences for both clubs and players to entered into the handbook.

C. Motions from the Competition Committee – See Attached

1. Add language to the handbook that requires all members of a referee team to be Registered, Background Checked, and SafeSport Certified. **MOTION PASSES UNANIMOUSLY.**

2. Remove the Deposit requirement due at the time of sanctioning for one-day Sunday events. **MOTION PASSES UNANIMOUSLY.**

3. If the region should get into a situation where there are not enough referees to cover all of the competition courts for one weekend, the region will guarantee a certain number of courts per event but may not be able to guarantee more than that should more be required. Language for the handbook pending. **MOTION PASSES UNANIMOUSLY.**

4. Region Bid Events that use the Power Pool format should make that intent known at the time of sanctioning. The Power Pool format will be further defined in the handbook and the tie-breaking procedure will be further defined for Power Pool formats. **MOTION PASSES 10-0. 1 abstention Brad Lawson.**

5. The handbook shall include a section clarifying the responsibilities of the clubs concerning game day rosters and other pre-tournament requirements. A checklist and 'how-to' presentation will be added as resources to the region website. **MOTION PASSES UNANIMOUSLY.**

6. The Region Bid Events will be awarded on a 4-year basis. Each year, 1 event will be up for bid. Should any Bid Event fail to meet the minimum requirements, change its directors/coordinators, or its host club/director be sanctioned, that event may be placed up for bid prior to its scheduled date. **MOTION PASSES 7-0. 2 abstentions Jon Rye and Richard Ryder.**

7. The NTR Jr Board should support/request a line item budget addition to collect and send results to the new USAV results collection system. **MOTION PASSES UNANIMOUSLY.**

D. **Should proxies be members to that specific club.**

Summary: Purpose of having a proxy was to make sure the information got back to the club so that the club is aware of current issues and procedures.

Sherri Hausner Motion - Motion to add language to the NTR Handbook that proxies must be an adult registered USAV member, background checked, Safesport certified, and in good standing with the region and a member of that club. Geoff Kiessler seconds. MOTION PASSES UNANIMOUSLY.

E. **Region Document Adjustments**

1. Adjusting for Motions that Pass
2. Jr Op Codes

Summary: Remind for Steve Hargrave that board members have the responsibility to also review any items that subject to review and motions that are passed or tabled.

XII. Additional Agenda Items

- A. **Brad Lawson Motion - Motion to Approve Ran Manly's appointment to the junior board. Geoff Kiessling seconds. No vote. Joe Jablonski Motion table previous motion, Sherri Hausner seconds. MOTION PASSES UNANIMOUSLY.**
- B. **Geoff Kiessling discussion to increase length of appointments and elected positions.**

XIII. Adjourn

Kevin Anderson Motion - Motion to Adjourn at 7:05pm. Brad Lawson seconds. MOTION PASSES UNANIMOUSLY.