

NORTH TEXAS REGION – USA VOLLEYBALL

Junior Board of Directors Meeting

September 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 7:00pm.

II. Roll Call

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

Also in attendance: Andy Reitingger, Stevie Mussie, Linda Hampton, Krista McCormick, Phil Anderson, Rusty Koontz, Skip Freeman, Jacob Hanan 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 sent to the board via electronic motion for review and approval, email was sent the 26th of May. **Brad Lawson Motion – motion to approve the minutes via electronic motion. Tonia Price seconds. MOTION PASSES May 26th, 2017**

VI. Additions to the Agenda

A. Item G Under New Business - High Performance Program

VII. Approve the Agenda

Joe Jablonski Motion – motion to approve the agenda, John Vasquez 2nd. MOTION PASSES UNANIMOUSLY

VIII. Junior Board of Director Positions

A. Election Results

1. John Vasquez
2. Jon Rye
3. Kevin Anderson
4. Joe Jablonski

B. Appointed Board of Director Positions

1. Jacob Hanan – Approved via board motion and vote
2. Skip Freeman – No motion to approve

IX. Reports

A. Report from Staff – No official report

Summary: Donise King reports that over 300 members have registered or re-registered. 102 members have self-selected a club in error. Having enough club directors open electronic ballots continues to be an ongoing issue.

B. Report from VP of Budget and Finance

Summary: Sherri Hausner reports that for the 2017-2018 budget we have a reported income of \$898,850.00 and expenses of \$520,135.00 projected.

C. Report from VP of Coaches Education

Summary: Kevin Anderson reports that we have coaches that have been signing up and using the 150 available (3 batches of 50) GM2 coaching toolbox and a we are now in our 2nd batch of toolboxes to hand out. Region has also offered a CAP I and CAP II clinic scheduled for December 8th which are filling. There is interest in also offering BCAP.

D. Report from Competition Committee – Action items under new business

1. Power Pool format/Tie-breaking procedure
See New Business
2. Disclaimer regarding the filling of officials for tournaments
See New Business
3. Handbook – clarifying the responsibilities of clubs during game day
No Action – Note that the Competition Committee supports NTR staff creating and maintaining the checklist
4. Mandating use of the NTR Offer and Acceptance form
See New Business
5. Encouraging bottom 4 teams in Open level to play in the Club division
No Action
6. 11's Team playing in U11 division at one of the required bid events
See New Business
7. Date for 18's Regionals bid event
No Action – Note that the Competition Committee supports the current date for the 18's Bid Regionals
8. Evaluate the Tournament Sanctioning process
See New Business
9. Limit the number of tournament sanctions requested by a club
No Action

10. Not requiring teams to continue playing if they fail to advance at Bid Regionals

No Action

11. Are "If Matches" required in the Silver Brackets

See New Business

E. Report from Membership Committee on Growth – No official report

Summary: Brad Lawson refers members back to the key recommendations are outlined in the previous report. Recommendation by Brad Lawson to add board members Tonia Price, and Karen Wright to the Committee on Growth. Jon Rye also added discussion that the committee that he chairs will bring a report back after the Region Board meets to discuss the allocation of monies to the junior division.

X. Old Business

A. Appointments of board members to the junior board tabled at the last board meeting

1. Lee Wisner – No Action – matter closed

2. Ray Manly – No Action – matter closed

B. Discussion to increase the duration of terms for elected and appointed positions

Suggestion to send a survey to the club directors to gather their opinions regarding having 1, 2, 3, or 4-year term durations for elected and appointed positions. No further action, will be taken up again in Old Business at the next Junior Board Meeting.

XI. New Business

A. Motions from the Competition Committee

1. Power Pool format/Tie-breaking procedure

a) Motion: The Power Pool format allows for the top group of teams in each Open (top) division to play in a Power Pool. All teams in this pool advance to the top bracket and are seeded in that bracket based on Power Pool finish. The Power Pools are 2 pools of 4. This format is allowed if the field is 24 teams or greater.

Motion Passes Unanimously

b) Motion: Tie-Breaker Procedures for Power Pool tournaments: There will be No Playoffs in Power Pools. Regular Pools will play-off for both 1st and 2nd places.

Motion Passes Unanimously

c) Additional Motion: Steve Hargrave motion Dylan Cheng 2nd – Tie breaks for two teams in a regular pool of a Power Pool bid event, in which there are two way ties for first or second place in which the two teams split in pool play will be played off.

Motion Passes Unanimously

2. Disclaimer that the region is **not required** to fill officials for tournaments

a) Motion: The region should have a disclaimer that the region is **not required** to fill officials for tournaments

Motion Fails 3-8

b) New motion: John Vasquez motion, Tonia Price 2nd – Allocation of Officials from the NTR Junior Handbook: Allocation of officials will be the responsibility of the NTR Staff. Staff will communicate with the Officials Coordinator to ensure that all sanctioned tournaments have qualified officials. The region staff will have the authority to restrict the number of courts allowed on any particular weekend based on the estimated availability of officials. This restriction will be in place at the tournament sanction deadline. In the event that staff foresees a potential for a shortage of officials on a given weekend at the time of tournament sanction deadline, then all tournaments on that weekend will be allotted a number of officials consistent with the historical attendance of those events. If additional officials become available and those events request more officials, then the NTR staff may allocate available officials to the event that is the largest at that point. The region will be expected to provide officials for all courts even if officials are required from outside of the region. Travel expenses will be the responsibility of the tournaments.

Motion passes unanimously

3. The NTR Offer & Acceptance Form is requirements

a) The NTR Offer & Acceptance Form is required for clubs to use in order to handle team affiliation disputes.

Motion passes 9-1, 1 abstention Joe Jablonski

b) Additional Motion: Jon Rye Motion, 2nd Jacob Hanan – clubs are to keep on file the offer and acceptance in their possession and failure to produce the form is not a sanction-able offense.

10 for 1 against motion passes

4. Motion: U11 teams must play in a U11's division at one of the required bid events in order to be eligible for 11's Bid Regionals division.

Motion passes unanimously

5. Motion: Waive pre-sanction fee for boys only tournaments, either 1 or 2 days, officiated or non-officiated, and this ruling to expire and be reviewed in May 2018.

Motion passes unanimously

6. Motion: The bye match ruling only pertains to the gold bracket. Everyone outside the gold bracket are guaranteed 2 matches.

Motion passes unanimously

- B.** Discussion of scheduling for the bid events – **no action**
- C.** Discussion concerning the tryout season and signing day – **no action**
- D.** Discussion concerning written offers – **no action**
- E.** Set date for the 2018 mandatory club directors meeting and Junior Board meeting
 - 1. John Vasquez motion, Brad Lawson 2nd – Motion to set the date for the next Junior Board meeting to be the 19th of May 2018.
- F.** Additional items from the floor
 - 1. Summary: NTR Staff will take on the task of creating the pre-tournament checklist
 - 2. High performance program – Joe Jablonski Motion, Jacob Hanan 2nd – Motion to suspend the high-performance program.
Motion Passes Unanimously

- XII.** Adjourn
 - Motion to adjourn – Brad Lawson motion, Jon Rye 2nd – motion to Adjourn at 10:15pm
MOTION PASSES UNANIMOUSLY.