

**Minutes from the Southern**  
**August 5, 2018**

**In attendance: Ken Cain, Colleen Craig, Michael Eberhart, Carmen Foster, Suzanne Garland, Bernie Goldfine, Duane Hill, Duane Holben, Kim Kenyon, Steve Kenyon, Jim Kirkpatrick, Apple Kridakorn, Craig LaFontaine, Jim Lawson, Anthony Marshall, Kevin McClure, Brenda McIntosh, Rose Powell, Michelle Prater, Lacy Shannon, Jessica Turnbull, Courtney Wade, Keith Weller**

**Guests:** Kurt Jacobus, Mark Prater, Rafael Silva

The meeting was called to order

**Minutes**

**Motion #1 was made, seconded and passed – We approve the 8/12/17 minutes.**

**Unfinished Business**

There was no unfinished business.

**Commissioner's Report**

Working with our accountants, Steve will probably change our accounting system so that we can know on a day to day basis where we stand financially.

Steve and Brenda are both on all accounts now (Wells Fargo and Embassy National).

**MOTION #2 was made, seconded and passed: The Board approved 2 people signing an SRVA credit card application for Steve and Brenda tied to our Wells Fargo account.**

Steve discussed one-time expenses associated with the commissioner transition.

The website has been upgraded and many changes have been made.

Steve, Kim, Keith and Brenda have cleaned out the 3 storage units in Atlanta after Ken brought the contents of his Birmingham unit over, and we will be able to cancel one of them. The Board was asked to think of ways of redistributing some of the current contents equitably, including the many volleyballs.

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SRVA has signed contracts for the GWCC for the next 3 years to host our Junior Regional Championships. They will all be in Hall B. Ken has signed a contract with our housing people that runs through 2019, and they are working on a room block for the 2019 Championships.

USAV has decided to make their online impact clinic free to members.

**Financial Report**

Ken prepared a financial report covering the 2017-18 fiscal year.

The accountants are working on our books to present an accurate picture of where we are.

**Motion #3 was made, seconded and passed: The budget was accepted as presented**

**Motion #4 was made, seconded and passed: Move the \$6000 from line 6030 (impact clinics) to line 6050 (miscellaneous).**

**Motion #5 was made, seconded and passed: The SRVA Board gives the officers of the Board the authority to determine payments of stipends, not to exceed the approved budget line item amount of the annual budget and inform the Board when such payments are made.**

**New Business**

Handbook:

We went through the Handbook changes page by page.

Jim suggested we put contact information for Board members on the website, and Steve said he could make their email addresses a hyper-link.

We interrupted the Handbook discussion to deal with the Tryout Policy because some members were going to have to leave the meeting early. Jim presented the work of the committee he headed to propose changes.

**Motion #6 was made, seconded and failed: We eliminate the 10 day window for tryouts with the commitment date no earlier than the day after each state's high school volleyball championship.**

**Motion #7 was made, seconded and passed: We change the 10 day tryout window to a 5 day window making commitment day the 6<sup>th</sup> day.**

**Motion #8 was made, seconded and passed: All clubs will also be required to acknowledge the SRVA rules/policies as defined in this Handbook and certify that the SRVA Tryout/Commitment policies were followed as a part of recruiting/forming the teams being registered BEFORE any team registration can be processed further. Violations of the Tryout/Commitment policies may subject the club and possibly any players involved in the violation to suspension from SRVA along with a non-refundable revocation of all team (possibly club) fees submitted.**

**Motion #9 was made, seconded and passed: In Section II. C. first paragraph in Junior Tryout Policy, second to last line, remove “or player” to read “a greater financial commitment”.**

**Motion #10 was made, seconded and passed: In Sections II. C. second to last paragraph under Junior Tryout Policy, at the end of the last sentence, add the words “unless rejected by the player/parent”.**

**Motion #11 was made, seconded and passed: If a team is in the top 5% of their age bracket as of 3/1 they will not be allowed to play in the Club Division at the SRVA Jr. Regional Championships.**

Eric presented the new wording for our Sexual Harassment Policy in the Handbook.

**Motion #12 was made, seconded and passed: We approve the edits to the SRVA Indoor Handbook for 2018/2019.**

**Motion #13 was made, seconded and passed: No later than Nov 15th a notification of upcoming election and a solicitation of candidates will be posted on the region website and distributed via social media. All interested parties including current board members whose term is expiring must submit written notice of their intent to run for a new three year term to begin the following July 1st, This written notification must be submitted to the region secretary or commissioner no later than December 15th, An election will be held in conjunction with the January board meeting to determine which individuals will fill the available spaces on the board. The successful candidates will be elected/re-elected by a simple majority of the board members present at the meeting. Neither proxy nor remote voting methods will be accepted. The number of available spaces will be equivalent to 1/3 of the maximum size of the board as defined in the region bylaws. By way of example, if the size of the Board is 27, the number of available spaces at the Jan election would be 9. If there are more individuals running than available spaces, the individuals with the highest\_**

**number of votes above a simple majority will prevail. In the case of a tie where there is only one space available, a runoff vote will be held and the individual garnering the most votes will fill the vacancy.**

Steve discussed using Stay to Save for Junior Regionals. After much discussion it was decided to table this option for one more year. We will try to get more room usage information from teams in 2019.

**Motion #14 was made, seconded and passed: We will use either the weekend of 5/18-19/2019 or 5/11-12/2019 for the SRVA Beach Regional Championship at Rally Sports Beach facility.**

**Motion #15 was made, seconded and passed: 3/24/2019 will be the date for our adult regionals and Bernie will secure a facility.**

Steve announced that the 2019 SRVA Jr. Regional Indoor Championships will be 4/27-28 at the GWCC.

Steve explained that we did not go to Webpoint for registration this year because USAV is going to change systems for the 2019-2020 season and asking our members to learn 2 new systems in 2 years was not something we should do. He also said that our Region would be part of the beta testing for the new system.

**Motion #16 was made, seconded and passed: The SRVA Junior Tournament Assistant is now a recognized position and will be appointed by the Commissioner with input from the Junior Chairman.**

**Motion #17 was made, seconded and passed: The SRVA Adult Volleyball Coordinator is now a recognized position and will be appointed by the Commissioner.**

**Motion #18 was made, seconded and passed: The SRVA Administrative Assistant is now a recognized position and will be appointed by the Commissioner.**

Steve wants to move forward with an indoor HP program and has a long-term goal that by 2020 SRVA will have 5 teams participating in HP.

Suzanne attended an HP event in April that makes SRVA an accredited outdoor HP region. This gives us the ability to have a tryout to send representatives to the U-19 tryouts in December.

Sport Wrench has made a proposal to handle regionals and registration for SRVA for 2019.

Colleen would like to see a strategic planning committee formed for the January meeting.

The money in our Wells Fargo savings account is too high to be FDIC insured so Steve would like to take money out to buy 4 CD's of a one year duration spaced 3 months apart.

**Motion #19 was made, seconded and passed: The Board approves four \$50,000 CD's over the course of a year be purchased.**

An RFP will be sent to those interested in hosting the 2019 18's Bid Tournament.

Keith will look for dates for the Junior Club Director's meeting.

**Reports were presented.**

The next meeting will be in Chattanooga on Sunday, 1/6/19.

**Motion #20 was made, seconded and passed: The meeting was adjourned.**