

## WEVA BOD Meeting Agenda / Minutes

Date: Monday May 11, 2015

Location: TF Brown's, Batavia, NY

Time: 6:00 PM



Present: J. Hughes, R. Lucci, C. D'Errico, J. Schneider, R. Majeski, F. Chase, L. Schlegel

Excused: J. Crangle, J. Newland, W. Page

Called To Order: 6:03pm

### Points of Information:

- Fred Chase opened meeting in place of R. Lucci (R. Lucci arrived at 6:17pm)
- WEVA Girl's Bid Winners – Congrats to all! Update website with story about this event.
- Regional Championship History pages need to be updated on website

Meeting Minutes from March 2015 Meeting: Approved on March 23 (8/0/1)

### Registrars Report (J. Hughes):

- Marginal increase for this year, last year was a huge jump
- Report submitted will reflect close to year –end numbers
  - Limited number of registrations are coming in now due to the season ending

### Financial Report (W. Page):

- Minor adjustments to the report will be made in the coming months
- PVL Income Item –
  - A player cashed two checks (original and replacement that she requested)
  - Income line shows the player writing a check back for the mix up.
- PVL Expenses:
  - Expenses discussed:
    - To make sure all details on PVL report match the items planned.

*Action Item – John and Cindy will review together to make sure all the information is up to date for PVL planning.*

- WEVA Digfest and Girls Bid are not finalized yet on the report.
- Boys Bid: Discussed crediting teams back for not playing the required number of matches for a single day event.
  - Decision was to only do for clubs / teams that request it.

**Motion To Approve: 1<sup>st</sup> R. Majeski, 2<sup>nd</sup> T. Schneider– Approved (5/0/0) Unanimous**

(R. Lucci arrived after the time of the vote.)

Tournament Report (from S. Seabridge):

- No discussion points / questions

Website Update (J. Hughes via S. Seabridge):

- No discussion points / questions

Grievance Committee Report (F. Chase):

- Four person committee was established to handle an in-region grievance
- Disposition of Committee – 1yr probation to both coaches involved (as of 4/1/15).
- No appeal has been sent in from either coach.
- Researching improvements to this process:
  - Committee is reviewing what actions, if any, can be taken if all parties involved do not participate in the process.

*Action Item: F. Chase will research and bring information to July Meeting.*

Education Committee Report (L. Schlegel):

- March 12 – Steve Aird did a coach clinic at BNCC
  - NFVB paid \$966 (clinician, prints, transportation and hotel)
  - 29 coaches attended, class room session and on court session

Motion to subsidize costs from Coach Education Budget

**Motion Approved: 1<sup>st</sup> R. Lucci, 2<sup>nd</sup>, R. Majeski– Approved (6/0/0) Unanimous**

- Allie Matters (Seton Hall) – May / June presentation
- Weeknight could be better than weekend (due to weather being nice)
  - Due to NFVB and VFX national team practice schedules, Wednesdays could be best
- Include Q and A
- July meeting will have August clinic update, ideas include:
  - USA representative
  - HS Coach Panel
  - Local College Coach Panel
    - Focus on running a great pre-season
    - JJ - Oswego

Officials Report (J. Newland – F.Chase Reported):

- WEVA is working with officials to be more willing to control the matches and card coaches when it is warranted.
- Tournament Directors and Officials can help enforce the rule of a coach being at the table while a team works (for next year)
- F. Chase will be attending National meeting in Detroit for officials / scorers.
  - 1-day of meetings, 5/21
- We have a number of officials that have shown interest in being upgraded from provisional to regional. No successful candidates yet, but the officials are working on better preparation of officials for the recertification process in order to make them successful in their goals.
- No candidates yet for Junior National officials, but region is interested in working with them to do this if there is interest.
- F. Chase and J. Newland shared assigning duties. J. Newland completed the last month and will finish out the season.
- J. McKinney is now with USAV – in charge of putting together clinics around the country.

Adult/Beach Report (R. Majeski):

- HP Tryout – 16 athletes (3 or 4 walk up sign ups.)
  - USA would love for it to be outside but doesn't work with the date that USA wants the tryout.
  - USA is willing to move the date back into the Spring to get outside
  - Feedback from parents – the USA Beach office is slow at getting back and the website is slow to be updated.

*Action Item: J. Hughes will take feedback to upcoming USA meeting*

- Charlotte – 5/31 is first beach tournament
- USA Beach Junior Qualifier is 6/13 (Buffalo) and 6/20 (Rochester)
- Beach Nationals are July 23-25 in Virginia Beach
- Confirmed - WEVA will pay entry fee for any qualifying athlete from both events
- Beach Clinic – Would like to do June 12, USAV will fund \$1,000 and will help find a clinician.

*Action Item: J. Hughes will help look into this at USAV Board Meeting*

- Region has five Adult Teams that are going to Nationals - 4 men and 1 woman.

PLV Report (C. D'Errico):

- Report Included:
  - 16 players

- Website is updated with player bios (four pending)
- Two PVL matches were played 5/9 in GEVA to meet the requirement
- Cindy is working on the budget for the event, since the required matches took money out of the budget that was not anticipated.
- Gear should be in by Friday for the players
- Working on practice schedule for the team in Detroit

#### Junior Business (C. D'Errico):

- Report Attached
- SafeSport / IMPACT – coaches were removed from rosters and then put back on rosters once completed.
- Boys and Girls Regional Events are completed
- Region Hotel Rooms worked well for qualifying teams
- “Mandatory Event” email went out
  - Feedback was very mixed from clubs / coaches in the region
  - Also asked feedback on expanding to do for 15's next year
  - Consensus was to not offer higher than 15's in the region.
  - Originally thought the event would help with seeding for Regional event but the event did not prove to help with that process.
  - Re-visit this at July meeting
- USAV t-shirts are being sorted by NFVB and then handed out to clubs in the region.
- Roster problems this year – coaches are on the bench that are not registered or on the roster.
  - Head Coaches are responsible to regulate this according to WEVA rules.
- Clinicians that work with clubs – do they need to be registered with USAV, do they need to have IMPACT and SafeSport?
  - Discussion led to no, that it is not necessary since there is no position of power from these individuals
- Officials are going to move forward with putting together lists of players to remove scorekeeper / 2<sup>nd</sup> referee certifications when appropriate.
  - Process will be:
    - Let player know the improvements they need to make during the match and that they are not meeting standards
    - If no improvement, players' certifications will be removed and club directors will be notified of the players that have lost their certifications.
- USAV 18s will move Nationals for 18 Open, 18 USA and 18 National to the end of April.
  - Regionals Qualifiers will need to be completed by 3/21 (6 weeks prior to the National event).
- Sport Ngin – company that does club registrations and have a new tournament builder. An option to use this or AES for WEVA events

- Discussion will be had for WEVA events to use one of these for tournament registrations
- Girl's Competition Committee – Meeting recap and conversation with BVA about their 16's not making it into the bid event.
  - Discussion on this process for the future.
  - Ranking document has been modified to better explain the current process.
  - J. Crangle planned on bringing feedback on this to the meeting for discussion. John was not in attendance for personal reasons. All emails from BVA and responses back to BVA were distributed to the committee members. Topic was added to agenda for year-end junior meeting.
  - "Play-Ins" – the document states the committee can ask for play-ins if they would like.
- SUNY Brockport / WEVA have a discounted rate (five courts with a potential sixth court),
  - WEVA will run events at Pinnacle and Brockport
- National's Gifts – some clubs interested, and depends on how much each club is charged for them.
  - Boys: Approx. 20 boys teams will attend
  - Girls: 9 teams
  - Key chains cost \$0.50 ea.

Motion to have all attendees at Nationals receive key chains for the gift exchange at no charge from WEVA.

**Motion To Approve: 1<sup>st</sup> T. Schneider, 2<sup>nd</sup>, F. Chase – Approved (6/0/0) Unanimous**

- Tryout Membership addition:
  - Would be upgradeable once a player makes a team.
  - Cost would be around \$15.
  - Families would need to go back into the system once they make a team to upgrade to the full membership.
  - Will need to add a reminder to club directors that players need to bring a copy of their membership card to tryout and that this membership is only good for tryouts – July meeting topic as well.

Motion to add in this membership for next year.

**Motion To Approve: 1<sup>st</sup> R. Lucci 2<sup>nd</sup>, L. Schlegel – Approved (6/0/0) Unanimous**

#### Action Item Review

- All items completed from March minutes

Annual Meeting Plan – Mon, July 13<sup>th</sup>

- Board Meeting first, followed by annual meeting
  - 6pm Board Meeting
  - 7pm Annual Meeting
  - Location – GCC

New Business:

- Girl's WEVA Bid, 2016:
  - BNCC Open: April 16-17 and April 30-May 1 – 12's – 17's

**Motion To Adjourn Meeting, 1<sup>st</sup> R. Lucci, 2<sup>nd</sup> R. Majeski - Approved (6/0/0) Unanimous**