

Meeting Dates:

General Board Meeting

Gateway Region USA Volleyball

DATE: March 3, 2023

Attendance: Mueth, Pieschel, Stratman, Wood, Palmer, Kloess, Mckee, Robbins, Ryan(zoom) Ott(zoom) Clauss(Zoom) Shyu, Kmattingly, Wilson

Additions to Agenda: Agenda Passed

Approval of Minutes – Motion approved by Ryan and 2nd Palmer All in Favor

Board Reports:

Commissioner – Mueth- Shyu USA audit, all went well. Mueth moving forward with boys team, decision must be made in May. Mueth spoke about boys one event memberships are \$10 per player for non qualifying events. Contract with USAV changes this yr, fee for every team entered into a tournament, including non bid tournys, will go up by \$25. Mueth asked if anyone has any thoughts on how to get boy boys teams at our boys qualifiers.

Associate Commissioner – Ryan- elections in May, On the Executive board Associate Commissioner, Womens Rep and Ref Chair. On the General Board metro S District and II South District also Ott and 2 other at large positions.

Treasurer – Weber -no report

Secretary – Pieschel- NTDP through usav to put a boys team together and we need to get gateway representation in FLA at the NTDP(former High Performance Program.) NTDP is an international event, and would benefit the gateway region. Kloess asked about the age groups and how they select athletes. Pieschal explained the age requirements are international and do not abide by the usav rules which skews how teams are formed. There are different divisions that teams apply to play in.

Jr. Coordinator – Clauss.- no report

Scorer Chair – Palmer – few ppl wanting to get their National Certification

Referee Chair – Kirk (Proxy Mueth) No purple cards given during league, Trish Knight going for Junior National Certification. 5 more refs to be rated which will put us with 30 new refs for the region.

Men's Player Representative – Stratman No Report

Women's Player Representative – Wood – no report

Beach Coordinator – Rodgers No Report

District Rep Reports- Robbins, Nieder, McKee- No Reports

Staff Reports – No report

Shyu-most covered in agenda all gyms have been obtained for upcoming season. Low on lottery list for region hotels.

Wilson- Rankings will be up by end of second week of March.

K. Mattingly-Membership perspective club directors are awesome. Grew 16% this yr, growing and retaining clubs and teams. Pieschal commented on our social media presence bc of Mattingly.

J. Mattingly- No Report

OLD Business

Awards Program- Cancel these awards not enough participation.

Gateway League-Numbers are up 176 compared to 160

Bid Weekend- Kloess agreed that bid weekend was a huge bonus for the region. Ott brought up the trickle down. Mueth mentioned that 18s bid should be all in one weekend. In May there will be a vote on which 2 formats (2 day double elimination bracket or pool play) opportunities will be the same but seeding will be what is effected. Mueth included that for the 18s only maybe eliminating the 2 event requirements for the girls bid event.

Lafata-Shyu-Second largest Boys qualifier, 289 teams. No significant issues. Pieschel commented on how well it was ran.

JA Rep-Clauss-No report

HS Tryouts-Possible move back to November, are move it up in July. Brooke Kloess, indifferent on this. Deciding if the kid wants to play, kids could improve during that span. Injuries could play in a factor as well. Hotels would be a disaster, open gyms, tournaments would all be tougher as well. Uniforms would also be an issue. Keith Price- keep it the way it is because of the recruiting process.

Blocktoberfest-Growth all womens divisions decline in junior teams. Shane Weber kids don't enjoy the HS season. Gretchen Moser- like it in July club director can get things done a lot easier early. Moving it to November is tough. Memberships would be easier as well. McKee- Parents they asked wanted November but director side keeping in July makes sense. Motion Stratman 2nd Palmer Keep tryouts in July All in Favor. Sustained Everything is the same for next year Price Motion Motion to keep it the same and open up discussion table for future years 2nd Stratman All in favor

NEW Business

Sunday Meeting Dates May 5th and Aug 6th

Motion to adjourn meeting (Mueth) 2nd Palmer Meeting End-8:10 P.M.

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