

November 15th GLR BOD Minutes

In attendance: Sandy Abbinanti, Denis Bergstedt, Cheryl Butler, Pam Campbell, Mark Cimaroli, Deb DiMatteo, Alan J. Feder, Joe Gedvilas, Dean Hoskin, Jeanine Hoskin, Angelo Iasillo, KC Johnsen, Erin Lorenz, Paula McAleese, and Lea Wagner

Welcome – 6:30 at Papa Passero’s Restaurant

The meeting will be conducted under Roberts Rules of Order

Sandy reviewed the proposed Bylaw changes:

1. Change wording from Assistant Commissioner to Region Administrator
2. Change the Disciplinary Action wording to mirror what is written in the 2009 USAV Official Guidebook
3. Change the time frame in the Sanction Procedure section for non criminal allegations from twenty-four (24) hours to seven days (7).
4. Change the time frame for the investigation from seven (7) business days to seven (7) days.
5. Change the wording in the Appeals Process section to reflect the concept that the Ethics and Eligibility ruling is binding but that the full GLR BOD has the option of hearing the case.

Bylaw changes require a 2/3s majority to pass, but because there were only 13 voting members present Angelo suggested the Bylaw changes be sent out via email for a vote. Sandy will send out the revisions and ask BOD members to vote.

Standing Committee reports:

Evaluation Committee – no report

Finance Committee – Angelo reported that we had a surplus of \$31,000 for 2008-2009. He also reported that the National Office has imposed a \$10.00 increase for 2010-2011. A committee was formed – Angelo, Cheryl, KC, Mark and Lea to examine our membership costs.

Structure and Function – The flow chart is now listed in the handbook

Juniors – no report

Adults – Mark reported that adults would like to see more combined men and women tournaments

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Tournament Directors – Dean reported that 603 junior tournaments have been sanctioned. Paula said that adults are just beginning to ask for sanctions.

Officials – Motion from the Officials’ Division to reestablish a junior boys’ assignment chair

Motion Passed unanimously

Mary reported that currently there are 174 certified officials and 63 new candidates.

Denis stated that GLR will host a National Clinic on January 10, 2010

A uniform waiver will be in effect for Boys until December 1st and for Girls and Adults until February 1st.

Mary stated that a section in the handbook will now be devoted to officials and will include information for officials as well as definitions for “in good standing” and a recommended fee schedule.

A letter will be sent to all facility managers about USAV insurance coverage being valid only in respect to teams, players and coaches that fall under specific guidelines of USAV and the GLR.

Sandy asked all BOD members to sign a Memorandum of Understanding, a confidentiality statement. All BOD members present signed the statement.

Sandy went over changes and revisions in the handbook.

Motion from the Executive Committee: Set the tryout dates for all girls divisions that are under the age of 14 for the FIRST SUNDAY IN OCTOBER.

Motion Passed unanimously

Motion from the Executive Committee: Change the wording to reflect what is actually occurring. Any available BOD member (except the Commissioner) may sit on the E & E Committee.

Motion Passed Unanimously

Motion from Executive Committee: Change the wording in the Handbook to reflect Bylaws.

Motion Passed Unanimously

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Old Business - none

New Business – Pam asked if players sign up with Volleykids are they committed to that club (for recruiting purposes). After much discussion no one knew the answer but Donna Smith was contacted and she responded “no”. The recruitment policies only go into effect when players become “full members”.

Motion to adjourn by Dean and seconded by Mary

Motion Passed Unanimously

Meeting adjourned at 8:40

Respectfully submitted: Mary A. Malpede

Afterward there was a “break out” session on recruiting. In attendance for the session: Mark, Mary, Pam, Cheryl, Erin, Deb, Denis, KC, and Sandy

After much discussion the consensus was that we still need recruiting rules and no matter how the rules are changed or modified it won't change anything unless individual coaches and club directors conduct themselves ethically. It all comes down to the individual. The group agreed that strict enforcement of the rules we have is necessary and that a log of recurring offenses (allegations) should be kept to see if there is a pattern of abuse. Sandy said that she would do that.