

AGENDA – Sunday, May 7th, 2023

I. OPEN

II. ROLL

- Adjourn at 6:59 in attendance: Dean Hoskin, Sue Keck, Lorelee Smith, Trish LoVerde, Ryan Summers, Mary Sopaes, Terri Baranski, Miguel De La Rosa, Paul Ickes
- Not in Attendance: Bob Jones

III. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Congratulations to Wally Hendricks, awarded the Lea S. Wagner Service Award. Mr. Hendricks has helped service the GLR since 1973.
- Congratulations to Sharon Walker who recently earned her National Officiating Patch from USA Volleyball.
- We are sending three Junior National candidates to Girls Champs in Chicago for the Junior National Patch: Tarah Dickerson, Jon Wiese, and Cinque Robinson.

IV. MINUTES

The minutes from our last meeting, of November 7th, 2022, were previously forwarded to you for review and passed unanimously.

V. OLD BUSINESS

- Website Development (Dan)
 - Up and running-still need to continue to update
- Commissioner Review – need to set this up for July 2023.
 - Done with 3 people; Tolis, Dean and Sue

VI. NEW BUSINESS

A. REPORTS

1. Commissioner (Dan)
 - 2nd dinner, boys and small club director dinner last weekend; Boys had Dave Gentile (USAV BOD Chair) present.
 - Boys would participate with one-event membership, but ultimately not coming back to region.
 - Will still participate and host regional championships in

December.

- Sponsorship to get GLR logos on jerseys, will provide reimbursements for clubs.
- Stay to play at JNC's; region would provide reimbursement for penalty to go outside housing block if they would like.

2. Treasurer (Charlie)

- Hotel rebate estimate is in, cleaner copy will be available towards mid to end of July.

3. Secretary (Urim)

- No report

4. Region Services (Kim)

- Gain of girls' membership numbers; loss of boys' membership numbers

5. Girls Reps (Ryan, Sue, Mary, Terri)

- Ryan: sent an email to all girls' clubs, received about 20 responses from all different clubs.
 - Dialogue amongst club directors has been helpful, insightful, and informative.
 - Lots of helpful feedback for the region and region events.
- Mary: just had issues with hotels for WCNQ; questioning tryout and what they can/can't offer what kind of participants they had within their program.

6. Boys Reps (Tolis, Miguel)

- Tolis: was at the meeting, thought the turnout was great and productive. Tolis is optimistic about the boys coming back eventually.
- Miguel: possibility that boys' clubs could change tryout dates, so we would need to change our to not hinder our sanctioned boys clubs. Positivity came from the meeting where the boys' clubs like the stay to play policy.

7. Officials (Dean)

- Krystian: in regards to assigning purpose would like WCPL schedule done earlier; he needs to be informed about division movements; WCPL and GLR RC not on same weekend;
- Janice:
 - traction on junior program; 141 total trained, 51 worked, 18 pursued provisional rating.
 - Would like to provide more training and support for youngins

8. Adults (Bob)

- Trish: Need to get Players Sport and Social involved
- Dan: train collegiate programs to officiate and give them a free membership, then we can help support them participating in adult nationals

9. Outdoor (Lorelee)

- Added events, partnered with Players and North Ave Beach Club, added a point series-went over well

10. Independents (Trish, Paul)

- Nothing to report

B. Chairman (Tolis) – Agenda Planning

- a. Budget Review
- b. Any cost saving measures we can take?
 - Have made adjustments within office.
- c. What is the goal of the GLR with this revenue intake via events?
 - Would like to diversify our revenue stream and possibly look into purchasing courts to rent out/use for our own events.
 - Tolis requests each BOD member to come up with some kind of investment for the region.
 - Region hosts an early USAV sanctioned event to help clubs retain players.

C. Officials (Dean)

1. Nothing additional to report.

D. Membership Registration for USAV Via Clubs (Dan)

- a. Exploring the prospect for clubs to facilitate the USAV registration of their members, instead of membership doing so directly with USAV via SportsEngin

E. All-Star Championships (Dan)

1. Tryouts have been productive, half of the teams are selected. Second tryout is coming up on May 21st. Will take 4 teams; teams look strong.

F. Recruitment

- a. “Tuition waivers” offered to student-athletes by clubs (Tolis)
 - i. What is our obligation to notify appropriate authorities when this takes place?
 - ii. What if not USAV, still raises concerns with the NCAA.
 - iii. The committee was established comprising Miguel, Sue, and Terri. They were to research this matter and provide their findings to the BOD.
- b. Miguel: difficult to speak with club personnel/NCAA compliance officers freely. Staff has reported that is could or could not be in violation, pending circumstances.
 - i. Committee thinks it is overreach of Region to report.
 - ii. Committee finds it could be an NCAA clearinghouse violation.
 - iii. Has requested a change in IHSA by-laws to include verbiage similar to Wisconsin’s high schedule eligibility.

G. Board Member Candidate Application (Miguel)

- a. Would like to present three items he recommends we add to the GLR Board Member application (see supplementary attachments).
- b. Presentation and possible discussion to follow.
Motion: Miguel would like to move forward with the change in questions on the BoD application.

Ryan seconds

Motion Passes 8-2-0

Miguel would like to amend his motion to get approval from in house counsel.

Ryan seconded amendment

Motion Passes 8-2-0

H. Request for New Full Time Staff Employee with GLR Office (Dan)

- a. New employee would oversee all graphic design, website, and social media.
- b. Dan believes we can pay for this mostly with new revenue earned from event growth.
- c. Vetting committee not necessary as position would report to CEO/COO.

Trish puts forward a motion to approve the position at the \$50k amount. Miguel seconds.

Motion passes 9-1-0

Dean would like to amend the original motion of up to \$60k. Miguel seconds.

7-3-0 amendment passes.

VII. COMMITTEE UPDATES

- a. Vetting Committee (Tolis)
 - i. Commissioner Dan Ames has proposed a new hire that would take on the social media and digital footprint of the GLR. Template for salary has been provided. If BOD approves, will proceed with posting of job and vetting candidates.
 - ii. Need two additional members to join the vetting committee.
- b. WCPL Committee (Ryan)
 - i. Feedback from 2022-2023.
 - Overall, changes were well-received with the north/south concept, junior official concept. WCPL is the driving factor for GLR club participation.
 - ii. Plans for 2023-2024
 - Dates are close to being complete.
- c. Endowment/Grant/Charity Committee
 - i. We need to begin looking at ways to invest our resources in causes that align with our mission statement.
 - Tolis will have an update for the next BoD meeting.

VIII. EVENTS

- a. WCQ 2024
 - i. Over most spring breaks
- b. USAV Girls Nationals: Chicago 2023
 - i. Is anything needed of us?
- c. New Events for 2023-2024
 - i. Stay consistent with add-ons, add a pre-national over 2 weekends (hopefully with a boys' event).

IX. EXECUTIVE SESSION

X. ADJOURN

If there is no other business that we need to address at this time, the Chair will now entertain a motion to adjourn.

Trish motions to adjourn, Dean seconds (9:35 pm).