

Carolina Region/USAV  
May 6, 2012 Juniors Advisory Board meeting  
Koury Convention Center, Greensboro



Attendees: Enid Badillo (United), Sherry Fadool (Triangle), Amber Fulk (Set Point), Renee Gresham (United), Denise Hayes (Sports Academy), Jenna Hinton (Triangle), Mike Huffman (United), Trey Mainwaring (CHAVC), Mike McCarthy (CHAVC), Steve McKeon (Cape Fear), Alex Postpischil (Set Point), Jim Ross (Cape Fear), Audun Runde (NC Academy), Mike Schall (Triangle), Trina Sharpe (Sports Academy), Ron Strickland (Cape Fear), Logan Striebel (Triangle), Rita Stubbs (Club Red), Fred Wendelboe (Set Point);

Guests: Joel Morgenlander

Board Attendees: Mike Spillman

Staff Attendees: Kevin Wendelboe, Marilyn Thompson

Meeting began: 9:03 am

- I. Welcome & Introductions – Kevin Wendelboe
- II. 2012 Season Review – Junior membership grew again this season for the third season in a row. We had 5296 junior and youth girls (+372 over last year) and 40 boys (-14). Junior girls' teams grew by 44 to 530 teams. We added the Brass division this season and it was needed in the 16's, 15's, and 14's divisions.
- III. End of Season Survey Results – Kevin went over the results of the survey that was emailed to all junior program participants. We had 708 responses from within the Region as of Thursday before the meeting. Majority of the responses will be junior players but we also have ability to filter out the coaches and club director responses which may be more helpful for our discussions.
- IV. Club Tryouts – Kevin presented the proposed Club Tryout Policy for 2013. Only update is the 2012 dates that correspond with same timing as for this past season. No other changes are proposed. Since no substantial changes to the policy, no motion to approve was necessary. Kevin will post shortly on the website for clubs to reference.
- V. Format discussions – We had a lot of feedback on the new tournament formats this season. Most were negative but there have been some positive comments as well. The survey results did have a consensus to not use them again but it was not overwhelming. Tournament Directors and officials have liked the new formats as it did have a more consistent end time. Everyone agreed that we would not be able to make a final decision on how to proceed next season at this meeting. Since a task force was put together last season to address this issue, it was agreed another task force should be put together to continue looking at the issue and make recommendations to the Region Board. Motion by Ross, second by Sharpe to:

Motion 1: form a Task Force to look at the Tournament Formats issue that will consider pool formats, geographic issues, length of tournaments, and available resources. MSA

These attendees volunteered to be on the task force: Jenna Hinton (Chair), Trina Sharpe, Rita Stubbs, Renee Gresham, Amber Fulk, Ron Strickland, Mike Huffman, Audun Runde, and Mike McCarthy. Kevin will email the other Reps to see if anyone else wants to be on the Task Force.

- VI. 2012/2013 Season Schedule – Kevin presented a proposed schedule. There was some discussion but no changes were needed at this time. It was recommended to approve this schedule now so we can post and begin initial planning but everyone would be aware that this could change depending on the recommendations of the task force. Motion by Sharpe, Second by Postpischil to recommend to the Carolina Region BOD to:

Motion2: approve the 2013 Junior Tournament Schedule. MSA

- VII. Review of IMPACT Certification Policy – Kevin went over what was passed by the Board last season. It basically changed the old continuing education policy from an annual requirement to requiring it every three seasons. We have put together and distributed a Question & Answer Information sheet on the policy that hopefully will answer any other questions about it. Several comments were made that the information sheet helped but that the way the policy is written is causing some confusion around the IMPACT certification status. Fred informed the group that the board will work on updating the language of the policy to help avoid confusion.
- VIII. Review of Officiating Requirements for 2013 season – Sherry asked what the requirement would be for next season to be eligible to take the online clinics. The current policy is that an official must have been certified in the current season to be eligible to take the online clinic the next season. USA Volleyball has totally changed the clinics and clinic delivery system this year with more changes in store for next season. The Officials Advisory Board will be discussing this issue at their meeting in July. If the JAB wants to provide input to that group about this issue then they could. Motion by Sharpe, second by Gresham to recommend to the Officials Advisory Board to:

Motion 3: change the requirement to be eligible to attend the online officials' clinics to allow all persons the opportunity to take the online clinic to get certified.

**Motion Failed**

Kevin will inform the Officials Advisory Board that the JAB still sees benefit for new officials to take the clinics in person.

- IX. Movement of teams after the first tournament – One issue that we are seeing more and more of is clubs registering multiple teams in Platinum and then not participating in the early tournaments. After the first tournament we have to move a lot of teams down across all divisions in order to balance the division sizes. Kevin would like some guidance on which teams to give priority to when moving. He has historically moved teams that we have results on since they are a known entity. But, we are now getting more and more complaints and requests to move teams that don't play in the Region. Motion by Runde, second by McCarthy to recommend to the Carolina Region BOD to:

Motion 4: update the policy on moving teams to balance the division sizes to the following: Teams that have not played in the Region will be subject to be moved first when division movements are made. MSA

- X. Presentation of Results in the Points System – Jenna asked if it is possible to display the results in the Points System in a format that will make it easier to upload into AES and Sign Up To Play? Kevin will check with the developer to see if an export feature can be added. He asked Jenna to email him the fields or display that should be included in the export.

- XI. Elections:

- A. Boys –The Operating Code states that only Boy's team reps can elect the Boy's Rep to the board. Since there are no Boy's team reps in attendance, Kevin will contact the Boys reps to hold the election by email.
- B. Girls – Nominees for the Girl's Rep was presented from the floor. Jim Ross and Mike Schall were nominated from the floor. Motion by F. Wendelboe, second by Postpischil to:

Motion 5: Close the nominations for the Girl's Representative to the Carolina Region Board of Directors. MSA

Both nominees addressed the JAB. Ballots were passed out. Jim Ross was elected as the Girl's Rep to the Carolina Region Board of Directors. He will serve a one-year term.

XII. Other Business – Alex asked to see if it was possible to host a Beach CAP course in the Region next season. We will look into it. Joel wanted to make sure the Region did not give up on promoting the sport to Boys. A lot of the boys and their parents are disappointed that we are not taking a team to the HP Championships this year. He feels that there is talent in the Region and that the boys can continue to get stronger and represent the Region at HP events. The JAB discussed several of the issues with promoting the sport to boys. Kevin reiterated that we will continue to look to increase boys participation.

XIII. Next Meeting – May 5, 2013. Time/Place to be announced.

Adjournment - Motion by Postpischil, second by Fadool to:

Motion 6: adjourn the May 6, 2012 meeting of the Junior Advisory Board at 12:30 pm. MSA

**NEXT MEETING**

May 5, 2012. Time and site TBD

**NOTE ON PASSED MOTIONS – PLEASE READ**

Motions passed by the Junior Advisory Board do NOT establish policy. These are recommendations to the Carolina Region Board of Directors for consideration and implementation if the board agrees. Please refer to the minutes of the subsequent meetings of the Carolina Region Board of Directors to verify that the motions passed at the Junior Advisory Board meeting were adopted.