



Carolina Region/USAV  
May 2, 2010 Board meeting  
Koury Convention Center, Greensboro  
Submitted by: Kevin Wendelboe, Executive Director

Board Attendees: Fred Wendelboe, Audun Runde, Rita Stubbs, Casey Caram, Mike Spillman, Pamela Dickenson, Roy West, Vaughn Hastings

Guests: Denise Hayes, Sherry Fadool, Ronnie Mutter, Trina Sharpe, Daniel Colleran

Staff: Marilyn Thompson, Kevin Wendelboe

Absent: Karl Owen, Michael O'Connor

Meeting began: 2:00 pm

I. Agenda – Motion by West, second by Stubbs to:

Motion 1: Approve the Agenda of the May 2, 2010 Business Meeting of the Carolina Region Board of Directors with the provision that topics may be added as approved by the President. MSA

II. Finance Report – Fred notified the Board that Mr. West intends to resign his Treasurer position on July 1. We have identified a replacement for Roy. Dan Colleran is a parent of one of our Junior members and has a financial background. Fred intends to appoint Dan as Treasurer in July, and will ask for approval of the appointment through an online vote at that time. Kevin noted that we are on track to have a large surplus at the end of the season. This was expected as we raised membership dues across the full membership categories in anticipation of next season's \$10 raise by USA Volleyball. We plan to use this surplus to buffer our budget next season so we will not have to raise dues next season. The inclement weather cancellations on two tournament weekends this season has brought the tournament numbers down from our budgeted numbers, but has had limited impact on the bottom line. Kevin will be looking at the formulas used for the adult tournament income and expense lines as they are lower than expected. Kevin notified the board about some line items that will be going over budget due to the World League matches that were awarded in the Region after our budget was set. The Board agreed that expenditures to promote the matches were a good use of our funds. Other line items that will be over budget are for office supplies, Junior Regional awards (new division added in three age groups), and our clinic registration online service. Kevin also asked for permission to not count several expenses in the HP budget towards this season's subsidy. The bills for those expenses came in after we closed the 2009 fiscal year so should actually have been counted in last year's budget. By not counting them this year, we will be able to offer more of a subsidy to this year's teams.

- III. Proposed Board Schedule (see attached) – Kevin presented a schedule with similar dates as the past few years. Fred proposed that we try to hold quarterly phone conferences or online meetings for at least the Executive Committee and maybe the full board. Motion by West, second by Runde to:

Motion 2: Approve the 2010/2011 Board Meeting Schedule. MSA

- IV. 2010/2011 Tournament Schedules (see attached) –The Board discussed the proposed Junior schedule that came out of the Junior Advisory Board meeting. The adult schedule was also discussed and the pros and cons of running half-day tournaments with the adults. The survey seems to be indicating most adults still want full day tournaments. We will still do the half-day tournament with an officials' clinic in December and may do one other weekend to see how that goes over. Motion by West, second by Caram to:

Motion 3: approve the 2010/2011 Adult and Junior Tournament schedules as amended. MSA

- V. Junior Advisory Board (JAB) Motions:  
A. Motion from JAB to:

Motion 4: Move the 15's age group to the later tryout period in the Tryout Guidelines. MSA.

- B. Regional Championships Qualification issue – After some discussion on the issue, the board decided to develop a survey to go out to the club directors and coaches about whether only one-day regular season tournaments should count towards the minimum requirements or whether two-day events that accept all teams like Quest or Junior Hi Neighbor should count also.
- C. Cancelled tournaments effect on the Minimum Requirements for Regional Championships – While discussing the motion that came forward from the JAB, another scenario was presented that was not addressed with the original motion. A replacement motion was made by West, second by Spillman that:

Motion 5: if a sanctioned Carolina Region regular season, one-day tournament is cancelled then the teams entered in that tournament will have their requirement to be eligible to participate in the Regional Championships reduced by one. If a team withdraws from a tournament due to inclement weather but the tournament is still held, then that team may appeal to the Region to have their minimum requirement lowered by one. MSA

D. Motion from JAB that:

Motion 6: if a tournament that is eligible to be used as a qualifying tournament for the National Bid tournament is cancelled, then the teams entered in that tournament will have their requirement to be eligible to participate in the National Bid tournament reduced by one. However, teams affected by a cancelled tournament must play in a minimum of ONE event to be eligible for the National Bid tournament. **Motion FAILED.**

The majority felt that this policy was inconsistent with Motion 5 which did not have a minimum number of tournaments that must be played if a team had tournaments cancelled. Motion by Runde, Second by Caram that:

Motion 7: if a tournament that is eligible to be used as a qualifying tournament for the National Bid tournament is cancelled, then the teams entered in that tournament will have their requirement to be eligible to participate in the National Bid tournament reduced by one. If a team withdraws from a tournament due to inclement weather but the tournament is still held, then that team may appeal to the Region to have their minimum requirement lowered by one. There will be no limit to the number of times a team may have their requirement lowered if their schedule is affected by cancelled tournaments. MSA

E. Motion from JAB to:

Motion 8: change the five-team pool format to a full round-robin format with teams playing two 25 point sets only. MSA

F. Motion from JAB to:

Motion 9: establish a policy that members of the officiating work team should not use a cell phone (unless used as a timing device), mp3 player, or other electronic entertainment device while performing their duties. The penalty will be five points off the team's first set of their next match. **Motion Failed.**

The Board felt that there is already a policy established that addresses this concern. Coaches are required to be in the vicinity of the score table and supervising their team. Making sure their players pay attention and not use electronic devices is part of supervising their team. We will emphasize this in our training materials next year and inform officials to use the penalty associated with that policy if coaches are not performing their supervisory requirements.

G. Motion from JAB to:

Motion 10: require all first year coaches to go to a live Officials' clinic to get certified unless they can confirm prior certification as an official. MSA

H. Motion from JAB to:

Motion 11: reduce the age to 21 in the Chaperone Policy. MSA

There was additional discussion on whether the Chaperone Policy was still needed. Motion by Caram, second by Runde to:

Motion 12: eliminate the Chaperone Policy in its entirety. MSA

- VI. Officials Program Report (Thompson): This topic was covered during the Annual Meeting.
- VII. Coaches Program Topics – The Carolina Storm Volleyball Club is hosting a CAP Level I/II clinic in Concord on May 22 and 23. We also have interest from Pfeiffer University to host and we will see if they can do it in the fall of 2011. Kevin updated the board on the Sitting Volleyball Clinic he attended on April 24. We will try to promote sitting volleyball to the clubs during the fall coaches' clinic meetings. If clubs would rotate their teams each practice to a sitting volleyball court, then we can start inviting disabled athletes in to practice without taking away too much practice time.
- VIII. High Performance Report – This was covered during the Annual Meeting but a couple other comments were made. We would like to develop the goals and vision for the program so we can clearly communicate that to our members. We also will add High Performance questions to our end of season survey.
- IX. Men's World League matches – June 18-19, 2010 in Concord. Board members were encouraged to promote the event as heavily as possible.
- X. Facility Grant Requests – we had two organizations submit requests for Facility/Equipment Grants by the April 30 deadline. Kevin will be visiting the sites this summer and will make a recommendation at the August retreat.
- XI. Commissioner appointment – Kevin's term ends May of 2010. Motion by Caram, second by Spillman to:

Motion 13: appoint Kevin Wendelboe as Commissioner through May of 2012. MSA

A question was raised and motion made to permanently assign the Commissioner title to the Executive Director position. After discussion the motion was withdrawn.

- XII. Old Business – None.
- XIII. New Business:
- A. Casey asked if we could come up with a survey of the membership to better gauge how we are doing. Casey, Audun, Rita, and Ronnie all volunteered to be on the committee to come up with the survey questions.
  - B. A question was raised on why some positions on the board do not seem to be doing their assigned duties. Fred indicated that the Bylaws outline the duties of each position. He had pointed out in the past his vision for the Treasurer position and feels with the appointment of Dan to that position then we will be closer to that goal. The Secretary is a member of the Executive Committee and is the custodian of the minutes and not necessarily charged with producing the minutes. That can be assigned and we may even look at hiring someone to keep the minutes to free up the Executive Director during the meetings.
  - C. Fred indicated that he intends to propose a new, low-fee parent/booster member category to the Regions and USA Volleyball at the upcoming National meetings.
- XIV. Adjournment: Motion by West, second by Hastings to:

Motion 14: adjourn the May 2, 2010 Carolina Region/USAV Board meeting at 4:27 pm.  
MSA

**NEXT MEETING**

August 13-14, 2010 at Aqueduct Conference Center  
Chapel Hill, NC Friday 6pm (dinner) 7:30 meeting

**ACTION ITEMS:**

- Kevin/Casey/Audun/Rita – produce survey question on the minimum requirements for Regional Championships
- Casey/Audun/Rita/Ronnie – produce survey questions for the membership to gauge how the region is doing.
- Kevin – Complete Facility Grant evaluations and make recommendations at the retreat.

## APPENDIX 1 - 2011 JUNIOR TOURNAMENT DATES

### January:

- 1-2 – Possible season opening two-day tournament - Quest
- 8 – Regular season tournaments begin; All divisions for age groups 12's, 13's, 14's, 15's
- 15 – Regular season tournaments begin; All divisions for age groups 16's, 17's, 18's
- 22 - All divisions for age groups 12's, 13's, 14's, 15's (SAT DATE)
- 29 - All divisions for age groups 16's, 17's, 18's

### February:

- 5– All divisions for age groups 12's, 13's, 14's, 15's
- 12 - All divisions for age groups 16's, 17's, 18's
- 19 – All divisions for age groups 12's, 13's, 14's, 15's
- 26 – All divisions for age groups 16's, 17's, 18's

### March:

- 5– Free weekend (Adult Regional Championships)
- 12 – All divisions for age groups 12's, 13's, 14's, 15's (SAT DATE)
- 19 – All divisions for age groups 16's, 17's, 18's (Adult Hi Neighbor)
- 26 – Regional Championships for age groups 12's, 13's, 14's, 15's

### April:

- 2 – Big South Qualifier
- 9 – Regional Championships for age groups 16's, 17's, 18's
- 16/17- Asheville Junior Hi Neighbor; possible National Bid tournaments
- 24 – EASTER
- 30 – Possible National Bid tournaments

## APPENDIX II - 2010-2011 ADULT TOURNAMENT DATES

### December:

- Weekend of 4 & 5 - M-Sat; W-Sun (if needed) proposed ½ day format with clinics
- Weekend of 11 & 12 - M-Sun; W-Sat (if needed)

### January:

- Weekend of 8 & 9
- Weekend of 22 & 23

### February:

- Weekend of 5 & 6
- Weekend of 19 & 20

### March:

- Weekend of 5 & 6 - 2011 Regional Championships – All divisions
- Weekend of 19 & 20 - Asheville Hi Neighbor

## APPENDIX III – 2011 Board Meeting Schedule

- May 1, 2011 Annual Meeting 1:00 pm Koury Convention Center, Greensboro
- August 12-13, 2011 Annual Retreat – Site – Aqueduct CC (unconfirmed)