

CAROLINA REGION/USAV ANNUAL MEETING MINUTES

May 5, 2013 – Koury Convention Center, Pinehurst Room

Submitted by: Kevin Wendelboe, Executive Director



Board Attendees: Mike Spillman, Fred Wendelboe, Daniel Colleran, Jim Ross, Vaughn Hastings, Brian Webb, Tina Readling, Andre Hargrove

Guests: Sherry Fadool, Mike Schall,

Staff: Marilyn Thompson, Kevin Wendelboe

Meeting Start Time: 1:00 pm

- I. Welcome
- II. Agenda
- III. State of the Game Reports
 - A. North Carolina: Kevin Wendelboe
 - a. Membership Totals – Continue overall growth; Adult leagues add new growth
 - o Adults:

Member Year	Male - Regular	Female - Regular	Male Limited	Female Limited	TOTALS
2012/2013	560	976	327	251	2114
2011/2012	553	921	805	524	2803
2010/2011	547	916	273	198	1934
2009/2010	582	973	95	155	1805
2008/2009	571	828	103	108	1610
2007/2008	525	821	139	131	1616
2006/2007	588	808	123	88	1607
2005/2006	601	743	94	85	1523
2004/2005	533	673	109	87	1402
2003/2004	515	679	70	51	1315
DIFF 12 to 13	+7	+55	-478	-273	-689

Member Year	Male Players	Female Players
2012/2013	101	162
2011/2012	127	193
2010/2011	150	190
2009/2010	170	248
2008/2009	210	248
2007/2008	193	301
2006/2007	208	306
2005/2006	231	248
2004/2005	247	253
2003/2004	266	276
DIFF 12 to 13	-26	-31

o Juniors:

Member Year	Male - Regular	Female – Regular/Y	Male – Limited	Female – Limited	TOTALS
2012/2013	26	6049	8	202	6285
2011/2012	40	5297	2	183	5462
2010/2011	55	4925	6	123	5109
2009/2010	84	4490	5	78	4657
2008/2009	72	3929	1	29	4031
2007/2008	58	3713	0	24	3795
2006/2007	52	3379	4	14	3449
2005/2006	51	2948	5	9	3013
DIFF 12 to 13	-14	+752	- 6	+19	+823

o Teams:

Member Year	Male - Adult	Female - Adult	Jr Girls	Jr Boys
2012/2013	13	15* (+3 ODR)	592	1
2011/2012	15	18	530	4
2010/2011	16	22	486	5
2009/2010	21	28	451	5
2008/2009	24	25	393	6
2007/2008	21	35	374	7
2006/2007	22	32	349	6
2005/2006	28	30	368	5
2004/2005	26	30	289 (+5 Development)	3
2003/2004	28	32	255	2
DIFF 12 to 13	- 2	- 3	+62	-3

- b. Website/Social Media –We currently have 137 followers on Twitter (+103 from last year). We have 727 “Likes” on our Facebook page (+338 from last year). All our Regional Championship pictures are posted in Facebook albums. This makes it very easy for users to view them, make comments, and share them with their family and friends. These channels are being used much more often by our members and visitors to interact with the Region.
- c. Tournaments – Weather affected two weekends this season. Most of one weekends’ tournaments were cancelled and half of another weekend. The split to East and West geographic areas seemed to have a positive outcome. We were able to accommodate the division sizes much easier than in past seasons. We still need more sites in the East as we had to move the dividing line to Greensboro for East tournament hosts. The lower division sizes helped with the formats somewhat. We had more 4-team tournaments than in the past and did not have nearly the complaints about formats as we did last season. Staff will be making a proposal to insure even more 4-team tournaments for next year.
- d. Regional Championship Results –Adult Regionals were held March 3. We held championships for Men’s Bronze; Women’s Gold; and Women’s Silver (50% participation rate). The Junior Regional Championships were held on March 23/24 and April 6. 79.5% of the teams participated on March 23/24 and 74% participated on April 6.
- e. Inter-Region/National Performances:
 - ADULTS – One team from the Region is attending US Open in Louisville – 6PkAnyone? is playing Men’s BB. The Asheville Hi Neighbor was cancelled this season for the first time ever due to lack of entries.
 - JUNIORS – We had two teams earn a Junior National Championships bid at Qualifiers. Triangle 18 Black finished fourth at the Lone Star Qualifier in 18 Open and earned a bid! ECJVC 14 Black finished third at the Big South Qualifier and earned a 14 USA Bid.
- f. Coaching Program:
 - We held seven IMPACT clinics in the Region this season (both Region-sponsored and club-sponsored). USA Volleyball rolled out its On-Demand IMPACT clinic in December. Since coaches had an easy online option from that point forward, we did not need to offer additional in-person clinics in January. 396 Coaches received IMPACT certifications this season (in-person or online). There were six continuing education clinics held in the Region this past season. USA Volleyball should be announcing their on-demand IMPACT Refresher clinic soon. This clinic will give another online clinic option for our coaches needing a Continuing Education Clinic in the future.
- g. Officials Program (Marilyn Thompson):
 - USAV moved all their clinics and training for officials to <http://www.volleyballreftraining.com/>
 - We certified 5703 (4761 last year) referees through online and in-person clinics this season.
 - We certified 5785 (4855 last year) scorekeepers through the online and in-person clinics.

- h. High Performance Program:
 - o We hosted 4 skills/position clinics, 4 Regional tryouts and one National HP tryout this season. Participation has not been at the level that I had hoped but the content of the clinics has been good and we have received positive feedback from those who have attended.
 - o We will have level 2 training later in May and in early June and it currently looks like we will have a team in the Girls Youth, USA Select and Future Select age groups.
- i. Summary – The Carolina Region had another great season of junior girl’s membership growth. We continue to hear of new facilities being built or considered. The outdoor game is exploding. The Region is financially stable. We have a lot of strong partners, volunteers, and supporters helping us promote the sport. The future continues to look bright for the Carolina Region!

B. National State of the Game – Fred Wendelboe:

- Membership is up about 5% nationally to date. This is not quite as much growth as in past but still a positive trend. However, some Regions are struggling as they are facing increased competition from other organizations.
- The adult player membership is still going down nationally, but this year for the first time ever there will be one team from every region at the US Open Championships.
- The national meetings will be coming up towards the end of May in Louisville. One major topic is the relationship between USAV, AAU, and JVA. It is a complicated relationship and USAV needs to do a better job of communicating the benefits, value, and advantages that USAV has over other organizations.
- There is still a divide in the beach community, principally between USAV and the elite beach athletes.
- Doug Beal has signed on for four more years as CEO. Both National Team coaches are hired for the Quad.
- Overall, USAV is healthy financially and doing well.

IV. Meritorious Service Awards:

The Region can recognize up to five Individuals for outstanding service to volleyball in North Carolina each year. Individuals may only receive the award once under current regulations. The 2013 Carolina Region Meritorious Service Award winners are:

- o Pamela Dickenson – Pam served on the Region Board of Directors from 2003 – 2012. She began as Women’s AA Representative and when the Board restructured in 2006, she became the Women’s Players Rep. Pam has been an indoor and outdoor player in the Region for many years.
- o Sheila Holloway – Sheila served as the Carolina Region High Performance Director from 2008 - 2012. She brought many changes to the Program and helped push the program to reach more areas of the state. She also helped form new junior clubs and helped form some adult teams.

- Mark Nalevanko – Mark has been instrumental in the growth of junior beach volleyball in the Carolina Region. He helped establish the Carolina Region Junior Beach Tour and currently serves as the Region Beach Director. In 2013 Mark successfully established, promoted, and grew a High School Sand Volleyball Club program in North Carolina that is already quite popular and looking to expand in 2014.
- Rita Stubbs – Rita is the founder and Club Director for Club Red VBC out of Raleigh. Rita served as the Junior Player Rep in the 2010/2011 season and currently serves on the Region Board as Secretary. Rita has been involved in the Region High Performance Program and run several tournaments for the Region. The Carolina Region is proud of our 2013 Meritorious Service Award winners and appreciates their service to volleyball in North Carolina.

V. Old Business - none

VI. New Business - none

VII. Next Meeting –May 4, 2014 at a site TBA

VIII. Meeting adjourned – Motion by F. Wendelboe, second by Hastings to:

Motion 1: adjourn the May 5, 2013 Annual Meeting at 1:43 pm. MSA
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