

CAROLINA REGION/USAV ANNUAL MEETING MINUTES

May 6, 2012 – Koury Convention Center

Submitted by: Kevin Wendelboe, Executive Director



Board Attendees: Fred Wendelboe, Daniel Colleran, Karl Owen, Audun Runde, Jim Ross, Vaughn Hastings, Tony Hill, Mike Spillman

Guests: Trina Sharpe, Denise Hayes, Rita Stubbs, Sherry Fadool, Mike Schall, Joel Morgenlander, Hannah Reynolds, Yvonne Reynolds, Marcie Smith

Staff: Marilyn Thompson, Kevin Wendelboe

Meeting Start Time: 1:02 pm

- I. Welcome
- II. Agenda
- III. 2012 Officer Elections
  - A. President – Mike Spillman, Trina Sharpe
  - B. Treasurer – Dan Colleran, Sherry Fadool
  - C. Secretary – Hannah Reynolds, Rita Stubbs

All candidates spoke briefly about their candidacy and then those that had not voted electronically were given opportunity to vote in person. Outgoing President, Fred Wendelboe, announced the election results: President – Mike Spillman; Treasurer – Dan Colleran; Secretary - Rita Stubbs. All were elected for three year terms.

- IV. 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
2011/2012	552	919	400	283	2154
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
2002/2003	483	568	61	48	1160
DIFF 11 to 12	+5	+3	+127	+85	+220

Member Year	Male Players	Female Players
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
2002/2003	269	240
DIFF 11 to 12	-23	+3

o Juniors:

Member Year	Male - Regular	Female – Regular/Y	Male – Limited	Female – Limited	TOTALS
2011/2012	40	5294	0	128	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
2004/2005	29	2891	1	8	2929
DIFF 11 to 12	-15	+369	- 6	+5	+353

o Teams:

Member Year	Male - Adult	Female - Adult	Jr Girls	Jr Boys
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
2002/2003	27	26	231	3
DIFF 11 to 12	- 1	- 4	+44	-1

- b. Website/Social Media – The Region continues to get positive feedback on the new look of the website. This year we made more of a push into Social Media platforms. We have new YouTube, Twitter, and Facebook pages. On YouTube, we posted an introduction to the Region video (56 views), how to register a team (39 views) and a Jr Beach Tour Promotional video (311 views). We will work on getting more videos up this summer. We currently have 34 followers on Twitter. We have 389 “Likes” on our Facebook page. This season we posted all the Regional Championship photos on Facebook which was much easier and allowed us to put it up quicker. We will continue to push people to these channels to get information about the Region.
- c. Tournaments – We did not have any cancelled tournaments this season! It was one of the mildest winters we can remember. The move of the 12’s age group to the older age group weekend was a good one. With the growth we had in teams, this definitely helped equalize the number of courts needed each weekend. We also added a BRASS division in several of the age groups in order to handle the growth. The new formats that were developed with the JAB task force were met with a lot of negative feedback. We were able to tweak the playing schedules over the first few tournaments to make them better, but it still had issues. The JAB will be addressing this topic again before these meetings, and I anticipate changes once again going into 2013.
- d. Regional Championship Results –Adult Regionals were held March 3 and we only had enough entries to run 3 pools overall (several late withdrawals affected this too). The Junior Regional Championships were held on March 17 and 24. 80% of the teams participated on March 17 and 79% participated on March 24 so it was a good turnout overall.
- e. Inter-Region/National Performances:
  - ADULTS – We currently do not have any adult teams entered to play at the US Opens. Costs to travel to Salt Lake City may be a factor. We had three teams win their division at Hi Neighbor this season. NC Elite won Men AA; Block Party won Women’s A; and Spankers won Women’s B.
  - JUNIORS –
    - More and more of our top clubs are traveling out of state to compete in inter-regional tournaments and Qualifiers. Region teams have many top 20 finishes in these big tournaments.
    - The Region had two teams earn a Junior National Championships bid at Qualifiers. Triangle 18 Black finished third at the Big South Qualifier in 18 Open and earned a bid! Triangle 17 Black finished fourth at the Lone Star Classic Qualifier and earned a 17 Open Bid
- f. Coaching Program:
  - The Region held eleven IMPACT clinics this season (both Region-sponsored and club-sponsored). USA Volleyball’s IMPACT webinars are filling in the void for Carolina Region coaches as a convenient way to get certified at home. 345 Coaches received IMPACT certifications this season (in-person or online). USA Volleyball is developing an on-demand IMPACT clinic for next season.

- g. Officials Program:
- USA Volleyball developed new online clinics this season which we utilized. Cut down on a lot of the technical issues we had last season but still had some issues as the end of their clinics did not take participants to the tests. We had to send out test links to many individuals so they could finish. USAV is continuing to develop the clinics for next year. One feature they are adding is that results will be put into a member's Webpoint record automatically which will save us lots of time on data entry.
  - We had 839 people complete the online referee clinic (1129 last year).
  - We had 812 people complete the online scorekeeper clinic (1048 last year).
  - We certified 4761 (4674 last year) referees through online and in-person clinics this season.
  - We certified 4855 (4790 last year) scorekeepers through the online and in-person clinics.
- h. High Performance Program:
- The HP Program held tryouts in December this year to identify training teams. Training teams are scheduled to get together 2-3 times before HP Championships.
  - HP Skills and Positions Clinics were held in Hendersonville, Charlotte, and Cary.
  - The Region is planning on sending a Youth team only to HP Championships in Des Moines, Iowa.
- i. Summary – The Carolina Region continues to have strong membership growth overall. We have a new 8 court facility opening up in Concord this summer. Other groups have contacted us about possible facilities. The support of the membership has been strong even with the format issues we experienced this season. We have a full season of Junior Outdoor tournaments on the schedule and many more juniors will be playing outdoors in the future as it moves into the collegiate arena. The next few years could be a very promising time for the Carolina Region in regards to growth in the indoor and outdoor game.
- The state of Carolina Region Volleyball continues to be **STRONG!**

B. National State of the Game – Fred Wendelboe:

- Fred just returned from meetings out in Colorado Springs at the new USA Volleyball office building. USAV owns its own building for the first time ever. USAV occupies the entire second floor and will add three other NGB's as tenants on the first floor later this summer. The facility is very nice and adds much needed space. USAV is in as good a shape as it has been in a long time.
- This is an Olympic year and all teams except the Men's indoor team have qualified for London. USAV is hosting the NORCECA Qualification Tournament May 7-12 in California and hopes the home tournament will help them qualify.
- The 2012 World League will have a different format this year due to Olympics. All teams in the pool will play over a weekend. USAV is hosting in Dallas in conjunction with the Boys JNC.
- The Open Championships are in Salt Lake City this year. Girls JNC is in Columbus, OH.

- Both National teams are training in Anaheim now. The Beach offices are in California also and are near where a lot of the athletes are training.

V. 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. We have identified three individuals to recognize this year, but there is another meeting that would be more appropriate to announce and present the awards. So, we will wait until that meeting to announce it.

VI. Old Business - none

VII. New Business - none

VIII. Next Meeting –May 5, 2013 at the Koury Convention Center in Greensboro

IX. Meeting adjourned – Motion by Owen, second by Runde to:

Motion 1: adjourn the May 6, 2012 Annual Meeting at 1:40 pm. MSA
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