CAROLINA REGION/USAV ANNUAL MEETING MINUTES May 7, 2017 – Koury Convention Center, Pinehurst Room Submitted by: Kevin Wendelboe, Executive Director



Board Attendees: Fred Wendelboe, Tony Hill, Tina Readling, Trey Mainwaring

Staff: 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:
 - o Adults:

Member Year	Male -	Female -	Male	Female	TOTALS
	Regular	Regular	Limited	Limited	
2016/2017	577	1243	248	159	2227
2015/2016	585	1186	528	319	2618
DIFF 16 to 17*	-8	+57	-280	-160	-391
2014/2015	576	1076	591	369	2612
2013/2014	558	1025	533	390	2506
2012/2013	563	979	692	461	2695
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

*2017 Registration period ends 8/31/2017

o Juniors:

Member Year	Male –	Female –	Male –	Female –	TOTALS
	Regular/Y	Regular/Y	Limited	Limited	
2016/2017	110	7910	4	303	8327
2015/2016	88	7581	21	515	8205
DIFF 15 to 16*	+22	+329	-17	-212	+122
2014/2015	70	6839	18	425	7352
2013/2014	28	6502	21	321	6872
2012/2013	26	6064	14	260	6364
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

*2017 Registration Period ends 8/31/2017

o Teams:

Member Year	Male - Adult	Female - Adult	Jr Girls	Jr Boys
2016/2017	1	2	767	9
2015/2016	2	2	749	5
DIFF 16 to 17	-1	No change	+18	+4
2014/2015	12	9	665	6
2013/2014	4	15 (+1 ODR)	636	2
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

a. Website/Social Media/Email –We currently have 627 followers on Twitter (+85 from last year). We have 2791 "Likes" on our Facebook page (+377 from last year). We are using Constant Contact weekly to update our clubs on items of interest or importance. We are researching adding ability to text message groups to improve last minute changes communications to teams. Our Social Media platforms continue to be a great way to keep the membership informed and involved in Carolina Region updates.

- b. Tournaments There were no sanctioned adult tournaments this season. The first Junior tournament weekend of the season was completely cancelled due to inclement weather, but no real issues after that. We had a few more behavior issues this year, especially towards the end of season. We did not receive any complaints this year about the format of the tournaments or the move to Sunday tournaments on every weekend of the season. This change has been a real positive to allow us to have enough courts for all teams wanting to play. We generally have more than enough court requests in the West, and could still use more sites in the East on any given Saturday. Our Tournament System website continues to receive performance and functionality improvements on a regular basis. We just held an end of season meeting about what we would like to see worked on before next season, and we should have some more good features available for site visitors, clubs, and tournament directors.
- c. Regional Championship Results We held the overall Regional Championships and the East/West Championships on same weekends this year. This had a positive effect on Regionals as all age groups had full fields this year for the first time since we went to this format. Championship weekends were March 25/26 and April 8/9. 67.1% of the teams participated on March 25/26 and 61.6% participated on April 8/9.

- d. Inter-Region/National Performances:
 - JUNIORS We had FOUR teams earn a bid to the 2017 USAV Junior National Championships at Qualifiers – CHAVC Burn earned a 14 USA Bid at Big South; Triangle 15 Black earned a 15 Open bid at Northeast Qualifier; Triangle 17 Black earned a 17 Open bid at Northeast Qualifier; and Triangle 16 Blue earned a 16 USA bid at Northeast Qualifier. We had ONE Boys team earn a bid to the 2017 Boys Junior National Championships – CUVC 18 Boys earned an 18 Open bid
- e. Coaching Program:
 - We held two IMPACT clinics in the Region this season (both Regionsponsored and club-sponsored) certifying 83 coaches. USA Volleyball's On-Demand IMPACT clinic continues to be a convenient option for most of our coaches to get their certifications. Overall 396 Coaches received IMPACT certifications this season (in-person or online).
- f. Officials Program:
 - Online clinics and training for officials is available with access directly from a member's record this season.
 - We certified 7915 (7254 last year) referees through online and in-person clinics this season.
 - The Officials Accelerated Advancement Program continued this season under direction of Stephen Shepherd. We had five more officials register this season and joined the eight from last season as part of the program. This is a three-year program with the goal of advancing each official's skills with more focused training. We did have one official upgrade to a Regional rating during the season.
- g. Grants:
 - The Region received two grants for the 2017 season.
 - 1. \$4000 grant for meeting membership growth incentives in 2016. Region was able to use the money at our discretion.
 - 2. Membership Incentive Grant program award in amount of \$10,000. We proposed to use it in two ways during 2017 season: (a) Free CAP clinic for any Middle School/High School coach that was not a member of Carolina Region before. We had one coach take advantage of this and attended our December CAP clinic. (b) Youth/Boys Development Grant clubs could earn up to \$1000 by developing a Youth/Boys local league. We have two confirmed clubs participating and two more have shown interest for a summer league. We will present our program offerings to other Regions at the May meetings.
- h. Summary The Carolina Region's junior program continues to add members and teams under the leadership of our clubs. We still have challenges to overcome with facilities, officials and competitors, but we continue to have volunteers in local areas step up and work to promote the sport and region. It will be exciting to see what a new CEO at USAV can bring for the exposure of the sport and more support to the Regions.

- B. National State of the Game Kevin Wendelboe:
 - USA Volleyball has a new CEO, Jamie Davis, as of January, 2017.
 - He traveled around the country to five different locations in February and March to meet with as many Region Commissioners as possible.
 - Kevin met with him in Dallas. Initial impressions are positive. He is beginning by analyzing the staff organizational structure to see if there are overlaps, under-served areas, or other items needing change. He listened to Regional concerns. He wants to increase marketing and awareness of the USAV brand. He has a goal of starting a professional league in the US by end of this quad.
- 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 following individuals were recognized as 2017 Carolina Region Meritorious Service Award winners:

- A. CJ Amber
- B. Corby Haneline
- C. Brian Webb
- D. Bonnie Wishnietsky

We will wait to announce these publicly until after we have tried to present the awards in person. We will have a write-up of each individual's contributions to North Carolina volleyball on our website and in the next newsletter.

- V. Old Business none
- VI. New Business none
- VII. Next Meeting The Junior Advisory Board has decided to hold their next meeting as an online meeting. Given that, Kevin proposed that we hold the next Annual meeting before the 2018 retreat. All agreed and that date will be set at a future time.
- VIII. Meeting adjourned Motion by F. Wendelboe, second by Readling to:

Motion 1: adjourn the May 7, 2017 Annual Meeting at 1:36 pm. MSA