KRVA Board Meeting
WEB MINUTES

Meeting Date: **December 03, 2010**

Meeting Location: **Comfort Inn-Lehigh Valley West**
7625 Imperial Way
Allentown, PA 18106

The meeting was called to order by Commissioner Lang at 7:05 PM.

In Attendance: Marty Lang, Scott Witmer, Michelle Carlton, Roy Benasaraf *, Allis Soto **, Ray Reilly, Brian Smith, Howard Vernick, John Emmell, Mike McPoyle** , Alan Sowa, Tim Moyer, Jack Damiano.

Guests:	Mark Spoonhour	Dan Mickle	Laura Davies
	Ron Riedi	Kim Deobil,	Dan Daugherty
	Neal Kenzakowski	John Podczasy	

(**** Non-voting Position***)
(***** Attended by Teleconference Connection***)

Quorum Declaration: Quorum achieved at 7:05 PM.

[Majority of all voting members of the Board constitute a quorum; present physically or electronically .]

Motion Amendments: **Deleted portions in RED with ~~strikeout~~, added text in BLUE**.

Secretary Report

The Meeting Minutes from September 12, 2010 were declared approved by the Commissioner.

Between-Meeting Motions and Actions were read into the record for documentation purposes.

Junior Boys Appeals: Appeals were presented by two Region members regarding decisions by the Boys Chair and the Commissioner.

Department Reports

Junior Girls

Bid and Regionals details are set.
Looking into Ranking systems.

MOTION JG-1: To revise the Junior Girls Operating Code, Section 8 (Tournaments) per the attached document entitled "Junior Girls Operating Code – Section 8 Changes," and to add the attached appendices A through G at the end of the Operating Code."
APPROVED

<u>MOTION JG-2</u>: To revise the Jr. Girls Operating Code, Section 4.5, to read as follows:

4.5. Coaches

Every Juniors team must have at least one coach on the roster and present at all practices, tournaments and events. The coach must be at least 18 years of age, at least two years older than the team playing level and a member of the KRVA. All coaches on the team bench must be IMPACT or CAP certified. An IMPACT or CAP certified coach must be on the team bench during all team competitions, and in attendance at all team practices and events.

IMPACT ~~and/~~ or CAP Certification must be completed by ~~February 28th~~ the start of each season. Teams failing to have an IMPACT or CAP certified coach on their bench cannot compete in any events sanctioned by any region or by USAV. ~~after February 28th of each season.~~

A certified coach must be present at all Club or team sponsored volleyball activities including practices and tournaments. Any team participating in an event without a certified coach present will be disqualified from the event, forfeit all matches and the tournament entry fee. Further sanctions may also be imposed against the coach or the team.

Before participating in any juniors' Club Volleyball activities or events, adult roster members must receive a criminal background certification as set forth in Section 2.2 of this Junior Boys Operating Code.

All coaches agree to abide by the USAV Code of Conduct, the USAV Coaches Code of Ethics and the KRVA Code of Conduct. (end of motion)
APPROVED

Please note that ~~strikeouts~~ indicate deletions from the final text and gray shadings indicate new verbiage.

High Performance

The 2011 HP committee will be Howard Vernick (Chair) and Uros Davidovic.
Howard & Uros will be attending the annual HP Coaches Clinic in Colorado Springs.
Committee is planning 3 teams for 2011 HP Tournament - 2 girls & 1 boys team.
HP Tournament will be held in Tucson, AZ.
Multiple tryouts will be held in 2011.
Where possible, tryouts will be held in conjunction with Regional Tournaments.
KRVA HP camp is in planning stages - expected to occur mid-June. Various locations are under consideration.

Adults

Holding a Registration Tournament under consideration.
Looking for ideas to raise interest and participation.

Coaches

Clinics are scheduled and several more being considered.
Looking into CAP modules to be offered during the Men's NCAA Championship weekend at Penn State.

Outdoor / Beach

(Appendix)

Grassroots

MOTION: To give a discounted membership of $25 to the Philadelphia Boys Club and the Philadelphia Starlings Group for the 2011 season.
APPROVED

Referees

MOTION R1: To approve a small honorarium, in the amount of $250.00, for Neal Kenzakowski for the work he is doing for the Region on referee development (all levels) and for voluntarily stepping up to assist the Chair during a recent assignment in Australia. APPROVED

Scorekeepers

Three live clinics to be scheduled (Allentown, Pittsburgh and York).
An 8-hour fellowship tournament is scheduled on January 9th to use to develop new and second-year referees (Villanova).

Commissioner's Report

Dates for Future Board Meetings:

January 28th – Pottstown
March 19th – Pittsburgh
June 10th – Harrisburg (Annual)
August 6 & 7th – Exton (Planning)

Operating Codes – Request to Board to read and know the codes, and to bring needed improvements to the Commissioner/S&F Committee.

General Forum:

Structure & Function

MOTION S&F 1: To amend the General Operating Code, Section 4 (Registration Information), adding the following paragraph prior to Sub-paragraph A, to read as follows:

"Reasonable individual and team registration fees shall be established annually by the Board and announced prior to the opening of the registration period. Individual registration fees shall include all amounts due to the USAV national organization. Club and Team registration fees, and adult individual registration fees are not refundable. Junior player (individual) registrations fees will be refunded if it is determined that the player will not be affiliating with a club and, therefore, not participating in the juniors program. The refund may be subject to a handling fee as established by the Board and included in the Schedule of Fees."
(end of motion) **APPROVED**

MOTION S&F 2: To amend the General Operating Code, Schedule of Fees, adding the Registration Refunds Service Fee of $15 to the Miscellaneous Fees section, and revising the note at the end of the section, as follows:

Registration Refunds Service Fee* $ 15

*** Note: Only Junior Player registration fees are eligible for refunds as authorized in Section IV or the General Operating Code. ~~All~~ Club, Team and individual *adult* membership fees and transactions are final. No refunds will be issued.** (end of motion) **APPROVED**

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New Business:

A concern was raised about tournaments held at The Factory – stands and pads required. Inspections will be scheduled for tournaments and practices.

Open Forum:

Dan Mickle brought up the idea of forming a technology committee to investigate the use of new techniques and technology to facilitate Region operations. Dan will bring a proposal for a formed committee to the next meeting.

Roy Benasaraf brought up the issues caused by adjusting KRVA schedules according to the PIAA calendar.

APPENDIX

Between-Meetings-Motions & Actions:

09/30/2010

MOTION: To approve the attached *revised* contract with Molten to use them as the Region's supplier of volleyballs for Indoor events.

APPROVED

MOTION: To reimburse adult teams participating in the 2010 National Championship at $700/team. Total of $4900 is to be reimbursed.

APPROVED

MOTION: To approve full and partial entry fee reimbursements to Jr. Girls teams that represented the Region at the USAV GJNC tournament, as follows:

Team	Division	Amount
CAVA 12's	National	$ 594.00
PVA 13's	National	594.00
Synergy 13's	American	297.00
PVA 14's	National	594.00
CAVA 14's	American	297.00
Synergy 15's	National	594.00
Renaissance 15's	American	297.00
Cava 15's	Open	900.00
Renaissance 16's	National	594.00
P3R 16's	American	297.00
Yorktowne 17's	National	594.00
Keystone Jrs 17's	American	297.00
Synergy 17's	Open	900.00
PVA 18's	National	594.00
Synergy 18's	American	297.00

Total reimbursement is $ 7,740.00

APPROVED

10/06/2010

MOTION: To correct the registration fee for Officials to be the same as Adult Player plus Background Screening when required.

APPROVED

10/07/2010

MOTION: To revise the General Operating Code, Section X (Schedule of Fees and Charges), as per the attached document.

APPROVED

10/12/2010

MOTION: To appoint Bridget Fischbein to the Tom Ridge Committee for a three year term, replacing Roy Benasaraf (whose term ended last year).

APPROVED

10/18/2010

MOTION: To accept this contract for the Events Coordinator Position from Jennifer Constantino for $5000.00 for the season. It is a 1 year contract. (Original Contract)

NOT APPROVED

10/18/2010

MOTION: To approve exceptions and to the Jr. Girls Operating Code, Sections 5.3 and 5.4, and procedures to be followed.

APPROVED

10/26/2010

MOTION: To accept and approve the attached contract to hire Jennifer Constantino to fill the vacant Independent Contractor position of Events Coordinator, effective immediately through August 31, 2011. (Revised Contract)

APPROVED

10/29/2010

MOTION: To approve full and partial entry fee reimbursements to Jr. Boys teams that represented the Region at the USAV BJNC tournament, as follows:

Team	Amount
Yorktowne 18 Blue	$ 900.00
Yorktowne 16 Blue	900.00
Yorktowne 14 Blue	594.00
Club Lehigh 16s	594.00
Club Lehigh 15's	594.00
Pittsburgh VBC 18-1	594.00
Pittsburgh VBC 17-1	594.00

Total reimbursement is $ 4,770.00 USD.

APPROVED

11/01/2010

MOTION: To revise the Jr. Boys Operating Code, Section 4.5 (as presented).

APPROVED

End of Motions

09/21/2010

The Commissioner named the 2010/2011 Board Grievance Committee (as follows):

Dick Sware
Alan Cerullo
Jennifer Steinbach
Alternate: Bob Buchanan

End of Actions

Outdoor Report

KRVA now has 8 volleyball net systems in storage. Good possibility of two rentals for the whole group of nets this summer for now. Would expect additional rentals to occur.

I had a meeting scheduled with Valley Forge Convention and Visitors Bureau scheduled for Friday Dec 3, 2010 but it got rescheduled. The VFCVB is currently in talks with Mike Chandler and USAV about trying to bring the 2012 Junior girls nationals to the Philadelphia area. I was meeting him not as a member of KRVA but was going to influence the contact that KRVA may be able to help.

Looking to see if KRVA wants to pursue continuing with the USAV Junior Beach Tour as 2010 promoter for that series Norristown Crush does not want to do it. The Crush stated it is a poorly run series and is nothing more than a cash grab for USAV National. It also probably did harm to the Crush reputation as a leader in outdoor ball for the Junior players. It could be possible to contract it out to another promoter but I do not see that happening.

Currently looking and preparing to apply for sites as of January 1, 2011 for the running of one or two outdoor events that will be member only events. Locations being considered are Harrisburg, Pittsburgh area, Millersville, Lancaster/York, and eastern PA. Many of the current members of KRVA are very interested in a members only event. I do fully expect that the Adult division could benefit from these events because of increased adult membership.

Consideration is being given for a series of indoor doubles events that may be member only events and sanctioned by KRVA. These indoor events could be used to train referees in this discipline of the sport as Mike McPoyle has inquired if this could occur in the outdoor events. More information on my end would need to be acquired to see exactly what training the referees would be looking for to see if this could happen.

USAV National appears poised to take the lead on a national beach tour that would replace the recently defunct AVP.

John Emmell
KRVA Outdoor Chair