

**Board of Directors Meeting Minutes**  
**June 11, 2006**

Members Present:

James Phillips  
Dave Carstenson  
Mike Gale  
Jim Beard  
Bob Nichols  
Brandy Bradley  
Carrie Prewitt  
Nicole Evans  
Sam Cibrone  
David Skove  
Steve Bishop  
Alan Hafez

Others:

David Crowder

Meeting called to order 10:02 a.m.

Minutes of the 2/12/06 and 3/19/06 BOD meetings reviewed

Motion #1, Motion to approve the minutes as presented

Nicole Evans, 2<sup>nd</sup> – Carrie Prewitt

Motion passes unanimously

Commissioner's Report – James Phillips

- Discussion about the National Meetings in New Orleans
- Insurance Committee meetings
  - ESSEX, our insurance company, has said that our rates will probably go up about 30% this year. This is due to the litigations that USAV is getting. They are asking that no juniors play in the US Open for liability reasons. USAV has agreed. They are also suggesting that all RVA's purchase D&O insurance, and even require the clubs in the RVA to purchase this insurance. The Executive Committee is suggesting that we License our clubs and require D&O Insurance to get the license. The BOD was in agreement and will put this in the Operating Code.

Treasurer's Report – no report given as we had no data present.

Executive Director's Report

1. Recap of Girl's Junior Regional Championships
  - Financials were still unavailable, and we are still unsure of the take at the gate.
  - Steve did a recap of the seeding versus the outcomes and it shows that we did a good job in the National division and a decent job in the American division, which is much harder to seed because many teams had no points.
  - Recap of the 2006 Awards Ceremony with thanks to all of those who helped make it a great success.

- Discussion of the revised Incident Review policy. We will adopt it at the next meeting.
- Discussion of the online registration system and membership cards. Michael was not present to update us on the status of these items. Bob Nichols said that he would get the badges up and running if he could get the equipment. James said he would call Michael and get him to send it to Bob.
- Reminder that the BOD members need to submit articles for the newsletter. James added that each member will be required to submit an article at specific times in order to get their stipend. This will be discussed in more detail at the August meeting.
- Steve discussed the Incident that occurred at President's Day, and asked about the status. James said he believed the issue was closed. Steve said he would like something in writing from Mike as to the incident and the outcome.
- Discussion of the storage trailer and outdoor nets. Sam Cibrone said that he had purchased many nets and would let the region rent them before purchase to see if we have the need to purchase. Steve said that he would still purchase a trailer for transport. The board asked for financial data and Steve said he would provide it before purchase.
- Discussion of the Adult Indoor season – will run from November to February with Regionals taking place in March. We hope to have enough tournaments to make teams qualify for regionals to aid in the advanced setup of the event.
- Discussion of the Education records and the need to update and keep them in a location that is secure for the future. We have the ability now. Also, discussed the need for all coaches to be at least IMPACT certified before participating even in tryouts, also Background checks need to occur in advance.
- Discussion of the Adult teams that attended Nationals. We discussed the past policy of giving teams money who attended Nationals and represented the region without any adverse events during the tournament. The BOD agreed that we should continue this policy of the \$300 stipend to those teams and add this to the Operating Code.

#### New Business

- Steve provided the BOD with an Organizational chart for the future. It would require the changing of the current structure and by-laws, therefore, we will vote on it at the next meeting. However, the BOD did want to get structure in region employees and passed the following motion:

Motion #2, To reorganize the corporate structure to state that all regional employees will report to the Florida Region Executive Director.

Nicole Evans

2<sup>nd</sup> – Bob Nichols

Motion passed unanimously

Motion #3, To approve the expenditure of a book keeper to manage the accounting and finance of the Florida Region

Nicole Evans

2<sup>nd</sup> – Carrie Prewitt

Motion passed unanimously\

- Discussion occurred concerning the National Meetings in May that Steve Bishop, Yvonne Devlin, Mike Gale and James Phillips attended. Most of the discussion concerned insurance.
- Steve gave an update to our election results: Mike Gale is the new Officials Chair, and Jim Beaird is the new Boy's Juniors Coordinator. The BOD gave congratulations to both incoming members.
- Steve gave an update on Boy's regionals and the Boy's HP program. Boy's regionals will be in Orlando on June 17 and 18 with an HP tryout on Sunday.
- Brief discussion on Official's Clinics and the cost to have so many. We tabled this item for the August meeting.
- Discussion occurred on updating our By-Laws and creating and finishing our Operating Code. The BOD was informed that we would be looking to correct and update the By-Laws at the Next meeting. This is the notification of change of By-Laws needed to make changes. We will be looking at changing the Board of Directors following the new Organizational Chart.
- Steve discussed adding Administration fees to those clubs who ask the region to input their data into WebPoint. This will be discussed in detail in the August meeting.
- Discussion occurred on the dates of the Coaches Education weekend in January 2007. Steve has been looking for a site and will work with Nicole to get a site large enough to accommodate our needs for all levels.
- Discussion on holding IMPACT certification classes Mid and Late season along with those early in the season. All agreed that this is important to get coaches properly certified to coach.
- Steve wanted to let the BOD know that we have two new Region Partners, ESM and SSOVA.

#### Other Business

- Dave Crowder asked to speak and was given time to do so. He complained that he was being slandered by Region BOD members claiming that he had region property that he had not returned after finishing his term of office as the Adult Coordinator. James Phillips stated that the region did not require anything else from Mr. Crowder and that he has left the region BOD as a member in good standing.

Next meeting date will be August 13, 2006 in Orlando.

Meeting Adjourned @ 1330.