

JGA Board Meeting November 12, 2006

Call to order 10:00 am

Introduction of officers and office staff

Jim Fales Sgt at Arms – overview of protocol.

Webpoint Online registration Training – Jennifer Joseph

Jennifer provided an in depth overview of the system and a question and answer session followed. All clubs will use the online registration system to register or they will not play.

Future changes – The region will be adding pay online capabilities soon.

Dan Cunningham – Aasics sales representative

Meeting minutes from last meeting will be emailed to you so that you can vote online on them.

Commissioners report:

We have lost the American bids to Nationals. This is due to the prior office administration not entering player information into the system timely. We are 2nd on the list for reallocation, but we will likely not get more than one or two. We should have them back next year, because all members will be in the system or they will not play. We still want you to commit as though you are going to the American Division so that if we do get reallocation, you will be able to go. We will be enforcing policies going forward. Reallocation occurs after all National Qualifiers have occurred. Our Regionals will have already occurred at that point. The bid tournament will determine our bid to Nationals. It will likely be one bid in each age group.

The Bid tournament will be the April 14 tournament.

Regionals will provide no bid to Nationals (hopefully this year only). It will still be a Regional Championships, awards banquets, and the JGA meeting.

Going forward all information will be disseminated via the website online. It is usavfl.org.

5 minute break.

We are developing a frequently asked questions page to help with the many questions you may have at any time. info@usavfl.org will go to Steve and James directly. All emails for board members will be their first name at usavfl.org. you can email the board directly from the webpage.

Commissioners report

Bid

Back to weekly report – weekly check report.

District breakouts from 12:00 to 2pm. Lunch will be provided at 1pm during the breakout.

We want you to discuss during the breakout sessions:

JGA restructuring

Ranking system

Recruiting for clubs.

James has redone the operating code and the bylaws. He wants to put together a committee to update this rewrite.

He retyped the job descriptions of the board members and restructured the board. There are 4 junior reps for each district. Now you go through your junior rep to the board. That doesn't mean you can't email the board, but you should funnel things through your district rep. Every board member has a quarterly report due to the board with the accomplishment of their assigned goals.

The incident review report is very gray and doesn't allow for penalties and enforcement. Our goal is to correct those problems. Laurie has gone through the board meeting minutes for the last four years. Going forward anything we have passed will be added to operating code and go on the website. The organizational structure with growth positions is posted on the website. Email your district reps at their usav email address. We backup everything so that we can keep track of emails and all correspondence. District reps are all seated board members.

Ranking committee report. We are trying to put in place with your approval a 3 tournament minimum for ranking to qualify. We are putting a section on tournaments to keep tournament results information for ranking. If you do not input your information, you will not host a tournament in this region next year.

Motion 1. Move to add a requirement to the Regional Ranking System that in order to have a team's results considered for ranking and or seeding in the Girl's Bid Tournament and the Girl's regional Championship, a team has to report results from a minimum of 3 qualified events. Qualified events can be regional or national events and results must be reported 3 days prior to the date of the Girl's bid tournament. Motion by the committee, seconded by the committee. Motion carries.

Motion 2. Move to add a requirement to the regional ranking system that team results for national events must be received by the region within 7 days from the last day of competition to be included in ranking process. If not posted timely, it will get zero points. Motion by the committee, second by the committee. Motion carries.

We want to bring forward a committee to address this issue and put together a plan – it will be a binding committee for that entire season so that we don't change what we are doing in mid stream. We need to set a metric as what is an acceptable ratio for accuracy.

Ranking committee Mike Farrah, Randy Dagastino, Cindee Snow, Sam Cibrone, Ricky Shultz, Ron Jacobs, _____ Mike Farah is the chair. This is the first year that we tracked the seeding. Going forward this will be tracked each year so that we can determine the accuracy of the numbers.

Speaker from each breakout

District 1

1. We'd like to see a committee looking at anything from the 66% down. We'd like to see a % structure instead of point basis. We want to see florida team basis.
2. removal of las vegas – ok
3. would like to see aaU involved in the ranking.
4. would like to see more info on results going into sign up to play – cost of using, etc.
5. JGA restructuring – agree with the structure how to select number of reps, etc. – 2 people from each district – new club/old club – small versus large club, etc.
6. recruiting issue – how do you police it? Don't really have the same type of issues that others do. We think we should bring it to a committee.

District 2

1. Noone volunteered for District Rep position – Connie and Yvonne for now.
2. Recommend that the pick form be explained to the parents. Read it to kids and parents at the beginning and end of the season recommend that they contact the district office.
3. Qualifiers in open division ok with point allocation. In club division, need more clarification as to where you finish. Recommend the committee look into that.
4. Las Vegas be removed.
5. AAU – we don't think you should interchange. Two separate divisions and wouldn't mix them.
6. Point value as to open and club still do 16-1 in club division. In open division like a qualifier 16-1. Club recommend 8- 1 points in that. That could help that percentage. Go to a smaller group one time per year.

District 3

1. New rep – Sam Cibrone will continue.
2. Ranking committee – support all these things going to committee. Point value for qualifier club and open needs to be better defined.
3. Something to replace Las Vegas
4. Don't want AAU included.
5. Support restructuring of Board. Actually have people who would like to be considered.
6. Commitment form. Parent information guide actually has contradictory policy from what has been put in to policy. But we think that we should have something for parents to go to. Would like to see the commitment form replaced with the

webpoint be the determinate. If you are 14 and under or younger – on November 1 they could affiliate themselves with a club. For high school and above it would be the day after the state finals championships. Get rid of the commitment form altogether.

7. We have issues with the recruiting policy altogether. Should really have a harassment policy that would prevent coaches from harassing a player to get them to play for a particular team.
 8. Region transfer policy of only representing one club per season.
- My point was and I lost it. Letting web point decide doesn't allow for a signature (James Phillips talking). If there is no signature, mistakes will be made.

District 4

1. Leave as is. National Qualifier Open.
2. Leave as is. Club division.
3. Remove Las Vegas or change category 2.
4. Don't commingle AAU with USAV events.
5. Point value for sanctioning events regional open and club, it is our view, there should be 16 in each age group and don't entertain open and club. Just one division.
6. Recruiting. – we are in favor of forming a committee and have 2 people who would like to be on a committee to come up with a method or enforcing.
7. Restructuring – 1 meeting (this one each year) 3 people – 1 district rep and 2 volunteers for each district for the committee.
8. 3 tournament rule – our district felt that it should be mandatory with 16 team pool.

Motions from the floor to accomplish this task.

Explain District Reps duties – the district rep responsibilities are to bring your issues, questions, etc to the board on your behalf.

The motion would be that there would be one District Rep and one additional rep for each district, 2 coordinators, and the commissioner would be the tiebreaking vote. The motion carries.

Motion for handling the additional rep – vote for the second rep in the same manner as you vote for your district rep. If the motion is approved by the Board, then each district rep will email the members of their district to elect the second rep.

Move to accept the junior restructuring proposal changing the

Motion 3 -The Ranking committee come up with the ranking system for 2007 and go with these implementation for this year. To be posted on the website by December 15th. (Sindee Snow, Sam Cibron, Mike Farah, Ricky Schultz, Ron Jacobs, Randy Day. Motion submitted by Yvonne Devlin. 2nd by Carrie Pruitt. The motion passed.

Motion 4 - Move to accept the junior restructuring proposal changing the JAB composition to include the girls jr coordinator, the boys jr coordinator, the district

representatives and one member from each of the 4 districts who is elected from the JF membership of each district, and the commissioner or their appointee. Motion submitted by Lauri Dagostino and seconded by Richard Burke.

Motion 5 – eliminate the recruiting policy of the Florida Region and reinstitute a harassment policy as defined by a committee by to be included in the Parent information Guide. Motion did not pass.

Motion 6 – have the commissioner appoint a committee to create a new region policy to cover, harassment, intimidation and recruiting. The policy to be completed by December 15th. Submitted by Lauri Dagostino and seconded by Chuck Waddington.

Lauri Dagostino brought up the question of the PIG forms now could potentially be revised on December 15th and they are not valid. Is the commitment form even now required?

Motion to adjourn by the commissioner. Seconded by Mike McCall. Motion carried.