

**Arizona Region
Executive Board Meeting**
February 24, 2016
Minutes

1. **Call to Order** – The meeting was called to order at 1:12 pm by Harold Cranswick.

2. **Roll Call**

Commissioner -	Harold Cranswick
Secretary/Treasurer -	Becky Hudson
Officials Division Coordinator -	JR Salima - Absent
Adult Division Coordinator -	Ron Pelham
Junior Division Coordinator -	Charlotte Pottle

Guests - Kellen Walter

3. **Approval of the Agenda**

Motion 1: Move to approve the agenda as written. (Pelham/Pottle) Motion carries

4. **Approval of the Minutes**

Motion 2: Move to approve the Minutes of January 27, 2016 as written. (Pottle/Pelham) Motion Carries

5. **Old Business:**

a. **By-Laws Amendment**

Harold presented a revised format of the description of duties of each board member from the By Laws. Each Board member should review the duties that are listed for their position and bring recommendations to the next board meeting.

This is the 2nd reading of this motion. Review the Constitution for qualifications.

Motion 3: Move to approve the definitions of duties for each board member as amended.

6. **New Business**

a. **National Meeting Attendance**

Discuss who will attend each of the Assembly/Director meetings so they can make travel and hotel arrangements. RVAA, JA, Officials Assembly, PVL Directors, Referee RVA Development, Scorer RVA Development, Beach RVA Development.

Harold – RVAA, PVL Directors

Charlotte – Jr Assembly

Ron – Jr Assembly, PVL Directors, Beach RVA Development

JR – Officials Assembly, Ref RVA Development, Scorer RVA Development

b. **Review of Suns Sponsorship for 2016**

Did we meet the goals we expected to reach with the Suns agreement this season? Discussion of the 2016 experience was heard. The Suns have put forward an agreement for the 2017 season.

A survey was put together by the Jr Committee for the parents, coaches and the Jr Club Directors on the experience. The survey will be edited and then sent out. We will leave the survey open for 2 weeks. The info will then be available for the Junior Forum on April 3rd. While conducting the 50/50 raffle at the arena during our tournament Ron heard from parents who were very appreciative of the experience. For them it became more like a college setting than a national qualifier.

We will look to post the powerpoint on the website that was supposed to be shown at the Suns game.

If the parents are for it then the information will be given to the club directors and they can build this into their budgets.

Inquire with Aaron about boys participating in the Suns sponsorships.

c. **Arizona Senior Olympics Subsidy**

The Senior Olympics in Phoenix is being held March 12-13. Charlie Eckman reached out to the Region to give junior clubs the opportunity to do some community service and raise some funds by providing linesman, scorers, libero trackers/score flippers and R2s for the matches of the Senior Olympics. The Region officials are also going to be tapped to be R1s for the matches. This is an area in which we can help subsidize the fees for the officials and the fundraising efforts of the teams. This is also an area we can use development grant account funds to grow the Senior population playing volleyball. Charlie would like a contract from the Region to cover the subcontract officials. Should this be a continuing relationship for this organization?

Motion 4: Move to subsidize the officials' fees for the Senior Olympics. (Hudson/Pelham)
Motion Carries

The contract will ask ASO to provide \$20 per full match and \$10 for each set. This arrangement will be reevaluated for next season.

d. **NBC Gold Map and Open Court**

Documents from USAV were provided regarding the NBC Gold Map and Open Court programs that will coincide with the Olympics in Rio. It is a grassroots member growth project for USAV and the RVAs.

Need to talk to AIA about the Open Court concept – in the event some high school player shows up.

Insurance coverage for the Open Court portion – request a waiver for those not registered.

e. **By-Laws Change**

Change the terms of the Board positions to 3 years to match the junior Committee rotation. Rationale: this puts all the Board positions on the same term length. The terms would be staggered as discussed.

Motion: Move to revise the By-Laws to stagger the terms of the Board of Directors elections and increase the length of terms to 3 years.

This is the first reading of this motion. The motion will be considered at the next meeting.

f. **Meeting Schedules**

Girls Jr Forum – schedule at Mesa CC SC11E on Sun, April 3, 2016 - 12:30 – 4:30.
The meeting will start at 1 pm.

Boys Forum will be scheduled for Aug 6. Do we want to hold this in another location? Court One never turns on the air for the meeting – it is stifling. Do we want to provide food?

Research using the Kroc center for the boys meeting and provide brunch food. Shalimar Country Club also has a room and breakfast buffet.

g. The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, March 15 at 1 pm.

7. Officers' Reports

Commissioner

a. Information/News -

- i. There will be changes to the National office in the next quad. Doug Beal has resigned effective Jan 2, 2017.
- ii. An RVAA Board position will be added to the USAV BOD making 3 representatives from the RVAA on the Board of Directors.
- iii. The USAV Board is looking at the possibility of extending the number of terms the USAV BOD Positions can serve.
- iv. We have been asked by USAV to poll our Junior Club directors and see what their take is on the 18 American Division being split out. Should all the 18's be at the same time – early or late? If early, should there be any opportunity for 18s to play at the later GJNC? This will be talked about at the May meetings and they want good input to make a decision regarding 2018 and beyond.

b. Region Office Information – Becky Hudson

- i. Kellen Walter was hired to help with paperwork and eventually take over working on the website, Facebook and Twitter for the Region. He has already helped immensely as in the 3 weeks he has been here we have been able to complete all the registration. When he started we were at about half way and behind.

c. Region Outreach Director – Eric Hodgson

i. Events

WAVA coaches in Yuma on 1-24
Yuma USD PE teachers on 1-25
Yuma Boys and Girl's Club 1-25
480 PE kids from OC Johnson school in Yuma 1-26
Interviewed Dr. Wulf for research blog 2-1 in Las Vegas (Non region expense)
Kingman PGS for Desert Stars VBC on 2-9
Adapted PE conference at Abil 360 on 2-11
Coaching Clinic for Play Right Club Coaches 2-17
Coaching/ League Clinic for Mesa Parks and Rec 2-23

Scheduled:

2-27: Health Fair with Phoenix Children's Hospital at Cardinal's Stadium
2-28- First of year long monthly Adult Beach Series with AZB
PGS for Glendale VOS scheduled 3-6
PUSD PE Teachers in service on 3-11
3-13 2nd AZB/AZR Adult Beach Tournament
3-17-3-20 Hopi Mission School in Kykotsmovi, possible stop in Tuba City for Starlings coaches and players.

Working on a coaching clinic sometime in late April or early May. The intent is to help introduce GCU and ASU coaches to Region community and add some Motor Learning speakers as well. Probably one day, cost minimal.

Working on a league for the Phoenix Elementary School district kids; adding other cities as we go.

Mesa Parks and Rec is in year three of working with AZR. They have four teams of 3rd-6th graders in a league with limited funding, resources and gyms. They are looking to expand to 8 teams next year. Lowered nets and play with extra toss for more contacts. Kudos!

Working on another "Vulture Peak" like tournament for the Yuma area. More courts, more things for kids to do. Add CA and Mexico teams. Meetings regarding this are in late March and early April.

ii. Beach

Jr. Beach Info posted yesterday for the upcoming season
Desert Open JR. Beach Tour Stop is scheduled for April 24th
Adult Beach tournaments every month through Dec. scheduled in conjunction with AZB

iii. Vulture Peak

Teams being finalized – we have maxed out Wickenburg and are close to maxing out Prescott sites.
Sites and Site Directors are in place: Atkinson for 12's, Wickenburg for 14's, Prescott HS, Bradshaw Mtn HS, Yavapai College for 16's and 18's.
Medals and T shirts to be ordered

Secretary/Treasurer – Becky Hudson

a. Treasurer's Report:			January, 2016
Income:		\$	35,850.60
Expenses:		\$	128,460.34
Balance in checking account as of	1/31/16	= \$	106,282.13
Balance in High Yield Savings Account as of	1/31/16	= \$	612,823.38
Balance in Development Grant Fund as of	1/31/16	= \$	11,393.03
Balance Wells Fargo CD	1/31/16	= \$	40,034.49

b. Marketing/PR Update – Eric Hodgson

Both newsletters finished on deadline. Thanks to those that ponied up their articles and information.

The monthly E newsletter is released the first of every month. Division Coordinators need to send articles to Eric around the 20th of each month for the newsletter to go out on the first of the month.

Parent and Coaching blogs are updated every 2-3 weeks

Officials Division Coordinator – JR Salima

No Report

Adult Division Coordinator – Ron Pelham

a. Information/News –

- i. Situation with an adult team at a tournament when an exceptional sub was allowed that they did not like. Plan B is on notice for behavioral issues.

Junior Division Coordinator – Charlotte Pottle

a. Information/News

- i. The Jr Committee met last week. Two surveys were put together – 1 on the Suns and a call for agenda items for the Junior Forum.
- ii. Girls Season – Parent problems are happening every week. Our penalty point policy must be enforced consistently at our sites to get this under control.
- iii. High Performance – Ron Pelham

Girls HP – A Pre USAV Tryout clinic is scheduled on March 20. Ron is talking to Amanda Omar about doing a Future Select camp.

Boys HP – Justin Hobson got a new job so he will not be able to coach. Rita Stubbs will take over for Ashley Kastl on the older girls' team. She will shadow coach for the Sizzle too.

Sizzle – Fred Mann was not committed as a coach due to family matters. Matt Werle wants to play but will help get a coach. Aaron Payne has not committed. Jeremy Price is an option.

Beach HP – Joe Rohr is the new Head Coach. Ryan Mariano may come on but he would be an assistant. Bethany Jorgensen is the first choice for the girls coach.

Nascar fundraiser opportunity to sell beer is out there.

Mellissa just sent Ron a new flyer for the golf tournament. Everyone should bring in a foursome or bring something for the raffle. Items are needed stuff for the raffle table.

Coach's challenge for the golf tournament.

Need some help from the High Performance teams to get foursomes and to help with closest to the pin and other contests during the tournament.

Ron is building a team app for the HP and Sizzle teams. Team App is the program. Ron will try the program and let us know how it works.

HP Tryout Camp – May 13, 15, 21. Invitations for the tryouts will be from those attending the camp. \$200 for all 3 days, \$75 per day. Tryouts are free, \$200 if you don't attend the camp.

8. Committee Reports

a. **Ethics and Compliance Committee – JR Salima**

- i. A hearing has been scheduled for March 15. JR will talk to our attorney about being present at the hearing. The hearing will be recorded.

JR should ask our attorney if we should be videotaping the hearing and whether the victims should be present?

b. **Budget Committee – No Report**

9. Adjournment of the Meeting

Motion 5: Move to adjourn the meeting (Pelham/Pottle) Motion Carries
The meeting adjourned at 4:13 pm.

10. Review of Decisions/Duties/Responsibilities as a result of today's meeting

- Harold Cranswick and Eric Hodgson to edit the Jr Committee surveys that will be sent out regarding the Sun's Sponsorship
- Call for Agenda items to be sent out for the Jr Forum
- A contract will be drawn up for the Arizona Special Olympics regarding the payment for volleyball officials at the tournament.
- Need to talk to the AIA about the Open Court program that will be held following the Rio Olympics in the event a high school player shows up.
- Harold Cranswick to secure MCC SC-11E for the Girls Jr Fourm on April 3. Location and food for the boys forum to be researched and secured.
- Division Coordinators to provide an article for the monthly newsletter to Eric by the 20th of each month.
- JR Salima to contact Scott Santerre regarding the upcoming ECC hearing.
- Division coordinators to look at providing a foursome or items for the raffle table at the Golf Tournament.