

# MINUTES

## **N. Texas Referee Board**

*June 12, 2009*

The meeting was called to order by Michele Furlong at 7:02 p.m. At this time, there were insufficient board members present to form a quorum.

### **In attendance**

Current Board Members Present: Michele Furlong, Chad Klunck, Melanie Murdock and Chris Tobey

Current Board Members Absent: Brian Borski, Michelle Kellen and Steve Robb

Board Members in attendance (after election): Michele Furlong, Chad Klunck, Hayden Mitchell, Melanie Murdock, Chris Tobey and Jeff West

Others Present: Traci Belton, Greg Krueger, Mark Krone, Linda Harris, Robyn Barlow, Terry Fry, Mark Krone, Jonathan Daclison, Liz Wilson, Preston Matheisen, Ken Kanellos, Steve Funk, Philip Hoffman, Laressa Reese, Ralph Warner, Chris Mares

### **Elections**

Nominations were accepted for At Large board positions 3 and 4: Terry Fry, Mark Krone, Hayden Mitchell and Jeff West made short presentations and ballots were cast. Jeff West was elected to At Large position 3 and Hayden Mitchell was elected to At Large position 4.

### **National Meeting Discussion**

Michele Furlong provided information from the National Meeting.

- All national-level officials must provide a minimum of 30 hours of service to their region. These requirements will be posted by Robyn Barlow on the website.
- There was a 4.2% increase in the number of Jr. National and National officials last year.
- There were 57 applications for Jr. National candidates and all were accepted. There were 43 applications for National candidates; however, only 30 were accepted. There is a new requirement for candidates in that they will be required to keep score for one match during their ratings.
- Michele has requested one of three dates for this year's National Clinic (October 25, November 8 and December 12); however, no reply has been received yet.
- USAV modules are no longer being offered at PAVO clinics.
- There will be some new rule changes which are posted.
- The National Office anticipates a new PowerPoint training module should be ready for a basic referee clinic by 9/1/2009.
- The National Office will now require all officials who officiate junior events to successfully complete background screening every two years. As NTR already requires this, there should be no change for our officials.
- Beach volleyball has been added to the collegiate competition. Steve Owen will be providing certification clinics for any officials interested.

### **Approval of Minutes**

A motion was made by Hayden Mitchell to approve the February 20, 2009. Second by Jeff West. All approved.

### **Officials Division Operating Code**

A motion was made by Jeff West to accept the Official Division Operating Code as presented. Second by Chris Tobey. All were in favor.

Various motions were made to amend the Official Division Operating Code as set out below. All were approved.

- Correct the typographical error in Article 8, Section 1, Advancement: from "theft" to "their". (Chris Tobey – 1<sup>st</sup>; Hayden Mitchell – 2<sup>nd</sup>)
- Change numerical formatting throughout the document to correct inconsistency (i.e., "two (2)" instead of "2"). (Melanie Murdock – 1<sup>st</sup>; Hayden Mitchell – 2<sup>nd</sup>).

- Article V, Sec 2 will be changed as follows: "Additionally, if any board member elected or appointed misses two (2) consecutive meetings without valid reason, the individual will be subject to removal upon 2/3 vote of the board. (Hayden Mitchell – 1<sup>st</sup>; Jeff West – 2<sup>nd</sup>).
- Motion to add revision information to the bottom of the Code (1<sup>st</sup> by Hayden; not passed as the date Code was generated is in the footer).

### **Annual Referee Certification (Section IX)**

Various motions were made to amend this section as set out below. All were approved.

- Amend IX.A.3. "... or Regional Referees. One rating must be received as Second Referee. All ratings must be a passing rating."
- Delete IX.A.4. Renumber section IX.A. accordingly. (Chris Tobey – 1<sup>st</sup>; Hayden Mitchell – 2<sup>nd</sup>).
- Amend IX.C.4., IX.D.4. and IX.E.4. and replace "Region Referee Chair" with "Official's Coordinator".
- Delete the last sentence of IX.E.2. (Chris Tobey – 1<sup>st</sup>; Michele Furlong – 2<sup>nd</sup>).
- Amend sections IX.E.5., IX.E.6., and X.E.6. as follows (Michele Furlong – 1<sup>st</sup>; Hayden Mitchell – 2<sup>nd</sup>):
- IX.E.5. Replace "In process status" with "Certification". Delete "ADULT".
- IX.E.6. Replace "status" with "certification".

### **Annual Scorekeeper Certification (Section X)**

Various motions were made to amend this section as set out below. All were approved.

- Amend the inconsistencies in Sections X.B.2. to reflect "written/on-line". (Hayden Mitchell – 1<sup>st</sup>; Chris Tobey – 2<sup>nd</sup>).
- Amend Section X.C.4., X.E.4. and X.E.5. replace "Scorekeeper Chair" with "Vice President of Junior Training"; (Chad Klunck – 1<sup>st</sup>; Hayden Mitchell – 2<sup>nd</sup>)
- Delete X.A. (Michele Furlong – 1<sup>st</sup>; Chris Tobey – 2<sup>nd</sup>).
- Amend section X.E.2. to delete the last sentence of the paragraph. (Chris Tobey – 1<sup>st</sup>; Michele Furlong – 2<sup>nd</sup>).
- Amend X.E.6. and replace "status" with "certification".

### **In Good Standing Policy (Section XI)**

- Section XI.B. will amended as follows (Michele Furlong – 1<sup>st</sup>; Jeff West – 2<sup>nd</sup>):
  - Must take Test A online (not written) and obtain a passing score, corrected to 100%, by January 31. If Test A is not passed, must take Test B and obtain a passing score, also corrected to 100%, by February 13.
- Section XI.D. will be deleted.

## **Structure / Organization Chart for Referee Board**

All positions were approved as follows:

- VP of Advancement – Chris Tobey (Michele Furlong – 1<sup>st</sup>; Hayden Mitchell – 2<sup>nd</sup>)
- VP of Special Interests – Steve Robb (Michele Furlong – 1<sup>st</sup>; Melanie Murdock – 2<sup>nd</sup>)
- VP of Education and Training – Chad Klunck (Michele Furlong – 1<sup>st</sup>; Chris Tobey – 2<sup>nd</sup>)
- VP of Junior Training – Michelle Kellen (Michele Furlong – 1<sup>st</sup>; Chris Tobey – 2<sup>nd</sup>)

## **Old Business**

1. Good Standing Guidelines will be updated to include requirements by National Office for all national-level officials.
2. We still have not received feedback for several sites to add to the standard Facility Ground Rules. This document is being created to assist head referees in applying all ground rules consistently.
3. Is ad hoc good standing committee still in effect? Will be moved under Special Interests to review the requirements for good standing for regional/provisionals.

## **New Business**

1. New structure of the Referee Board was presented and discussed. Committees are being added under each VP position. At least 50% of each committee must consist of board members. Persons interested in participating in these committees should contact one of the VPs.
2. Jonathan Daclison was elected as the at-large referee representative for a term of two years to serve on the NTR Board. Candidates: Terry Fry, Jonathan Daclison, and Jeff West. Vote was cast by ballot.
3. Next meeting scheduled for Sunday, September 13 at 4:00 pm
4. Clinic dates: We don't know when we're going to have the National Clinic and have no say. It was decided to have one Region clinic in November for Jr. National and National officials only that will last 1 – 1 ½ hours.

Motion to adjourn was made at 8:39 pm. Chris T. 1<sup>st</sup>; Hayden 2<sup>nd</sup>, and was passed unanimously.