

Eden Prairie Volleyball Association
Board Meeting
November 16, 2015
Activity Center

Minutes

Board Members Present:

Amy Martinson, Mary Reiling, Cheryl O'Connell, Kris Beatty, Mike Lewis, Damon Fischer, Steve Gudvangen, Brent Pond, Kevin Kraemer, Deb Danielson, Kurt Potter

Guests: Scott Johnson, Phoebe Acevedo

Program Director: Chad Becker

1. Guest Acevedo asked about tournaments, the selection of tournaments and if there was any consideration to go to bigger tournaments such as Nationals. Mr. Becker said we could but we would be going head to head against bigger clubs in the North Country Region. EP teams have not shown the ability to compete on the national level. Conditioning - are we going to do any conditioning for the players - the board is evaluating the options and should have something in place by January. Recruiting information for players on the website...the board will explore what options are available on the current site.

2. Minutes from October '15 meeting approved as submitted.

3. Chad Becker contract (Pond) - Mr Becker's contract is ready for signatures and the contract is as Mr. Becker and the board have agreed. The contract was approved by vote by the board.

4. JO Season (Pond)

Tryouts - administrative process for the tryouts went well. Mr. Becker thanked the board for their help. The teams are being selected and the practices are going well. There was a concern about the number of players at tryouts and are we doing enough to keep the pipeline full of prospective players?

Marketing the season - show the value on website, list practices, matches, etc. Add an age calculator, evaluate the website. **Action:** O'Connell

Budget: 60 girls in the program. Fees will be kept the same as 2015. The budget is projected to be in the black.

Tournaments: adding one for each age group. Local tournaments are being considered. The board members present suggested which ones along with input from Mr. Becker. **Action:** Martinson/Gudvangen to enter teams in tournaments.

Grant program: The budget allocated \$4000. One family requested assistance. The family will volunteer to show appreciation for the grant. \$1200 of the budgeted \$4000 will be used. **Action:** Pond to work with family.

Coaching Staff: A couple of the coaches said no at the last minute. A few of the seniors will be assisting the 12's. With last minute juggle of the coaching staff, we are looking for a 14-2's assistant. Mr. Becker named the coaching staff and highlighted the new additions. We need the coaching bio's for the website. **Action:** Becker to get Bio's/NCR forms for/from coaches.

Practice Player: Can we accommodate a practice only player? Due to an injury a player has inquired about attending practices but not matches. Discussion - Pro's - help player continue to work on her skills. Con's - liability(covered via USAV?), practice reps from another player. Decision - communicate with parents from team she would practice with, formalize an agreement with the family requesting to practice. cost: \$600. **Action:** Becker to discuss with family, then contract to be written (Pond/Gudvangen).

Uniforms - Backpacks and other spirit wear will be available soon. Communicate with parents/players.

Parent Meeting: mandatory for 12 and under and any new family's and anyone with a concern. **Action:** Gudvangen to orchestrate meeting.

5. JO Prep (Gudvangen)

Update website. MN Select supports the program. Still getting organized. Uniforms:t-shirts with numbers. **Action:** Update website

6. Equipment (Pond)

Balls and Ball Cart have been purchased.

7. Beach

Dates and times have been selected. Dates: June 14 - July 28, Tuesday and Thursday, 9:00a - 11:00a. Courts have been reserved. Mr. Becker has secured a director. **Action:** O'Connell update at next meeting.

Next Meeting: Holiday Party, Tuesday, Dec 15, 6:00p - 8:00p