

## North Country Region Board of Director Meeting- July 15, 2007

Present: Val Swanson, Shannon Shaughnessy, Jon Hegerle, Brian Karich, Candi Christman, Doug Lothenbach, Chris Mahoney, Sandy Doherty, Tim Reckmeyer, Mark Kaschke via conference call.

Not Present: Tracey Hruska, Lonnie Morken, Kurt Stumpf, Darla Heikes

Staff: Candy Kolbow, Judy Praska, Sarah Hammers, Ken Miller, Cara Bartolic, Jennifer Brathol

### Election of Board Members/Area Reps

Joe Sussenguth-will be the West Central MN Area Rep

Tracy Hruska-was reelected as the Upper Peninsula of Michigan Area Rep

Scott Jackson and Lonnie Morken were elected as at-large members

### Election of Board of Director Officers

President-Andrew Palileo; Vice President- Brian Karich;

Secretary- Shannon Shaughnessy; Treasurer- Tim Reckmeyer

### Membership Concerns

#### A. MSF concern

- a. **Motion:** Executive Director is to send a copy of the letter from the lawyer to MSF Staff-reiterate the fact that labels are a one-time use. *Sandy, Jon Passed*

#### B. Official – Recommendation by Mark to talk directly (phone rather than e-mail) with officials having issues.

#### C. Labels: Greg Cylkowski- not to sell him labels.

- a. **Motion:** Allow staff to withhold business if it is not in the best interest of Region- *Andrew, Shannon Passed*

#### D. Sportsmanship & Others

##### a. Junior officiating duties (not completing):

- i. **Motion:** 1<sup>st</sup> Offense: Probation and Fine \$100.00
- ii. 2<sup>nd</sup> Offense: Fine \$100.00 and suspension (team) with automatic appeal- Referred to BOD & reviewed by executive committee for disciplinary action. Tournament directors will be informed about review. *Shannon, Jon Passed*
- iii. Point of emphasis in Officials Clinics and IMPACT Coaches Clinics

### Executive Director's Report

#### A. Adults-Jennifer

- a. 710 this season
- b. 31 Activities for adults
- c. 9 Education Clinics
- d. Sol VB (worked with them)
- e. Sanctioned two leagues this summer
- f. Grass tournament
- g. 11 teams at Nationals and 1 Co-ed at Nationals

- h. Met with Rick Barto to discuss future cooperation
- i. Our Region is growing in adults many other regions are declining
- B. Boys-Jennifer
  - a. 6 tournaments
  - b. 2 teams from Canada participating in NCR boys events
  - c. 7 Senior High Teams and 3 Junior High
  - d. Two Boys clinics sponsored by North Star VB
- C. Officials-Candy
  - a. Congratulations to Brad Aaberg receiving his National Official ranking as well as Adam Pike receiving his Junior National ranking
  - b. Good turnout for volunteer Refs at the Area Event
  - c. Working on outline for Juniors clinic
  - d. Areas of Officials: Junior Clinics, Events (Presidents' Day Festival and Regional Qualifier) and Officials (Training)
- D. Junior Girls-Ken
  - a. Girls program doing great
  - b. Summer teams down-regular teams are up
  - c. Grew by 60-70 teams
  - d. More participants then before for IMPACT
    - i. 2005-435 people went to IMPACT
    - ii. 2006-570 people went to IMPACT
    - iii. 2007-650 people went to IMPACT
- E. National Report- Judy
  - a. Ken, Judy, Cara went to the national meetings in May
  - b. Hosted educational coaches clinics at Junior Nationals in the Convention Center
- F. Public Relations-Judy
  - a. 1000 T-Shirts made "Volleyball for Life"
  - b. Distributed shirts at IMPACT clinics and adults events
  - c. Spent more Public Relations this year
  - d. Went to Coaches Clinics, State Tournament and ads in all three state tournament programs.
  - e. Public relations mailing to all High School, Middle school and elementary schools in MN, ND, SD and the upper peninsula of Michigan.
- G. Treasurer Report-Tim
  - a. Looks fantastic
  - b. Money Market: seed money for next season-YES
  - c. **Motion** to approve the Budget. *Shannon, Candi C* **Passed**
- H. Annual Review for Executive Director- Mark conducted
- I. Staff reviews – Judy has conducted reviews on all the staff members
- J. Area Reports-Each Representative gave a report of their region.

Next meeting will be December 2, 2007 at 9:00 AM

Motion to Adjourn – *Shannon, Jon*

*Electronically approved by majority on 7/30/07*

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