

**Minutes of the Meeting
Board of Directors
Heart of American Region Volleyball Association**

**Saturday, June 2, 2018
Heart of America Volleyball Office**

Board Members Attending: Lisa Madsen, Dennis Jackson, Ric Washburn, D'Anne Carnahan, Terry Wright, Sr., Kathy Hunter, Kenya Young, David Beach, Kailey Hall Bridges, Alexi Thackery, Dave Abramson

Corporate Officers Attending: Bertil Wamelink, Kyla Majors, Lisa Kresha

Staff: Dan Houser

Proxy: Dave Gentile – Lisa Madsen, Sarah Butler- Kenya Young, Jenika Cook – Terry Wright, Ryan Lacson – Ric Washburn

Call to Order – The meeting was called to order by the Commissioner at 12:31 p.m.

1. Approval of Minutes of the Previous Meeting.

*Motion to approve the minutes of the meeting of December 2, 2017 passed.
(Wright/Young)*

2. Reports

a. Boys Growth Report

HOA has developed and incentive program to encourage existing boys volleyball clubs to grow and for established girls volleyball clubs to start up boys volleyball team. We have 16 teams that met the requirements for the 2017-2018 season. We had an increase of 52 boy's members for this season.

b. Financials

No questions were asked about the report.

c. Jr. Players Coach Representative Report

Dave Abramson made phone calls to coaches in Rural KS, in Kansas City Mo, and in Kansas City, KS. Some board members believe that the sample size was too small and needed to be spread out over the region. Lisa Madsen suggested creating a survey monkey to expand his research. The topics that were discussed were on Power League, Refereeing, HOA Leadership, Credentials, Miscellaneous, Boys and Coaches.

d. Membership by County Report

A report was created for all our members and what county they reside in. We had a growth in memberships from the state of Missouri. As a region we are ranked 6th in Full memberships for USAV. Increased by 3%.

e. Official's Report

Ric reported that he is investigating methods to directly register members for clinics based on membership categories. For the 2018-2019 season there will be live clinics available for clubs. There are no known rule changes for the 2018-2019 season.

f. Quarterly Status Report

Bertil reported that our registration numbers were up. We currently have 15,400 members, about 300 higher than last year. MLK maxed out at 300 teams this year and we had to turn some teams away. He reported that we are planning to expand the event next year by adding Kemper Arena (12 courts). ShowMe has a record year with 925 teams total. Lisa reported that Dave Gentile was elected as the RVA Junior Assembly Chair and to the USA Volleyball Board of Directors.

g. RVA May Meeting Report

Lisa reported on the RVA May Meeting.

h. Strategic Plan Recap

Lisa shared the revised Strategic Plan.

i. Other Reports

Terry Wright provided an Adult Open results for teams that had players from our region. There were no additional reports.

The motion to approve the reports as a group was accepted. (Bridges/Hunter) The motion passed.

3. Old Business

a. Boys Rule

Bertil suggested to change the age of boys that participate in Select girl's tournaments. Boys in Girls division – boys up to 12 and under age group can play on select girls teams in their own age group without an age waiver as well as a boys teams 12 and under can play in Select and Combined girls tournaments in their own age group, without age waivers.

Boys 13 or 14 and under have to play up one age group if they play in a girls tournament, as well as a boys team in the age groups 13 and 14 can play in Select or Combined girls tournaments but have to play at least one age group up, without age waivers.

The motion to approve Bertil's suggestion of the Boy's in girls divisions. (Bridges/Jackson) The motion passed.

b. Gold Standard

Bertil reported that there are no new updates on the Gold Standard criteria for the 2018-2019 season.

4. New Business

a. Board Positions

Jenika Cook was elected Indoor Adult Representative. The board approved this nomination.

A motion to accept the new board position. (Washburn/Hunter) The motion passed.

Joe Viera was elected to the Junior Players Club Director position by a vote from the Club Directors in the HOA region.

Junior Players Parent's Representative position was up for election. The board voted and Mike Entz was elected to this position.

Lisa moved to appoint Kenya Young to the At Large Position. The board approved this nomination.

Lisa moved to appoint Ryan Lacson to the At Large Position. The board approved this nomination.

A motion to accept the positions. (Bridges/Hunter) The motion passed.

b. Bylaws

Bylaws discussion will be moved to the September meeting.

c. Hall of Fame/Meritorious Service Awards

A motion was made to induct Bonnie Shannuth and Phil Shoemaker into the Hall of Fame (Beach/Wright) The motion passed.

A motion was made to induct Gary Urkevich, Rodney Hay, and Jeff Keyes as the Meritorious Service Award (Young/Wright) The motion passed.

d. Officers of the HOA Corporation Position

Bertil nominated Kyla Majors as the Vice President. Lisa appointed Kathy Hunter as secretary to replace Kyla.

Motion to approve the offices of the HOA corporation positions was passed. (Wright/Bridges)

e. Proposed Budget 2017-2018

There were no questions or further discussion.

Motion to approve the proposed budget was passed. (Wright/Young)

k. President's Review

The staff was dismissed from the meeting for the President's Review at 2:19 pm
The board discussed personnel issues. The meeting was adjourned at 4:26 pm.

- Jr. Club Directors' Meeting, KC – 8/11/18, 2:00-4:00pm
- Rhythm of the Region Bash – 8/11/18, 5:00-7:00pm
- Board Meeting – September 9, 2018, 12:30pm
- Board Appreciation Dinner – December 1, 2018
- Board Meeting – June 2, 2019, 12:30pm

Respectfully submitted,
Kyla Majors