

NCTTA Board of Directors Online Meeting Minutes December 9, 2007 via Gotomeeting.com software

Meeting was called to order at 8:05pm EST by President Willy Leparulo
Other board members present and members: David Del Vecchio (DD); Wassim Chao (WC); Joe Wells (JW); Seemant Teotia (ST)

Absent: Mike Meier, Mike McFarland, Liang Liu

1. Women's Committee Rules and Regulations

- Women's Committee submitted approved rules and regulations for the 2007-08 year and championships and the future
- Committee would like for board to accept document and place it in NCTTA handbook

Motion: To approve women's rules for NCTTA Handbook for 2007-08 year and championships and future.

Proposed by (WL)

Seconded by (DD)

Motion passes 5-0-0

2. Division Updates

- Division updates for each of the 17 major NCTTA divisions as well as the 1 transitional division (Idaho/Montana)
- updates on concerns, problems, forms and fees, etc.

a) Georgia Division

- major concern as the division director did not follow any NCTTA competition rules and admitted to disregarding them because they are not "good with rules".
- Roster lineups were incorrect placing every school in the division as having cheated
- scores and ratings will stand as no formal complaint came out of the division
- they have 7 schools that have turned in everything and need one more school to follow through
- Radar and DD are emailing each other about the financial issues of the division as Radar took membership money from the schools to pay off a facility fee that he did not previously get approved thru NCTTA financial committee

b) Midwest Division

- Shailesh Sanghai, first time division director has done a good job, getting 6 schools here to participate; no complaints or unusual to report

c) Ohio Division

- a disappointment on how many schools actually showed up in each sub division
- prior to the season the Ohio Division was split into two different sub divisions and their format and schedules were changed and adapted to fit their situation.
- unfortunately only 2-3 schools showed up in each region; University of Kentucky was allowed to miss the Fall regional and play in the Spring to have the standings count for National standings due to communication issue

d) Northern California

- no complaints
- new school CSU Eastbay doing very well
- old Upstate NY division director, Chris Wang doing very well in new home, Norcal

e) Kansas

- Eddie Osugi, quit half way thru the semester and Zach Moore took over
- close to being relegated from official to transitional division
- only had 3 schools show up; 1 defaulted to weather; perhaps a decision from the board is needed for this one

f) Northwest

- Oregon State missing elig and Portland state missing membership form; other than that no problems

g) Florida

- division that is close to being relegated as well since University of Florida did not pay at the meet
- issues with its division director not being able to manage his own division and requesting help from NCTTA board members
- will be addressed in individual webinar

h) Midatlantic

- UMD CP only school missing eligibility; no complaints otherwise

i) New England

- 11 schools and 3 meets
- a formal complaint is coming from one of the schools and has been remanded to the Rules/Audit committee about scheduling difficulties

j) Southern California/Dixie/Texas/Upstate NY

- no complaints on any of them; upstate ny will have a division of 8

k) Idaho/Montana

- looking to see if a division meet can be set up for the spring

l) Carolina

- interesting situation where division director, Dalton Hoffine boarded a greyhound bus when his school team backed out last minute. Showing immense fortitude and commitment he showed up despite his team not being there
- no complaints

m) Virginia

- Georgetown missing club information form preventing them from being an 8 school division

3. Spring Dates/Deadlines

- Feb. 23/24th is soft deadline for all forms/fees meets and so forth
- NCTTA reserves the right to extend Spring season to March 1st/2nd on a situational basis via division director request.
- Elig. forms; fees and so forth are due to NCTTA headquarters by Feb. 25th (business day)

4. Webinars

- webinars with division directors will take place after the new year
- certain division directors will have 1 v 1 take place
- Discussion of placing a written letter in Radar Presley's file for a commitment to correct his action as Georgia Division Director in relation to Competition Rules
- this discussion will be forwarded to Rules/Audit committee

5. USATT Article

- USATT magazine kindly gave us an opportunity to write an article/theme for magazine and we failed by being 2 days late
- no excuses, LL was able to get it together and get it to the editor, hopefully in time

6. Newsletter Sub committee

- a request for an organized group to write a newsletter every month has been requested as lately it has just been David and Willy gathering last minute information to put something out
- a formal group that is committed to writing and producing material must be created. Currently David, Joe and Liang are this committee however pleas to the general public will be released for writers

7. Nintendo/Rockstar Update

- Joe Wells has been in discussion with their Marketing group, Spectre Entertainment about a possible future sponsorship relationship
- no concrete information so far

8. Brochure update/World Juniors

- (DD) created a brochure for the World Juniors where he will be helping to man the NCTTA booth along with Yau-Man Chan and Chris Wang both from Norcal division
- Brochure will be used for a myriad of different NCTTA events

9. KS Open

- promotion of this event is hard with the Holidays but NCTTA is committed to providing as many volunteers and participants as possible
- a number of NCTTA people are volunteering for the event as well as the Paralympic event which will take place along side it.
- 3 division directors have applied to volunteer as well as 4 board members
- NCTTA will server as guide to college event in KS Open

10. Committee updates

- Marketing Committee via McFarland update about going to use UBS Financial group for funds
- (ST) is not so sure and is curious of ROI

Meeting adjourned 9:15pm