

NCTTA Champs Committee Mtg 12.18.10

In Attendance: Willy Leparulo, Ben Boldt, John Larsen, Pete Wottreng, Mark Stanchfield, David Del Vecchio, Joe Wells, Chris Wang, Kagin Lee, Ed Hogshead, Dan Wang

Mtg started at 9:03pm

1) Hotel Contract

-I asked questions to Julie about attrition, but noone knew what it was, so we accepted how it is at 30 percent

-direct billing, we all talked about this but we weren't sure what was the advantage to doing this or not. In the end we are NOT doing direct billing

2) Banquet updates

-no banquet updates

3) Transportation

-discussed about doing what we did in Waukesha which was to limit the buses to certain times to save money

-Rochester mentioned that they could maybe offer some alternate ways like having ppl use their personal cars (we were not totally enthused about that idea)

-ED H mentioned why not use RCTC 15 passenger vans during some of the slow periods to save money and Ben Boldt said that **Mark Stanchfield** would have to inquire if this was a possibility
-all of this was discussed to save the bottom dollar

-Rochester Direct company has discounted rates for anyone traveling from Minneapolis airport to Rochester, Julie will send that link to us for us to put on our champs website

4) Event Schedule

-discussion about possibly moving mixed doubles to another part of the day, Kagin will think about this and get back to us

5) Table Orientation

-Kagin suggested changing the way the tables face to make it more spectator friendly. ED H also suggested that we could leave it the same way and just move spectator bleachers to the other side

-in the end Ed H and Kagin will work on this layout

6) Table Quality

-Kagin and Ed H brought up concerns about table quality and net tension quality

-suggested that NCTTA contact Killerspin NOW to request best tables and nets, with preference to blue color and orange balls

-MY T10 Club pro's are best with MY T 7 club pro second best

-ED H says KS will give whatever they have available

-discussed about selling tables option with NCTTA keeping a percentage that could go back to the champs

-Barriers were discussed and Ed H spoke with Newgy and looks like we are fine there

7) Bandwidth question

- we want to live stream the NCTTA event on the internet and asked Ben Boldt about it, he will get back to us on that
- a laptop is needed with a camera

8) Volunteer area

- Pete is our Volunteer Coordinator and wants a target of how many we can bring in from out of town and I will be getting him that target number, we have limited funds for this b/c we have to pay for their hotel rooms
- Mitch can be an umpire and should be used as a resource for MN other umpires too
- Friday is a workday and is going to be a tough one to get ppl
- no min. age for scorekeepers
- 24 umpires and 24 scorekeepers is goal
- will get Pete document about volunteer coordination

9) Sponsor Update

- Chris Wang is working to release sponsorship document out to companies in his area
- John Larsen is working on inkind sponsorship in Rochester from Restaurants maybe a couple hundred dollars

10) When is load in day?

- Wednesday evening

MTG ended 10:05pm