

NCTTA Board Meeting (Face 2 Face) August 15, 2010

Present: Willy Leparulo (WL), Chris Wang (CW), David Del Vecchio (DD), Francois Charvet (FC), Joseph Wells (JEW), Randy Kendle (RK), Scott Ryan (SR)

Meeting called to order by WL around 9:30am

Board approves 7.18 meeting minutes unanimously 7-0-0

1) Rules changes/online registration changes

-Basically any preparation that we have to make for the next season has to be done here or I wish even before.

-everyone is gearing up for our registration to open up September 1st for our league, we need to hit that target date

a) Rules/Regulation Document: Board discusses changes that WL was curious about

b) 2011 Championship Rules: Board discusses changes that WL was curious about

c) DD Handbook : Board discusses changes that WL was curious about

d) DD Certification: Board allows for DD and CW to update this test

DD volunteers to proofread all documents before turning to PDF and fwding to Dan Wang for update on the NCTTA website

2) Francois proposal of raising 2011 Champ Entry fees

-FC presents an excel sheet which shows the discrepancy of how much we are currently charging

-RK adds to the FC excel sheet and has outlined it better

Table the championship 2011 increase of fee to 2011, but choose a format/process.

The fee structure will be changed to a fixed fee plus a per player fee. The actual amount of the fees umm will be determined by Dec. 10th and this is where we have two options, by board or sub committee by board, for example, me chris and you. Either you all think this is not worth the board's time or we can figure this out otherwise.

Randy and FC will propose the fees and board will vote on it.

Board is ok with Randy and FC and CW will be choosing the fee.

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3) Current years division re alignment

-ohio, nyc if possible

-wait and see who signs up for OHIO; consult with Felix about the possibility

4) **Creating a direction for Redevelopment taskforce**

-board brainstorms about what needs to be covered for this taskforce

-WL complains bitterly that he is doing everything

-RK steps up to join the taskforce and then SR agrees to chair the taskforce with WL being in the background of a committee for the first time in history.

Brainstorming:

How many sectional meets and where they will be?

-Identify which locations can pull this off? A big list of choices

-on campus or off campus location

-looking at 140 schools to see who can host, then back into the area clubs as well

How big the sectionals will be?

-x number of schools

-does it have to be the same?

How are you going to fund the events?

Who is going to run them?

Location/person responsible?

Timeline into NCTTA schedule

Eligibility/qualification system to nationals

NCTTA Singles—qualification/format

Progression from 1 year to the next (implementation)

-board members there or something special the first year, grandfather something in

-flexibility or not

Communication

-telling ppl about change

Local Division meets impact

Financial impact

Show how redevelopment supports growth

New terminology

Qualification requirement—ratings

Use of the wildcard for sectionals

How much will NCTTA singles will cost?

-eligibility for NCTTA singles vs NCTTA teams the same or different

Division Director feedback after redevelopment taskforce is done get DD feedback

Backup plan if a sectional falls through last minute---plan B

How much will it cost for super regionals for each team if any?

Qualification for Super Regionals (sectionals)? What are those?

Number of teams to nationals 24 coed teams and 16 women's teams 7-0-0

Number of Singles 64 men and 64 women to 80 men and 80 women 7-0-0

Deadline for the taskforce---board decision by December board meeting

@ Nationals of 2011 is the last possible date for board to figure it out.

League/Champ Sponsorship proposal---review existing document, close gaps, table specifications,

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5) **Discussion of ACUI contract**

- ACUI discussion: when to tell ACUI, ppl think later after we have contract for fear of reprisal

Board tells WL to create a Plan B of NCTTA singles

6) **Athlete Questionnaire**

On Item 6) Athlete Questionnaire, we could summarize it as follows...

- Board members agreed 7-0 with the recommended "accept" and "reject" items put forward by RK, except the following items were moved to "discuss"...(I006 - Create an interesting promotional flier and distribute it to all schools, I007 - Shorten the length of the newsletters, M004 - Need money for schools to buy equipment)
- 21 items were accepted
- 25 items were rejected
- RK responsible for getting feedback to athletes periodically

7) Making steps towards our NCTTA 3 goals

- a) Growth Recruitment
- b) Scholarships
- c) High schools

Recruitment

- recruitment brochures sent out
- recruitment brochures sent out to students

- 1) add new divisions in areas that are untapped areas
 - 2) College aged players that are not in NCTTA schools? (David thinks is possible)
 - 3) Focus on areas for sub divisions then we can split into sub divisions
 - 4) USATT tournament directors---NCTTA brochure (is there a list of these folks?)
contacting Larry Thoman for this
- email them information, send them NCTTA brochures too, fwding us the edu addresses

Obstacles of getting new member schools

- time management
- Remind Randy Kendle to send me obstacles

Scholarship

- clone, replicate the Lindenwood, TWU cause
- promote it to other aspiring schools
- how to take it to the administration
- how to start a TT club----turning it into a lindenwood and TWU
- not everything is a scholarship----

How to get administrators to get scholarships for TT

- NCTTA to administrators to sell this "idea"
- smaller naia schools, make a list and mcfarlandize it....we can use Joe and his powers maybe
- Miss. College---pro admin of that
- schools that have sister/brother programs
- once we have list and right contact, something to take to them that demonstrates the value of this program to promote this idea
- having a TT equipment person/company involved with creation for resources for tables, barriers, uniforms, every year there is new sales

High school table tennis

- approaching a Parent/Teacher organization
- AAPHERD?

- PE teachers
- provide money to our member schools if they provide an event with highschool to promote table tennis (what are the metrics?)
- NCTTA highschool table tennis organization to be a pipeline for grassroots for Collegiate Table Tennis
- incentives for current nctta people/athletes to promote for high schools recruitment/grassroots
- have a fund for NCTTA member schools (pay for performance)