



NCTTA Board of Directors Meeting

MINUTES	Meeting Date: Oct 18, 2015	Meeting Time: 9p EST
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Meeting Location:	Online via GoToMeeting
Meeting called by:	Willy Leparulo
Type of meeting:	Monthly BOD Mtg
Chair:	Willy Leparulo
Secretary:	Keith Lam
Attendees:	Willy Leparulo (WL) President Kagin Lee (KGL) VP External Randy Kendle (RK) Treasurer Chris Wang (CW) League Director Sam Huang (SH) HR Director Joseph Wells (JEW) Vice President Keith Lam (KLam) - Great Lakes Jay Lu (JLu) – Northeast – arrived 9:54p
Approval of Meeting Minutes:	Motion: Previous September Board meeting minutes approved 6-0-1 (Kevin Li was absent)

	<u>Agenda Item</u>	<u>Action</u>
1.	Home/Away Uniform – JW/WL – 9:05p <ul style="list-style-type: none"> JW presented research on NCAA home/away uniforms - light/dark jerseys for home/away teams, one color is always white, which is problematic with the white table tennis ball KL noted that the use of white shirts is permitted in Japanese league KL suggested researching other sports which broadcast their events 	WL to reach out to other non-NCAA streaming networks, such as ultimate Frisbee WL to reach out to players to get consent on white shirts
2.	Commentator Contest – SH – 9:15p <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tae prepared 3 videos for contestants to use - Men's Final; Women's Final; Teams Final Submission <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 recording per video per person 1 person can have 3 entries 	Tae and SH to replace Men's Final with a different video to encourage variety
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> submission can be in video format or audio format; will be uploaded to NCTTA youtube channel 	

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Contestant <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • open to public • can be a team of 2 people • Judging <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Marketing and BOD will vote based on <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Technical Table-tennis knowledge ii. NCTTA knowledge, iii. Energy iv. Creativity v. Eloquence vi. Smooth transitions vii. Entertainment value • Do not use number of youtube views • Schedule (tentative) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nov 2015 – release contest details to public • Jan 17th – submission deadline • Feb 15th – announce winners (WL: want to announce winner earlier to make sure they can come to national) • Winners <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Should be committed to come to national • At least one winner (solo or team) will win an opportunity to be a commentator at the national, with up to a 100% expense paid trip to national • Females are strongly encouraged • If a current athlete wins, they have to make a choice to play or commentate • Contest Name <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CW/KGL - should not be “Voice of” • WL – should be creative, different 	<p>SH to include rules and regulations on youtube in the rules and regulations; RK to include it in newsletter/NCTTA home page</p> <p>SH to start discussion on HUB; BOD to discuss and vote on contest name</p>
3.	<p>Ponguniverse update - Kevin Li (absent) - 9:50p</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tabled for later • WL – they have our events but there are lots of spelling mistakes 	<p>Kevin Li to share his discussion with Ponguniverse at the next BOD</p>
4.	<p>Division Updates – CW/RK/WL – 9:51p</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CW – all divisions have a Fall date/location, with the exception of Northwest • Central Plain <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2 schools officially signed up • one more likely to sign up • Backup plan – we told the 2 that signed up to play at a neighboring division if the third does not sign up 	

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rocky Mountain East/West <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Couple schools dropped out this year ○ Some are still interested but driving distance is far ○ Some schools are not organized ○ recombine these two divisions into RM West • Results <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ RK received most divisional results that happened ○ WL – tournaments looks successful based on feedback from social media • Balls <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ CW – all balls are shipped out ○ CW working with USPS to resolve missing package that was sent to JD ○ CW – sent JD a replacement package; JD confirmed receipt • DD Umpire Test <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ SH have not received any results from USATT • DD (NCTTA) certification <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 2 DD have not completed this 	<p>CW to reach out to USPS on missing package</p> <p>SH to following up on both the Umpire test and DD certifications</p>
5.	<p>USATT/NCTTA Alumni Team Event - WL– 9:59p</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • WL put out information on social media to promote the event • WL – tournaments is expensive (\$500); suggested USATT to lower the amount • WL – 7 teams told Willy they will sign up, not sure if they will given the price tag • Technical Delegate <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • KGL/WL/KGL may be present at the event • Technical delegate will be assigned following the registration deadline – Nov 20th. 	<p>Monitor registration and assign technical delegate as necessary</p>
6.	<p>College TT future, China – CW – 10:03p</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NCTTA is currently in discussion with an organization in China regard the potential possibility of allowing top schools to participate in a world level competition during Summer 2016 • On the China side, they are putting up information on their website 	
7.	<p>Website Updates – RK - 10:07p</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rotate order of Sponsors – implemented • Form to Collect Feedback on website – in discussion • Calendar - Tim Rowley (Michigan) has some ideas to change this into an agenda format and other improvements 	<p>RK to continue to improve the website with Tim Rowley</p>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Constant contacts <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Jonathan Martin finding/clearing contacts that do not open our newsletter ○ Adding fresh email address ○ We can reduce a significant amount of contacts – saves cost on our newsletter ○ WL/CW posted some concerns about scrubbing our contact lists ○ RK advised on how scrubbing is done and provided BOD reassurance this is done correctly • Sponsors images on NCTTA.org not showing – RK advised images do not show up on certain browser/settings 	<p>RK to send final scrubbed list to WL for review</p> <p>RK to investigate sponsor image issue</p>
8.	<p>Streaming at Regionals – CW – 10:16p</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CW working with Regional Directors to complete the tournament websites this month 	<p>CW to provide updates on streaming at next BOD meeting</p>
9.	<p>Membership-Registration update – WK – 10:19p</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Two schools whom we anticipate to sign up have not paid • Refunded some late fees to new school to encourage them to play in NCTTA • Some singles players have signed up • Overall membership sign up is significantly down compared to last year, mostly due to the spike in registration fees • 19 out of 31 schools in South complained about the raise in registration fees, especially the timing, since the schools in South get funded in April 	<p>N/A</p>
10.	<p>Meeting Adjourned – 1023p</p> <p>Next Meeting Sunday, November 15, 9pm EST</p>	<p>N/A</p>