

MID AM DISTRICT BOARD MEETING DECEMBER 3, 2022 MINUTES

CALL-IN MEETING: Mid Am Districts (District) Meeting was held via Zoom conference call. The meeting was called to order Saturday, December 3, 2022, at 8:00 am EST, by President Paul Day. Biff Cummings (BC) performed a roll call. A quorum of voting members was present.

1. **Minutes:** Reviewed June 24, 2022, Meeting Minutes. No comments. Roy D voted to approve, Tom G seconded. Board voted to approve.
2. **Finance:** Tom Gawlick reported the finances through November and looked at the comparison to last year's numbers. A motion to approve was made by Tim O, seconded by Doug L and approved by the Board.
3. **USAH Finance** – Paul Day reported that they had a fee committee mtg. Finances look stable. The fiscal year closed on budget.
4. **Registration:** Keith reported numbers are stable. The coaching numbers look good.
5. **Youth Council,** Paul reported for Kaye. YC meetings are discussing gearing up for Nationals.
6. **USAH Governance:** Paul D reported that there were a handful of changes. A Dec 13th meeting is scheduled to discuss future details on governance.
7. **Adult Council** – Tom C reported that registration was about what was planned.
8. **USAH Rules Committee:** John K reported that there isn't much from the rules committee. The mandatory match penalty offer program has gone well, and John is making a report for USAH. Also, parent behavior suspensions should be considered, including potential fines. John is to provide Tim with an example of what is being used in other Districts.
9. **Mid Am By- Laws and Rules and Regs, Local Member Agreement:** -Tim reported the committee has discussed the R&Rs and that they sent out a questionnaire about the responsibilities of positions.
10. **Safe Sport** - Murray reported needing to send something out regarding locker room policies. Murray also reported that social media is an issue.
11. **Girls/Women** – Ladd introduced guest Megan Sparks from Oxford, OH. She attended some USAH women's meetings in Seattle recently. Ladd reported that growth in women/girls has been great.
12. **Disabled Section:** Renee reported that a Mid Am player made the national sled team from Cincy. She discussed the camp run out of Indy and becoming more involved. Dwayne (from Indy) would like to have Mid Am help with the program. Paul suggested that we could use our block grant to help with that program's expenses.
13. **Selects:** Tom Cline indicated he is behind schedule composing his select emails. He is looking at ways to cull the 16 and 17 yo tryouts to get a better tryout. He intends to limit recommendations and invitations by position.
14. **State Tier II, Districts Tier I, District Girls Tier I and Tier II Assignments:** District and WPA State will be held the first weekend in March: Girls will be at UPMC, Districts in Columbus, and WPA at Center Ice., Second weekend in March: OH at Columbus, IN in

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Geyer. Staffing will need to be worked out. Tim O reported that we approved using Gamsheet for tournament games. The system will allow for schedule and results that is mirrored from Gamesheet site.

15. **Coaching** - Bill McCall reported that Mid Am was responsible for educating 1850 coaches. See Bill S report.
16. **Officiating** - Jim Weaver presented his report. He indicated that we have a lot of new referees, approaching 2000, most ever, as Jim recalls.
17. **Risk Management** - Mark Zukowski indicated that there is nothing major to report. Things have been quiet. Paul added that threatened legalities need to be reported ASAP to Mark and Paul.
18. **High School** – Kathy S indicated that there was nothing much to report. She confirmed that there are 6 teams that have declared for HS Nationals.
19. **State Reports:**
 - PA – No report
 - OH- See written report.
 - IN – See writtenn report.
 - KY – No report
 - WV – No report
20. **Affiliate President Meeting:** John reported on the meeting in Nashville he attended earlier this year.
21. **April Meeting:** The Spring Planning meeting is tentatively scheduled for the last weekend in April.

A motion to adjourn was made by John K and seconded by Tom G. Meeting was adjourned at 11:31 am.

Attendance (in no particular order): Paul Day, Tim O'Shaughnessy, Gina Colligan, Roy Davis, Lori Billings, Biff Cummings, John Karolcik, Doug Losure, Ladd Wagner, Ray Borkoski, Beth Stalnaker, Tom Cline, Murray Stall, Kathy Santora, Ed Gingher, Jeff Anderson, Tom Gawlik, Keith Kenitzer, Bill McCall, Jim Weaver, Mark Zukowski, Renee Loftspringer, Jim Smith, Megan Sparks (guest)

Meeting minutes by Biff Cummings

Approved in June 29, 2023 meeting.