

HEARTLAND DIVISION

Meeting held October 28, 2014 6:00 PM

Attending: Dan Sharadin, Commissioner; Saint Mary's University of Minn., Ashley Meehan, Grace vanBeest, and Ann Raecker; Knox College, Madeline Troy; Grinnell College, Kate Klesner; Washington University, Alexandra Rhodes and Dave Himenez

The schedule was the first item on the agenda. After reviewing the weekends teams were available it was clear that there were not enough open dates in common for all teams to be at the same site on three occasions. Accordingly, the division will be divided into two regions:

North: Carleton, Saint Mary's, Augustana

South: Knox, Grinnell, Washington

Each region will play one tournament within their area with teams playing each of the other two teams twice. During the second weekend teams will cross over and play the opposing region. Dates and locations were determined as follows:

- February 28-March 1 - Southern Regional at Grinnell College
- March 14-15 - Northern Regional at Saint Mary's University (Minn.)
- April 11-12 - Crossover at Washington University of Missouri
- April 18-19 - Championship at Grinnell College

Hosts were reminded to complete the Pool Reservation Form, found under the Forms section on the website. Hotels will be reserved once these forms are submitted.

The Commissioner mentioned that all necessary forms for Team Leaders are found on the website under the Forms Tab. This includes the Participation Agreement that needs to be submitted by the Club Supervisor before December 15. Likewise, Team Leaders need to turn in their Media Guide Info using the form on the website by the fall. Emails for players should be included so athletes can be notified when games within the division will be streamed.

All coaches were urged to complete an Evaluation Form about the officials following each of the competitions. This form is found under the Forms tab of the website. If you are unsure of which referee you are evaluating, go to the officiating section and click on their picture for easy identification.

Teams were encouraged to send in pictures or story leads to promote their programs and enhance the interest of the website. Likewise, Team Leaders should take advantage of the Player of the Week program and nominate athletes each week, regardless of whether the games are within the CWPA league play or non-conference. Those selected receive awards.

The Commissioner mentioned the requirement for Team Leaders to review the Team Orientation webinars. The program consists of three webinars and can be accessed via the Membership Page. There is also an optional fundraising webinar that provides some great tips.

Teams are reminded to update their contact information using the link on the Membership page.