

Mid-Atlantic Division

Meeting held February 10, 2008 5:00 PM

Attending: Dan Sharadin, Commissioner; Millersville University, Keith Sparano; Villanova University, Dan Sharadin; Penn State University, Nate Mensch; University of Pittsburgh, Frank Kopriva; University of Pennsylvania, Ben Naecker; Bloomsburg University, Dereck M. Fritz; Grove City College, Dan Wells & Joe Horton

The Commissioner asked if anyone knew of teams wishing to join. Franklin and Marshall was mentioned as a possibility. LaSalle has officially applied for membership and Villanova University is also considering entering a "B" team as well.

The league schedule was the first item on the agenda. With the growth in the division, teams voted to split the championship into two brackets, with eight teams attending one championship and the remainder in a second. Teams agreed that it would be best to host both championships at the same site for this season if possible.

Teams within the western region affirmed the two-tournament format, while eastern teams on the call expressed a desire to play everyone twice. The Commissioner indicated he would poll those absent before finalizing the schedule.

The Commissioner asked the eastern region teams to submit the days they would like to be scheduled into the office this week. The weekend dates and locations for the western region were listed as follows:

- September 26-27 at Carnegie Mellon and possibly Pittsburgh
- October 9-10 at Grove City
- October 30-November 1 Championship at Villanova

Teams hosting were reminded to submit their Pool Reservation Form as soon as possible in order to complete the schedule for the fall and to book hotels. Hotels will be reserved and the information available as soon as we receive these forms.

The Commissioner reminded everyone to have their Club Supervisor submit a Participation Contract ASAP to ensure eligibility.

The Commissioner also requested that each team forward a copy of the Code of Conduct to their teammates before the season begins and follow the sportsmanship guidelines. Likewise, Deck coaches should abide by the Dress Code established.

All coaches were urged to complete an Evaluation Form about the officials following each of the competitions. These forms are available on the web. If you are unsure of which referee you would like to evaluate, simply go to the officiating assignment page and click on their name, at which point their picture will appear for easy identification.

Those taking over leadership positions with their teams were requested to update their school contact information, located on the Membership Page of the website. In addition, the Commissioner stated that the CWPA is implementing a program using webinars to help new leaders become familiar with their responsibilities within the conference. Information about these sessions will be released soon.

Lastly, teams were reminded to submit their Program Information for the media guide before they leave for the semester.