

## **Mid-Atlantic Division**

Meeting held November 3, 2008 4:30 PM

Attending: Dan Sharadin, Commissioner; University of Pennsylvania, Ben Naecker; Penn State University, Alexis Chercwka; University of Pittsburgh, Kelly Martin; West Chester University, Kasey Mcmanus; Duke University, Brian Itami; James Madison University, Tiffany Mothershead; University of Virginia, Meredith Weiner; Virginia Tech, Lindsay Chapon

The Commissioner asked everyone if they knew of any teams wishing to join. He also mentioned that Slippery Rock had officially declined, so unless another team moved into the northern region, the division would be unable to split at this time.

Georgetown was mentioned as a possibility to join the southern region and one of the coaches indicated they would send their contact info to the office so the CWPA staff could follow up.

The league schedule was the first item on the agenda. Teams decided to maintain the same format used for both the championship and the regular season.

The dates and sites tentatively agreed upon were as follows:

- January 31-February 1 -- Northern regional at Pennsylvania
- February 14-15 -- Southern regional at Virginia
- March 20-22 -- Crossover at Virginia Tech
- April 4-5 -- Championship at Penn State

If Penn State is unable to secure the championship date, teams voted to keep the date and allow another team to try and host. Penn would get first option, followed by Virginia Tech. We will still try to maintain the championship and the crossover in different regions if possible.

Teams hosting were reminded to submit their Pool Reservation Form as soon as possible in order to complete the schedule. The form can be completed online by going to the Tournament page on the website. Hotels will be reserved as soon as we receive these forms.

The Commissioner reminded everyone to have their Club Supervisor submit a Participation Contract by December 15 to ensure eligibility. It can be found on the Coaching page under Administrative Forms.

The Commissioner also requested that each team contact ensure their athletes have read the Code of Conduct before the season starts. Likewise, Deck coaches should adhere to 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 Coaching page under Administrative Forms. If you are unsure of which referee you are evaluating, simply go to the officiating assignment page and click on their picture for easy identification.

For new team leaders, it was mentioned that the CWPA will be hosting webinars to help team contacts become more familiar with their CWPA responsibilities. Teams will be notified when these are scheduled later this fall.

The Commissioner mentioned the revised website that is now online and urged teams to send in pictures or story leads to enhance the interest of the site.

Lastly, teams were reminded to update their contact information using the link on the Membership page.