

MID ATLANTIC DIVISION

Meeting held October 10, 2012 4:00 PM

Attending: Dan Sharadin, Commissioner; University of Pennsylvania, Julia Zhang; Carnegie Mellon University, Alice Tripp; Penn State University, Allison Lederer and Jacob Sisko; West Chester University, Sarah Gurgal; James Madison University, Anna Davis; Duke University, Thanh-ha Nguyen; University of North Carolina, Ben Byers; Virginia Polytech.,; Julie Lotz; University of Virginia, Christine Pajewski; No one knew of any new teams wishing to participate.

The league schedule was the next item on the agenda. Teams voted unanimously to maintain the same competitive format involving a regional and a crossover event. The schedule was determined as follows:

- February 2-3, or 9-10 Northern regional at Penn or Carnegie Mellon
- February 23-24 Crossover at James Madison
- March 23-24 Southern regional TBD-possibly at Virginia or VA Tech
- April 6-7 Championship at either Carnegie Mellon, VA or VA Tech

CMU would receive the first opportunity to host in order to spread the travel requirement equally between regions. If they are unable to gain enough pool time, VA or VA Tech will host, with the bid awarded to the team with the most pool time.

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.

Team Leaders need to turn in their Media Guide Info using the form on the website. Emails for players should be included so players 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.

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.

The Commissioner announced a new program where teams can make a short video about their club and feature it on the website. Teams were also 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 CWSA league play or non-conference.

The Commissioner announced a new program that will offer hosts the opportunity to stream games at their site. The office will send a streaming kit that includes a high definition camera, tripod, and other equipment to make the stream possible. Hosts must view an instructional webinar to qualify.

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

Addendum (October 27, 2012):

The recent conference call indicated teams wanted to pursue a championship in which all teams had a chance to win the division. Teams also indicated a desire to have either the crossover or the championship tournament in the northern region to create a more equitable travel arrangement for all members.

Based on these decisions, the following dates and locations will be used for the upcoming schedule:

- Feb 9-10 Northern Regional at Penn
- Feb 23-24 Crossover at Virginia Tech or James Madison
- March 23-24 Southern Regional at Virginia
- April 5-7 Championship at Carnegie Mellon

Virginia Tech is next in the rotation if they can reserve their pool on that date. Otherwise, James Madison will have the option to host.