

MID-ATLANTIC DIVISION

Meeting held October 15, 2013 4:00 PM

Attending: Dan Sharadin, Commissioner; West Chester University, Jill Whitmire; University of Pennsylvania, Jessica Guzman; Penn State University, Shannon Harrop; University of Pittsburgh, Leah McCarthy; Carnegie Mellon University, Erica Moore; James Madison University, Kim Pepe; Duke University, Maryann Verghese; University of North Carolina, Greg Zoltners; Virginia Polytech. (VA Tech). Michelle Murgia; University of Virginia, Christine Pajewski

The league schedule was the first item on the agenda. Much discussion centered on whether the division should split. The members were deadlocked as to dividing, 5-5. After additional dialogue that included offering one tournament that would not count in the standings, teams agreed 5-4 to maintain status quo for the competitive format. Conflicts were then discussed and the schedule was determined as follows:

- February 15-16 - James Madison University, Southern Regional
- March 1-2 - University of Pennsylvania, Crossover (back-up Carnegie Mellon University)
- March 22-23 - University of Pittsburgh, Northern Regional
- April 5-6 - Championship at University of Virginia

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.

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.

The Commissioner encouraged hosts 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 at no expense to the club and the team keeps all revenue. Hosts must view an instructional webinar to qualify.

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