

MIDWEST DIVISION

Meeting held November 2, 2009 at 4:00 PM

Attending: Dan Sharadin, Commissioner; Grand Valley State University, Michelle Clancy; Miami University, Meghan Rigali; University of Notre Dame, Brian Coughlin and Cristina Romano; Ohio University, Danielle Pascko

The Commissioner asked everyone if they knew of any teams wishing to join. Several schools were mentioned, but no one knew of any team at this point in time. Teams wanted to continue even though they only have four teams at the moment.

The league schedule was the next item on the agenda with the following determined:

- February 27-28 Notre Dame
- April 10-11 Jenison High School, Grand Valley

Teams agreed to play a double round robin format over the first three days of competition, with the fourth day serving as a championship among the four teams.

Teams hosting were reminded to submit their Pool Reservation Form 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 mentioned the new Orientation Program for all Team Leaders taking over responsibility for their clubs. The program consists of three webinars and can be accessed via the Membership Page. There is also a fundraising webinar that provides some great tips to help teams raise money.

Teams were encouraged to send in pictures or story leads to 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 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.

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.

The Commissioner 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. Teams were also reminded to update their contact information using the link on the Membership page.

Brian Coughlin asked the question regarding whether the division would receive two bids to the National Championship based on their finish last year and the Commissioner replied it will depend upon whether the Mid Atlantic Division separates into two divisions.