MIDWEST DIVISION

Meeting held October 26, 2010, 5:00 PM

Attending: Dan Sharadin, Commissioner; Grand Valley State University, Rachel McDonald; Loyola University, Mckenzie Silvestros; University of Notre Dame, Brian Coughlin; Miami University, OH, Megan Rigali

The Commissioner asked everyone if they knew of any teams wishing to join. No one knew of any new teams and Notre Dame indicated they would make a decision by Thanksgiving regarding a "B" team.

The league schedule was the next item on the agenda. Conflicts were discussed and the dates were determined as follows:

• February 12-13 Regional at Jenison High School or Ohio U

April 16-17 Championship at Notre Dame, at Jenison High School or Ohio U

Since Ohio University was not on the call, teams agreed to defer to them if they were able to host one of the weekends.

[In speaking to their team contact later, they indicated a desire to host in February, giving Grand Valley the chance to host the championship in April at Jenison High School.]

Once confirmed, 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.

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 mentioned the new Orientation Program for all Team Leaders is required. 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 that is optional.

Media Guide information needs to be submitted before teams leave for winter break and a form can be used online to submit the roster and team summary. Likewise, Team Leaders were reminded 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.

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 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.