

## **Missouri Valley Division**

Meeting held March 11, 2009 5:00 PM

Attending: Dan Sharadin, Commissioner; Western Illinois University, Michael Leclair; Northern Illinois University, Mark Kirpher; Miami University (OH), Chris Bonk; University of Missouri, Joe Trad; Saint Louis University, Ray Kreienkamp; Washington University, Claudio Mermelestein

The Commissioner asked if anyone knew of teams wishing to join. No one was aware of any at this time. He mentioned Bradley had declined and Principia indicated they probably would not join as well.

The league schedule was the first item on the agenda. Teams voted to maintain all teams attending each site. The weekend dates and locations were determined as follows:

- September 19-20 at Missouri
- October 3-4 at Northern Illinois
- October 31-November 1 at Washington University

Teams hosting were reminded to submit their Pool Reservation Form as soon as possible in order to complete the schedule for the fall and to book hotels. Hotels will be reserved and the information available as soon as we receive these forms.

The Commissioner reminded everyone to have their Club Supervisor submit a Participation Contract ASAP to ensure eligibility.

The Commissioner also requested that each team forward a copy of the Code of Conduct to their teammates before the season begins and follow the sportsmanship guidelines. Likewise, Deck coaches should abide by 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 web. If you are unsure of which referee you would like to evaluate, simply go to the officiating assignment page and click on their name, at which point their picture will appear for easy identification.

Those taking over leadership positions with their teams were requested to update their school contact information, located on the Membership Page of the website. In addition, the Commissioner stated that the CWPA is implementing a program using webinars to help new leaders become familiar with their responsibilities within the conference. Information about these sessions will be released soon.

Lastly, teams were reminded to submit their Program Information for the media guide before they leave for the semester.