## **New York Division**

Meeting held February 29, 2008 5:00 PM

Attending: Dan Sharadin, Commissioner; Colgate University, J.J. Figueroa and Scott Dunlavey; New York University, Courtney Hargrave; United States Military Academy, Matt Price; Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, Grace Tangney; Binghamton University, Michael Ryan; University of Rochester, Adam Williamson

The Commissioner asked teams if they knew of any teams wishing to join. No one was aware of any at this time.

The league schedule was the first item on the agenda. Unfortunately several institutions that were scheduled to host were not present on the call (Syracuse and Columbia) so some of the schedule is still tentative based on their pool availability.

There was some discussion about how the schedule should be arranged, specifically concerning where the championship should be placed. The consensus reached was that the championship and the crossover would continue to be placed in opposite regions so no region was required to travel outside of their area more than one per season. Teams then voted to place the championship in the eastern region. The dates and times were set as follows:

Option 1 (Columbia hosts the championship)

- September 21-22 Eastern regional at New York University
- September 21-22 Western regional at Syracuse University
- October 4-5 Crossover at University of Rochester
- October 25-26 Championship at Columbia University

Option 2 (Columbia unable to host)

- September 21-22 Eastern regional at Columbia University
- September 21-22 Western regional at Syracuse University
- October 4-5 Crossover at University of Rochester
- October 25-26 Championship at New York 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 by March to ensure eligibility.

The Commissioner also requested that each team contact ensure their athletes have read the Code of Conduct 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.

The Commissioner mentioned the revised website that will be online by the end of the spring term, along with a few of the new functions.

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