

## Rocky Mountain Division

Meeting held March 6 8:00 PM

Attending: Dan Sharadin, Commissioner; University of Denver, Seth Hodsdon; University of Utah, Tom Taylor; University of Wyoming, Alexander Robinson; University of Colorado, Steven Giffit; Arizona State Univ., Joseph Escamilla; Colorado School of Mines, Jonathan Paz; University of Arizona, Naran Lodhia

Colorado School of Mines indicated they were definitely joining. Arizona stated they will not field a B team and Arizona State said they would. Utah is also considering a B team as well. The league schedule was the next item on the agenda. Dates and locations were voted upon as follows:

- September 27-28 -- Crossover at Arizona State University
- October 11-12 -- Southern Region: University of New Mexico (University of Arizona back-up) / Northern Region: University of Wyoming
- October 25-26 -- Championship at Kearns Aquatic Ctr, Utah (hosted by the University of Utah)

If New Mexico is unable to host, Arizona will do so. Hosts must 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 June 1st. Likewise, Team Leaders need to turn in their Media Guide Info using the form on the website by the fall. Emails for players should be included so athletes 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.

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. Those selected receive awards.

The Commissioner discussed the broadcast program and mentioned that the goal will be to stream every division at least once during the season. The office will send a streaming kit that includes a high definition camera, tripod, and other equipment to make the stream possible and will arrange for a camera operator. The host will merely need to arrange for an internet connection at the pool.

Another new program mentioned outlined a team profile video. The CWPA wants every team to make a 3-5 minute video about their team (rated G) and send it to the office, where we will post the video link on the website, imbedded in the Team Contact section. The club with the best video will receive an award.

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

Naran from Arizona asked if it was possible not to play a B team at the crossover and the Commissioner explained that B teams were treated like any other team in the schedule. If teams wanted to change that policy they could, but there was no support to do so from those on the call.