

SIERRA PACIFIC DIVISION

Meeting held December 7, 2011 6:30 PM

Attending: Dan Sharadin, Commissioner; California State Univ.-Chico, Rachel Westerhoff; California State Univ.-Maritime Academy, Adam Phillipe; Univ. of California-Berkeley, Vanessa Lane; University of California-Santa Cruz, Rachel McCracken

The Commissioner asked everyone if they knew of any teams wishing to join and no one was aware of any teams interested.

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

- February 11-12 Cal Maritime
- March 9-10 UC Davis or UC Santa Cruz
- April 14-15 Championship UC Davis or UC Santa Cruz

Since UC Davis was not on the call, the third site could not be confirmed.

The competitive format was discussed and someone suggested that the second time a team plays an opponent would be considered an exhibition game. Teams voted 3-1 against this proposal. Therefore, all games will count in the standings. Another suggestion was to try and make the number of games equal per day instead of having to play three one day and one the next. The Commissioner explained it was a function of pool time available, but he would make that happen if there was enough time on Sunday.

Hosts were reminded to complete the Pool Reservation Form, found under the Forms section on the website. Hotels will be reserved once these forms are submitted.

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.

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.

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.

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 Forms tab.

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.