

SOUTHWEST DIVISION

Meeting held October 27, 2010, 10:00 PM

Attending: Dan Sharadin, Commissioner; Boise State University, Will Jones; University of Utah, Larry Jackson; Colorado State University, Ashley Kluza; University of Colorado, Matt Anthony, Bridget Lighterink; U. S. Air Force Academy, Mackie Contreras; Arizona State University, AJ Grucky; University of Arizona, Sara Mohkami; Northern Arizona University, Carl Dickinson

The meeting opened with Boise State indicating their interest in participating. Larry Jackson stated that Southern Utah University was planning to join as well and he was interested in putting in a "B" team. Will from Boise State said that Idaho State was a possibility as well. After reviewing the distance between Boise State and the Arizona schools, it was apparent that the division was too large. The choice was to either prevent Boise State from participating or to split the existing division. Teams chose to split as the logical alternative to promote growth and reduce costs.

The schools agreed that the Utah/Idaho schools will make one division and the Colorado/Arizona/New Mexico schools will make up the Southwest Division. The Utah/Idaho schools then left the call and will plan on having another call at a later date to discuss their schedule.

The league schedule for the remaining schools was the next item on the agenda. Teams chose to have a regional and a crossover, followed by a championship. In that fashion, no one would travel outside of their region more than once per season. Conflicts were discussed and the dates were determined as follows:

- February 5-6 Northern regional at EPIC
- February 26-27 Southern regional at Northern Arizona
- March 5-6 Crossover at Arizona State
- April 16-17 Championship at Air Force

Other than ASU, all locations were tentative as of the call. 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.

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 Coaching page under Administrative Forms.

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.