## **TEXAS DIVISION**

Meeting held October 28, 2015 6:00 PM

Attending: Tom Tracey, Assistant Commissioner; Texas Christian University, John Panagos;

Baylor University, Cameron Allsep; Rice University, Shannon McKearnan; Texas A&M University, Kimbre Watkins; Texas Tech University, Darla Vasquez; University of Texas, Michaella Marshall (Texas State University, Carla Villanueva-Cano, contacted Tom Tracey afterwards for a recap of the conference call).

The schedule was the first item on the agenda and dates and times were determined as follows:

- February 13-14 Texas A&M (Texas or Texas State as backups)
- April 9-10 Rice
- April 23-24 Texas Tech

If Texas A&M cannot host on February 13-14, and no other team has availability, either February 21-22 or February 6-7 will be used for the competition date. While Texas State was not on the call, they did confirm afterwards that they had no conflicts with any of the selected dates. Additionally, they offered to be a backup site if no other team had availability (recognizing that they are not an all deep facility).

Rice also expressed concern with the championship date being the weekend of April 23-24 as that lead into their final week and they want to avoid forfeiting if at all possible. Teams agreed to review the championship schedule as the date gets closer to try and get Rice out early on the final competition day.

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.

The Assistant 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 December 15. 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 Assistant Commissioner 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.

Teams are reminded to update their contact information using the link on the Membership page.