

Atlantic and Mid Atlantic A Divisions

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Attending: Daniel Sharadin, Commissioner; Georgetown University, Jacob Berrol; James Madison University, Danilo Lemaic; University of Maryland, Jack Humphreys; University of North Carolina - Chapel Hill, Michael Ruben; North Carolina State University, Sigfried Fullenkamp; United States Naval Academy, Jack Sherman; Virginia Tech, Dale Lefebvre; University of Virginia, Ethan Levy; Carnegie Mellon University, Bryce Yeazell and Justin Psaris; Drexel University, Garrett Crayton; Pennsylvania State University A and B, Daniel Berring; University of Pennsylvania, Grant Mao; University of Pittsburgh, Jake Novotny; Villanova University

The Commissioner explained the new hotel reservation policy. Schools that do not have a specific process for reserving hotels are encouraged to use the CWPA Hotels.com code when traveling. This will save the league thousands of dollars by providing free hotel rooms for officials, helping to keep league fees low. More information will be distributed in the fall.

The next item of business pertained to establishing a leadership group for each team, including a coach, a team administrator, and a recruiter (one individual should be an underclassman). With a healthy leadership team, more individuals are involved, and no one gets burned out trying to do everything alone. To help the club leaders in their tasks, the CWPA created three short webinars, found by clicking on the Membership tab and then on Team Leader Orientation. Clubs should also list the names and contact info of their leaders by updating their team page under the Membership link.

Regarding the website, it continues to be the main vehicle by which the CWPA shares information. The Commissioner encouraged teams to provide the office with any interest stories about your club and nominating players of the week so we can help promote your program. Likewise, the website is also a source of information, including the Forms tab which contains all the forms you need during the year. The most important form for all club is the Participation Agreement, which must be submitted by your club supervisor before June 1st.

Teams then discussed the competitive format. Clubs voted 13-1 in favor of combining the championships by ability, similar to last season. After discussion, it was apparent that a schedule could not be confirmed at this time listing sites and dates. However, the Atlantic Division confirmed they will play a single round robin schedule with all the teams attending the same locations during the regular season. The Mid Atlantic Division would follow the same format as it has in years past.

Clubs were asked to submit their availability to host using Pool Reservation Form and if necessary, a second conference call will be held to finalize the dates and locations.