

New York Division

Minutes, April 2, 2024, 4:00 PM EDT

Attending: Daniel Sharadin, Commissioner; United States Coast Guard Academy, Ravie Guillory; Cornell University, Yuval Grossman; New York University, Christa Santos; U.S. Military Academy, Kevin McMullen; Syracuse University, Daniel Saligman; Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, Luca Vitti. Coast Guard confirmed they are joining the NY Division.

The meeting opened with a discussion of the schedule. RPI, Army, and Syracuse indicated their desire to host, but none of the three were able to commit to a date until their school approves the calendar. The tentative dates were as follows:

RPI	9/21-22, 10/5-6, 10/19-20, 10/26-27
Army	9/28-29
Syracuse	9/21-22, 10/5-6, 10/19-20

The teams would like to have three tournaments. Other alternatives include Colgate, who may be rejoining the league in the fall, or having RPI host twice. Syracuse noted their pool is five lanes wide and shallow/deep, so it is not optimal for a tournament if there are other options.

If it appears there will only be two tournaments in the division, Yuval Grossman is proposing that the NY teams be integrated into neighboring divisions for more competition on an additional weekend. The Commissioner noted that it may be challenging logistically due to pool constraints, but it was worth pursuing if we reached that point.

In other business the Commissioner reminded everyone that their Participation Agreements must be submitted by their club supervisors before June 1st. In addition, those hosting will need to submit Pool reservation forms. Both items can be found by going to the website and clicking on the Forms tab.

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 interesting stories about their clubs. Likewise, to remember to nominate players of the week so we can help promote your program.

Financially the league is in better shape now and the Commissioner mentioned the CWPA expects to be streaming once again this fall. Teams can help the funding by booking their hotels using our Hotel partner, HotelEngine.com, which helps provide free rooms for the referees. More info will be sent at a later date.

For those taking over the leadership roles for their teams, the CWPA created three short webinars, found by clicking on the Membership tab and then on [Team Leader Orientation](#). Clubs should identify people to handle three roles including Player/Coach (or volunteer coach), Team Administrator, and Recruiter. Once identified, teams should list the names and contact info by updating their team page under the Membership link.