

NVASA Captain's Meeting

February 10, 2013

- I. Roll Call
 - a. 64 teams present of 77 total
- II. Adoption of Meeting Agenda
 - a. Waive reading of minutes from Fall '12 meeting.
 - b. Motion proposed. Motion seconded. Motion passes.
- III. Officer's Report
 - a. Chief Judge – **Marvin Hernandez**
 - i. 33 suspensions from Fall '12. Twelve of those suspensions were for abusive or inappropriate language.
 - ii. Process after receiving a red card explained.
 1. Captains and players have 48 hours to submit an account of what happened.
 2. The Referee Report will be used.
 3. A committee of Captain's (3 to 5), Marvin, **Jason Yackencheck** (Commissioner), & **Ryan Burchett** (Alternate Commissioner) will review the reports, determine, & discuss what the player should receive.
 4. After the committee decides, the player and Captain will be notified of his or her suspension.
 - b. Treasurer – **Amily Wiggins**
 - i. Profit/Loss & Budget Sheet provided to Captain's via email (Question later asked, answered).
 - ii. Fall P/L shows NVASA was \$712.84 Loss this was due to decreased registration & increased fees from the county, referees, etc.
 - iii. All bills are paid.
 - iv. An accountant has been hired to help file taxes, ensure proper compliance, & review past accounting accuracy.
 - c. Scheduler – **Sharon Corl**
 - i. Permits for the spring have been received. Almost two-thirds of games will be on turf. Teams should expect two grass games each. Permits for Sundays & Fridays are majority grass.
 - ii. Special requests have been received. Almost 90% of teams share players. Having games at the same time is INEVITABLE.
 - iii. Question regarding alternate uniforms.
 1. Teams that do not have a proper alternate uniform can be forced to forfeit a game per the NVASA Constitution Article X, Section 8.
 2. Alternate Uniforms need not have #'s per NVASA Constitution Article X, Section 9.

- iv. Question regarding same number uniforms per gender.
 - 1. Players must have different numbers regardless of gender.
 - v. Question regarding getting games started on time or running late.
 - 1. Games starting on time are up to three things, both teams having players checked in and ready to play, & the referees getting ready on time. **Lou Chinchilla** (Referee Liaison) will host a meeting in the coming weeks to work on improving this with the referees.
 - 2. There is no buffer time from when the youth leagues have the fields to when the NVASA permits start.
 - vi. Question clarifying forfeits.
 - 1. Forfeits less than TWO HOURS before kick-off is a 5 to nil loss. Forfeits before TWO HOURS are a 3 to nil loss.
- d. Registrar – **Babette Jensen**
- i. Registration has been reopened after a temporary shutdown for errors. If any player paid the improper amount, NVASA will set up a payment to ensure the proper amount for each player is paid.
 - ii. Fees stay the same, \$85 for first team, \$65 for second. \$20 State Association fee for all players who did not register in the fall is required.
 - iii. Logging into the State Association website is mandatory and is specific to each person. The State Association log-in provides insurance for the league and players.
- e. Alternate Commissioner – **Ryan Burchett**
- i. All players must have the NEW pass to play. Old passes will no longer be accepted.
 - ii. Pictures for the passes must follow the guidelines on the NVASA website. Improper or non-compliant pictures will not be used.
 - iii. Write-Ins will no longer be accepted. Referees will not let players who are not printed on the roster to be allowed to play.
 - 1. Question as to why this is the case answered by **Jason**.
 - a. Write-ins present problems as it is possible to have a suspended or non-registered player play, or a player can play in the same division that he or she has already played for creating an improper team.
- f. Commissioner – **Jason Yackencheck**
- i. New teams & Total Teams
 - 1. 3 new teams to the league this year. 77 teams total. 2 less than last year.
 - 2. The Master's divisions have been combined into 1 division of 8.
 - ii. A Captain's Guide or FAQ is being developed for Captains. Goal is to make process of running a team & games easier.
 - iii. DC United Tickets / All-Star Game

1. League's DC United Tickets have been renewed. There is a new ticket representative and their information will be on the NNASA website as soon as we get it.
2. New Social Chair is **Jamie Poveromo**
3. NNASA will continue to do tailgates and social gatherings.
4. In order to use the Auxiliary field for the All-Star game the league MUST sell 300 tickets. New rules allow players to buy tickets via NNASA and sit in the Screaming Eagles, or subsequent, fan sections.
5. Question regarding using the RFK Field
 - a. Clarified by **Jason**, the DC United policy is for a league to sell 1000 tickets to ONE game to use the RFK Field.

IV. Unfinished Business

a. Financial Committee Update

- i. Captain's emailed letter from the finance committee.
- ii. Discussion regarding how the fees would be collected, would there be legal actions brought by the league, are teams or individuals responsible for the debt, how do you address teams that have left the league, more.
- iii. Vote on whether to pursue the collection of past due balances (64 teams present, 33 votes needed for majority, 51 votes needed to overturn a decision of the Executive Committee or to add an Amendment to the Constitution, or 65% of all 77 teams)
 1. 38 YES, support collection of funds. 25 NO, do not want to pursue collection of funds.
 2. Motion does not pass as 65% of members need to overturn the decision by the Executive Committee writing off the past due fees of teams.

V. New Business

a. Team Sub Rule Change

- i. Teams will be allowed to use a maximum of 4 subs per a single game. This is enacted to ensure that teams are not abusing the sub system or that a team is not properly represented.
- ii. Discussion.
- iii. Question as to why 4 was chosen versus 5 or any other number.
 1. 4 players were chosen because after reviewing the sub data from the past year, the majority of teams never used more than 4 subs. The teams that abused the use of subs field squads composed of almost 70% of higher of subs.
 2. The goal is to have teams have a full roster of players.
- iv. More discussion.
- v. Motion to table implementation of the Sub Rule Change. Motion seconded.

b. Disciplinary Amendment Change

- i. Proposal from **Tausha Nunez** provided on handout.
- ii. Discussion & clarification.

- iii. Vote (64 teams present, 33 votes needed for majority, 51 votes needed to overturn a decision of the Executive Committee or to add an Amendment to the Constitution, or 65% of all 77 teams).
 - 1. 42 YES. 21 NO.
 - 2. Proposal passes.

c. Elections

- i. Alternate Commissioner – No challengers against **Ryan Burchett**.
 - 1. Ryan is Alternate Commissioner
- ii. Scheduler – No challengers against **Sharon Corl**.
 - 1. Sharon is Scheduler.
- iii. Registrar – **Babette Jensen** is stepping down. **Lauren Connell** is running unopposed.
 - 1. Lauren is the Registrar.
- iv. Secretary – Position vacant. [REDACTED] is running unopposed.
 - 1. [REDACTED] is Secretary.
- v. Treasurer – No challengers against **Amily Wiggins**.
 - 1. Amily is Treasurer
- vi. Chief Judge – 3 people running for Chief Judge:
 - 1. Speeches by three candidates.
 - a. **Tausha Nunez** (not present, family emergency)
 - b. **Jad Sarsour**
 - c. **Marvin Hernandez**
 - 2. Vote (64 teams present, 33 votes needed for majority)
 - a. Marvin 33, Tausha 23, Jad 5
 - b. Marvin is Chief Judge

VI. Motion to end meeting. Motion seconded. Meeting closed.