MID-HUDSON BOARD OF VOLLEYBALL OFFICIALS

2013 Directors Meeting Executive Meeting minutes:

January 14, 2013 Andiamo's Restaurant, Newburgh NY

Call to Order: 6:15 pm – Tim Countryman

Attendees: Tim Countryman, Jim Steeves, Marlene Wagner, Jay Curtis, Bob Stevenson,

Lynn Fielitz, Vince Bitonte Absent: Hank Boldrin, Jr.

Minutes of the June 13th meeting were approved with 2 corrections. A copy will be archived in Board's file. The non-closed portion of the session is to be posted on the website.

Treasurer report: Savings \$7149.48, MHBVO \$605.48. PAVO \$1797.38

Proposed Budget: Accepted, PAVO budget to be completed by PAVO committee. Attach to these minutes, and post on the website.

Membership count: 31 Varsity, 18 Jr. Varsity, 23 modified. Included are 1 dual, 2 associate members

Resigned: Neil Fino, Mark McCann, Steffi Matthews. Inactive: Mary McNeil, Roger Flaum (unknown at this time)

Neil Fino – Member Emeritus

Recertification: 2012 recertification updates need to be completed by vice-president. Stu Phillips (recertified by Vice President during a match) and Tom Clarke did not recertify in 2012 (were-these members were not inactive in 2012). Tomhey Clarke will be scheduled in 2013.

Discussion concerning when Inactive/Associate members are required to recertify. It was decided that after an Inactive or Associate period, a member may not exceed their renewal date before officiating. That the year they become active is the year to be recertified or certified depending on the number of years inactive. A member may not be inactive or Associate for more than 2 consecutive years without attending a clinic and rating session, and passing the test prior to officiating.

Upgrades: Mark Thatcher, Bill Proal: Final decision needs to be presented to the board by the vice president. Discussion concluded that upgrades need to be made effective immediately so the member benefits that season.

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Committee Reports:

PAVO – Committee to review all member fees and forward to secretary

Education: (info provided below). New official's informational meeting will be Aug 1st @ MSMC. Classes tentatively scheduled for Tuesdays and Thursdays beginning Aug 1st through August at MSMC. Start time is 6:00 pm

Sportsmanship: Banners were awarded to FDR, Haldane, Minisink high schools, approximately 1/3 of the board participated. A letter of thanks was received from FDR.

Ethics: A member sanctioned by the Ethics Committee has appealed his sanction. A review Committee was appointed consisting of; Jim Steeves, Bob Stevenson and Celeste Brunell to hear his appeal. Minutes/summaries of the disciplinary action will be archived in the Board's files.

Old Business:

Inactive member status refers to bylaws, and is members who may become active during a season. Associates are members who may not officiate during the current season. Partial refunds or credit for inactive members – tabled

Status: Members who resign prior to the beginning of the fiscal year (June 1) are entitled to a full refund of their dues. Members who become Inactive or Associate prior to June 1 are entitled to a 50% refund of their dues. Members resigning or becoming Inactive or Associate before June 1 through are entitled to a refund of half their dues, less any expenses incurred on their behalf.

Exec Board authorized the Secretary/Treasurer to purchase Carbonite backup computer system and to investigate the cost of E-Fax for the organization. Status: The Carbonite program not compatible with S/T computer for some reason. What are we currently doing for back-up?

Secretary/Treasurer will request a quote from Marshall & Sterling concerning bonding the Treasurer. Minimum amount of the bond would be \$5000. Status: A straw poll of membership at the August meeting did not support this expense.

Website needs major overhaul and domain MHBVO.org needs to be under the control on Secretary / Treasurer. Tim Countryman will contact Laurie Muollo current webmaster.

Status: MHBVO has paid for .net, .com and .org, but ownership has not been transferred.

New Business:

According to IRS regulation, Executives of a corporation who receive a stipend (currently the Clinician, Secretary and Assignor) are considered employees, which would

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require withholding of taxes etc. – BoD voted to leave as current practice of calling these positions independent contractors unchanged.

No mandatory interpretation meetings prior to the General Meeting will be scheduled.

Dual members will pay full membership fee.

Chuck Ropes memorial donation to "Smile Train" - \$25.00 approved

Sportsmanship banner for Section 1 will be in named in Chuck's (memory?).

Local tournaments will continue to be assigned as current practice.

A contract will be required for all local tournaments stating what the officials' fees and whether the school, local club or section assigner will be responsible for payment

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Fees approved will be Varsity \$32/hr, Jr. Varsity - \$27/hr, currently no fee for modified.

Minisink does not want to use our services unless for a discounted rate. Longstanding MHBVO policy is that scrimmages are at the same fee as regular season contests.

The Board is looking to run our own tournament. Four venues are being explored: DCCC, OCCC, UCCC, West Point, local high school. This tournament(s) will be held end of Aug or early Sept.

Members maybe rated or renewed on in season matches if they make arrangement with the Rating/Renewal Committee Chair, and they make arrangements (financial and scheduling) with appropriate raters.

An optional interpretation meeting will be held prior to mandatory meeting on August 28^{th} was discussed. A tentative date has been set for August 22^{nd} 6 pm @ MSMC.

NYSCVBO test for 2013 will be on-line by August 13th. Answers are to be returned to S/T by August 25th, 2013, Review and corrections will be at the August 28th 2013 meeting

Adjourned : 9:30 pm. Motion made by Bob Stevenson, 2 nd by Jay Curtis. Motion carried.	
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