



# MNVBCA

Minnesota Volleyball Coaches Association

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Summer Meeting Agenda  
Wednesday, July 23rd 2019  
8:45 am Sauk Rapids-Rice High School

## BOC Agenda

### I. Introduction of new BOC members

- New members were introduced.

### II. Update on Boys VB - Walt, Krista and Jenny

- Jenny gave an update on the current state of boys' volleyball in Minnesota
  - She thanked the association for the support that it has given over the past two years
- MSHSL requested that boys' volleyball needs 32 schools to possibly become sanctioned
  - Currently, there are 50 schools that are part of the boys' volleyball program
  - There are 8 conferences that have been created at this point
- MSHSL has voted boys' volleyball down twice
  - Plan is to go back to the drawing board to develop a new plan to get this to happen
    - Focus will be connecting with Region Committees to get their support
  - Feedback is that ADs currently are overwhelmed with the current number of activities
  - 22 states have sanctioned boys' volleyball
    - Only two (New York and Milwaukee area) play in the fall - all other states play in the spring
    - The goal would be to be a spring sport

### III. BOC duties -

#### A. Communicate to your Section coaches (meet with tomorrow)

1. Direct them to the timeline on our website - deadlines are there.
  2. Remind them to be members or their players will not be eligible for MNVBCA awards.
  3. Changes to Individual Academic - they will print off certificates for their athletes (on their honor)
- Direct coaches to the timeline on the MNVBCA website for deadlines.
  - Reminded coaches that they have to be members of the association for their players to be eligible for postseason awards through the MNVBCA.
  - New format for the Individual Academic award
    - There will be a downloadable PDF that is customizable.
    - Coaches will be responsible for completing and printing out the awards.
      - This is similar to how other associations do this as well.
    - Team Academic Award will still be done the same as in the past.

#### B. Elections - every 4 years. This year will be Sections 7 & 8. January.

- Becca introduced the newly elected reps from Sections 5 & 6
- Process was summarized for January
  - All head coaches in the section vote, including the member who are on the ballot.



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- C. Voting for Top 10 - you and ONE OTHER coach from Section, get these people's contact info to Darin asap.
  - Darin and Greg gave an update on the process.
    - All section reps need to get one more representative from their section to vote each week.
- D. Candidates for Section Rep. - voting policy
  - 1. Discussion - recommendation for verbage added to the constitution
- This discussion took place during our discussion on the last elections and upcoming elections.
- E. Help out the next few days - sign up to help.
  - All members were encouraged to sign up for a job during the clinic.
    - All duties were filled.
- F. Monitor/check players from your Section that are placed on the watch list for All-State throughout the season
  - Remind coaches at the Section meetings tomorrow that you will be seeking feedback from them during the season in preparation for the All-State selection meeting.
- IV. Academic Awards - online forms. Will print your own for individual. Team remains the same.
  - A. Greg Sayuk has that ready to go.
    - Discussed in BOC duties section.
  - B. Tracey Norton is contact person for team and individual.
    - Discussed in BOC duties section.
- V. Coach Plaques - it has been brought up a few times, and as we move to 4 classes it seems an easy way to save some money. Section Coaches, Win Club, etc - if coaches want the plaque they can fill out a form to get one, otherwise no plaque will be sent. Discussion
  - Becca summarized the discussion.
  - Derek Hart asked about the cost difference if we are mailing plaques. Will the cost savings outweigh the added cost of shipping.
  - Ideas were discussed whether we could do an online PDF certificate for Win Club.
  - Decision was made that if a coach wants to receive a plaque for their award, you will need to fill out a form on the MNVBCA website. You will have the option to have the plaque mailed to you or you can pick it up at the clinic. There will be a deadline to submit your request by November 30th.
- VI. MNVBCA membership - changes.
  - A. Club coaches were joining and our insurance company was going to drop us. A coach has to be affiliated with a school program to belong to Coaches' Association.
    - Janet gave an update on this issue.
      - In order to maintain the insurance for our association, members must be associated with a school program. This means that individuals that are only associated with clubs or similar organizations are not allowed to become members of our association.
      - Out-of-state coaches are no longer able to register as associate members.



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## VII. Four Class update

### A. Met with Jody Redmond last week. Discussed formats

1. First choice - 4 day tourney @ Xcel
  2. 2nd option - 3 day tourney w/2 sites (2 formats)
- Becca gave an update on a meeting that we had with Jody Redmond.
    - We stressed our interest in a 4 day tourney at the Xcel
      - This is the best option to maintain the high level state tournament that we currently have
    - Many other options were discussed.
      - Some options include the possibility of playing two matches on the same day

## VIII. Clinic

### A. Fees for BOC - if your district pays? Help MNVBBCA fund balance.

- Change was made that BOC members will register and pay for the clinic.
- It was mentioned that all head coaches should encourage their assistants to join the association.

### B. Registration fees - has not been raised in many years for coaches' association nor clinic

- Discussion focused on raising the association fees for Head and Assistant coaches by \$5.00.
  - Tracey Norton motioned, Vicki Swenson seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

### C. Talked about raising fees (winter meeting and last fall) especially to be proactive prior to 4-classes

- Discussed above

### D. All-Star match committee: changes

- Discussion was had about changing up the format of the All-Star match in a coordinated effort to increase enthusiasm for the coaches clinic.
  - Ideas included:
    - Inviting all All-State players from the previous year (including underclassmen)
    - Have coaches giving live analysis during the match
    - Use the match as a way to discuss and teach proper stat taking
  - Other ideas:
    - Could we move the All-Star match to the fall?
    - Should we charge for entrance to the All-Star match?
  - This would require the work of a new committee
    - People that would like to be involved are:
      - Dan Westby
      - John Yunker
      - Jim Lee
      - Darin Swenson
      - Tracey Norton



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- Jim Lee gave an update on how this year's clinic was organized
  - Challenge is getting big name speakers because of schedule conflicts
  - Goal is to get a 2-3 year cycle of speakers so that it is not the same speakers every year
  - Another idea is to always end the clinic with an All-Star Panel of coaches
  - Discussion also included increasing the number of sessions on Day 1 and start earlier
- Other ideas discussed:
  - Would it be better to move the clinic to a different time of the year? Spring?
  - Reach out to ADs to have them promote attendance at the clinic for their Middle School coaches.

## IX. Fall Meeting - St. Cloud Holiday Inn , October 27th @ 8:45 am

### A. All-State - changes to # of nominations stays at 5, and you CAN give stats to 5

- Update was given for a rationale for a change.

### B. Vote to change constitution

- Barb Johnson motioned, Tom Weko seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

## X. Other items