## Lone Star Volleyball Association Minutes of the Annual Board of Directors Meeting Friday, March 11, 2022 Hilton Garden Inn Houston - Energy Corridor

**PRESIDER:** Will Vick, Commissioner

**RECORDER:** Carrie Baehr, Secretary

**CALL TO ORDER:** The Commissioner, Will Vick, called the meeting to order at 7:50 PM.

**ROLL CALL:** Absent but excused were Eddie Dahl Jr, Elbert Ortiz, Marc Holmquist, Debbie Trainor, Virgie Mallett, Walter Simpson, Shereka McLain

**GUESTS:** Glenn Lietzke, Mitch Woods, Jack Zaldivar

**APPROVAL OF 2021 MINUTES:** The 2021 BOD Minutes were approved as written. (Mark Papich moved/ Joe Campbell seconded).

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA:** The 2022 Agenda was approved as written and amended. (Steve Crane moved/ Mark Papich seconded).

**DATE AND LOCATION OF 2023 BOARD OF DIRECTIONS MEETING:** The 2023 Board Meeting will be at the Hilton Garden Inn, Houston – Energy Corridor on Friday, March 10<sup>th</sup> prior the Cross Court Classic. (Hal Naumann moved / Mark Papich seconded)

**ACCEPTANCE OF RESIGNATION:** The board was asked to accept the retro-effective resignation for the following members:

- Dick Kappel, Junior Development Director (effective 09/01/2021)
- Crystal Lyn, Corpus Christi Area Representative (effective 03/11/2022)

Replacement Appointments by Commissioner Will Vick:

- Gloria Cox, Junior Development Director (effective 09/01/2021)
- Dawna Nims, Corpus Christi Area Representative (effective 03/11/2022

All appointments are for the unexpired term and were approved by the Board.

**ELECTIONS:** Commissioner Vick called for nominations from the floor, for the positions currently up for election. Having received only one opposed nominee, a motion was made, and approved, to close nominations and accept those unopposed incumbents, by acclimation. (Steve Crane moved/Joe Campbell seconded)

• A Ballot was cast for the election of San Antonio Area Representative: Mar Resendiz (Incumbent), was opposed by Jamie Blair. Mar Resendiz was re-elected for another two years.

## **DIRECTORS REPORTS**

**REFERE'S CHAIR:** Joe Campbell reported that the LSR currently has 28 National, 28 Junior National, 103 Certified Regional, 115 Certified Provisional, and 171 Certified Junior or Junior R2. Joe reported that the Region is recommending four Junior National Referee Candidates and four National Referees. The Lone Star Region conducted 108 clinics with a total of 2,566 in attendance so far this year.

\*Joe would like to take a moment to remember the family of Christle Miersma who pass in August 2021.

**TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR:** Thang Nguyen reported that adult friendship tournaments continue to happen twice a month in Houston. Unfortunately, adult regionals was not able to make this year due to low interest. Adult Open Nationals is in Orlando, Florida between May 27<sup>th</sup> and June 1<sup>st</sup>. Junior Beach – There are over 75 evens schedule for junior beach events in Texas between November 2021 and October 2022 with 45 of those being regional qualifiers, and 3 national qualifiers.

**JUNIOR DEVELOPMENT:** Gloria Cox reported that the Region's registered membership has seen a 15.1% increase this year with the boys numbers doubling from the previous year. We closed the 2020 – 2021 Season with 1,552 teams, and the current number for the 2022 year is 1787. Gloria reported that there are two divisions being added - the liberty division at qualifiers and the freedom division at regionals. Gloria also reported that 6 – 18's girls teams and 6 boys teams have already qualified for the 2022 championships.

\*Will Vick thanked Dick Kappel for his years of service and asked for approval from the board to list him as a lifetime member. (All Approved)

**NEW MEMBER MANAGEMENT PROGRAM:** Karen noted that Sports Engine continues to be a work in progress but is seeing a lot of positive with the program. She continues to communicate with club directors around the region when issues arise and encourages all members to reach out to her instead of the website to work thru the kinks. Karen and Gloria are making updates to the tournament information in the handbook, and those should be available in the upcoming months.

**SAN ANTONIO AREA REPRESENTATIVE:** Mar Resendiz reported that he is now working with the parks division in San Antonio to secure more facilities and promote volleyball in the area. Seven gyms have been identified as possible rental facilities and/or facilities to start development for an adult men's and women's volleyball team in San Antonio.

**HOUSTON AREA REPRESENTATIVE:** Gordon Morrison reports that Houston is stronger than ever before. More tournaments and more players and continuing to see growth throughout the area.

**SCORER CHAIR REPORT**: Steve Crane reported that there were 3604 completed scorers as of the board meeting. Scorer clinics were held in 65 different cities. He reported that the Region currently has certified 26 National Scorers, 14 Regional Scorers, 101 Provisional Scorers, and 3,463 Junior Olympic Scorers, as of March 11, 2022. The Lone Star Region currently has four National Scorer Candidates – Jordan Bennett, Stacia Fontenot, Karen Mitchell, and Ramon Rodriguez.

**FINANCIAL REPORT:** The report was distributed to each board member. Any questions concerning the report must be submitted in writing to the Commissioner or Treasurer.

**COMMISIONER NOTES:** Will Vick noted that all payments for AES (Tournament Entry System for single and multi-day events) for use within the Region have been paid and will be paid until further notice. High Performance Teams are no longer part of the Region.

## **BUSINESS:**

**REGISTRATION FEES:** A proposal to raise registration fees for participants was brought to the floor. A decision was made to raise registration fees by \$5 for each division (indoor, beach, college, etc.) for the 2022/2023 Club Season. (Gloria Cox motioned/Karen Tarmon seconded)

**TOURNAMENT ENTRY FEES – 2022/2023 SEASON:** A proposal to raise the tournament fees for the 2022/2023 Season was brought to the floor, after much discussion. Tournament entry fees will go up to by 5% for the next two seasons raising entry fees to \$145, \$205, and \$395 for the 2022/2023 season. (Joe Campbell motion/Gloria Cox seconded)

**2022/2023 Tournament Gate Fees:** A proposal to raise gate fees was brought to the floor. A decision was made to raise the max allowable charge to \$10 for adults and \$5 for kids (excluding convention centers). (Gloria Cox motioned/Gordon Morrison seconded)

**ADJOURNMENT:** There being no further business, a motion was made, seconded and approved to adjourn. The time was 10:47 P.M. (Thang Nguyen moved/Karen Tarmon seconded)

Respectfully Submitted,

Carrie Baehr Secretary