

**JGA Meeting Agenda
November 14, 2004
Courtyard Marriott, Orlando, FL**

Commissioner Report – Dana Voight

Incoming Message:

- Dana introduced himself and the Board of Directors.
- It was stated that any motions will need to be put on Motion Forms and we will go through all motions at the end of the meeting.

Next JGA Meeting Date:

- It was proposed to have the next JGA Meeting at Regionals on the Sat. Night after Pool Play. Last time it was held at Regionals only 5 people attended per Yvonne.
- **It was proposed that the meeting be in the afternoon and if the Director of a club cannot make it they will send a club representative. Next JGA meeting to be April 30, 2005 at 3-5.**

Assistant Commissioner:

- Chris Romine was introduced and it was made known that if anyone has any question or concern they are more than welcome to go to either the Commissioner or the Assistant Commissioner at any time.

Sign-In:

- Sheet is being sent around to sign in.

Background Checks:

- BOD Members, Coaches, Officials, Chaperones, etc. Region is going up and above the National Office and including Officials in the Background Screening. Date to be turned in ASAP. You will only be notified if the screen comes back negative. You are grandfathered in from last year if you did one already. Send the paperwork into Michael Hubbard...Do Not send it into the company. It is good for 2 years and anyone who has not turned it in as of yet, will be charged a fee of \$20. Transfer coaches have to prove they have had the screen. You can call Michael to check on this information.

Picture IDs:

- Send all digital pictures for the ID cards to Dana directly via email. Coaches, Club Staff, Volunteers, Chaperones and Officials will all have IDs.
- You are required to have this ID on you at all events, at all times. This is a safety issue for the parents. You will get a new photo ID every 2 years and you will get a new sticker every year with your new membership number on it. Pictures should be from shoulders up in front of a neutral background.
- The \$20 covers the \$16 fee for the Background Check and \$4 for processing the photo ID. If you lose your ID there is a \$5 fee to replace it.
- The new form will be filled out by everyone in club except Club Director. You need to print the form and sign it in two separate places. The back of the form contains club information. Send this form to Michael Hubbard...not the company addressed on the back of the form.

- Club Directors – You are a Region Staff Employee and have a separate form to fill out. The only thing different is that the information comes back to Dana instead of back to the club.
- Everyone will start wearing their IDs as of January 1st.

Web and Newsletter:

- Should be up and running as of January 1st.
- The newsletter is going to be posted to the website.
- Dana has requested articles from Directors on each of their clubs.
- All articles submitted should be in .pdf format so that it is easily printed.
- Each club will have a link to their own clubs website on the Regions website.

Girls Regionals 05 and 06 – Orlando

- It is locked in Orlando for the last weekend of April for 2005.

Girls Regionals Future Locations 07-08

- The JAC would like to see what the JGA thinks about opening the floor for Bids for the 07-08 Regionals.

We will have an official RFP to submit a Request for Proposal:

Requirements would be
Under one roof

Local Organizing Committee (LOC), which will be responsible for set up and tear down RFP will outline the requirements, who will get what in terms of rebates, concessions and so forth. When a committee is formed they will have benefits outlined in the RFP. We are looking for a way to make more money for the Region and Orlando is costing the Region more money each year.

Girls Regionals Split Tournament:

- JAC would like to recommend adding a Bid Tournament. Only teams who are pre-registered and prepaid for Nationals are eligible to play in this tournament. Teams will be competing at this tournament for the National bid.
- The American bid and the new Florida Cup will be given at Regionals.
- One team's entry fee to the Junior Olympic Girls National Championship will be reimbursed to the recipient of the Florida Cup. If the winner of the Florida Cup is not going to Nationals they will receive credit for three team entries for the following year to Regionals.
- April 1st is the cutoff for registering for Nationals. 9th and 10th of April would be the date for Bid Tournament, 2 weeks prior to Regionals.
- New concept of the Florida Cup. Trying to bring prestige to our Regional tournament.
- It is the thought of many clubs that Open teams should not be allowed to play in Regionals.

Power League:

- It is the recommendation of the JAC to bring back the Power League. The first year it will be run with the old format. One Qualifying Tournament and then you are

mandatory locked into 2 other tournaments. Power League would be a 3 Tournament Event.

- People want to put a high quality event back in. Region puts on tournament for the top 16 teams in each division. Bringing it back in 2005 is the recommendation. Tournaments do count towards rankings. If they want to host, they must have a large facility for Qualifier and then 8-10 courts for the following 2 tournaments.

Sponsors:

- Kaepa wants to get on board with individual clubs, as well as, the Region. Florida won 2 of the top 3 divisions of the HP this past year so Kaepa is showing extreme interest.
- Region is looking for a different ball this year. Molten contract and Kaepa contracts both end as of Jan. 1st.

Junior Coaches:

- Need to modify qualifications for 18-21 year old coaches to include Background Check.
- No one under 21 can be a Juniors coach. You can get a special screening form for coaches from 18-21. The coach must be 4 years older than the girls they are coaching. Waiver must get passed through the Board.
- New Waivers must be submitted if they were submitted last year.
- College players must apply for a waiver to coach. The waiver is only good for the year in which it is granted.

Black Sunday:

- It is the recommendation of the JAC that tryouts cannot be held until after the JGA Meeting.
- We need all of the club directors or Representatives here for this meeting. Suggested that there is a penalty for clubs who do not show up to meeting.

Approaching Juniors:

- You are NOT allowed to approach any junior that is of High School age before the State Championship. No Exceptions.

Region Office Report:

New Address is as follows for the Region office: 13900 CR 455, Suite 107-133, Clermont, FL 34711. The phone number is 321-218-9113. Old number is turned off. The new fax number is 321-218-6402. If doesn't work, call Michael Hubbard and he will give you another number.

Official's Chair:

New Rule Changes

- New FIVB rules. Finding lots of problems with the rule book. Darin will make a list of corrections for everyone and it will be posted on the website and emailed to all club directors.
- Officials contact list will be on website as well. Will include their rankings, area of residence to locate officials for your local tournaments.
- Do you want District Junior Officiating Clinics? (All clubs in an area would attend one large format clinic)

- What is the criteria (size) for a club to receive their own individual clinic?
- Darin is trying to make it more cost effective for the Region and easier to teach the kids by making fewer clinics.
- The idea was give to possibly set up a clinic during education weekend to train people to go back to clubs and train all the kids.

Jr. Girl's Coordinator Report:

Sanctioning:

- Michael Hubbard and Eric Lazowski are working on a system and getting it out to everyone.

Ranking System:

- The idea was thought up to perhaps give out points rather than no points to improve rankings for teams at tournaments.
- Jeff stated that it is better to drop a tournament than to give a person 50% which would drop a teams ranking. Ranking is only for the top 65% of the teams.
- Ranking for tournaments currently is only when 16 or more teams play in an age division. Which tournaments should be ranked?
- It is suggested that we enforce a \$500 deposit for tournament directors. That money would be refunded when tournament results and money is turned into the Region.
- Another suggestion was to not allow people to run anymore tournaments if they do not turn in tournament paperwork and money.
- Sanctioning needs to take place for not turning in results.

High Performance:

Youth team lost one match and won the championship

Junior team went undefeated.

1 -14 year old got picked from 27 to go to Colorado Springs to train

- District Camps for training within the Region. All girls who tryout would still be exposed to the Team Florida Training.
- There is no cap on the amount of players coming from one individual club, nor will there be as HP is designed to pick the best players, not spread the players among the Region.
- The Regional camps will help fund the current and new teams.
- Will we increase the girls price to make up for unexpected expenses?
- There is major concern among the BOD about who is watching the budget this year. It is suggested that there be a committee for the HP Team budget.
- Eric is having girls do fundraisers, collect sponsorships and so forth.
- It was asked if the director should be someone who is not a coach of another team because of the amount of work involved.
- It is thought that maybe bringing in an administrative role who is not one of the coaches would be helpful. The Head Director is budget person, airline reservations, uniforms, sponsors, etc.
- We were \$7K over budget.

- Club Directors have stressed an interest in knowing the budget for the HP....and they want to know what is going on with the program since they are promoting the program to their children.
- The Budget problem is identified and it is being corrected.
- Other coaches who would like to become involved with HP should talk to Eric and fill out an application that will be available Jan. 1st. Tryouts will be discussed later.

Jr. Boys Coordinator:

Boys Development Committee:

- High School leagues have been discussed.
- Some out of state teams have expressed an interest in coming to play prior to National Tournament. Late May, early June possible time period for extra tournament.
- Committee consists of Jim Beard, Russell Williams, Rick Reyes and Lori Dagostino.
- Please let Robert Smith know if you are interested in developing a boys program in your area.

Dir of Coaches Education Report:

Impact Clinics:

- Held one in each District as approved at last JGA Meeting. All of the clinics are on weekends in January. The dates should be set today and up on the website.
- Coaches have to be trained before they can step on a court to coach.
- The training is 3 hours and if you leave early you do not receive your certificate.
- Fines will be implemented by next year for those in violation.
- Impact Training is good for Lifetime and is FREE for coaches.

Cap Clinic:

- January 7-9, Cap I and Cap II. Cap III is only in Colorado Springs. In Orlando at the Champions Complex.
- Forms will be online in the next week.
- If you are a coach in this Region you will get a \$100 credit from the Region for this training.
- Nicole will let those people know who is trained and she can let you know.
- Club Directors course is no longer required nationally. ASEP.com provides materials still to date.
- It should not be required in Florida since it is not required elsewhere in the nation, but perhaps directors should order the materials for their own clubs. There is a section on Sport Parenting which is most beneficial.
- The Region will get materials and make them available for people in the Region who would like it.
- You are responsible for printing books and/or purchasing them from the Region.
- Nicole needs to know who is going to be certified and when, prior to the training happening.

Jr. Outdoor HP Report

- Working on plans for Next Years Beach and ways to increase the participation level in the Region.

Breakout Sessions:

Dist Reps

Recommendations:

Dist 1:

- Carrie Pruitt is the representative.
- Would like 2 big clinics in their area on Jan. 8th for Tallahassee and 9th for JJVA. They think that 17s and 18s should be exempt from clinics if they are a 3 yr+ player.
- Throw out 0 points rule for ranking. 12s would like to see it go to 4 teams for points and possibly even the 13s as well. Point possibilities....4-11 teams starts with 10 points, 12 teams -15 points and 16 teams -17 points.
- Tournament Directors who do not turn in their paperwork and money to the Region should be sanctioned by...1st offense \$500 fee and 2nd No Sanctions for a year.
- They want to keep Regionals in Orlando.
- They like the idea of a Bid Tournament. Especially for older girls because of losing them to proms and so forth during Regionals. They liked the bids split. Bid trickle should stay within the tournament. If you qualify for Nationals, they do not want you at Regionals.
- Didn't go for the idea of the Florida Cup for the Regional Tournament. Like the idea of having recognition, but wouldn't have a place to actually put a trophy. Perhaps have the points accumulated throughout the season.
- No Power League.
- Yes Black Sunday. Younger (Junior High Group) try out earlier unless they are a Varsity High Roster player. No calling it Black Sunday...issues there.
- Approaching Juniors...the kids should not be approached directly. We would like people to be ethical. Wording of recruiting needs to be changed. Coaching Guidelines and Code of Ethics should be reinstated. Eliminate Recruiting Guidelines altogether.

Dist 2:

- Connie is the Representative.
- Minimum of 8 teams must show up for reffing clinics. No big groups.
- Sanctioning.... \$500 deposit and at the end of the 7th day it would be nonrefundable and then a \$50 a day fee on top of that. At the end of the year no Sanctioned tournaments the following year until all fees are paid.
- Committee needs to be formed and revisit Ranking. Drop open and take out the 16 rule for the younger age. No age limit at this point. Determined by number of teams at the tournament.
- Regionals should stay in Orlando and that the Region should run it. Region should raise the price of the tournament to accommodate.
- No Bid Tournament.
- Move Regionals to March before Qualifiers. 2 Bids given at that event. True Regional champion. No one would already be qualified. Regions would then trickle down if a team goes to a qualifier and wins a bid. Be able to plan ahead and get hotel rooms right next to venue if you win a bid by qualifying at Regionals.
- Power League no.
- Yes on Black Sunday. Any high school player can not try out, no matter what age.

- Approaching Juniors....stricter rules need to be made by the board and enforced. We should not be trying to steal players from our own group. BOD to make decision on how to sanction. Perhaps put some sort of distance requirement on recruiting.

Dist 3:

- Barb Small is the representative.
- Smaller groups into a larger group for clinic 50 kids or more. 17s and 18s exempt.
- Approaching Juniors....define recruiting.
- Sanctioning...Tournament Directors do not get their results in within a week then no events the entire next season.
- Ranking take out the 0 and adjust the younger age groups.
- No to Power League
- Black Sunday...to move JGA to 3rd Sunday of October. No rep will be \$300 fine for not showing. If you do not pay the fine then you will not be able to play in Regionals. Nationals meetings would be done by this time. Region would have time to update books before the seasons start. Tryouts would still be after the state tournament. Need to be totally organized for tryouts and ordering uniforms. 2 week shut down on manufacturers.
- Bid Tournament=Nationals bid. Regional Tournament=American Bid. -Agree with Florida Cup...those who already qualify cannot play in Regionals, but will get points granted.

Dist 4

- Mike Farah is the representative.
- Bid for Regionals.
- Large groups for reffing clinics.
- Bid Tournament...like the idea. Good idea to have both bids in the tournament instead of split with Regionals. Florida Cup point system...3 team entry level and 2 tier system to be finalized by the amount of teams registered in the region. Small for 1 entry fee and larger 2 entry fees for Regionals. Average amount of teams to determine small or large organization. No fair way to incorporate the teams who have only 1-3 teams compared to those clubs with 45 teams.
- Power League no to 2005, yes in 2006 and make it replace the Bid Tournament. Reward both bids to the Power League Participants in 3 tournaments.
- No tryouts until Black Sunday.
- Approaching Juniors was not visited.
- Sanctioning...everything is in the handbook. There are violations that have cost the Region money and they need to be assessed.
- Ranking...drop the 0 and do not hurt teams for the open division. Point systems for the 12s rank them as though it was a regular ranking events.
- It is suggested that we have 4 separate tryouts for HP instead of one. One for each district.
- It is suggested by Laurie Dagostino that all special regionally financed programs including High Performance, distribute written report at the Annual JGA Meeting. Part to include at a minimum, number of athletes participating, number of coaches, overall budget appropriated, number of practice/training dates and competition results.

Motion tabled: that a statement be added to the Junior Handbook to say “any infraction of the policies and procedures within this handbook may result in financial or membership sanctions per the discretion of the BOD. Normal appeal processes to apply.

Motions made at the JGA Meetings will be presented to the FL Region Board of Directors. The BOD reserves the right to reverse Motions made at these meetings.

Motions: **IN BOLD WERE PASSED**

Motion No.: 1 Name: Barb Small Date: 11/14/2004 Second: Lauri Dagostino
Type of Meeting: BOD JGA x
I make a motion: **A representative from each club must attend the annual JGA Meeting. If not in attendance, club is fined \$200.00 and is not eligible for entry into Regional Championships until paid.**

Motion Vote: Yes No Unanimous x Motion: Carried x Lost

Motion No.: 2 Name: Nicole Evans Date: 11/14/2004 Second: Robert Smith
Type of Meeting: BOD JGA x
I make a motion: **To remove the requirement of a Sports Director's course for all new club directors.**

Motion Vote: Yes No Unanimous x Motion: Carried x Lost

Motion No.: 3 Name: JAC Date: 11/14/2004 Second: Mike Farah
Type of Meeting: BOD JGA x
I make a motion: **To accept bids for 07-08 Regionals. Will develop an RFP which will be made available to any interested party.**

Motion Vote: Yes 20 No 3 Motion: Carried x Lost

Motion No.: 4 Name: JAC Date: 11/14/2004 Second: Mark Melton
Type of Meeting: BOD JGA x
I make a motion: To have a Bid Tournament. To be held separately from Girls Regional Championship. Teams will compete in this tournament for the National Bid, all teams participating must be pre-registered for Girls Junior Olympic National Championships.

Motion Vote: Yes 4 No 9 Motion: Carried Lost x

Motion No.: 5 Name: JAC Date: 11/14/2004 Second:
Type of Meeting: BOD JGA x
I make a motion: To incorporate the Florida Cup idea.

Motion Vote: Yes No Motion: Carried Lost x

Motion No.: 6 Name: JAC Date: 11/14/2004 Second:
Type of Meeting: BOD JGA x
I make a motion: To reinstate the Power League and to be run with the "Old Format" for the 1st year.

Motion Vote: Yes No Motion: Carried Lost x

Motion No.: 7 Name: JAC Date: 11/14/2004 Second: Sandy Berkhart
Type of Meeting: BOD JGA x
I make a motion: To incorporate Black Sunday where tryouts would not be allowed for high school rostered athletes until after the high school championships each year.
Motion Vote: Yes No Motion: Carried Lost x

Motion No.: 8 Name: Eric Lazowski Date: 11/14/2004 Second: Carrie Prewitt
Type of Meeting: BOD JGA x
I make a motion: **Tournament Directors must submit complete and accurate tournament results and fees within seven (7) business days from the conclusion of the event. \$300 fine and they can host No Sanctioned Tournaments for the following tournament season.**
Motion Vote: Yes 7 No 4 Motion: Carried x Lost

Motion No.: 9 Name: Eric Lazowski Date: 11/14/2004 Second: Chuck Waddington
Type of Meeting: BOD JGA x
I make a motion: **To adjust the ranking system to eliminate the zero points from the Open Div. of Qualifiers for the teams if their results finishes them in the 65% - 100%.**
Motion Vote: Yes No Unanimous x Motion: Carried x Lost

Motion No.: 10 Name: Eric Lazowski Date: 11/14/2004 Second: Terry Small
Type of Meeting: BOD JGA x
I make a motion: **To adjust the 12s and 13s rankings accordingly.**
4-11 teams --> 10pt scale
12-15 teams --> 15pt scale
16+ teams --> 16pt scale
Motion Vote: Yes 22 No 1 Unanimous Motion: Carried x Lost

Motion No.: 11 Name: Carrie Prewitt Date: 11/14/2004 Second: Chuck Waddington
Type of Meeting: BOD JGA x
I make a motion: **Not to allow a high school rostered volleyball player to try out for a club prior to the end of the state tournament.**
Motion Vote: Yes No Unanimous x Motion: Carried x Lost

Motion No.: 12 Name: Lauri Dagostino Date: 11/14/2004 Second: Carrie Pruitt
Type of Meeting: BOD JGA x
I make a motion: **That the JGA Admin. Council appoint a committee to develop a detailed proposal for a 2006 National Bid Tournament considering the suggestions of the District Reports, to be presented and voted on at the mid-year JGA Meeting 2005.**
Motion Vote: Yes 11 No Unanimous Motion: Carried x Lost

Motion No.: 13 Name: JAC Date: 11/14/2004 Second: Nicole Evans
Type of Meeting: BOD JGA x
I make a motion: That a club director or representative must attend two JGA meetings per year or pay a \$200 fine.
Motion Vote: Yes No Unanimous Motion: Carried Lost x

Motions from the BOD Meeting 11-14-05, 6 pm Meeting

Motion #3: Chris Romine 2nd by James Phillips

Make a \$5 increase to Junior Membership Fee and Adult Player Membership.

Motion carried by a vote of 8-4