**NAGVA Board Conference Call**

**- Meeting Minutes: Sep. 8, 2016 -**

1. Meeting called to order at 8:01 pm CST
2. **Roll Call:** Jason Fallon, Mark Ebel, Jen Callen, Mark Davis, Eric Nelson, Scott Killburg, Andre Carneiro
3. **Officer/Departmental Reports**
   1. **Treasurer:** Lew -

Checking: $49,416.88  
Savings: $111,326.75  
PayPal: $21,141.27  
Total Cash on Hand: $181,884.90  
Liabilities: $4,271.65

Net Assets: $177,613.25

* 1. **Eligibility:** Eric –

12 Medical Re-Rates - 0 Granted due to Moratorium while new form is being finalized; 5 5-Season Inactivity Re-Rate - 2 Granted, 3 denied;

New Medical Re-rate is in progress, but not complete. Eric hopes to have it out for review by early next week. Once the form is finalized, moratorium on Medical Re-rates will be lifted.

* 1. **Regions:** Jen - Data compiled includes Austin, Dells, WeHo. (Columbus report not received yet)

Total number of Nonrates: 186

Total number of Rerates:  29 (22 completed)

Breakdown of Rerates: 16 uprates (73%), 3 downrates (13.6%), 3 stayed same (13.6%)

* 1. **Tournaments:** Mark D – Fall season pretty much full. NY Master’s tournament just sanctioned. Mark is checking with last year’s Louisville tournament director to see if the tourney will be held in December. Mark checked with NOLA tourney director to make sure tourney facilities were not affected by the flooding. TD responded that facilities are ok.
  2. **Officials**: Kent – R1 and Scorekeeping tests are currently being updated and will hopefully be up by next month.
  3. **MAL Reoprts** – Andre C. - Continuing to work through duplicates. Andre plans to work with the webmaster in instituting possible preventive measures in dealing with duplicate accounts.

1. **Mid-Year Meeting Update** – Looking at weekend before Thanksgiving. Meeting will be held in Vancouver this year to show our enthusiasm for the new influx of Canadian participation.
2. **NAGVA Championships Update** – One hall of 18 courts will already be laid that will be used on Friday. Extra courts will be set up in the adjoining hall on Friday. Brian did a great job working with Hyatt and the contract for the host hotel has been signed. Exec Board has a site visit in October. Facebook Championship Page will soon be converted from Dallas to Columbus.
3. **New Business**
   1. Grievance - Ramon Alexis Ariza-Perez

On previous conference call, VP of Eligibility stated that he would be bringing a grievance over an incident that occurred at Dallas Championships to the Board due to the severity of the request. Grievance originally requested member involved to be banned for life. Board discussed at length and felt a lifetime ban was too harsh. Mark E motioned to approve a two-year suspension. Eric N seconded. Motion was approved (5 Yes, 1 Abstain). Eric N will contact the involved parties.

* 1. Moratorium on Medical Re-rates – Exception process

Eric N wanted to discuss allowing obvious medical re-rate requests such as surgery be approved. The majority felt it was a “slippery slope” and could be seen to lack transparency. No motion was made. Moratorium continues.

* 1. Open positions - MAL, Historian, Canada and Puerto Rico Reps

MAL - Jason is speaking with two possible candidates and will be submitting a name for approval very soon.

Canadian Rep – Jason nominated Jason Pelletier from Toronto to fill the Canadian Rep position. Jason F and Mark E explained about Jason’s enthusiasm and energy, efforts to recruit Canadian teams to play in other tournaments, and help he provided at this year’s Toronto tournament. His approval to the position was unanimous.

1. **Meeting Adjourns** - Meeting ended at 9:03 pm CST