

RMR Junior Forum (Minutes)
August 9, 2009

1. Call meeting to order – Kirk Rowland
2. Introduction of Attendees – All
3. Review proposed 2010 Tournament Format & Changes – Kirk Rowland
 - a. No major changes to the 2009 Power Structure.
 - b. **Motion 1F (Passed)**: Division 3 of all ages divisions will now play pool play with a crossover set (instead of bracket play).
 - c. **Motion 2F (Passed)**: Division 1 & 2 Bracket play, the non deciding mandatory set will be no longer required for matches 5 and 6. A full officiating crew (R1, R2, scorekeeper, lines) will be required for all 3rd non deciding mandatory sets on matches 1 through 4 of bracket play. Failure to participate (play) or provided full officiating crew will result in a \$125.00 fine per team per incident. Scoresheet will be turned in but not recorded if it is not a deciding set.
 - d. **Motion 3F (Passed)**: The Junior Open Tournament & Format is approved as presented. Points will not be issued for this event.
 - e. **Motion 4F (Passed)**: The Junior Proposal 2 Schedule is approved as presented.
4. Review proposed Seeding Committee Changes – Kirk Rowland
 - a. Review steps in the seeding process.
 - b. Teams (playing up in age divisions) will be seeded based on level of play. There are no artificial ceilings placed or a set format. Committee will take into consideration the number of times the team will be playing up, the past history (team, club & region) and where the team is seed in its own age division.
 - c. **Motion 1S (Passed)**: The seeding committee will consist of 9 voting delegates.
 - d. **Motion 2S (Passed)**: The voting delegates will be broken down as presented.
 - e. **Motion 3S (Passed)**: The voting delegates will be chosen by the chairperson of the Seeding Committee along with the RMR and approved at the Annual Junior Club Directors meeting.
 - f. **Motion 4S (Passed)**: Approve the changes to the seeding form as presented.
 - g. The annual seeding meeting is Sunday, December 20th beginning at noon at the RMR Office. This is an open meeting for those who wish to attend.
5. Review Officiating Rules – Gary Houghton
 - a. The libero will be eligible to serve in all RMR Junior Sanctioned Events (including Showdown) except for the RMR JNQ. Teams that play outside of the region or at national events the libero will not be eligible to serve.
 - b. R1 Officials will be provided for all Division 1 age division events including the RMR JNQ. The cost per team will be an additional \$50.00 and payable the Monday after the event to the RMR Office.
 - c. Power 2 through Power 5 divisions 1 and 2 bracket play will require a full officiating crew (R1, R2, scorekeeper, lines) on all mandatory non deciding 3rd set play on matches 1 through 4. Scoresheet will be turned in but not recorded if it is not a

deciding set. Failure to provide full officiating crew for the mandatory non-deciding 3rd set will be fined \$125.00 per team per incident.

d. Quick over view of new net protocol. http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Y2ijNc_3vCU

6. Review proposed Recruiting & Player Intent/Commitment – Kirk Rowland

a. Review Recruiting Policy

b. **Motion 1R (Passed)**: Approve recruiting policy as presented.

c. Review Player Intent & Commitment. **Note**: *Front Range VBC is refusing to vote due to the US Antitrust law.*

d. **Motion 2R (Passed)**: Approve Player Intent & Commitment Statement as presented.

e. Review Affiliated Practice Player Waiver

f. **Motion 3R (Passed 16 – 10)**: Approve Affiliated Practice Player Waiver as presented.

7. Review fees, membership information and other registration info – Wendy Sapp

a. Tournament fees for teams participating in Division 1 & 2 for all powers, regionals and the RMR JNQ will be increased by \$50.00 to \$175.00 per event. The additional fee of \$50.00 will be due to the RMR Office by Monday following the event.

b. September 1st will now be the first day in which you may register for the 2009 – 2010 RMR-USAV Season. Coaches will now be prompted to complete the background screening process if they select any roles that are associated with Junior Programs. Coaches will also have to complete the online “Coaches Code of Ethics” and print & sign the “RMR Code of Ethics”. We are looking in the future to requiring only the online “Coaches Code of Ethics” but for this year we are requiring both.

c. All coaches are required to be “Impact Certified”. The RMR will again be offering two free clinics on December 13th and January 30th. Coaches must be certified by February 1, 2010. If coaches register after February 1st they have 30 days in which to complete the certification process. Failure to complete impact certification is subject to a hefty fine.

d. When holding tryouts or registering a team for the 2010 season all individual players must have completed and paid for the 2009 – 2010 season. It is required that a player show you proof of this membership by presenting you with **2009 – 2010 Membership Card**. Players are ineligible to participate without the 2009 – 2010 membership.

e. Insurance certificates will be available for the upcoming season after September 15, 2009.

8. New Business

a. Request for additional funds for the Girls JOVC Fund & Hardship. Judy Peer will research and will send information to Kirk Rowland.

9. Next scheduled Junior Forum will be on Sunday, September 27th at the RMR Office. All registration material and rulebooks for the upcoming season will be distributed.

10. Adjourn