**Meeting Minutes (11/30/2018)**

Roll Call at 7:08 pm:

* Present on-site at Steve & Lori’s: Steve, Lori, Lynne, George
* Present via Google Hangouts: Bill, Jason, Carol

Old Business (tasks that have been completed/updated since last meeting)

* Meeting minutes (<http://www.wallyball-info.com/WIN_BOD_INFO_PAGE.html>)
* Motion to approve by Bill; 2nd by George; carried with no opposition

On-going Business (Committee reports or on-going projects)

* Status of Corporation
  + Treasurer report (Lori)
    - Checkbook balance - $2938.27 (As of 11/27/18)
  + Upcoming bills (Steve/Bill/Lori)
    - Credit card charges meals for board meeting
  + Filed annual renewal with MN Secretary of State (no fees)
  + Filed 2017-2018 taxes
    - Expenses for 2018 = 5046.06
    - Income for 2018 = 5625.67
* Wallyball Season and Tournaments for 2018-2019
  + Iowa (Bill)
    - League play down slightly vs. last year to 13 teams
    - 12th Annual Combined Age Tournament –1/xx/2019
      * Bill to check, but possibly will be on 1/26/2019
    - 14th Annual State Tournament –3/xx-xx/2019
      * Aiming for March 1-3 with Friday (3/1) being a “practice night” as was done last year
  + Minnesota (Steve/George)
    - 22nd Turkey Tournament – 12/8/2018
      * Will be held at Plymouth
    - 19th Annual Combined Age Tournament – 2/xx/2019
      * George to check with Lifetime in Fridley for court availability and pricing
      * See if February 9th (Saturday) is available
    - 37th MN State Tournament – 4/xx-xx 2019
      * LTF player fee
        + Confusion last year by club on how to assess. Make sure we have a good handle on this for 2019 if we are going to use LTF again.
      * George to check with Lifetime in Fridley for court availability and pricing
      * Check what LTF will charge if we have King/Queen on one weekend and remainder of State on the following weekend.
        + If we split K/Q into 2 days (qualify on Saturday; playoff on Sunday) will club charge us single player fee since same event? (George to check with LTF)
  + Pennsylvania (Steve)
    - Planning a “cross-over” tournament to solicit more volleyball players.
* History timeline (George) (up-to-date?)
  + Updated through last year’s previous meeting. George will update off-line and share update.
* T-shirts (Lori)
  + No complaints about last year’s version.
* Promotion Ideas (Lori)
  + Bill: were you able to put up the banner for your sand leagues?
    - Yes, and need to check on its condition since it was still up since then.
* Board
  + Any suggestions on who we should get to join the board? We still don't have a treasurer and we only have 4 board members not including Executive Director.
  + President, Vice-President and member at large election
    - Lori current President: term is up
      * Steve motioned to nominate Lori for another 3-year term as President; Bill 2nd
      * All in favor
    - Bill current Vice-President: term is up
      * Steve motioned to nominate Bill for another 3-year term as VP; Lori 2nd
      * All in favor
    - Lynne member at large: term is up
      * Steve motioned to nominate Lori for another 3-year term as member; Lori 2nd
      * All in favor
  + New member from Iowa?
    - Bill is still working on it.
  + New Rules Committee member (Steve)
    - Lee from PA is interested. No commitment yet.

New Business

* Board member elections
  + See above. Each re-upped for a 3-year term to expire in FY 2022.
* Board member laptop replacement
  + Only if needed (George is OK at this time)
* Better advertising for tournaments
  + Suggestions on how to advertise
  + Suggestions on how to gather contact information
    - Objective is not to put burden on just Steve (and Bill) to manage respective sign-ups.
    - Suggestion to use Google Docs to help manage and share this info
    - Lynne to work with rest of Board on designing this and possibly setting up a player database
  + Creation of new database
    - Possibly use Google Docs for this (Lynne to work with rest of Board on this)
* New wallyball rules to try out
  + See handout from Rules Committee on details for some suggestions which came in from players.
  + Proposed Additions
    - Player cannot contact the wall on the opponent’s side of the court.
    - Players hair/beard may touch the center line.
  + Proposed Changes
    - Overhead setting should originate from face area (currently from the nose)
    - Blocking can occur while player is within box by the net (3 feet).
      * Current rule just states “by the net”
    - Reception of the ball: (see handout for details)
    - Attack hit or spike
      * Update current rule to remove the word “spike”
    - A served ball may not be blocked or spiked
      * Can be attacked if contact beyond 3-foot line from the net
      * Can be attached within 3-foot line from net if contact made below the top of net
    - Delete the definition of HIT: A spike
    - Players contact with the net
      * Uniform, hair or beard is OK; protruding items from uniform, hair or beard are not allowed. This will be a referee’s call.
    - Arguing or abusing the referee
      * 1st offense lose 1 point; 2nd offense means ejection from event
    - Push shot: Should this be legal for all levels of play (currently just Intermediate & lower)
      * No. This should even be discouraged at Intermediate and lower levels.
    - Acts of aggression by kicking the ball
      * Not socially acceptable and can be penalized by 1 point deduction by referee
    - Substitutions only allowed between games unless an injury occurs
    - Players are allowed to block with 1 or 2 hands, but only a 2-handed blocker is allowed the luxury of a 2nd consecutive hit
    - Overhead setting changes (see rules for update details)
      * OPEN – Rotate slowly where the name on ball can be read. No more than 1 side rotation. Ball can never spin quickly.
      * ADVANCED – May slowly rotate. No more than 2 side rotations. Ball can never spin quickly.
      * INTERMEDIATE – Ball can slowly rotate in any direction. Ball can never spin quickly.
      * RECREATIONAL – Anything goes.
    - What is a SPIN?
      * If there is lettering on the ball, can you read it? (Ref’s call)
    - Opposing team should roll back the ball between plays under the net
    - If there is any external interference with games, play has to be stopped and rally replayed
    - If ball is driven into the net with such force it touches opposing player, not considered a net touch
    - Kicking the ball is dangerous and not allowed at any time. Offense will be immediate loss of serve and if continued the deduction of a point or send off at referee’s discretion.
    - Paintbrush hit: we are reviewing the current definition.
  + Some VCO vs Wallyball differences
    - A player may set the serve
    - A player may use their foot as long as the ball is not kicked
    - Setting motion (waiting to hear from Lee in PA)
* New wallyball division to try out
  + Cross-over version with some volleyball rules to be tested out in PA play
  + See ‘Proposed NEW division definitions’ document from Steve for details
    - Wallyball
      * Open Division = Division 1A
      * Advanced Division = Division 2A and 2B
      * Intermediate Division = Division 3A
      * Recreational Division = Division 3B
    - Volleyball Cross-over
      * VCO Division 1A
      * VCO Division 2A and 2B
      * VCO Division 3A
      * VCO Division 3B
* Suggestion: split MN State into two weekends
  + Feedback from players was 3 days is too much; discourages out of towners
  + How should we split it up? (Steve/George)
    - George checking with LTF to see if they would allow single tournament player fee over 2 consecutive days
* Tracking player sign-ups for tournaments: suggestions on how to do this
  + Incorporate Google Docs to both track sign-ups and possibly feed Player Database
  + Lynne to work with Tournament Directors on this
* Equipment needed?
  + Lifetime (Fridley) is OK at this time
* Reinvestment in clubs **(**Bill/George/Steve)
  + MN
    - Status on 3rd court being drilled at Plymouth
      * Club won’t do it, plus new wall surface more difficult to use suction cups
    - LifeTime Fitness MN – George’s group
      * Club is not promoting wallyball nor expanding facility, although they have delegated 2 courts for wallyball play only (these courts are already set up with hardware)
      * Nothing needed at this time
  + PA
  + Iowa
  + OH
  + MI
* How to play wallyball videos: status?
  + Pending
* Open Houses: any planned/requested?
  + None at this time
* Wallyball Classes: status?
  + None at this time
* Results from Rules Committee meeting: status?
* Board of Selectors to meet after Jan 1: status?
  + Steve to follow up
* Next meeting date
  + Tentatively planned for January 27th in Iowa after Combined Age event

Any other Business

* None

Adjourn Meeting at 9:00 pm