



United States of America Deaf Basketball, Inc

Executive Board ooVoo Meeting

Sunday, September 28, 2008

The executive board ooVoo meeting was called to order by Commissioner Jay Krieger at 6:00 p.m. EST.

Roll Call: Jay Krieger (Commissioner), Tim Theis (Treasurer), Tom Morrison (Tournament Director), David Hamilton (International Director), Keith Westhoelter (Youth Coordinator).

Krieger coordinated the following agenda sequentially.

Commissioner

- 1. International Plaza Lawsuit:** Krieger received an e-mailed attachment from an attorney who sent a written letter to resolve the unpaid past due balance of \$38,480. The EB members were not aware of this situation. Krieger stated that there are about 38 pages of receipts and a letter of agreement between the USADB previous commissioner and International Plaza Resort & Spa posted in the USADB officers e-mail file for EB members to view.
- 2. NAD and/or USADSF for Advice and Legal Support:** Krieger asked EB members for approval for him to contact Former NAD Leader Bobbie Beth Scoggins and USADSF President Larry Fleisher for their advice, legal support, and leadership knowledge.
- 3. Kansas Secretary of State:** Krieger stated that he received a letter from Kansas Secretary of State returning my annual report application and a \$60 check. They said he needed to complete one more form called the "Reinstatement of Corporation," and then send both the application and check back. The second form was simple to complete; however, he had some difficulty with "Resident Agent Name" and "Registered Office in Kansas." It would not allow him to use the Indiana address. They looked it up and gave me the name of the secretary (Kansas Resident) at the time USADB was incorporated years ago.
- 4. Insurance:** Krieger explained a deaf club team from Georgia does not need insurance for their up-coming tournament next month. It was discussed that Krieger talked to previous treasurer Ladimer Baird who handled the insurance.
- 5. Candidates:** Krieger explained that there are several interested candidates and volunteers who want to assist USADB in terms of positions secretary and deputy commissioner. He stated we should hold onto this agenda for the next EB ooVoo meeting. Scott Morrison's name was brought to our attention; he will assist USADB in any way, and Krieger will talk with Morrison shortly. List of candidates to date: Chuck Wallace, Shirley Platt, Jimmy Miller, Ladimer Baird, Scott Morrison, and Carl Denney.
- 6. Next announcements? Insurance, Investigation, CAAD Penalty:** Krieger asked the EB members what next important announcements should be on the website. It was agreed that blogs should be written for insurance information and RFA (restricted free agent) for clarification. Krieger explained that he sent a letter of penalty to CAAD officers on September 22nd. He has not heard any response from them. Investigation on use of the USADB fund is ongoing and under investigation by the previous commissioner. Krieger asked the EB members to contact him directly for proper channel communication as he will handle it.

Deputy Commissioner

- 1. Website Status & Reza:** Krieger stated that he and new webmaster Reza have spent many hours on developing the new webpage. Per the contract created by Krieger, USADB does not have sufficient funds to pay the first installment of \$250. Tom Morrison made a generous contribution on his behalf to USADB. He inquired USADB to send a thank you letter for his tax write off.

2. **Spread the Word:** Krieger asked the board members to spread the word to communities across the nation regarding the newly launched website. His goal is to create a transparency including the minutes, financial reports, etc. the information to the public.
3. **Next WebPages:** Krieger stated that there are five major pages on the website: Home, About, National, Regional, International, and Youth. His goal is to continue developing the National, Regional, About, and Home. International and Youth will be completed when time is available.
4. **Bylaws Project:** Krieger stated that he cannot foresee completing the Bylaws within less than one month prior to the National Tournament in April, as he is busy with commissioner and website duties. He will put a note on the Bylaws in the website that they are adapted as of April 2007 – Indianapolis. There is a great deal of work that needs overhauling regarding the Bylaws.

Secretary

1. **CAAD Penalty Letter:** Krieger stated that he sent a letter to CAAD Commissioner Bonnie Schwebke for violating both CAAD and USADB bylaws, explaining that CAAD allowed non-USADB member teams to play in the same regional tournament that was sanctioned by USADB to determine the region's champion and runner-up teams. A \$440 fine was implemented in the letter that had been previously discussed and voted on by EB at the EB Meeting in Denver this past summer.
2. **Regions Letters:** In the team letter sent out in registration packets on October 1st, Krieger stated Westhoelter will assist as an acting secretary.
3. **Who to Contact by Regions:** Krieger stated that he will be the main contact as commissioner for any questions and/or concerns.
4. **Response to Carl Denney:** The EB agreed to wait until we work on the Denver EB meeting to review what was discussed, and what was agreed. A response to Carl Denney will occur afterwards.
5. **Membership:** Krieger questioned board members regarding the whereabouts of the list of paid members. Westhoelter stated that the registration forms were sent to Tom Morrison and Mary Perridon for men and women, respectfully. He did not possess the list when he was a secretary during his two year terms.
6. **Denver Minutes:** Westhoelter volunteered to type up the three previous minutes; two EB ooVoo meetings and an EB meeting in Denver. Krieger pointed out there are no formal EB meeting Denver minutes, due to the previous Secretary not typing her notes.

Treasurer

1. **Investigation:** Two Excel documents will be developed by Treasurer Theis and former Treasurer Ladimer Baird – List of Debts and List of Unaccounted Transactions. The list of debts will show our recognized and valid debts, and to whom. The list of unaccounted transactions will show all transactions (withdrawals, checks, ATMs, etc.) that do not have their corresponding receipts or evidence of purpose. The EB will review both documents and discuss our next course of action at a later time.,
2. **DUE:** It was also mentioned that the USADB owes Deaf United Entertainment (DUE) about \$3,000 for tickets. None of the board members were aware of this. Ira Hendon was the individual contracted with USADB. There is no contract documentation. Krieger will contact the DUE representative and ask for a copy of the contract to be sent directly to him.
3. **Rental Van in Orlando:** Westhoelter explained that one of the HS coaches for the East/West All-Star game contacted him, and that Dollars Rent a Car company sent him a bill for \$400 for a rental van under his name. He was not aware of this, and stated he thought the contract was between Ira Hendon and Dollars. Krieger stated to put his name in the line of the list of debts to the treasurer.
4. **Personal Expenses to Date:** Krieger stated the he paid \$10 monthly to use ooVoo for an EB meeting that can video cam up to 6 people. He will send a \$60 check to the Kansas Secretary of State.
5. **IRS Form 990 Filing in November:** The IRS Form 990 for 2007 will be filed in November. Krieger stated that he asked previous treasurer Ladimer Laird to finish the 2007 report.

6. **Lad Baird Outstanding Tasks:** Krieger asked Baird to create an Excel sheet for the list of unaccounted transactions, including getting a copy of checks.
7. **Platt's Request to Send \$5 to USADSF Immediately:** It was discussed that we send, per Shirley Platt, \$20 each for a USADB membership, from her and her husband Dennis, to the treasurer. She requested to send a \$5 USADSF membership from USADB its \$20 to USADSF. She stated if it cannot be done, then she will send \$10 straight to USADSF. Krieger stated that he will take care of this matter. Krieger has clearly instructed Theis to always separate all membership funds into USADB's and USADSF's, and not to use any of funds belonging to USADSF's as part of USADB operations.

Tournament

1. **Gym Sites Status:** The search for a gym facility for the national tournaments site was summarized. There are two possible sites, which are Austin, TX and Anaheim, CA. San Antonio, TX is not possible, due to no gym available.

International

1. **Budget and Account:** It was explained that international has its own bank account under USADB in California. He stated the account is secured, and no other board members have a debit card. Westhoelter has access only to view the account in the website for security purposes.
2. **Tryouts:** The second round trial for men's basketball was held at Gallaudet University on September 19-21. The planning was smooth and successful, and was coordinated by head coach Keith Westhoelter. The total number of participants was 25. 13 cuts were made. The second round trials for the women's basketball team will be held in Tucson, AZ during Columbus weekend in October. Westhoelter stated the 2nd Tryout financial report is complete and posted in the USADB E-mail Headquarters for officers to view.

Youth

1. **Girls Elite Camp:** Westhoelter mentioned that the financial report for the camp is unfinished. He hopes to wrap up the report soon after talking with director Sabrina Overlie from Minnesota.
2. **Boys Elite Camp:** The boy's elite camp financial report is completed, but the receipts have not yet been sent to the treasurer. Westhoelter stated that one invoice was unpaid, a total of \$1,100 for jerseys and apparels.

The ooVoo meeting adjourned at 8:23 pm.

Recorded by:



Keith Westhoelter
Acting Secretary