



MIDWEST ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION OF THE DEAF, INC.

MAAD Players' Council Meeting Minutes

71st Annual Men & 29th Annual Women

William N. Fraser Memorial Regional Basketball Tournament

Thursday, March 10, 2016

Hosted by Olathe Club for the Deaf

Best Western Plus in Kansas City, MO

Meeting Called to Order

Tournament Director Greg Petersen called the meeting to order at 7:08 pm on Thursday, March 10, 2016.

Roll Call of Players' Representatives:

Men's: LAD Star City – Jonathan Arteaga, Kansas Creepers – Nathan Jalali, MinnePaul – Moises Arteaga, Olathe Kings – Lee Taylor, and Omaha Outlaws – Chris Olsen

Women's: Olathe – Honesty Powell

Opening statements:

2016 Basketball Chair Amy Thompson – welcomed all the team reps to the Players' Council. Amy made some points.

- Use the door on far left side of the tan building to enter the gym.
- Will have a first aid kit to treat minor injuries.
- No trainer will be available to wrap ankles, etc.
- Will have a concession stand to serve energy drinks, water bottles, and snacks.
- Food truck will be available on Friday and Saturday to serve meals.
- Good luck to all the teams!

MAAD President Barb Nacarelli – welcomed all the team reps to the Players' Council. Barb shared her comments.

- Coaches need to be the one to contact MAAD or Tournament Director, **not players**, with questions about the tournament, etc.
- Good luck to all teams and may the best team win the championships (men and women).

Audiograms – Three players have not submitted their audiograms or diplomas. They need to before they are allowed to play. Greg showed and compared the differences between pure tone hearing test and ABR – Acoustic Brain Reflex with pictures. Greg explained that one player from MAAD's "Watch List" recently underwent ABR and did not pass the 55 db hearing loss requirement.

Head Official (Referee) – George Roath explained about the rules under NCAA and answered questions from Players' Representatives.

Vice President Honesty Powell

Honesty showed two proposals that directly affected the basketball players. See attached.

Tournament Director's report:

- USADB will be held in St. Louis on April 28 – 30, 2016.
- Greg re-emphasized where the main entrance is to the gym at LeVo Sports Complex. Greg also explained where Court #1 and #2 are set up.
- Roster review
 - Informed team reps that Chadwick Stevenson, Olathe Kings, was declared ineligible for not meeting the 55 db hearing loss requirement through ABR test.
 - St. Louis Storm signed three free agents, thinking that the two Illinois players would not count as free agents. One player from Illinois will not be coming to MAAD thus St. Louis Storm will have two free agents playing this weekend.

- Explained about round robins format for Men’s teams
 - Open with Pool Play games on Friday
 - Results of Pool Play will determine seedings for Saturday’s bracket play.
- Women’s teams will play the best 2 out of 3 games
 - If 3rd game is not necessary, that time slot would be used for Men’s Championship game
- Greg revealed the Master Tournament Schedule.

New Business:

MOTION #1 - Olathe Kings moved and was seconded that MAAD work collaboratively with CAAD to host women’s basketball tournament on alternate years to bring in more women’s teams. ***REFERRED to the Board***

Drawing for round robin games:

Pool A

Team #1 – LAD Star City (last year’s Runner-Ups)

Team #2 – Kansas Creepers

Team #3 – Olathe Kings

Pool B

Team #1 – MinnePaul (last year’s 3rd place winner)

Team #2 – St. Louis Storm

Team #3 – Omaha Outlaws

Meeting adjourned at 7:38 pm.

Respectively submitted,

Barb Nacarelli as pro-tem secretary

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Proposal #1 (MAAD Law Committee)

Page 29 M. ELIGIBLE TEAMS/REGISTERED PLAYERS –

1. To enter the MAAD Basketball Tournament, a team must have at least eight (8) registered players on official MAAD/naaD registration form.
2. A minimum of five (5) players shall be allowed on the floor at the beginning of the game.
3. At the MAAD Basketball Tournament, a team shall not have more than twelve (12) players on its line-up.
4. During the progress of any games, only **the team's player line-up, coach(s), manager(s), and team statistician(s) may occupy its bench.**

Proposed: M. ELIGIBLE TEAMS/REGISTERED PLAYERS –

1. To enter the MAAD Basketball Tournament, a team **roster must have at least eight (8) with a maximum of fifteen (15) registered members including the players and coaching staff (coaches, managers, and statisticians) on official MAAD/naaD registration form.**
2. A minimum of five (5) players shall be allowed on the floor at the beginning of the game.
3. At the MAAD Basketball Tournament, a team shall not have more than twelve (12) players on its line-up.
4. **Free Agent (FA): Maximum of TWO FAs will be allowed from outside of MAAD to sign with a team.**
5. During the progress of any games, only those listed on the team roster may occupy their bench.

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Proposal #2 (MAAD Tournament Director)

Page 27 I. TOURNAMENT HALF-TIME – Half Time (with the clock stopped on all game functions, fouls, free throws, and dead balls) shall be as follows:

1. Championship flight games: twenty (20) minutes.
2. Consolation flight games: sixteen (16) minutes.
3. Overtime games: five (5) minutes.

Proposed: Page 27 I. TOURNAMENT HALF-TIME – Half Time (with the clock stopped on all game functions, fouls, free throws, and dead balls) shall be as follows:

1. Championship flight games: twenty (20) minutes; **women are ten (10) minutes per quarter.**
2. Consolation flight games: sixteen (16) minutes; **women are eight (8) minutes per quarter.**
3. Overtime games: five (5) minutes.

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