



MIDWEST ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION OF THE DEAF, INC.

USADB Executive Committee Retreat and House of Delegates

April 2-3, 2013

King of Prussia, PA

As MAAD President, I attended the Retreat and House of Delegates meetings - they were very productive meetings as covered many issues.

Below are the main issues:

- * SEAAD being suspended as did not pay \$1,400 (\$100 per team from 2011) and they have to pay within 45 days as of April 4. If not then region will be not in good standing with USADB then USADB will have qualifier tournament for teams in SEAAD region or the teams can play in nearby regions like SWBAD or EAAD.
- *USADB will allow Puerto Rico to play in USADB as it's under US Territory and also allow Canada to play with understanding play in Div II
- * USADB allows Pro players so this means that we will need to change MAAD's bylaws to allow pro to play (it's pro player's risk to follow their contract or not)
- * FAAD had a motion to allow one CODA player per team to help grow teams and this motion was failed.
- * SWCID (deaf community college in Texas) is not considered as college as their teams do not play against other colleges so they can send teams to USADB (play in their region first)
- * One motion was to have all audiograms send to USADB for record-keeping and easier for other regions to check ... ADHOC Committee is set up to research of cost effective, where storage or how to handle audiograms. I mentioned that MAAD now scan all audiograms and put in ACCESS for easy access to check than papers.
- * USADB will work on team registration form to be one paper instead of two different forms (team registration and team member) which caused many team member forms to be missing. Also will set deadline for paying team entry fee after 72 hrs with late fee (it'll set as one week after region tournament so team have one week to decided to go USADB or not)

Please check USADB's website (www.usadb.us) to read the USADB's meeting minutes which will be posted 60 days after USADB tournament. There are many motions that were made in Executive Committee and House of Delegates meeting.

I did not stay for the tournament because there were no MAAD teams playing in this USADB tournament (first time in so many years for MAAD not sending a team). To see the results of the tournament, check USADB's website.

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