Meeting Minutes: 2025 Executive Board Meeting

Date: January 16, 2025

Time: 6:00 PM

Location: Dawson High School

Attendees:

- Michael Robinson
- Jeff Peter
- Blair Gillard
- Ricardo Elizondo
- Tom Trigger
- Susan Barcelona
- Consuella Conner
- Perry Sontag
- Keith Lemons
- Joanie Havens
- Ed Lau

Meeting Objective: First Board Meeting of 2025 Season

Summary of Key Discussion Points

- Chapter Meeting Schedule:
 - Upcoming chapter meetings scheduled for:
 - Mon, Dec 9, 2024 (In-person)
 - Mon, Mar 24, 2025 (Pearland Dawson HS)
 - Wed, Jul 23, 2025 (In-person, Dawson HS)
 - Mon, Aug 11, 2025 (In-person, Dawson HS)
 - Wed, Sep 17, 2025 (Zoom)
 - Wed, Oct 9, 2025 (Zoom)
 - Dec 2025 (In-person, Dawson HS)
 - Proposal to hold an additional meeting on Mar 24, 2025.
- Membership Communication:
 - Establish a distribution list for member communication. Blair will share her spreadsheets and utilize TASO enrollees as a resource.
- Training and Development:
 - Discussion on the need for a structured training plan for new and returning

- officials, including Arbiter training and scorekeeping.
- Proposal to move first-year training to May to align with AVA Spring League matches.

• Scholarship Proposal:

• Michael proposed an annual scholarship for a senior nominated by their coach, to be voted on by at-large members.

• Feedback from Members:

- Concerns about disrespectful attitudes at meetings and treatment of new officials.
- Need for more training opportunities, including video resources and court training.

Decisions Made During the Meeting

- Confirmed the dates and locations for chapter meetings as listed above.
- Approved the scholarship proposal for one high school senior nominated by coaches.
- Proposed mandatory attendance for first-year members at new member meetings.
- Agreed to hold executive board Zoom calls one day prior to each chapter meeting to discuss agenda items.

Action Items Assigned

- Blair Gillard:
 - Share membership contact distribution list by February 1, 2025.
 - Create a video tutorial for officials on how to input mileage and submit preference sheets, to be uploaded to the chapter website by February 15, 2025.
 - Continue with scrimmage attendance assignments based on member sign-ups.

Michael Robinson:

• Coordinate the scholarship proposal details, including distribution of funds, by March 1, 2025.

• Tom Trigger:

• Organize an additional board meeting for March 24, 2025, to discuss training and upcoming season practices.

Consuella Conner:

Follow up with the Scheduler regarding assignment concerns for new officials.

• Secretary/Treasurer:

• Track all incoming and outgoing member fees, chapter dues, and scrimmage fees; establish a reporting system by the next meeting.

Follow-Up Tasks/Next Steps

- Next Board Meeting scheduled for April 28, 2025.
- Blair to meet with coaches regarding parking organization for officials.
- Review of member training materials and Arbiter guidance for further development.
- Compile feedback from the roundtable discussion for further action on training and respect initiatives.

Meeting adjourned at 7:30 PM.