

JA Meeting Session 1 Minutes
2:15 p.m. - 3 p.m. (late start due to JA photo)

- I. Welcome
 - A. Bags/headshots/years of service
 - B. Folders and contents
 - C. Brian- minutes/Chris- tech support
 - 1. Email any things to brian@badgervolleyball.org
- II. Roll call (Quorum is approved with 21 present. 24 reps + 2 athletes)
 - A. JA Committee check/email address check
 - B. JA Reps to the USAV Admin Council Committees
 - 1. Structure & Function
 - Krista McGivern
 - Keith Weller
 - One opening
 - 2. Compliance
 - Kim Greenback
 - Heather Koehler
 - 3. SafeSport
 - Bill Doyle
 - Sandy Catalano
 - Jody Webber
 - 4. Nominating??
 - Kim Greenback
 - Chris Clauss
 - 5. Insurance
 - Scott McQueen
 - Jill Simpson
 - C. New Reps Intro
 - 1. Stephen Petesch (PSR)
 - 2. Vicky Page (FL)
 - 3. Lance (Old Dominion)
 - 4. Chris Sielkop (athlete)
 - 5. Erin McClure (absent)
 - D. Athlete Reps Intro
 - 1. Heather Erickson
 - 2. Chris Seilkop
- III. Elections
 - A. Region Organization Advancement Standards (ROAS)**
 - 1. Motion: Jill Simpson (RMR) by Acclimation to the Region Organization Advancement Standards committee
 - 2. Second: Brian Sharkey (BG)

- Motion passes unanimously

B. JA Administrative Council Pacific Boys Rep

1. **Motion: Elect Steven Petesch (PSR) by Acclimation to the JAAC**
Administrative Council as the Pacific Boys Rep
2. Second: Gloria Cox

- Motion passes unanimously.

C. Rules Commission JA Beach Rep

1. **Motion: Kevin Anderson (NT) by Acclimation to the Rules of the Game**
Commission the JA Beach Rep
2. Second: Kim Greenback

- Motion passes unanimously

D. Rules Commission JA Girls Indoor Rep

1. Heather Koehler (Delta)
2. Kim Greenback (GLR)
 - **Kim Greenback is elected to the Rules of the Game**
Commission as the JA Girls Indoor Rep by a vote of 19-5.

IV. (2:30 PM) VolleyStation - Jesse Sultzer

A. 30,000+ matches in the US in 2025.

B. Many positives

1. Easy to learn
2. Eliminates Paper. Printing, Costs
3. Prevents Errors
4. Less Staff (AES enterers)
5. Keep games moving (faster subs, more efficient)
6. Provides live scoring

C. Problems

1. Wifi is an issue
2. Batter runs out of phone (match can be picked up on another device)
3. Parents are mad
4. Teams don't allow players to have phones (have tablets to check out)
5. We don't want phones at table
6. I like the scoresheet

D. Give it a try

1. There are fake teams in system to practice with
2. Customize pricing.

E. jesse.sultzer@volleystation.com (volleystation.com)

3:11 p.m.: Recess until tomorrow.

JA Programming Committee Minutes

9 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. May 20, 2025
Colorado Ballroom G, LL2

- I. Welcome/Level Setting
- II. Jenny Johnson (USA Volleyball Coaching Education Department)
 - A. Body Confident
 - B. Other programs available to Regions
- III. Discussion: Ways to recognize coaches
 - A. Tiers of “achievements” – similar to CAP
 - B. Years of service to the coaching community?
- IV. Programming Roundtable
 - A. What programs, initiatives or opportunities in your Region make you happy
 - B. What in your Region needs some help, direction, etc?
- V. Building of Resources
 - A. Have a document, program, outline that can be added to our resources website?
Please share.
- VI. New Business
- VII. Adjournment

Motion: Have USAV construct a landing pages on the website for the various coaching education programs available and upcoming opportunities (and include social media handles and links)

1: Kailey
2: Heather

Passed Committee: 14-0
Passed JA Full Assembly (unanimous)

Motion: In addition to promotion on social media, have USAV sends email blasts / text messages / other direct communication to coaches to promote new quick hitting content and opportunities. (ex. Coaching Tip of the Week)

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Motion: Create and require some sort of annual refresher or re-certification for coaches that will be run through the Coaching Education Department.

- 1: Heather
2. Vicki

Passed Committee: 14-0
Passed Full Assembly: 25-1

Concerns- (Who is going to put that together), Short points of emphasis. Expiring IMPACT

Brainstorming topics/ideas

- Grassroots / U12 / 4 vs. 4 / 3 vs. 3
- Adult volleyball
- Officiating
- Coach education
- Parent education / sportsmanship
- Mentoring programs
- Region tryouts
- High Performance/All-Star/NTDP
- Marketing and communication
- Health and Wellness
- Outdoor volleyball (beach/grass)

JA Competition Committee Minutes

- **Motion #1– Eliminate the rule from page 32 of the QM that states “The addition of staff to an official roster is not allowed once a Team has begun Match play in the event”. Passed 8-0**
Passed Full Assembly (unanimous)
- **Motion #2 – Clarification or elimination of the rule that stated that teams can not play in more than one weekend of a qualifier that takes place over multiple weekends. (i.e. team plays in 17 Open in NEQ 1 and 17 USA in week 2). Failed 2-5. 1 abstain**

Note- This rule of not allowing teams with the same code to play in multiple weekends was taken out in the 2021 QM after COVID.

- **Motion #3– Add bids at qualifiers and regionals to make the American division 96 at GJNC. For qualifiers, American divisions that have more than 96 teams will get 2 bids and 144 or greater will get 3 bids. These divisions will be played as 2 or 3 separate tournaments within the same qualifier. Passed 8-0**
Passed Full Assembly (unanimous)
- **Motion #4– For division 2 on day 2, 3rd sets will only go to 9 points. Failed 0-8**
- **Motion #5 – For division 2 on day 2, 1st and 2nd sets will only go to 21 points. Failed 1-7**
- **Motion #6 – For Liberty divisions that get to be 96 teams or higher, let the qualifiers have the ability to run it as two separate bid events within the same weekend. Passed 8-0**
Passed Full Assembly (unanimous)
- **Motion #7 – Teams playing for a bid in a 3rd place match should not have to ref immediately before they play. Failed 2-6**
- **Motion #8 - NQ's Format Options posted for all club directors to see and have to teach to coaches. Stalemate 4-4**
- **Motion #9 – Add a 3rd open bid threshold for the 13 age division. 8-11 would be 1, 12-15 would be 2, 16-48 would be 3. Passed 7-1**

Note- There would have been 5 at large bids with the thresholds above. And at least 4 of those at

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larges were within 1 or 2 teams of reaching as well. If there were late drops the number of at larges would have been less. This doesn't include the SLC one because I'm not sure about that situation.

- **Motion #10 – Delete the rule on page 30 penalizing teams for having wrong numbers.**
Passed 5-3

- **Motion #11 – Change the rule on page 30 penalizing teams for having wrong numbers to not eliminate players from playing and to only have a financial fee if it happens on day 2 or day 3.** Passed 6-2

- **Motion #12 – Change the GJNC Bids awards by a national qualifier bench marks for the Open divisions to be consistent and match the current 18s.**

<6 = 0
7-11 = 1
12-15 = 2
16-48 = 3

Current –
8-15-1
16-23=2
24-48=3

- **Motion #13 – Open trickle down to 12th place for Open divisions with 33 (or 40) or more teams.**

Last year's Motion, no vote necessary Motion - Add a rule of 2 of adding no more than 2 athletes from an already qualified team from the same club to participate in USAV 18's GJNC.

Last year's Motion, no vote necessary Motion- Any player who qualified on a 18's team frozen roster cannot play in a younger division at GJNC's.

Discussion point – Page 30 of the QM that talks about penalties for wrong numbers and illegal players. Is it too strict for numbers? Is there really a financial penalty that has to be used?

- **Motion – A required registration system for all NQ's.**

Rationale - Idea behind this proposal is to limit issues with rosters, also to allow all coaches from the highest level to the lowest level the opportunity to be proficient in one system and understand how to navigate and not accidentally miss crossovers, reffing assignments due to different systems at every tournament.

JA Meeting Session 2 Minutes
10:45 AM-12:15 PM

- A. (10:50-11:15 AM) Events Department Presentation
- B. JA Website Update
 - Password protected page in the works
 - Constant updating
 - JA logo - sent via email on May 19.
 - Documents in folder
 - Find a place for the updated agendas
 - Suggestion:
 - Get more information out to non-JA members to get motions when it comes to non-Region staff; Non-Qualifier Directors; a Place for folks who feel like they are not being heard to offer comments.
 - Google Form on website
- C. Service pins
- D. Chris/Heather Introductions
- E. Adult Volleyball- Roxann Link
 - Yankee Volleyball (60 teams at USAV Nationals)
 - 2019: 3,200 members. 2022: 3,400 members. 2023: 4,200 members (massive growth).
 - Scramble tournaments (You get matched with a team when you show up)
 - a) 20 percent of new membership from scramble tournaments
 - Full day tournaments, give out uniforms, subsidized membership for tournaments you play in. Tournaments throughout the Region.
 - Convention Center tournaments for juniors (put adult tournaments there)
 - Adult players become coaches later after playing days are done.
 - Rating all athletes – these are often members that come back year after year

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F. Motions from competition committee

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 - Motion to reinstate the rule that states teams with the same USAV team code cannot play in more than one weekend of the same qualifier in a bid division. No second. Motion fails.
 - Bill makes a motion that Teams can play in more than one qualifying division on multiple weekends of the same qualifier if space is still available after December 1st. Seconded by Kevin. 8-3-0
 - Motion passes full assembly (unanimous)

Note- This rule of not allowing teams with the same code to play in multiple weekends was taken out in the 2021 QM after COVID.

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 - Motion passes 11-0-0 in committee. Motion passes full assembly (unanimous).
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 - Motion passes 11-0-0
 - Motion passes full assembly (unanimous)
- **Motion #8** - NQ's Format Options posted for all club directors to see and have to teach to coaches.
 - Scott recommends to amend to national qualifier format options to be posted on the usav website publicly. Seconded by Chris. Motion passes 6-5-0.
 - Motion passes full assembly (23-1)
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 - Motion passes full assembly (23-2)

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Motion passes full assembly (23-1)

H. Adjourn

- Motion to adjourn: Gloria
- Second: Kim

JA Administrative Council Meeting Minutes
(Tuesday, May 20 3:45-5:15 PM)

- A. Should JA attend October meetings?
 - a. Can we start with adding JA admin council meeting in October as well as May or inviting all JA to October meetings
 - b. It is important to have the juniors represented in October as well and will improve efficiency to have a 6 month check in to prepare for the May meetings
 - i. Timing is better for implementing and encouraging discussion points at the beginning of the season rather than the end of season- more proactive rather than reactive
 - ii. This would allow JA reps to be more knowledgeable about motions that are being implemented immediately from the October meetings (ex- beach age definitions being implemented immediately and boys 1-event memberships being available for BJNCs)
- B. What should we recommend to USAV for structuring a re-certification for IMPACT or a certification for Continuing Education Hours?
 - a. How do we track hours earned and confirm it?
 - b. CC hours requirement X2 per year?
 - c. Idea: including a points of emphasis loaded into the USAV academy for coaches to complete (best practices, mini-clinics) OR 2X year seminars loaded to USAV academy
- C. Edits to our graphic organizers- will send to Michelle
- D. Can we get a copy of the motion document that RVAA uses for us to use?
 - a. Hoping to get a copy of the form for us to use
- E. Improvements for meetings next year
 - a. Projector showing live motion updates
 - b. More computers and IT
 - c. Competition committee joint with RVAA/JA
 - d. Move vendors to Sunday night or move some JA sessions to Sunday?
There are a lot of vendors and not enough time to discuss topics after all the presentations
 - e. Can we run programming/committee consecutively rather than concurrently in order for JA reps to attend both (even if they are only voting members of 1)