

## WEVA BOD Meeting Agenda / Minutes

Date: Monday July 13, 2015

Location: Genesee Community College, Batavia, NY

Time: 6:00 PM



Present: J. Hughes, R. Lucci, C. D'Errico, T. Schneider, R. Majeski, W. Page, L. Schlegel

Excused: J. Crangle, J. Newland, F. Chase (J. Hughes is serving as proxy vote)

Guests: Solon Barnard, Dave Tytler, LeRoy Greer, Scott Seabridge, Dan Johnson

Called To Order: 6:06pm

### Points of Information:

- John Hughes opened meeting in place of R. Lucci (R. Lucci arrived at 6:21pm)
- May meetings minutes were approved through email
- Congrats boys and girls teams representing WEVA at National Championships
  - 19 Boys teams attended – most our region has ever had
    - Pace 16's finished 3<sup>rd</sup> in Open Division
- Congrats to all teams attending USA Beach Championships

*Action Item: R. Majeski will put together winners in a report for the WEVA website*

### Registrars Report (J. Hughes):

- Membership is up 133 over last year, and last year's increase was the largest
  - More summer memberships are expected to come in

### Financial Report (J. Hughes):

- J. Hughes presented the report based on the timing of it.
- Profit / Loss Statement:
  - Girl's Bid Tournament
    - Details on report are not up to date, but is currently in process
  - WEVA Rally Events:
    - Details on report are not up to date, but is currently in process
  - WEVA Store
    - Doing well, another large order was just received
    - Store is showing profit, and more profit expected
  - PVL
    - Ending the year with a positive balance this year
  - Meeting Expenses
    - This budget item will need to increase for next year's budget
    - Travel is a large expense that has gone up
  - Coaches Clinics
    - Able to use budgeted money for clinics and bringing coaches in.
  - Future Budget

- Assess the budget and where all items fell this year in August to be prepared for next year's budget
- National Championship Entry Fee Line
  - Adjustment needs to be made for an error on this line (PVL Per Diem is showing on this line, amount needs to be checked and line item needs to be moved)

**Motion To Approve Budget: 1<sup>st</sup> W. Page, 2<sup>nd</sup> R. Majeski, – Approved (6/0/0) Unanimous**

*Action Item: W. Page – To set up budget meeting for next season, needs to be in August (3<sup>rd</sup>-17<sup>th</sup>) for it to be approved by Sept 1, 2015*

R.Lucci arrived 6:21pm (missed above vote)

Tournament Report (from S. Seabridge):

- Survey Report (from Tournament Directors)
  - Questionnaire was sent to all Tournament Directors
    - 7 out of 10 completed the survey
      - Five gave names, Two anonymous
    - Mostly positive feedback
      - Looking into giving tournament directors the option to update results once they are submitted
      - Looking into creating a drop down menu for Canadian teams, but not for any other out of region teams.
  - Checking Roster At Tournaments:
    - Easily done for all players, more challenging to check for coaches.
    - Had some instances this year where coaches on the bench where not coaches on the bench
      - Tournament Directors can check this as best as they can – make sure number of coaches on the bench, match number on the bench, and that male and female coaches match what roster says.
  - Tournament Reports
    - From Tournament Directors:
      - Reviewed when all reports are due from tournaments, and feedback on the dates and deadlines given.
  - Tournament Results
    - Feedback on the time commitment of filling in the results online (for larger tournaments only)
    - The results information is used to make sure all tournament directors are giving the correct number of matches at their events.
    - Discussion around what needs to be submitted by Tournament Directors and what needs to be submitted by teams
      - Discussion: Do we move to have teams only responsible to submit their results for out of region and then WEVA reports by Tournament Directors takes care of all results

for WEVA events.

- Tournament Sanction Fees
  - Reviewed bonds and sanction fees from the past year
- Tournament Rosters
  - Reviewed tournament rosters from events this year
  - Reviewed insufficient refs and scorekeepers from rosters this year.

Website Update (S. Seabridge):

- 25 updates recently, 141 total for the year
  - More updates are in the works and on the way
- Full review of officials page began in February
  - Feedback is needed on what items need to be on that page
- Website Question
  - Can we update our site to allow for club directors to pay for their coach memberships all at once via credit card
    - Looking into if /how we can do this and where the credit card fees will be applied (to the individual or to WEVA)

*Action Item: W. Page – look into what is possible with using different credit card companies for fees to be given to individual vs WEVA*

*Action Item: J. Hughes – look into what payment options/expansions can we offer to tournament directors to allow them to pay for multiple coaches at once via credit card*

PLV Report (C. D'Errico):

- WEVA PVL Team finished 2<sup>nd</sup> at PVL Championships
  - Brief report on the tournament and from the players
  - PVL Media Guard and Team Picture were passed around
  - Players signed thank you cards for all donators
  - Balance budget with about \$110 left in the positive
    - Suggestion that clubs would help donate money to PVL for their returned service in the region
    - Will look to tie in PVL players with our Educational Committee events
- Possibly planning on a team for 2016 (all details in PVL report)
- October
  - Expected a vote by the commissioners of PVL to add an A and B level for the event
    - International players will only be allowed to play on team A, if a region has both teams
    - Will be updated once vote is completed
- PVL is working on a committee to provide feedback for the event for it to be a long-term success
  - Cindy D'Errico is set to be on this committee

- PVL 2016 will take place in Orlando
- Two match requirement for teams to participate was in effect this year
  - Results from matches led to ranking but most teams had players play in their pre-qual matches were not the same as the players actually playing on the PVL team (results were skewed for rankings)
- PVL Store Option
  - Can put on the WEVA website to sell the gear and potentially make some money

Education Committee Report (L. Schlegel):

- Recap on event with Allie Matters
- August Event
  - Pannel / Q and A set up
- Future Event Suggestions
  - Yearly Plan to be established

*Action Item: L.Schlegel to develop a basis for a yearly plan to be discussed at September meeting.*

- Men's Coach – does that help bring the boys side into what we are doing in our region
  - Penn State Men's Coach was suggested as a speaker to bring in.

Officials Report (J. Newland – J. Hughes Reported):

- Rule Changes:
  - First contact – the interpretation of this rule could change
- Consistency
  - Working with officials on becoming more consistent with their calls
    - Feedback came in this year that at the younger levels (15s and down) the consistency of calls needs to improve
- Officials Numbers
  - Our region remains understaffed with the needs we have for officials
    - Need to do our best to get more people involved
  - Officials are encouraged to work club tournaments to help them move up in the officials system.
- Arbiter
  - For officials – look to use this to schedule
- Uniform Rule
  - Discussion about judgment call at USAV with NFVB that were denied a white team jersey and pink libero jersey
  - USAV meetings discussed improving the ruling on jerseys for next year

Adult/Beach Report (R. Majeski):

- Reported on during points of interest

Next Meeting: Sunday, September 13, 2016

- Location - TBA
- Time – 6pm

**Motion To Adjourn Meeting, 1<sup>st</sup> R. Majeski 2<sup>nd</sup> Cindy D’Errico - Approved (6/0/0)  
Unanimous**

Juniors Meeting Agenda  
Called To Order: 7:41pm

Junior Business (C. D’Errico): (Report Attached)

- Girl’s final rankings for the season have been posted
- Mandatory 14’s Event
  - Feedback included:
    - Event was liked, but no tangible results were gained for the seeding committee by running the event
      - Competition for top teams by the end of the day
      - Bottom teams, not as in favor of the event since they suffered tough losses
      - Some feedback came back saying to keep it one-day, others said to expand to a two-day format
- Discussion plan for 2016
  - Are we scheduling the event, and if yes, how many days is it?
  - If we continue to run it, WEVA would look to rotate it to all areas of the region
  - Mandatory vs. Encourage Participants
    - Mandatory makes it tough for Club Directors that work with families with scheduling / meeting needs
    - Location also effects this, since some teams are less likely to travel around the region
  - Possibly look to do this for 15s as well for 2016
  - Power pool the event to make it more beneficial to all the teams that attend
    - Better for wide disparity of talent in the 14s division
  - Timing
    - March vs April – which is best for the event
      - Will balance tournament schedules (like qualifiers) when making this decision.
  - Suggestions at end of discussion:
    - One day for 14s and one day for 15s using power pool format
- T-shirts from USAV – awarded based on growth our region saw last year
- Nationals: Girls sent three 17s teams this year, and boys sent 19 teams
- Housing Lottery for girls – worked really well this year
  - Action Item – JH looking into if lottery will exist for 18s next year, if yes will look into doing it again for our Region
  - Will do it again for 12’s – 17’s

- Girls Qualifier
  - Buffalo, April 29-30, 2026
    - 12s – 14s: Saturday
    - 15's – 17's: Sunday
  - 18's Qualifier
    - Potential Date: March 13, 2016
  - 18's New Implementation from USAV
    - Reviewed details for underclassmen playing with 18's at "Spring Nationals" AND at "Summer Nationals"
      - Is possible but would be adding a player to a team for Summer Nationals that they did not compete with all year
    - This new structure can effect all 18's teams (not just those attending Nationals) especially when it comes to tournament options in April and May
- Officiating / Score Keepers / 2<sup>nd</sup> Refs
  - Officials are able to strip certifications from players starting this year
  - Players are able to get certified when they are young and never need to re-certify, so officials are able to do this to make sure players are doing a good job.
    - Officials will notify coaches and tournament directors when this happens to make sure it is communicated.
      - Players that are doing a poor job, will get a warning after set one of the match that they are on jeopardy of losing their certifications
    - Players will have to get certified again once this happens
    - We need to encourage coaches to be active in teaching their kids and enforcing good work behavior
      - Encourage coaches to know how to score keep and R2
  - Coaches being at the work table will be more encouraged this year
  - Work Team Feedback
    - Discussed comment that was sent in regarding a suggestion for penalties for poor quality work teams.
    - Club Directors will need to help communicate responsibilities to coaches – i.e. knowing how to keep score, R2, help teach players
  - HP Beach Tryouts and HP Beach National Qualifiers
    - 16 players at tryouts
    - Two qualifiers (Buffalo and Rochester), many Rochester players qualified for Nationals in Virginia Beach
      - WEVA will pay entry fee for any WEVA members that are planning on playing in the event
  - Junior Girls' Ranking Document
    - This document has been updated to reflect changes discussed at the May BOD meeting
      - Terms to reflect how the decision of which teams make it

- in and which do not were revised.
      - Total points / Average Points / Head To Head / Late Season Tournament Finishes
    - Tournament points are revised for what each event is worth
  - Safesport
    - 2015 – All coaches were required to complete this training
    - 2016 – Team Reps and Chaperones (any adult working with a junior program) will be required to complete this training
    - WEVA – staying one year ahead of USAV with these requirements
    - IMPACT Training – both online and in the region counts as both impact and safesport training.
      - USAV is looking to improve online IMPACT training
        - Smaller modules or adjustments for college coaches or substitute coaches that are just filling in for a short time.
    - April 1, 2016 will be deadline for safesport
  - Tryout Registration Fee
    - WEVA adjust to allow players to do a \$15 registration tryout fee
      - Players can do this before trying out, and then if player decides to play, they would need to upgrade their membership in WEVA to the full membership.
- Boys Regional
  - April 3, 2016, located in Rochester
    - SUNY Brockport and Pinnacle are options (trying to stay away from Armory, until they improve)
- AES
  - Will be used for all WEVA events, except the girl's bid qualifier
  - Entry only, and rosters will be sent with payments to C. D'Errico
- National Qualifiers
  - Dates announced and locations for all events and Nationals
- 2016 / USAV Notes
  - Possible eliminations
    - Signature by coaches
    - Players going to the end line and waving
    - Liberos unable to be captains
  - No ball change for girls
  - Grant money is available for clubs participating in USAV events
  - Chaperone fees might be reduced
    - USAV Nationals did not require a chaperone this year
    - WEVA still requires a chaperone
  - USA Academy
    - Impact (cost \$40), possible parent course, Impact refresher course and Impact Plus course (small step between Impact and Cap 1)

- Bullying / Safe Sport promotion in regions
    - Safesport Booths / Fundraisers to help spread this message in our region
- USAV Beach
  - Scoresheet will be used and new certification for beach officials
- AVCA
  - Each region commissioner is given an AVCA membership and can pass this along to someone in their region
- Club Tryouts
  - All clubs are required to present the Tryout / Recruiting Document at their club meetings / tryouts in the fall (put into effect last fall)
    - Goes over the policies in the region and the suggestion for WEVA memberships based on your family's tryout plans
  - This will be a requirement again this year for all clubs
    - A reminder will be emailed out by C. D'Errico (Junior Coordinator), again this year to remind all club directors on this requirement.
- New Idea
  - Is there a way to develop a league within WEVA?
    - Similar to other youth sports that play in league games during the week and do tournaments, where our structure is only practices and then tournaments on the weekend (long gaps between playing opportunities)

#### New Business:

- Adult play in the region
  - Play is going on, just none of it is WEVA Sanctioned events
    - Five WEVA teams went to Open Nationals this year, so the interest is there
  - Very difficult to get adults to register in region and form a team to consistently compete during the season
    - Many of our adult players are also very active with coaching our juniors
  - Many adult tournaments in the region are run, but none are WEVA sanctioned events.
    - BNCC is good example
      - Run events but not sanctioned with WEVA since adults are unwilling to pay the membership
      - Looking to improve this and run at least one sanctioned tournament this year for Men and Women.
        - Will look to bring in teams from out of the state to make them high-level events and to grow the adult game in the region.
- Upcoming Junior Beach Events

- Reviewed upcoming dates and locations for events
- Region Involvement
  - Discussion about helping more people in our region get involved
    - On the board, in committees or just at the meetings with ideas and suggestions.
      - We need a bigger push in our region of our adult members to get involved in the voting process for our board positions.
    - We have the opportunity for the members in our region to work together and make improvements in our region and we need to continue to push to do that.

**Motion To Adjourn Meeting, 1<sup>st</sup> R. Makjeski, 2<sup>nd</sup> F. Chase - Approved (6/0/0) Unanimous**

1) Girls final team rankings will be posted to the WEVA website. BID qualifier and USA National results included in the information as well.

2) Sent email out requesting input from club directors on continuing the WEVA Challenge for 14's and possible expansion for the 15's. Asked for a club to run the event for 2016 (requires a 6 court facility due to the number of teams that exist/enter for the younger age groups). Varying responses from no do not offer again to it was great for the region. Some suggested making it a two day event- re-pooling for playing in level equitable with their level of play later in tournament, some wanted it a one day event. Some wanted power pools (stronger teams saw competition in the semi-finals for the first time) while some weaker teams did not enjoy playing the stronger teams feeling overwhelmed, out of their league resulting in no success on the court. Some said to expand to 15's while others said not to expand. Definitely consensus was to not offer higher than 15's in the region. Some voiced having it in April versus March timeframe since less offered in region during April. Some voiced that what they thought would be benefits were gaining more knowledge of teams for the BID for better seeding/head to head opportunities but that was not an overall benefit to the committee. Would for future events not have decisions to play gold when tied in pool be determined by points.

3) Congratulations, WEVA was one of the ten regions rewarded for increased memberships of 10% or over a certain number. WEVA officially had an increase of 10.37% for the 2013-2014 WEVA season. As a result, WEVA received a Membership Drive Incentive Reward from USA Volleyball. Decision to receive 650 shirts to the region for distribution (adult sizes were ordered for recommended distribution to coaches in clubs). Rocco has t-shirts and is sorting them for distribution to the clubs.

4) USA National Results were posted to the WEVA. WEVA purchased key chains for all teams attending that were given to teams that they competed against at Nationals. First year WEVA has supported teams with gifts.

GIRLS (unless noted teams participated in the National Division – bid earned from the region). It was awesome that NFVB and VFX had earned a bid at a national qualifier from the USA division allowing a third team from our region to attend – Paradigm Revolt earned the trickle down bid from VFX to attend Nationals at the USA level by defeating NFVB 17-2 in the third place match at the WEVA Bid event.

Age Division	Team Name	Record	Place
12's	NFVB 12-1	2-8	45 out of 48 – won Flight 7
13's	NFVB 13-1	5-5	43 out of 48 – lost in finals of Flight 1
14's	NFVB 14-1	4-5	13 out of 48 – lost in quarter-finals of Silver
15's	NFVB 15-1	2-7	43 out of 48 – lost in semi-finals of Flight 6
16's	NFVB 16-1	5-5	18 out of 48 – lost in finals of Bronze
17's	VFX Rapture	4-6	42 out of 48 – lost in finals of Flight 6
17's	NFVB 17-1	3-6	19 out of 24 – lost semi-finals of Flight 2 – USA Division
17's	Paradigm Revolt	2-7	23 out of 24 – lost semi-finals of Flight 2 – USA Division
18's	NFVB 18-1	6-3	27 out of 48 – lost in semi-finals of Flight 2

#### BOYS

Age Division	Team Name	Record	Place
14 Club	Fairport	7-5	25 out of 47 – lost in semi-finals of Flight 1
14 Club	Pace	3-7	33 out of 47 – lost in quarter-finals of Flight 2
14 Open	Pace	6-3	17 out of 34 – lost in quarter-finals of Bronze
14 Open	Lockport	2-8	30 out of 34 – lost in semi-finals of Flight 2
14 Open	Eden	0-10	31 out of 34 – lost in quarter-finals of Flight 2
15 Open	Lockport	5-5	27 out of 32 – lost in semi-finals of Flight 2
15 Open	Pace	5-6	11 out of 32 – lost in semi-finals of Silver
15 Open	Victor	2-8	23 out of 32 – lost in semi-finals of Flight 1
16 Club	Victor	3-6	56 out of 63 – lost in quarter-finals of Flight 6
16 Club	Southtowns	1-8	56 out of 63 – Lost in quarter-finals of Flight 6
16 Open	Victor	3-6	25 out of 36 – lost in quarter-finals of Flight 1
16 Open	Eden	6-6	15 out of 36 – lost in semi-finals of Bronze
16 Open	Pace	8-2	4 out of 36 – lost in semi-finals of Gold
17 Club	Pace	8-5	35 out of 56 – lost in semi-finals of Flight 2
17 Open	Eden	6-4	15 out of 36 – lost in semi-finals of Bronze
17 Open	Victor	5-7	10 out of 36 – lost in finals of Silver
18 Club	Southtowns	6-4	27 out of 75 – lost in semi-finals of Flight 1
18 Open	Pace	3-6	25 out of 36 – lost in semi-finals of Flight 1
18 Open	Eden	5-8	30 out of 36 – lost in finals of Flight 2

Congratulations to all teams that participated at Nationals and represented WEVA with pride and passion. WEVA, clubs and families are all proud of your season culminating with the opportunity to represent the region at the highest level of

competition! To seniors, good luck in your future endeavors. To all underclassmen, continue to work hard and see you next season as you pursue your dreams and goals!

5) USA started a housing lottery with the USA Nationals 2014-2015 season. The region was allocated 10 double double rooms for each age group. It worked out very well for teams qualifying for Nationals.

6) Girl's BID Qualifier – April 30<sup>th</sup>/May 1<sup>st</sup> – 12, 13, 14 on Saturday and 15, 16, 17 on Sunday. 18's will occur in March timeframe – date TBD. Must be completed by March 21<sup>st</sup>. Girls BID Qualifier will be hosted in Buffalo in 2016.

7) Implementation Plan for moving the 18 and Under Division Junior National Championships to April 29-May 1st for Open, National, USA and Patriot divisions. See overall plan for schedule of the qualifier events. Indianapolis and Philadelphia Qualifiers scheduled for March 18-21<sup>st</sup> weekend.

8) Revised Tryout, Registration Recruiting document – posted to website during the season. Minor modification for the chain of command communication required.

9) Triple Ball for younger age groups were sanctioned that way this season when used. Feedback from parents and coaches was once again positive for the developmental teams. More success achieved by the players with three contacts and was not just a match with most points earned by missed serves or a strong server resulting in aces.

10) Education Committee: Clinics offered were funded by WEVA. WEVA Coaches and Player Clinic hosted by NFVB at BNCC in March by Steve Aird (Head coach at University of Maryland). A Coaches clinic was held in Rochester, hosted by VFX on June 5th, with Allie Matters (Ass't coach at Seton Hall) on assistant coaches development/role. Sent email note out to all WEVA members and all Section V coaches. Clinic offerings were posted to rochestervball website as well. Attendance was minimal for number of coaches in region.

11) Better job in assuring that teams meet certification requirements for second referee and scorekeeper by deadline dates. Some invalid rosters still submitted. BNCC and WEVA site coordinators did a great job after the deadline to have teams get certified day of the event. **Officials will strip certifications from players that do not do a good job performing their assigned duties during matches. For the 2015-2016 volleyball season, the enforcement of a coach at the scorer's table will occur.** Coaches are responsible for assuring that the work team does a quality job. All coaches should be knowledgeable in scorekeeping (encouraged to be certified as well).

12) High Performance Beach tryouts offered in Rochester area. Sixteen players were in attendance at the event.

13) Minor modifications were made to the Girls Ranking System. Additional details were added about the factors utilized during the determination of accepted teams into the event along with some changes made to the level of tournaments.

14) All registered chaperones and team reps will be required to be Safe Sport certified for 2015-2016. Any coaches that were registered last year that did not complete their IMPACT or Safe Sport certification will NOT be allowed to coach until the certification is completed. Some did not complete since their competitive season was over by April's deadline date. They will not be allowed to be added to the roster until completed.

15) There will be a new tryout fee of \$15.00 for 12 and under age groups. If they make a team the membership will be upgradeable to the full membership fee.

16) Boys – do we reactivate the requirement for clubs to co-sponsor or host an event? Boy's Regional Championships will be April 3, 2016. Rochester area will host event - check SUNY Brockport and Brockport HS/MS as options along with Victor Pinnacle complex, Victor HS/MS. Eleven courts were used in 2015.

17) AES will be utilized for the 2015-2016 season for the WEVA events, WEVA Festival, WEVA DigFest, Rally I, Rally II, Rally III and Boy's Regionals. The Girl's BID Qualifier will not be in AES. All entry fees will be mailed to Cindy D'Errico, 7032 Swamp Road, Byron, New York 14422. DO NOT SEND ANY ENTRY FEES or emails to John Hughes in the WEVA office in regards to tournaments. All communication in regards to the events will be with Cindy D'Errico, Junior Coordinator.

18) National Qualifier events for 2016 18 and under announced. Link : <http://www.teamusa.org/usa-volleyball/events/indoor/girls/2016-girls-junior-national-qualifiers/girls-18-qualifiers>

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20) 2016 Nationals Sites: Collegiate – Louisville, Boy's – Dallas, Girl's 12's thru 17's - Indianapolis, Girl's 18's – Milwaukee, HP – Ft. Lauderdale, Open - Orlando

Submitted by: WEVA JUNIOR COORDINATOR – Cindy D'Errico

1. Second Place Finish in the 2015 Women's PVL – Detroit, Michigan - Western Empire

Competition played over four days

Pool Play Results:

Arizona Sizzle - Won – 25-19, 25-17, 25-19

Team IE – Won – 25-23, 25-10, 25 -12

Dream Team NCVA - Won – 26-24, 25-17, 25-19

Gateway VC – Won – 25-13, 25-16, 25-16

Ohio Valley Sky – Won – 25-18, 25-23, 25-15

Team Iowa Ice - Won – 23-25, 25-20, 25-19, 25-21

Semi-Finals Gold Division

Arizona Sizzle - Won - 19-25, 25-20, 25-20, 25-23

Finals Gold Division

North Texas PVL - Lost – 20-25, 25-21, 9-25, 25-23, 15-17

All-Tournament Team: Khat Bell, Deja McClendon

2. Stacey Gordon-Jiggins was deemed ineligible two days before competition due to her being a Canadian citizen and living in Canada. Despite this being the eligibility requirements that were on the website and in a flyer promoting PVL for 2015. FAQ's – Who can play in the PVL? Athletes who have concluded their collegiate eligibility and who may be offered to become a player of a PVL team. No documentation available that international players cannot play. When brought it up it was communicated that it was in the PVL minutes from the beginning planning stages of PVL and in the operating code that was voted on Wednesday before the competition started in the USA meeting for PVL commissioners. The operating code was communicated to me that it was a consolidation of the minutes over the years. There were still regions that allowed people to play after bringing it up in the Friday coaches meeting, some removed them from the roster leaving the number on their rosters lower than planned with the players in Detroit already. Collegiate players were removed from some rosters as well since it was communicated that it would interfere with their eligibility even though some played last year and had appropriate paperwork approving them to participate (men's side).
3. Sent PVL Media Guide, autographed picture and thank you note signed by all the players to all sponsors along with the official letter from WEVA documenting the dollar amount donated and the EIN#. This included officials who donated some money as well. Received some comments from the donors thanking WEVA for taking the time to send that along.
4. Received many emails from players thanking WEVA for their efforts in support of the team. Most players want to return unless they are "retiring" from playing - still confirming. Some final decisions will depend on their professional season and what happens between now and then.
5. Budget reported to board – Expenses of 25K – budget balanced -
6. Possibly planning for 2016 PVL team. Will request sweats, jerseys and back packs to be returned for players not playing next year if we proceed. Alyssa will recruit additional players for 2016. Alyssa most likely not playing (not a for sure but more than likely). If WEVA still doing a team and she is not playing she will consider coaching providing that Louisville will allow her that time off. Players from WEVA were asked this year to be part of the team (Cushman, Jansma and Brown) – all declined.
7. Seeking assistance from others for fundraising opportunities.
8. Does WEVA support an "A" team or a "B" team for 2016 or both?
9. The coaching/team coordinator representatives from PVL community were asked who were interested in serving on a committee to review PVL status, guidelines and propose to USA the direction it should go to be successful. Jay Hosack from Penn State Men's volleyball team will be chairing the committee. I signed up to be on the committee to assist with the feedback to USA.
10. The 5<sup>th</sup> year PVL National competition will be hosted in Orlando, Florida in 2016.
11. Looking for some objective factors to rank teams into the tournament, this year used season record (from events played in from November thru May – 2 matches required – teams not at same strength as in Detroit). Should they look at strength of team via roster and past season results?). Thoughts should be forwarded to Steve Bishop.
12. ROX – one more year remains as uniform sponsor, obtained sponsor from Ultra Ankle, ankle braces free, one athlete video promotional shoot, cash contribution for Ultra Ankle party in 2016 – total value \$10,067.
13. Promotional PVL webstore, product with PVL logo on it, would need to post link \$150 to opt in – proceeds go to WEVA PVL.