

Region 6 and 7 Reorganization Meeting #12

Wednesday, April 17, 2024

Meeting called to order at: 9:32pm

Members: Craig Thibaudeau (R6 Chair), Bob Lundy (R7 Chair, MD Chair), Dan Young (VT Chair), Tom Greet (CT Chair), Danilo Gattei (RI Chair), Darren Morace (MA Chair), Misha Kustin (NJ Chair), Joe Zullo (ME Chair), Mike Ouellette (NH Chair), Karl Jaanimagi (NY Chair), Jeffrey Zack (PA Chair)

Members present: Craig, Dan, Misha, Tom, Mike, Karl, Darren, Bob

Members NOT present: Jeff, Danilo, Joe

Agenda

Next steps for reorganization

A. States in the union (Region 6 Northeast)

- Maine, New Hampshire, and Vermont are small (tri-state)
- Tri-state coaches are interested in hosting one state championships to make it easier on staff and to pool available resources.
- Dan brought up the fact that we could have fewer state chairmen in the top of the NE states to even out the wider region.
- Mike O. said that coaches in NH are fully on board with holding a tri-state championships but are not interested in combining state boards.
- Bob said per R & P if there is no state chair then that falls under the guidance of the regional chairman.

B. Board / Committee assignments

- Bob asked about committee interest in the role of treasurer; this is a required role on the regional board.
- Tom nominated Craig T. Craig said he is interested in the role.
- Dan asked about sending an interest letter to the community for roles on the committee or at least sending out a letter introducing the current organization of the new region.
- Bob said we need to get things started so that we can move forward.
- Tom suggested that we keep the committee of people who have been engaged with the reorganization for now, and then we can branch out as we move along.
- Bob said we should hold a vote for the position of treasurer. Official vote for Craig T. to take on the role of Treasurer.
Vote for Craig to be treasurer: 6 yes, 0 no votes. Craig elected to role of Treasurer
- Bob said we should vote on whether the newly elected treasurer should be a voting member or a voice/no vote member.
Vote for role of treasurer to be a voting member: 4 yes, 2 no votes. Treasurer will be a voting member of the Region 6 Northeast board.

C. Regional Championships 2025

- One of the biggest issues will be getting two sets of equipment for the event. Craig said that Adam Provost of Deary's offered a creative way to get two sets of equipment.
- Tom added that looking for a big enough facility will be an issue.
- Dan said look at who has run big events before and hire them to run the event.
- Looking at one optional regional championships for 2025. Darren will contact Mass Mutual Center to see if April 3-6th is available. Rhode Island Convention center or Hartford Convention Center could be viable options.

D. Elite Team Selection process (Craig can give an update on spreadsheet)

- Regional team selection is underway as of regional championships.
- Dunkan Gould will be working with Bob to collect data from Region 7 and Region 6 to create one spreadsheet for Region 6.

E. Elite Team Training Camp (updates)

- Springfield college is no longer available to host a camp
- Penn State is available but only July 14-17th (Sunday – Wednesday)
- August 1st-4th Penn State is also a possibility
- Members agree that the preferred date for a Penn State camp is July 14-17th
- Bob will reach out to Tony at Penn State to look at securing dates for camp.
- Misha will reach out to the folks at West Point to see what options they have.

F. Next Steps

- Bob will begin looking through the Region 6 bylaws as a place to start.
- Reorganization committee will look at regional team events
- Reorganization committee will continue to look at 2025 regional championships

Next meeting scheduled for Wednesday, May 1st at 9:30pm

Dan made a motion to adjourn the meeting

Tom second the motion

Meeting ended at 10:55pm

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Craig Thibaudeau', with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

Craig Thibaudeau