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Arizona Region of USA Volleyball  
Board of Directors Emergency Meeting  
April 3, 2020 Via Webex

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 2:05 pm by Harold Cranswick

Present:

Harold Cranswick,	Commissioner
Becky Hudson	Secretary
Ron Pelham	Adult Division Coordinator
Charlotte Pottle	Junior Division Coordinator
Earl Capps	Officials' Division Coordinator
Eric Hodgson	Outreach Director

State of the Region Play in the midst of COVID 19 pandemic

Discussion was held on the feasibility of continuing our season as printed. The following issues are involved with continuing to play:

- The CDC guidelines of 30 days social distancing to stop the spread of the virus
- Governor Ducey's Stay At Home Order for the state of Arizona through April 30
- Governor Ducey's closure of all schools for the remainder of the school year
- The USAV Insurance suspension through April 30
- The understanding that all of the above could be extended, as has already happened once.

Motion: Move to cancel the Region tournament schedule as printed and refund all Adult and Junior power tournament fees for events that were not completed prior to Mar 13. This includes Vulture Peak Challenge and the AZ NCQ events. (Pelham/Capps) Motion Carries unanimously

Rationale: Without the insurance and without the schools open for teams to practice or the Region to use for tournaments we are unable to hold any of our regularly scheduled tournaments or Region Championships. It is not reasonable to hold teams together and hold their fees when there is no opportunity for them to play.

If the insurance suspension is lifted after April 30, small tournament events that can be held at known private facilities could be scheduled for teams if they chose to continue to play. Weeknight league play could also be held for teams to participate. These events would be for teams that intend to participate in the rescheduled National Qualifiers to be held in May and June and any season ending or National Championship events that might still be able to take place.

With the cessation of Region play, the players are still members of the club they are registered with for the season. The clubs would need to sit down with their players to determine if they would be planning to attend any season ending or National Championships. Players are not free to join other clubs unless they have a release from their club first.

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### Continuing Events

The following events will take place should the insurance suspension be lifted in May or June:

Junior Beach Program – start May 15<sup>th</sup> or such time as the suspension is lifted

Arizona Region HP Tryouts and program – tryouts are currently scheduled for May 15, 16, 17

The AZ Region NCQ will be rescheduled should the insurance suspension be lifted after April 30. The current deadline to qualify our teams is May 31. Teams will need to reenter the event to participate. It was decided to have teams reenter because at this point in time it could be unknown to them who would be willing or able to participate at the GJNC should it be held as scheduled.

### Board Elections

The Region was due to hold elections for the Adult Division Coordinator and Junior Division Coordinator this spring.

Motion: Move to postpone the election for Adult Division Coordinator to the Fall General Assembly. The Junior Division Coordinator election normally takes place at the Fall General Assembly. Call for nominations will take place in August for Adults and in July for Juniors. (Hudson/Pelham) Motion Carries

### Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 3:31 pm

### Draft Statement to be sent to the Jr Club Directors:

After much discussion, the Arizona Region Board of Directors cancelled all scheduled Junior and Adult tournament events after March 13, 2020. All entry fees will be refunded to the clubs or adult team reps for those events – this includes all power tournaments, Region Championships, the Vulture Peak Challenge and the AZ NCQ tournaments.

The rationale for this decision included the following considerations:

- The health and safety of all Arizona Region players, coaches, officials and their families
- The closure of Arizona schools through the end of the school year
- The suspension of USAV Insurance through April 30
- The extended CDC guidelines of 30 days to slow the spread of the virus – through April 30
- The Stay At Home order for Arizona by Governor Ducey
- The understanding that any of the above could be extended into May or even June.

The AZ NCQ will be rescheduled when it is known when the insurance suspension will be lifted and if the GJNC is going to be affected. USAV is currently planning to hold the event as scheduled. All teams that want to compete for a bid will have to reenter the AZ NCQ when they determine if their players will be available to participate. The current deadline for Arizona to qualify their teams is May 31.

The following events will take place upon the lifting of the insurance suspension:

Junior Beach Program

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AZ High Performance tryouts and practices

The following events have also been cancelled in Arizona and will not be rescheduled this season

USAV Indoor HP Tryouts

USAV Beach HP Tryouts

USAV Beach National Qualifiers – originally scheduled for Apr 26 & May 3

For those interested in discussing this decision or if you have questions of the Board of Directors, two Webex meetings have been set up for this Sunday, April 5. You may call in for discussion at either 12 pm or 3 pm. The Board members will be on the call to answer any questions you may have about this. Use the following link and info to log in or call.

Webex meeting info for Sunday, April 5 @ 12 pm

Online link:

<https://meetingsamer10.webex.com/meetingsamer10/j.php?MTID=md8510f38ff6bc9ef5dfce722123b9288>

Access Code: 622 669 326

Password: AZRegion

Or dial in at 1-408-418-9388

Webex meeting info for Sunday, April 5 @ 3 pm

Online Link:

<https://meetingsamer10.webex.com/meetingsamer10/j.php?MTID=mdd38e3e9679ad2ab6b070e571082e820>

Access Code: 622 706 602

Password: AZRegion

Or dial in at 1-408-418-9388