The proceedings of the 61st NWADB annual business meeting were held at the Shilo Inn and Suites in Tacoma, Washington. President Justin Anderson called the meeting to order at 9:00 am.

ROLL CALLS: Those in attendance were: Justin Anderson-President, Craig Radford-Secretary/Treasurer, Robert Belshe–Information Director, Scott Walburg-Chairperson, BACD-Robert Kerr, GSCD Space Jam-Patrick Hutson, Oregon-Matthew Schindel, Rockies/Bandits-Nemo Szpakowski, Spokane-Andrew Helm/Saul Gevarter, Utah-Matt Cerar, VAD Black-Andrew Gurry, VAD Red-Shane Yerkes, GSCD Women-Reggie Scott

DELEGATES-AT-LARGE: Janice Logan, Karen Atwood, Nancy Opheikens

PARLIAMENTARIAN: President Justin Anderson appointed Karen Atwood as parliamentarian.

OPENING REMARKS: President Justin Anderson welcomes everyone to the delegate meeting. He shared the rules of being respectful; paying attention to the speaker, standing up in the front of everyone, if you have pagers/phones, please leave the room to respond, not at the delegate table.

CURRENT HOST TOURNAMENT REPORT: Scott reported that they had a hard time getting the gyms reserved in advance because of the strict laws of Washington. We cannot believe how fast time has flown. The tournament is already here. WE found two sponsors. I want to wish GSCAD men’s and women’s team good luck. If you need anything during the tournament, feel free to ask committee members. They are here to support you. Please be friendly to ASL high school students as they will be here to watch the tournament. We have all the medical supplies ready for injuries. WE will have awards at the gym at the end of the tournament. Good luck.

2016’s HOST TOURNAMENT REPORT: Andrew Helm reported that Spokane Silent Club is working on raising funds. We already found a gym. It is in a warehouse. It is across from University of Gonzaga. We will have three courts, one for warming up and two for the games. We will have shot clocks at this tournament and it will be run by the employees of the gym. No smoking will be allowed, not even outside. You have to go quite a distance to smoke a cigarette. Comfort Inn will be the HQ hotel. It will only be 85 per night. We will have meetings on the 3rd floor. We are looking forward to the tournament. We are working on a flyer for NWADB officers to approve.
READING MINUTES:

Moved to accept minutes as read. Passed.

FINANCIAL REPORT:

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEES’ REPORT:
Meeting with GSCD and NWADB officers last night went smooth. There are no issues for the tournament. Everything is ready to go.

OFFICERS’ REPORT:

President Justin Anderson’s report:
#1-2015 Combined Tournament with FAAD in Vegas is cancelled.

#2-3 Games Guarantee Bracket, asking for your approval to try this format for this year. It’s only 2 extra games on top of Double Elimination bracket. Delegates agreed to move forward with this bracket.

#3-Want to increase more teams to NWADB by offering initiatives to the teams. Increasing the prize money to the 1st and 2nd teams and offering prizes to the 3rd and 4th teams. (Old Business)

#4-Public Relations of NWADB, Brian Kishpaugh did excellent job this year. We are going digital by having Dropbox folders for our files, documents, etc.

Vice President Nathan Boyes’ report:
Met on Jan 18th, 2014 for the law committee and shared his Report on video: He reported that he will delegate the All Star voting to President Justin Anderson due to his absence. He checked Craig’s audited report and reported that everything looks GREAT, made minor corrections to the wording. He asked if anyone want to share feedback, please share so NWADB can improve and incorporate the ideas to a better organization.

Secretary/Treasurer Craig Radford’s report:
Craig reported that we have over $10,000 in the funds and is now financially healthy. We have removed all of the unnecessary expenses. Reviewed the report and the ending balance for 2013 is $8,618.30.

Information Director Robert Belshe’ report:

#1-Hall of Fame Winners: Patrick Hutson, Andrew Campros and Annette Black-Brewer. Patrick Hutson is the only Hall of Fame who will be honored at the tournament.
OLD BUSINESS (unfinished business): 5 Proposals

Old Business
Motion #1:
Fremont Old Business Motion #8
Moved to change player fee to $45.00 for men with breakdown being $20.00 for NWADB, $15 for host club, $6.00 for championship fund, $4.00 for runner up. Women is $20, $10.00 to NWADB, $5 to host club, $3 to champions, $2 to runner up. Coaches $15.00, $5 to NWADB, $5 to host, $3 to championship fund, $2 to runner up.

Refer to law committee

Law Committee recommended to increase the player’s registration fee from $30 to $45 due to cost of more games, attracting more teams to the regional tournament and encouraging more women and coaches to participate in NWADB. Changes are outlined below.

Section 14.2.4. The participation participating players, coaches, and managers shall pay thirty dollars ($30.00) per person on top of USADB fee $20.00. It shall be collected by the NWADB Secretary-Treasurer for part of or whole activities including social held during the time of any annual NWADB tournament. Three dollars ($3.00) shall go into the championship fund to help pay for the champions' expenses to the National Tournament. Two dollars ($2.00) shall go into the runner up fund to help pay for the runner up’s expenses to the National Tournament. Five dollars ($5.00) shall go to the host club for social held. The remaining twenty dollars ($20.00) shall go into the NWADB Treasury.

The participating male players and managers shall pay forty five dollars ($45.00) per person. It shall be collected by the NWADB secretary-Treasurer for part of or whole activities including social held during the time of any annual NWADB tournament. Six Dollars ($6.00) shall go to the men’s tournament champions. Four Dollars ($4.00) shall go to the men’s runner up. Three Dollars ($3.00) shall go to the third place men’s team. Two dollars ($2.00) shall go to the fourth place team. Winning teams will be paid at the awards ceremony. Fifteen dollars ($15.00) shall go to the host club for tournament expenses. The remaining fifteen dollars ($15.00) shall go into the NWADB Treasury.

The participating female players and managers shall pay twenty dollars ($20.00) per person. It shall be collected by the NWADB secretary-Treasurer for part of or whole activities including social held during the time of any annual NWADB tournament. Three dollars ($3.00) goes to the Women’s tournament champions. Two dollars ($2.00) goes to the Women’s runner up. Winning teams will be paid at the awards ceremony. Five dollars ($5.00) shall go to the host club for tournament expenses. The remaining ten dollars ($10.00) shall go into the NWADB Treasury.

Coaches who solely coach and do not play; are exempt from any fees.

Rationale – We want to attract more teams to NWADB and have them leave with a good feeling so we changed to a payout concept where money is awarded to the top 4 Men teams and top 2 Women teams at the tournament, regardless if they go to nationals or not. It is hard for the host to afford referees for more games so we added money to the host so they can
afford more games due to the new bracket style and game guarantee that NWADB member's desire. Getting women teams is getting harder; by reducing the cost to them and having a payout, we hope to attract more women to the annual NWADB tournament. Coaches who do not play put in a lot of time and money to make sure teams go to NWADB, without them, NWADB would not be as great as it is; coaches deserve this simple exemption for their hard work.

Nancy amended that women’s fee and breakdown should be the same as men’s fee regardless of number of teams.

**Amendment Failed.**

**Main motion passed to approve law committee’s recommendation.**

**Motion #2:**

**Fremont Old Business Motion #13**

Moved to have NWADB affiliate with both national level organizations, USADB and NBDO so that teams can participate in both national tournaments.

Law Committee does not support this. NBDO does not have any bylaws on their website to show their procedures. Teams interested in participating in NBDO can set up their own “region” and pay the affiliation fee.

**Main motion passed to approve law committee’s recommendation.**

**Motion #3:**

**Fremont New Business Motion 3**

Moved that the final cut off date for team registration is February 15. Any registration forms after February 15th will no longer be accepted.

Law Committee changed to February 10th;

**Section 14.2.2.3.** Each team shall fax or send by any electronic format via email a copy of completed and signed registration form to the NWADB Secretary/Treasurer by the deadline. Failure will result in a penalty of $100. The final cut off date for team registration is February 10th with the $100 penalty. Any registration forms after February 10th will not be accepted.

Rationale – All documents and payment must be made to USADB by February 15th, having 5 days allows NWADB officers to plan for the NWADB tournament and submit paperwork and payment to USADB in a timely manner.

Saul moved to amend to law committee’s motion to have forms “postmarked” by Feb 10.

**Amendment passed.**

**Main motion as amended passed to approve law committee’s recommendation.**

**Motion #4:**

**Fremont New Business Motion 4**

Moved to establish player fees to pay for 2nd chance tournament, 10 teams or less.
Law Committee; voted against this because Old Business motion #8 supports this.

Refer back to law committee.

**Motion #5:**
*Law Committee New Motion*

Section 11.2. For the five or greater participating teams, the 12 *individual* awards shall consists 10 of All-Stars (5-First All Star, 5-Second All Star), 1 MVP and 1 Best Defensive Player with the 5 awards for the 1st-5th place teams of each organization. The team sportsmanship and coach of the tournament of each organization shall be on the list of the awards. The NWADB officers shall vote for the team sportsmanship and coach of the tournament awards. The basketball coaches and NWADB officers shall vote for the 12 awards with the 18 nominations. NWADB Vice President shall be neutral and shall not vote except for tie-breakers. The 6th and 5th place teams shall nominate 2 names of their own team and 1 name of each team will be awarded. The 4th and 3rd place teams shall nominate 3 names of their own team and 2 names of each team will be awarded. The 2nd and 1st place teams shall nominate 4 names of their own team and 3 names will be awarded. The MVP award must be from the Championship team and the Best Defensive Player must be from the 1st or 2nd place team. There shall be no two individual awards for each individual (MVP, Best Defensive Player and All-Star). The nomination names shall play at least 2 games if they are playing in the 5 teams bracket and 3 games if they are playing in the 6 teams bracket or greater. All Star Criteria - Nominated players must have displayed ideal sportsmanship throughout the tournament to be considered for All-Star awards as outlined in 13.1.1

Law committee support this.

**Main motion passed to approve law committee’s recommendation.**

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Motion #1:** Moved to reimburse Brian K’s airplane ticket due to his great work on NWADB’s publicity.

Rationale: He worked many hours on the NWADB’s website and was like an officer, supporting our organization.

Estimated Financial Impact/Cost (if Any) $289.80

Motion Passed.

**Motion #2:** Moved to go with the 3 games guarantee bracket for teams 8 or less, go with double elimination for 9-10 teams, and consolation for 11 teams or greater.

Rationale: Having 3 games instead of 2 games will benefit many teams.

Refer to Law Committee

**Motion #3:** Moved to increase men’s team fee to $50 instead of $45 to generate more revenue for the championship to 4th place teams.

Motion Failed.

**Motion #4:** Moved to have NWADB and NWSAD work together to resolve the legal criminal issue on the Drown’s debts and share all expenses to recover debt.
Main Motion Passed.

**Bid for 2015, 2017 Tournaments:** No bid was presented for 2015’s tournament. NWADB will solicit for 2015’s tournament and will announce it via mail, Facebook, website.

**Election:**

Nomination for Treasurer/Secretary:
Nancy nominated Craig Radford. Nemo nominated ACL. **ACL was passed, Delegates approved him to represent NWADB while living in Florida.**

Nomination for Sport Information:
Andrew Helm nominated Robert Belshe.
Saul nominated ACL. **ACL was passed.**

**Announcements:**

Janice Logan – NWADB has been running for 61 years for Men and 24 years for women. Next year, USADB will have a 25 year anniversary for women’s. We need more hall of fame for women. They haven’t decided where the USADB tournament will be next year. They are looking to host the tournament in the northwest region.

**Adjournment at 11:32 am.**