The proceedings of the 59th NWADB annual business meeting were held at the Spring Hill Suites Hotel in Vancouver, Washington. President Justin Anderson called the meeting to order at 9:03am.

ROLL CALLS: Those in attendance were: Justin Anderson-President, Andy Campros-Vice President, Craig Radford-Secretary/Treasurer, Robert Belshe—Information Director, Nathan Boyes-Co-chairperson, Shane Yerkes-Co-Chairperson, Larry Mackey-VAD, Andy Gurry-Oregon, Scott Walburg-Seattle, David Davenport-Utah, Larry Mosquera-BACD, Byron Jensen-Idaho, Nemo Szpakowski-California, Aaron Foust-Youngsters (Absent), Sumeet Prasad-Sac Toon. (Absent)

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:

Will be using a badge at the tournament. You will be required to bring ID with the badge to get into the games. Must have ID at all times so that it is not abused. The tournament will have two interpreters on stand by at all times. Will be Melissa Cain and Amy Nalley. If they are not available, Nathan Boyes is available to interpret as well. If there are any emergencies, please see Nathan Boyes as he is an instructor for American Red Cross. You can get your program books at registration. Awards and Hall of fame will be posted throughout the tournament and you can see it on the program book. The history will be included as well. Our volunteers will have red shirts. You will be able to identify them. Food and drinks are allowed in the gym. Have fun. Awards will be at Big Al’s at 8 pm on Saturday evening. Very family friendly environment. Will have a meeting room reserved there for awards.

2013’s HOST TOURNAMENT REPORT: BACD will host the tournament on March 8th-10th, 2013. Kevin Kovacs will be the chairperson and has reserved the CSD’s Fremont gyms for us. He will work on the hotel and flyer shortly.
READING MINUTES:

Moved to make one correction to NWADB’s 2011’s treasurer report to provide 4 payment options for the Drown’s debt with NWADB. Delegates voted to let Craig Radford to make the best decision on the behalf of the organization and work with the Drown’s.

1. Immediate payment of the full amount, plus attorney fees and processing charges
2. 6 months payment plan at 6% interest, plus attorney fees and processing charges
3. 9 months payment plan at 6.5% interest, plus attorney fees and processing charges
4. 12 months payment plan at 7% interest, plus attorney fees and processing charges

Moved to accept 2011 minutes as read with one correction. Passed.

FINANCIAL REPORT:

Craig shared the 2011’s audited financial report. Andy Trocki moved to accept 2011’s financial report as read. Passed.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEES’ REPORT:

We compromised with chairpersons of tournament to waive admission fees for Non Profit booths. And we also agreed that major sponsors will have their admission fees paid by the host. The host gave feedback to NWADB to improve with the organization as a whole.

OFFICERS’ REPORT:

President Justin Anderson’s report:

#1-USADB’s Retreat: October 2011 in Fremont, California
a. The majority of the retreat was about $20 membership/individual fee. We came up with the removal of the $20 individual fee and replacing it with $100 team fee. Comparison of 2011/2012: Team of 12 players will have to pay $600 ($50x12) vs $460 ($30x12+$360, plus $100) Savings of $140 per team or $12 per player. $100 team fee includes the insurance of each player.
b. Possible of no hotel reimbursements for the regional champs in 2012.
c. USADB’s 2013 tourney in Philly’s area on April 4th-6th, 2014 in NWADB’s region (Fremont, CA region?)
d. No BPAC this year, USADB is in process of removing them from the bylaws.
e. 23 proposals for us to consider, please review and report back by April 1st.
f. USADB/USADSF’s relationship, how does NWADB feel for USADSF?
g. New flow chart of USADB’s leadership: Vice Presidents and 8 regional presidents as executive committee.

#2-More Money for Champs/Runner-Ups Team:
a. Increasing payout by 50% for Champ team from $3.00 to $6.00
b. 2nd place from $2.00 to $4.00 from the player’s fees.
c. Or give money to 3rd place team instead of increasing funds for 1st and 2nd place teams?
#3-501c3 status: Did not have enough funds to apply in 2011.

#4-Reduce costs for women players: ($30 individual fee for Men and $10 for women?)

#5-Video Communication: VLOG on website.

#6-Email Address- Justin@nwadb.org goes to Justin@waterskifamily.com

Vice President Andy Campros’ report:

#1-Finance Committee: 2 auditors, Charles Cook and Brian Sheehey

#2-Bylaw Committee: 3 Proposals

#3-All Star Voting Process: Come and see me after the championship game for 1st place to 6th place teams. Will remain neutral for the voting process and will only vote for tie-breaking situations.

#4-Website: Will re-design the website after the tourney, feel free to share your feedback, etc.

Secretary/Treasurer Craig Radford’s report:

#1-Drown’s Contract-Reported that we have a new addendum to the contract from the attorney to the contract to have monthly payments of $75 per month instead of $200.

#2-Champ and Runner up Team Checks, reported that we want to wait until they book their airline tickets before paying the championship funds to them.

#3-$468 from 2011’s Runner up Fund, is currently in Reserve fund. Move to Runner up fund or to championship fund or give it to 2012’s championship team? Look at 14.2.5

Section 14.2.5. In the event the champion team (men or women) does not participate in the national tournament, the championship funds shall be given to another team that participates in the national tournament in order from the 2nd place team and down. If no teams are able to participate in the national tournament, the championship funds shall be returned to the NWADB championship fund. The men championship fund may not be added to the women championship fund and vice versa. In the event the runner up team (men or women) does not participate in the national tournament, the runner up fund shall be given to the championship team that participates in the national tournament.

Delegates suggested to have NWADB to reimburse $468 to last year champ team, BACD: Saul Gevarter, head coach.
Section 14.2.2.1. The registration forms shall be mailed with all fees paid in full to the NWADB Secretary/Treasurer by the deadline. The forms shall be mailed by certified mail and the name of the express company and tracking number shall be emailed to the NWADB Secretary/Treasurer within 24 hours. Failure will result in a penalty of $100.

Section 14.2.2.3. Each team shall fax a copy of its completed and signed registration form to the NWADB Secretary/Treasurer by the deadline. Failure will result in a penalty of $100.

Section 14.2.3.2. Coaches must submit audiograms of new players to the NWADB Secretary by the registration deadline date for eligibility consideration. A "new player" is a first-time participant in the NWADB tournament.

Information Director Robert Belshe’ report:

#1-Hall of Fame Winners: Roddy Cabbage and Brenda Bessner

#2-Roster Form Uniform Numbers, ask for more time and cooperation from team coaches to share the uniform numbers in advance, even several days prior to the tournament.

OLD BUSINESS (unfinished business): 3 motions

#1-
2010’s motion#5. Joan Drown propose:
Section 10.2. The host club sponsoring the annual NWADB tournament shall pay to the officers of this Association their transportation, equivalent to the lowest applicable round-trip airfare equivalent to the lowest applicable all form of transportation, along with applicable IRS code (optional standard mileage rates used to calculate the deductible costs of operating an automobile) plus their ground transportation to and from the airport (a flat rate of thirty dollars ($30.00) per officer) on a 50-50 basis with the NWADB.
Rationale: Include mileage for car as used by NWADB officers)

Law Committee supports this proposal.
Rationale: Allow use all form of transportation, short and far, encourage saving cost.
2011’s motion was referred back to law committee.

2012’s Law Committee does not support this proposal; due to the applicable cost will be selected by the host club, through variety form of transportation.

Passed and agreed with the law committee’s recommendation.
#2-
2011’s Motion #1: Craig Radford moved to split two titles to two positions and have the election of secretary and treasurer next year.
Seconded by: Robert Belshe

Rationale: More focused and better quality to ensure an efficient organization.

Refer to law committee.
2012’s Law Committee does not support this proposal, due to cost of setting up a position, and maintaining it.

Passed and agreed with the law committee’s recommendation.

#3-
2011’s Motion #4: Brad Crowther moved that yearly financial reports/audits are due by the delegate meeting during the NWADB annual tournament. Failure to have reports will result in a $75.00 fine and a $25.00 fine every month after till audit/report is complete. If report/audit is still not completed by the next year, the treasurer will be dismissed.
Seconded by: Travis Zaremba

Rationale: Help prevent ongoing misuse of NWADB funds.

Refer to law committee.
2012’s Law committee is against this proposal due to the fact that it falls on all officer’s responsibility to ensure that the financial reports are being shared each month and being audited each year.

Passed and agreed with the law committee’s recommendation.

NEW BUSINESS:
Motion #1:

Moved to add the word of scan to the bylaw of 14.2.2.3

Section 14.2.2.3. Each team shall fax or scan a copy of its completed and signed registration form to the NWADB Secretary/Treasurer by the deadline. Failure will result in a penalty of $100.

Rationale: Better technology to email the copy of the forms to the secretary of NWADB.

Refer to law committee.
Motion #2:  
Moved to remove this section of 5.4 &11.5 due to the change of BPAC in the USADB’s community.

Section 5.4. The representative of basketball player council (BPAC) of this Association is entitled to be delegate-at-large at the annual meeting of the Board of Directors.

Section 11.5. Committee of Basketball Player Advisory Council (BPAC) shall have one male and one female player that represent the NWADB region to work with our national sport organization (NSO). NWADB President shall appoint the BPAC representatives of his or her choice. BPAC reps will work with NWADB Officers and to communicate the concerns of the basketball players that are related to the NSO’s tournament to the Officers and NSO’s BPAC group.

Refer to law committee.

Motion #3:  
Moved to remove the section of 9.2 due to the fact of other officers can stay as long as they want.  
Section 9.2. The NWADB President shall be limited to two (2) terms in succession.

Refer to law committee.

Motion #4:  
Moved to change section 10:3 that states “suite for the president, a room for each of the three officers from the beginning of the tournament to the end” to “2 rooms for the four officers for 2 nights, a 3rd room if one of the officers is a different gender.”

Refer to law committee.

Motion #5:  
Moved that we remove Keith and Joan Drown as Hall of Famers due to their dishonest practices and misuse of NWADB funds.  
Moved to amend to replace “remove” with “suspend until debt settled.”

Refer to executive committee.  
Passed.

Motion #6:  
Moved to review and come up with a better way of selecting and electing new members of Hall of Fame.  
Rationale: Old way doesn’t work well and we need to develop a better system.

Refer to executive committee to assign task force to develop a better system.  
Passed.
Motion #7:
Moved to change “50-50 basis” to “25-25 basis with NWADB with remaining 50% out of pocket of officers.” Referring to Section 10.2.
Refer to law committee.

Motion #8:
Moved to change player fee to $45.00 for men with breakdown being $20.00 for NWADB, $15.00 for host club, $6.00 for championship fund, $4.00 for runner up. Women is $20.00, $10.00 to NWADB, $5.00 to host club, $3.00 to championship, $2.00 to runner up. Coaches $15.00, $5.00 to NWADB, $5.00 to host, $3.00 to championship fund, $2.00 to runner up.
Refer to law committee.

Motion #9:
Moved to change audiograms and uniform numbers to be submitted before the coach’s meeting.
Refer to law committee.

Motion #10:
Moved to change annual tournament to last weekend of February to first three weekends of March.
Refer to law committee.

Motion #11:
Moved to change consolation champions to be 4th place and lose of “3-4” place team to be 5th place.
Refer to law committee.

Motion #12:
Moved to have a flat rate given to each officer for their transportation expense. They need to provide receipt/evidence and details to be reimbursed for the expense.
Refer to law committee.

Motion #13:
Moved to have NWADB affiliate with both national level organizations, USADB and NBDO so that teams can participate in both national tournaments.
Refer to law committee.

Motion #14:
Moved to involve sheriff officers in Idaho to get involved with Joan and Keith Drown case to enforce a consequence for abuse of NWADB funds. This will allow them to use a local prosecutor to pursue necessary legal action.
Passed.

Motion #15:
Moved to add to section 7.4 that meeting agenda has to include the previous tournament financial report.
Refer to law committee.
Motion #16:
Moved that we put in the standing rule that those who make a motion, have their names removed from
the minutes including 2012 meeting agenda in order to protect our members.

Rationale: A parliamentarian workshop was taken and it was learned that in order to protect the
members, their names not be listed. That is why we are asking the names are removed.
Passed and noted to law committee.

Motion #17:
Moved to have a discussion regarding checks being written for 10 minutes.
Passed.

Motion #18:
Moved to set up a guideline for writing out checks.
Passed.

Bid for 2014 & 2015 Tournaments:
Greater Seattle Club of the Deaf wants to host in 2014.
Letter and $100.00 has been submitted to NWADB.
Delegates approved the bid.

Spokane, WA has expressed interest in hosting in 2016 for Andy Helm’s 60th’s retirement from
the basketball.

Election:
Nomination for Secretary/Treasurer:
Andy nominated Craig Radford
Craig won by ACL

Nomination for Information Director:
Andy Campros Nominated Robert Belshe. Accepted
Wade Hester nominated Nemo. Declined.
Craig Radford nominated Wade. Declined.
Robert won by ACL.

Announcements:
Softball tournament will be in Pleasanton, CA on June 28 to July 1, 2012.
Please make sure you bring your ID with badges for the registration so that it is not abused.

Adjournment at 12:32 pm.