



# MIDWEST ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION OF THE DEAF, INC.

## MAAD Players' Council Meeting Minutes

70<sup>th</sup> Annual Men & 28<sup>th</sup> Annual Women

William N. Fraser Memorial Regional Basketball Tournament

Thursday, March 5, 2015

Hosted by MAAD

Red Roof Inn in Council Bluffs, IA

### Meeting Called to Order

Tournament Director Greg Petersen called the meeting to order at 7:12 pm on Thursday, March 5, 2015.

### Roll Call of Players' Representatives:

Men's: Kansas Creepers – Nathan Jalali, Omaha – Joe Polito, MinnePaul – Moises Arteaga, Olathe – Steve Schoenberg and LAD Star City – Roy Scherling

Women's: Omaha – Fred Ivins and Olathe – Honesty Powell

### Opening statements:

2015 Basketball Chair Lorrie Shank – Lorrie welcomed the teams to MAAD. She explained about the tournament set-up with two different schools. There will be registrations at both schools. Concessions will be sold at both schools as well. Good luck to all teams!

MAAD President Barb Nacarelli – Wished you all success and to have fun.

**Vice President's report:** Honesty Powell presented the team representatives 4 proposals that has a direct effect on the basketball rules and regulations and asked for vote on each proposal.

1. G. SCHEDULE OF GAMES – The MAAD Tournament Director and the Tournament Host Committee shall be responsible for the scheduling of games. Games shall be scheduled to begin no earlier than 8:00 a.m. Saturday, and proceed through Sunday, with the final game to take place on Sunday afternoon before the Awards Ceremony.

**FAILED**

2. Individual awards for each gender include:
  - a. One (1) Most Valuable Player (MVP);
  - b. Ten (10) All-Stars for 5 or more teams participating; (or) five (5) All-Stars for 4 or less teams participating.
  - c. One (1) Individual Sportsmanship;
  - d. One (1) Top Scoring Average;
  - e. One (1) Top Rebound Average;
  - f. One (1) Top Assist Average; and
  - g. Coach of Tournament.

Team awards for each gender include:

- a. Championship (1st);
- b. Runner-up (2nd);
- c. Third (3rd); and
- d. Team Sportsmanship

**CARRIED**

**(Note: Consolation was deleted; Coach of the Tournament moved up into Individual awards section)**

3. Under Basketball rules and regulations C. National Affiliation- The current basketball naaD is the United States of America Deaf Basketball (USADB) and National Deaf Basketball Organization (NDBO).

Proposed: MAAD is no longer affiliated with NDBO. Remove NDBO from this section.

**CARRIED**

4. Under General Tournament Rules and Guidelines

Section 1 Qualifications of Players

C) - At least 17 years of age at the time of registering

Both NSAD and USADB - must be 18 or above to play due to liability insurance

**CARRIED**

**Tournament Director's report:**

- Teams going to USADB
  - LAD Star City and Faribault
  - Omaha Eagles is questionable
- Roster review was shown. All forms were completed accurately and there were no fines.
  - There are 3 Free Agents
    - Lia Chapman, Omaha Eagles – CA
    - Kenneth Gentzke III, Kansas Creepers – NY
    - Matthew Eby, Faribault - WISC
- Explained about Pool Play format for Men's teams
  - Start Pool Play on Friday to determine seeding for Saturday's bracket play. There will be a 4 games guarantee (Pool Play and Bracket) for all teams.
  - In case of teams tied with identical records, tiebreaker will be used. Tiebreaker is the +/- difference in the team's scores.
- Women's teams will play the best 2 out of 3 games
  - If 3<sup>rd</sup> game is not necessary, men's championship game will be moved up.
- Teams reps agreed not to use stats from Pool Play; stats will be used from Bracket play.

**New Business:**

1. Steve Schoenberg moved to add a 6<sup>th</sup> player to his team (Olathe Crowns).
  - a. Rules were interpreted. Discussion followed.

**CARRIED with understanding that Olathe Crowns be fined \$100.**

Drawing to complete Pool A and Pool B:

POOL A

1. Faribault
2. Kansas Creepers
3. MinnePaul

POOL B

1. LAD Star City
2. Olathe Crowns
3. Omaha Outlaws

Meeting adjourned at 7:40pm

**Respectively submitted,  
Greg Petersen, Tournament Director**