

RIO GRANDE VALLEY BASKETBALL CHAPTER, TASO, EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING 12-07-16

Meeting called to order by President Carlos Guerra, 8:00 pm, Weslaco, Texas. Present: Robert Torres, Carl Contrata, Dion Gobellan, Freddy Martinez, Eddie Ramos, Pat Willingham, Mike Trigg, Alex Ysquierdo, Peng Lu, and Tom Nieland.

The 10-26-16 meeting minutes were approved as read.

OLD BUSINESS

BUDGET: Carlos presented the 2016-17 Chapter budget. Robert motioned to approve; the motion carried. Note: A copy of the budget will be placed on the Chapter website in the Board meeting minute's section.

TOP CREWS LIST: Carlos distributed the results of the Top Crews vote. He showed and explained his method (rubric) of selecting the crews based on years of experience, playoff assignments, regional and state appearances, college schedule, and more. Rolando Flores was removed from the list; Julian Chong and Ben Alaniz were added. The Board agreed with the method employed, crews created, and suggested next year to add out-of-valley training camps attended to the rubric.

VALLEY VIEW TOURNAMENT: Juan Quiroz appeared to defend against the allegations made by the Valley View administration. Tournament policies and the RGV Chapter Constitution and By-Laws were discussed. No action was taken.

NEW BUSINESS

SAN ISIDRO VARSITY TOURNAMENT: During the discussion it was alleged that out-of-valley officials were assigned to officiate the tournament. Concerns were raised. Freddy volunteered to discuss the matter with tournament assigner Burt Holloway.

ARBITER AND ARBITER PAY: Carl reviewed various aspects of Arbiter Pay. The main issue is a collective 1099 will be issued at the end of every tax year to chapter members enrolled in Arbiter Pay including all sports officiating earnings which are distributed via Arbiter Pay. The Valley ADs are very much in favor of adopting Arbiter Pay; its use will grow quickly. The continued use of The Arbiter and consequential Arbiter pay must be reviewed at the end of the season.

TASO ITEMS: Carlos was asked when the exams will be withdrawn from taking on the TASO site. He said he will find out. He went on to add the criteria: 70 is passing grade for officiating sub varsity contests; 80 is a passing grade to officiate varsity contests; 92 is a passing grade for officiating playoff assignments.

Carl motioned to adjourn; the motion carried.