

## Red River Rugby Conference Committee Meeting: 09/18/2013

### Attending:

- Alan Sharpley
- Ron Watson
- Doug Corrigan
- Kirk Tate
- Jeff Kolberg
- Jerry Gallion
- Gregg Travis
- Greg Varnell
- Travis Hughes
- Steve Daniels

### Absent:

- Wendy Young
- Kyle Lubbers
- Otis Parker

### Agenda:

#### 1. Opening of the meeting and roll call (Sharpley)

#### 2. Status of the grievance (Sharpley)

Alan S: The scheduling part of the grievance has been withdrawn, though the rest remains. Original hearing was post-poned after objection to one member of the Grievance Committee having a conflict of interest, and one member was unavailable. Hearing has been post-poned to October 1, with a new panel. By October 2, Alan should know if there is to be an immediate decision or not.

#### 3. Status of ACR4 Competitions

##### a. Schedules (Young, Watson)

Question was raised if the schedules, which have been posted to the TRU website. has been finally validated. Alan asked the divisional reps to double-check one more time, pointing out that the National Competitions Committee reviews them in a "matrix" format.

##### b. CMS-AllPlayers.com (National Office)

Division reps will also double check that club representatives are able to login to the new CMS system (allplayers.com).

##### c. Referees (Varnell/Young)

Greg V: Referees are scheduled and everything is looking good right now.

Jerry G: True South referees (for games hosted in New Orleans) are scheduled.

##### d. Sevens (Jarvis)

Gregg J: Attempting to validate what structure of 7s competition will be next year. There are rumors that USA will still administer this directly rather than through the new Competitive Region structure. Rumors of "city based" approach. Gregg wants to make sure we have a good structure with the goal for creating a great Olympic team.

Alan S: National office sets policy but they get their direction for "domestic competition" from the member clubs, except for "High Performance", which they do administer directly. There may be a "joint commercial/regional" proposal coming, but that would be separate from "club based".

Doug C: Pointed out that at TRU AGM, there was a decision to require D1 clubs to enter sides into a side into 7s competition.

Alan S: There is no sanction or punishment for failing to do so.

Steve D: Asked if there might be any potential complications for Louisiana-based clubs with regard to 7s competitions.

Alan S & Gregg J: Not really.

Alan S: Will get more information about 7s structure plans of USA office.

#### **4. New Business**

Jeff K: Proposed additional set of ropes at fields for coaches, with additional distance of players to the pitch.

Alan S: Not an RRRC issue.

Ron W: Has proposed for TRU but can't get agreement, and is not possible at all fields.

#### **5. Close of meeting**

**Next call:** October 2, unless no immediate decision from Grievance Committee hearing, in which case, Oct. 9.