

# 2015 TRU Summer Annual General Meeting - Agenda

Saturday, August 16, 2015 @ Houston

1. Roll Call - Tate / W Young
  - a. Board Members (Voting):
    - i. Tate
    - ii. Schmidtke / Butch N
    - iii. Parker
    - iv. Roberson
    - v. Tomsak
      1. Admin:
        - a. Pflieger
        - b. Young
  - b. [Non Voting Members / Club Roll Call](#)
2. [Financial Update](#) - Pflieger
3. Review of 2014-2015 Competitions
4. [2015-2016 Competitions](#)
  - a. D1 M
  - b. D2 M
  - c. D3 M
  - d. D1/D2 W
  - e. D3 W
  - f. RRRC 7s
5. High Performance Report
  - a. Keuppens (Men)
  - b. W Young (Women)
    - i. NorCal has offered to bring their Men and Women's All Star teams. This is very short notice but we are in talks with TRU Board.
      1. Tryouts Sep 26 @ Dallas
      2. All Star Match Oct 17 @ Austin
6. [Referees](#) - T Young
  - a. New Chairman and Vice Chair (Butch N/Scott G)
  - b. [TRRA Financials](#)
7. Lunch Break (12:00 - 12:30pm)
8. Sponsorship - Tomsak
  - a. Red Ball Oxygen (done deal)
  - b. Caesar's Hotel (pending)
9. Club Requirements (open discussion)
  - a. Referee Abuse
    - i. Better overall with coaches and players, struggling with fans/spectators. What can we do?
      1. Problem teams...fine them the amount it would cost to have a uniformed police officer at games.
      2. Extend individual player/coach sanctions to Clubs if there is an issue.
        - a. Extend sanction to coach in particular. Then the responsibility falls on the coaching staff.
      3. Rugby culture, take more responsibility as Clubs.

4. Code of conduct?
  - a. Team administration addresses spectators with expectations before matches.
  - b. TRU do something similar to UT "Texas fans make us proud".
5. Sideline Manager - Each club assigns an individual to monitor the sideline and encourage positive participation.

**6. Decorum Ad-hoc Committee - Board + Young (admin) & Sallie (HARC)**

- b. Field Barrier Policy
  - i. Add Technical Zones (proposal)
    1. TRU Board has taken Ron Watson proposal and split it into two parts. Leaning towards part 1 for now.
      - a. Part 1 - More strict technical zones for coaching staff and players. Reference [USA Rugby Technical Zone Guidelines](#)
      - b. Part 2 - Branded tents for each Club required.
        - i. Standards per division?
        - ii. Membership doesn't feel that we should bring on technical zones at this time.
  - c. [TJ/ARs for ALL league matches](#)
    - i. Must be CIPP'd (TRU \$90 or At Large \$45)
      1. Liability and injury insurance.
    - ii. HOME team required to have two certified available
    - iii. Free certification at TRU Summit or contact TRRA for club trainings. Or individuals can go online and become USA certified for \$30.
    - iv. TRU will provide bibs once certification is verified. Clubs are responsible for bibs.
    - v. TRRA requirement for all conference agreements with College and High School as well.
  - d. [L200 Coaching Certification](#)
    - i. Zero tolerance moving forward.

10. [Discipline](#) - Tate for Courtney

11. Technology

- a. Feedburner
- b. [Twitter](#)
- c. [Facebook](#)
- d. [Youtube](#)
- e. [Referee Match Report Changes](#)
  - i. Team Conduct
  - ii. Comments under 'Match Protocol fields'
- f. Referee Assessments
- g. Webcast
  - i. Not something we are going to do going forward. Low participation overall. We'd prefer to have face to face meetings twice a year.

12. Nominations

- a. Men's DII
  - i. Luke Turner
    1. No additional nominations at the AGM, Turner remains.
- b. Men's DIII
  - i. Otis Parker
    1. No additional nominations at the AGM, Parker remains.
- c. Women's

- i. Meredith Frasier (HARC)
- ii. Nomination period will be extended as no nominations have been put forth.

13. [TRU Summit Conference](#)

- a. Welcome Banquet / Happy Hour (Friday night)
- b. Administration Workshop - (USA Rugby)
  - i. Provides best practices for club administrators.

14. Bylaw Amendments - Tate

- a. Still in progress, will be posted to website for review soon.

15. Hall of Fame - Tate for Corrigan

- a. Proposal to create a TRU Hall of Fame. Will be developed by TRU Board but we are accepting suggestions on formation and or individuals.

16. 2016 Spring AGM Date / Location (Central)

- a. Will be Central this year, shooting for Feb/Mar. Board will finalize and post to website.
  - i. If Clubs would like to host, email Admin.

17. New Business?

- a. Yeoman - USA Rugby Congress meeting next week for Wendy and I. We will report back.
- b. Congress Seats - Board determined that Yeoman's one year would follow CIPP cycle, so it will expire Aug 31, 2015. Nominations and procedures will be posted to website soon.
- c. Anderson - Subcommittee for 7s growth?
  - i. There is a RRRC 7s committee for competitions but nothing as far as the TRU yet.
- d. Anderson - Any coaching development plans?
  - i. Not at this time, been focused on the TRU Summit. Once we get through that and solidify the new Board positions, we can look at that.

18. Meeting End (3:00pm)