Iowa Racquetball Association

Executive Board Meeting March 5, 2014 8:30 – 9:30

*In attendance: Denny Baysinger, Josh Paul,*

*Don McCormick, Rob Paulsen, Susan Acoymo*

* Feedback on Iowa Open
  + The following thoughts were shared by board members
    - We need to arrange more junior shirts next time
    - Deadline for registrations should be much earlier next time. We should consider promoting early-bird registration discounts. The only other registration type should be regular deadline entries; no late entries allowed, unless the director determine there are brackets that need to be filled out.
    - Next time we should plan better for the Saturday night dinner.
    - Next time we should nail down the venue and the details sooner. We should consider arranging a contract to ensure there are no surprises.
    - Next time we should consider making the Iowa Open a three-day event or at least two full day on Saturday and Sunday.
* Financial Update
  + Board members we asked to turn any receipts in to Josh.
  + Josh reported that he’d received a check from R2 for the Iowa Open.
  + Josh summarized that outgoing expenses will include paying board members for incurred expenses, Oakmoor for club rental, Oakmoor for overtime worked.
  + Prize money has already been paid.
* Winterton Camp recap
  + Due to the low number of registrants, the IRA did not break even on income vs. expenses.
  + The board agreed to pay Coach Winterton $1,000; we were unable to justify the “tip” we gave Coach last time.
  + The board agreed to pay hotel expenses as well.
* Board Composition
  + Don nominated Rob as president to fill Bryan’s position.
  + The motion carried and Rob was elected president.
  + Josh offered to change the homepage to reflect the new role. Rob offered to send an updated photo.
* Support of Junior Nationals
  + IRA agreed to pay the registration fees for participating Iowa juniors up to two events.
  + The board also agreed to assist the hosting organization (Colorado R-ball Association) with an initial donation of $500.
    - Rob was asked to reach out to Dennis Chandler with the offer. He will copy the IRA board, Steve Czarnecki, Jim Hiser, and Joe Williams.
  + The board agreed to make the most of fundraising opportunities during the Oakmoor Spring Invitational, including posters, a donation jar, and a GoFundMe account. The money raised will help pay for entry fees and team apparel.
  + As for whether to support the National Junior team as we did during the Junior Nationals event in Des Moines last year, the board agreed to discuss this possibility closer to the Junior Nationals event in Denver in June.
* Support of YMCA
  + The board voted to contribute $1,000 toward the construction of the racquetball courts.
  + Denny offered to get the contact information to Rob so that he can make the offer of support.