

North Texas Division, USFA

2017 Annual Business Meeting

May 20, 2017, Cutting Edge Fencing Center, 6:30 PM

Present: Brenda Waddoups, Ovy Waddoups, David Sierra, NaRaye Williams, and Christine Tadlock.

1. Call to Order: 6:30 PM
2. Officers Reports:

- a. Treasurer

Ms. Williams presented her report. She stated she would be following up as to why the competitive memberships rebate from USFA was low. Motion to accept report. Seconded. Discussion: Sierra: rebate on the low side. Are we good on the budget on spending on the events? Answer: slightly higher, but good. Even with the reduced fees for national qualifier. Brenda, we might need to start bring in referee with hotels, if needed. Ms. Williams also called for any ideas that would benefit the division. An idea was to hold a referee clinic in August.

Call to accepting the state as prepared. Carried.

- b. Secretary

Submitted her report. Added to it with discussion:

An emphatic statement for us to stress the division fencers that the does require showing their membership.

Mrs. Tadlock brought the fact that many don't know about the website and therefore North Texas Yahoo group. Which is a vehicle to announce items to the North Texas membership.

A thought- could set up a place to publish live results on the website or an Instagram page/ Facebook page for the division.

Mrs. Waddoups stated that Yahoo is being sold to Verizon. Discussion was held about the usability of the AskFred Yahoo blasting.

Motion: Move from Yahoo to integrated social media.

Accepted. Original motion to disband the Yahoo group and move to Instagram has been amended to move to an integrated social media.

Accepted. David and Christine are tasked to explore which would be the best fit.

- c. Vice Chair

Report presented. The division will be losing 5 referees due to higher education. We need more referees and adult referees badly.

Move to accept. Discussion: additional comment from Sierra for the division to host a referee clinic in August prior to Round Up SYC and Cadet Tournament on Labor Day weekend. The new referees would be observed at the tournament.

Motion to accept report as presented, accepted

Motion to scout referee instructor at the SN/ David will do so. We can't advertise it yet.

i. Amours Report:

Mr. Ovy Waddoups List of \$768.58 credit from the old storage facility. The NTX Division's portion of the rent in the new facility shared with Absolute Fencing is \$38.25 per month.

Mr. Waddoups has collected all of the division's equipment from various tournaments.

Presently, the division has 8 copper strips, 7 of which work well. The 8th is damaged and can be used as mending the material for the other copper strips. These copper strips along with the Absolute strips can make 17 strips viable for a tournament.

Mr. Sierra brought up the issue of the durability of the copper strips. Wait a year to see if we need to we need to spend money on replacements. Presently we are in good standing with Absolute and are allowed to use their strips, Brenda wonders if a future division board would not be afforded the same. Also Ovy will be making a list of repair cost needs to bring the division's equipment up to present standards. Probably under a \$1000

Motion to accept/ no discussion/ Accepted

ii. Qualifiers Dates-

JO Qualifiers: It was suggested that we postpone choosing a date for the JO Qualifier until the division's calendar meeting. Three possible dates are: November 4th or December 9th, or December 30th. We must wait for the RJCC/ RYC to be announced. A question was posed if we could have it during the week? One weapon each night, Wednesdays are slow at CEFC.

Motion: (Ovy) We preliminarily schedule the division (JO) qualifier for November 4th with reservations for the 9th and 30th of December pending conversation at the (Calendar) scheduling meeting to be held TBD.

Discussion/ Sierra, preferred for the original to be the 9th, would be easier than beginning of November. Withdrawn.

Other division

Move to Amend the Motion: (Ovy) That David Sierra contacts the other division in Texas to find out when they will be holding their division qualifiers. Discussion/ Accepted.

SN Qualifier:

Motion to reserve April 14th as the date for the SN qualifiers in the North Texas Division. Accepted

d. Chair
Had no report

IV. Election of officers:

Call for any nominations from the floor. X3

Chair to entertain a motion to accept the slate of nominees as presented-

Motion: (Ovy) that we accept the slate of officers as presented-

Treasurer, NaRaye Williams

Secretary, Christine Tadlock

Vice Chair, David Sierra

Chair, Brenda Waddoups

Motion: that the chair cast one unanimous vote. Accepted.

Chair voted, all elected.

IV. Set future meeting dates:

July 29, 2017, 2017-18 NTXD Calendar Meeting, location: FIT

May 5, 2018, 2018, NTXD Annual Business Meeting, location: TBA

Motion to accept two dates. Accepted

V. Good and Welfare---

Sierra, USCA, US Coaches Association, will be holding courses on training locally and regionally over the summer for coaches that need training or certification. They can contact David or the association.

VI. Move to adjourn, Accepted

Adjourned at 7:14 PM