



# Austin Chapter Volleyball General Meeting

September 9. 2020



# **Agenda**



- Call to Order Recording started Meeting to order 6:31
  - o 101 officials on the meeting
- Approval of Minutes 8-5-20 Motion to approve Janiese and Keith seconds, approved by general consent
- Treasurer's Report See Below, scrimmage income will not be as expected, we will not speculate. We are financially stable this year, if we need to adjust in 2021 we will do so at that time.
- District Director Report See Below Roni was not on the call, but Kevin read her report.
- Assigning Secretary Report
- Other Business None
- New Business None
- Trainer Report and Monthly Training
- Meeting Adjournment Bonnie motioned we are adjourned at 7:28







### Minutes Approval



# Approval of minutes from 8-5-20 General Meeting Posted to <a href="https://www.austinvolleyballofficials.com">www.austinvolleyballofficials.com</a>







### Treasurer's Report



- Checking Balance = \$6809.00
- Savings Balance = \$5521.07
- Total = \$12,330.07







### **District Director Report**



# PLEASE REMEMBER TO STAY INFORMED ABOUT COVID-19 GUIDELINES

### **Austin Chapter Volleyball**

- TASO released COVID-19 guidelines on August 13, 2020.
- The ACV board also released an email on August 26, 2020 to streamline the information.
- Please remember to check the COVID-19 page on the ACV website and Arbiter Announcements frequently to stay informed.
- Austin Chapter Volleyball will follow the TASO Covid-19 Mitigation Guidelines.
- It is each official's responsibility to be aware of these guidelines.
- Accepting a match will also mean accepting these guidelines.

### **Schools**

- Before officials are allowed access to areas where games and matches are being conducted, school must screen the officials to determine if the officials have COVID-19 symptoms or are lab-confirmed with COVID-19.
- Schools are permitted to prevent any individual who fails the screening criteria from being admitted into school facilities or sites where athletic activities are being conducted until they meet the criteria for re-entry.

### **Schools' Responsibilities**

- If a player or coach or other contest participant is lab-confirmed to have COVID-19 and participated in a contest against another school(s), the school <u>must notify</u> other school(s).
- The school <u>must</u> also <u>notify</u> the officiating chapter involved in the contest. <u>The</u> <u>chapter assignor would then notify the</u> <u>officials involved.</u>

### Officials' Responsibilities

- Officials, like players, coaches and staff, must selfscreen for COVID-19 symptoms before each game or match assignment.
- Officials must report to their chapter if they themselves have COVID-19 symptoms or are lab-confirmed with COVID-19.

### **Chapter's Responsibilities**

- If an official is lab confirmed to have COVID-19, the chapter assignor will notify the schools where the official had been assigned.
- If so, the official <u>must not be assigned</u> matches or games until they meet the criteria for reentry. (Check guidelines for what these are.)



# **Assigning Secretary Report**



- Check Arbiter Announcements daily for late breaking updates and information
- Check the Covid-19 page on the ACV Website frequently for the latest updates and to answer questions you may have regarding the latest policies and procedures







# **Assigning Secretary Report**



# **ICYMI**

- You are not required to submit pay sheets schools will be pulling invoices from Arbiter to generate payments
- NOTE: Playoffs will require pay sheets
- If a W-9 is needed, Janiece will contact you
- September invoices have been generated and are due by September 11<sup>th</sup>



## Calendar Sync in Arbiter



- You can have your matches automatically sync with your calendar. It is available for these:
  - o Apple MacBook
  - Apple iPhone
  - Microsoft Outlook 2010 Windows
  - Yahoo Calendar
  - Google Calendar & Android Devices
  - o AOL Calendar

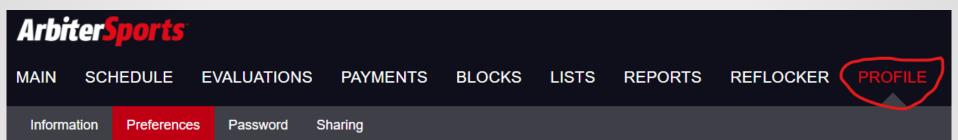






# Calendar Sync in Arbiter





#### User Preferences

#### Alerts

Check the boxes below to receive alerts. Only valid phone numbers with a carrier selected will be displayed below.

	Game Reminder	New Game	New Event	Game Change
kscarlyle@gmail.com	<b>☑</b>	<b>✓</b>	<b>✓</b>	<b>~</b>
512-587-4442	<b>☑</b>	<b>✓</b>	<b>✓</b>	✓

#### Alert Types-

Game Reminder: Reminder message of upcoming games
New Game: Notification that you have been assigned a new game

New Event: Notification that you have been invited to an event through ArbiterSports

Game Change: Notification that a game you are assigned to has been changed

Unassigned: Notification that you have been unassigned from a game.

**Unassigned:** Notification that you have been unassigned from a game **Event Reminder:** Reminder of an upcoming event you are attending

#### **Calendar Sync**

Receive an email with a link to set up your iCal feed

Learn more





# ASSIGNOR'S REPORT



# 10 PAYSHEETS ARE NEEDED THIS SEASON

#### HIGH SCHOOL SECTORS @ indicates Arbiter Pay as of 4/2020 \$ Payment issues in 2019 Far South Central Far South West Far South East Flatonia Canyon@ New Bran, Chr. Ac Blanco @? Prarie Lee Harper Smithville @? Gonzales New Braunfels @? Johnson City Davenport(cisb) @ Canyon Lk@ Lockhart @ Waelder San Marcos Drip Springs Wimberley @? Hays Lehman San Mar. Chr. Aca. Luling South East South Central South West St Andrews Boys (USAV) @ Bastrop@ Akins@ Crockett@ TSD Bowie@ Bastrop Tribe Ann Richards@ IDEA \$\$\$ @? Veritas (CTFH) St Andrews Girls@ Regents@ Cedar Crk@ Austin Achieve \$@ San Juan Diego Aus. Waldorf St Michaels @? Travis@ Del Valle Westlake@ North East North Central North West McNeil St Stephens Boys (USAV) Eastside Mem@ Manor New Tech@ Anderson@ Hyde Park St Stephens Girls St Dominic @? Elgin Manor HS@ Austin HS@ JP Navarro (Lanier) @ McDade LBJ@ Brentwood McCallum @ Westwood North East (Reagan) @ Connally @? LASA@ Far North East Far North Central Far North West Hendrickson @? Cedar Ridge Llano RRCA Aus. Royals (ASC CP) Leander@ Burnet @? Marble Falls Hutto@ Concordia HS Meridian Lago Vista Taylor @? Pflugerville @? Cedar Park@ Summit Chr. \$\$ East View@ Rouse@ Thorndale Georgetown@ Round Rock Glenn@ Lake Travis @? Vandegrift@ Thrall Ster Classical (Gt Rec) Stony Point Hill Co. Chr. Acad.@ Liberty Hill @? Vista Ridge@

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# What do I do to get paid?????

### Do not take any paperwork with you to the match

### IS THE SCHOOL ARBITER PAY?





- Arbiter Pay takes care of all Tax requirements for the schools.
- The officials will receive a 1099 from Arbiter Pay for tax purposes.
- Money should show up in your Arbiter Pay account within a week.

- The School or team will reach out to the official or Janiece for a W9 if they need one.
- The school will mail you a check or pay through direct deposit (Leander ISD)



- Contact your Partner to see if they received payment.
- This year only (2020)-Send Janiece an email with Date of match, School, & Partner if they have not received pay
  - She will follow up for you as we train schools to print pay sheets online

# ANY QUESTIONS???? jnelsonofhutto@gmail.com



### Other Business



- Nominations are open for the following positions:
  - Vice-President (Christle Miersma)
  - Recording Secretary (Stacey Myers)
  - Assigning Secretary (Janiece Nelson)
  - At-large Representative #2 (Tyler Latham)
  - o Please feel free to self nominate or nominate another person
  - Kevin will email out who will be the nominating coordinator to everyone in a few days.









### Welcome these officials New to ACV:

- Original Bell
- Alan Hotaling
- Jeffrey Harper

### Welcome back to Former Member:

Robert Simien

# Welcome our new officials:

- Michelle Anthony
- Rebeca Bryant
- Charles Childre
- Anthony DeFrancisis
- Rudy Duarte
- Gordon Glaze
- Tafi Laduque
- Carissa Martinez

- Luis Monagas
- Allen Roberts
- Chris Sanso
- Rylan Seymore
- Rick Speyer
- Eric Valentine
- Sharmaine Valentine









### Questions from members:

- If a shoe comes off during play is there a delay penalty?
  - ANSWER: No. If there is a safety issue, whistle to stop play, clear the shoe and grant a replay.
- Shortly after the match started, we noticed the players sitting on the bench were not
  wearing masks. We informed the coach that the players needed to wear masks while
  sitting on the bench, to which she did not take too kindly, BUT she did have her bench
  players go to the locker room to retrieve their masks. Time out charged to the visiting team,
  coach was not too happy being charged a time out. Requirement adhered to. Play
  continued.
  - ANSWER: Incorrect procedure. It is not in our purview to enforce Covid-19 protocols. We are there to facilitate the match enforcing NFHS rules. The only changes for us are rules considerations as outlined by TASO. If you personally feel unsafe due to lack of adherence to Covid-19 safety measures, i.e. a coach is in your face not wearing a mask and refusing to put one on after being asked, that absolutely should be included in your game report at the end of the night. And possibly an incident report.









### Questions from members:

- One of the home players entered the match with a medical device taped to her body. We
  noticed there was also a loose plastic covered wire near the device but felt it did not
  interfere with the safety of the player. Correct protocol?
  - ANSWER: Yes, if there truly is no safety issue. However, the key is safety. Any "loose" tubing or wiring, should be considered a safety issue. Things like insulin pumps are allowable, but they need to be tucked under the uniform. Anything that cannot be tucked under should be securely taped to the body so that it cannot get caught and/or become dislodged.
- What is the proper technique to use when a team's third contact touches the ceiling? Is this
  the out signal or the touch signal? Is it dependent on where the ball touches the ceiling in
  relation to the court (same side of net, opposite side of net, over playable area, over nonplayable area, etc) or is it always the same call?
  - ANSWER: The signal is "out" whether it hits on the same side or not. If it's a first or second contact, hits the ceiling and goes to the opponent's side, it is "out".









### Questions from members:

- Team has 7 players on the team. #7 is the starting player with #3 subbing in for #7. While #7 is subbed out, player #6 gets injured. We did an exceptional sub #7 for #6. Correct protocol?
  - ANSWER: Yes, Rule 10-3 Art. 6. Priority given to any legal bench players that have not been in the match. In this case #7 is the only sub available so she can be used as an exceptional sub.
- Since #7 was a starter should we put them back in and subbed #3 instead?
  - ANSWER: No. An exceptional sub can only be made for the injured/ill player.
- When #6 came back in the set, should we have put number #7 back in their original position?
  - ANSWER: No. Since #6 was replaced by an exceptional sub, they may not return to play in the same set. They may return in subsequent sets, provided there is no concussion concern. Rule 10-3-5

Ensure the exceptional sub is recorded properly on the scoresheet.



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R1: Scorer: Libero Tracker:
Christle Miersma Kevin Carlyle

# New substitution signal for referee



### Signal #15

- When a team requests a substitution, the official will administer two short whistles.
- The official will rotate his/her forearms around each other with closed hands at shoulder height two times to signal the substitution.





### Legal or Illegal?

**Legal Uniform:** Rule 4.2.4. a, d & f - The number shall be permanent and <u>clearly visible</u>; Located on the <u>upper front</u> and back of the uniform top; Placed so the top of the number is no more than 5 inches down from the shoulder seam; or centered no more than 5 inches below the bottom edge of any neckline ribbing, placket or seams. -Please read on before you asses a penalty! - per Gloria













### **UNIFORM BOTTOM COMPLIANCE**



- It is the responsibility of the head coach to ensure that his/her players are properly equipped, which includes items purchased by the individual athlete.
- Manufacturers are producing spandex marketed for volleyball with multiple large logos along the waistband. These bottoms, worn with uniform tops tucked or untucked, violate rule 4-2-1f.
- Officials should enforce these uniform violations when they occur with the appropriate penalty (4-2 PENALTIES).





# Uniform bottom compliance





These shorts violate Rule: 4-2-1f. Point of Emphasis this year said:

-We should enforce (4-2 PENALTIES 1 & 2).

-If a player wearing these attempts to enter or is found in the set we are to assess a delay and the player cannot play until they are in legal uniforms.

The problem is that these are pervasive throughout our schools

So what do we do???









# Uniform bottom compliance



### Rule 4-2-1a

 The Libero contrast rules only applies to the uniform top, but the bottoms must match the rest of the team.

### Rule 4-2-1i.1

 Multiple styles of uniform bottoms may be worn, including shorts, spandex, pants or skirts.







# **ACV Policy Regarding Uniform Issues:**

We are having a moratorium on penalizing minor uniform issues.

### Gloria Cox has asked us to do the following regarding uniform issues:

- Mention to the coach the issue with the uniform top/bottom.
- Do not assess any penalties or keep anyone from playing.
- Put the information in your game report and send a picture OF THE UNIFORM ONLY (ask permission) to Kevin, Christle or Janiece if possible.
- We are collecting data to provide Gloria with a list of uniform issues for her to pass on to UIL and/or TAPPS before playoffs.

This doesn't apply to libero contrast issues.





**Libero Jersey:** The libero uniform top must clearly contrast from the predominant color(s) of the team uniform top, excluding trim. The libero's uniform top cannot be made solely of the same predominant color(s) of the team's uniform top, even if the like color(s) are placed differently on the uniform top.

- <u>"Contrast" means "strikingly different."</u> As such, two dark colors (or two light colors) often do not provide sufficient contrast from one another.
- Ask yourself, if the number on a jersey were the same color as Libero jersey would I be able to see the number?
  - o If the answer is yes, then they are contrasting and should be allowed.
  - o If the answer is no, then they cannot play with a libero until they have a contrasting jersey.
- · Reminder that the Libero Uniform Bottom must also be like colored with the rest of the team. Rule 4.2.1a
- · Jersey's that are 2 or more predominant colors that are simply reversed are not considered contrasting.
- Please remember, especially at the sub-varsity level, we are not in the business of not allowing players to play
  in their positions. If you can make out who the libero is, especially at the sub-varsity level, let them play. If it is
  truly indistinguishable from the team jersey the Libero <u>cannot</u> play.









# Tips regarding libero jersey

- When you check your rosters, ask to see the numbers don't just count players. This
  may allow you to see the libero jersey and judge its contrast.
- If there is an issue, address it early to give ample time for the coach to correct it.
- Please consider if your ruling on contrast is consistent with your fellow officials and the chapter. Don't leave it for the next official to be the "bad guy".
- Remember we should all be doing the same things the same way! Consistency is our goal.
- What to do if you don't catch until they're lined up ready to play?
  - See if the coach has another jersey. (Remember, they cannot change in the gym)
  - Make a decision and move on.
  - Make sure you include it in your match report, send photos if possible.



(Understanding that photos aren't always representative of the true colors that you are seeing)







Any questions?

As the season moves forward, please forward any rule or match protocol questions or unusual situations you encounter to Christle so we can all learn together.





