



Cambridge Boston Volleyball Association
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Ad-Hoc Meeting Location

The meeting was held on December 30th 2007 at Au Bon Pan at 1100 Massachusetts Avenue.

Introduction

The meeting was called to order at 10:15 AM.

Members Present

The following members were present: Al Forbes and David Gillum.

Discussion

Al Forbes and David Gillum discussed modifying the CBVA bylaws to read as follows:

CAMBRIDGE BOSTON VOLLEYBALL ASSOCIATION BYLAWS

We, the members of the Cambridge Boston Volleyball Association, hereby adopt these bylaws in order to realize our objectives of fellowship and friendly volleyball competition.

ARTICLE I: NAME, MISSION STATEMENT, AND PURPOSE

Section 1. Name. The name of the association is the Cambridge Boston Volleyball Association (referred hereafter as "CBVA" or "Association").

Section 2. Mission Statement. The Association is an amateur athletic organization founded in the 1980s that provides competitive and recreational volleyball for the Boston metropolitan GLBT community which focuses its outreach within the GLBT community. CBVA welcomes all adult players regardless of sexual orientation, race, gender, creed, religion, national origin, or HIV status.

Section 3. Purpose. The purpose of CBVA shall be to promote and develop the sport of volleyball among the GLBTQ community and the general populace in and around the greater Boston area. CBVA encourages players of all different skill levels to enjoy the game of volleyball. CBVA organizes weekly play for the various skill levels while observing USAV men's volleyball rules. In addition, CBVA promotes the sport by organizing and running clinics and other skill-building activities.

ARTICLE II: MEMBERSHIP

Section 1. Membership. CBVA shall be open to all persons 18 years and older. Members are individuals who have paid the Annual Membership Dues and other applicable fees. All membership information shall remain the confidential property of CBVA and used solely for official purposes.

Section 2. Annual Membership Dues. Annual Membership Dues shall be determined per season by a majority vote of the Board of Directors and are payable on or before an individual's

first date of play. Special situations requiring more time for dues payment shall be brought to the Board of Director's attention by the individual. Membership commence upon payment of Annual Membership Dues.

ARTICLE III: MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS

Section 1. Meetings. All meetings must be conducted in accordance with Robert's Rules of Order. A member may vote only once on a particular action. Except as otherwise provided by law or by these bylaws, any action authorized by a majority of the votes cast at a meeting of members at which a quorum is present shall be the act of the members. A quorum is required for all meeting and shall constitute a majority (50% plus one) of the members present at the meeting.

Section 2. Annual Membership Meeting. The Annual Membership Meeting shall be held each year during the month of April.

Section 3. Emergency Membership Meetings. Emergency Membership Meetings shall be called by the Executive Board or at the discretion of the Commissioner. Written notice of the purpose, place, date, and time of any meeting shall be provided to the membership, not less than 7 days before the date of the meeting. The meeting announcement must be sent to the membership through established communication methods.

Section 4. Special Meetings. Special Meetings may be called by any member at any time and must meet these requirements:

1. A petition to hold the meeting must be signed by at least twenty percent of the membership prior to the meeting.
2. A copy of the signed petition must be provided to the CBVA Secretary prior to the announcement of the meeting.
3. The meeting must be announced to the membership according to Article III, Section 5.

Section 5. Notice of Meetings. Written notice of the purpose, place, date, and time of any meeting shall be provided to each member entitled to vote, not less than 14 days before the date of the meeting. The notice of the meeting must be sent to the membership through established communication methods.

Section 6. Voting. Each member is entitled to one vote per action at all membership meetings and elections. No proxy votes shall be allowed.

Section 7. Action by the Members. Except as otherwise provided by law or by these bylaws, any action authorized by a majority of the votes cast at a meeting of members shall be considered an act of the Association.

ARTICLE III: ELECTIONS

Section 1. Announcements. Announcements shall be made no less than 30 days prior to the election.

Section 2. Nominations. Nominations shall be submitted to the CBVA Secretary no less than 14 days prior to the election.

Section 3. Executive Board. The election of the Executive Board shall be conducted during weekly play following the Annual Membership Meeting.

Section 4. Board of Directors. The election of the Board of Directors shall be conducted during weekly play following the election of the Executive Board.

ARTICLE IV: EXECUTIVE BOARD

Section 1. Offices of the Executive Board. The Executive Board consists of a Commissioner, a Deputy Commissioner, a Secretary, and a Treasurer.

Section 2. Responsibilities. The Executive Board is CBVA's highest body of authority. The Executive Board has the authority to establish, by majority vote, appropriate procedures and written policies relating to all matters not expressly covered in the bylaws. The Executive Board shall document these policies and procedures. The Executive Board oversees the Board of Directors, convenes the Annual Membership Meeting, and conduct the annual Board of Directors election. The Executive Board maintains fiduciary accountability for CBVA.

Section 3. Term of Office. The Executive Board members shall hold office for a term of two years, beginning with the next fiscal year - June 1st. Each Executive Board member shall hold office until the expiration of the term for which he or she is elected or until his or her death, resignation, or removal. In the event that an Executive Board office is vacant, the Commissioner may appoint a qualified CBVA member to fill the position, and shall serve the duration of the term, and shall have the full rights and responsibilities as an elected Executive Board Member.

Section 4. Resignations. Any Executive Board Member may resign from office at any time by delivering a resignation in writing to the CBVA Secretary.

Section 5. Removal. Any Executive Board Member may be removed for cause by a majority vote of the entire Executive Board or during a special meeting of the membership in accordance with Article III, Section 4.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 12:00 PM.