



DDC MINUTES

Sept 25, 2014
Conference Call 12:00-1:30 EST

Thursday Sept 25, 12:00 – 1:30 EST

Attendees: Brian Newman (chair), Jason Trepanier, Chris Densmore, Jim Plakas, James Sneddon (staff)

Regrets: Angie Shen, Monette Boudreau-Carroll, Keith Hansen

1. Welcome and review of action items

2. NCCP updates

- Reviewed status of all programs. Setback with the Community course should not push back the launch of the program. Entering the testing phase for new Level 1 and 2 content.

3. LTAD

- Update: LTAD Strategic Plan. The group reviewed the plan and discussed challenges of implementation and potential next steps.
- Update: 2015 NTCC Proposal. The group reviewed and agreed to move forward with the proposal subject to VC budget, PTA support and confirmed locations.
- Update: Youth National Development Program. Program is underway with identified athletes receiving subsidies to VCCE programming and additional services lead by the VCCE Lead Coaches.

5. Club Accreditation

- Update: Pakmen & Ottawa Fusion clubs received grants of \$60,000 over three years to establish full time coaching positions. Volleyball Canada staff was a part of the hiring committee for Pakmen Volleyball along with the Ontario Volleyball Association. Volleyball Canada is currently in talks with Pakmen Volleyball Club in establishing the first High Performance Club.

6. Skill Development vs. Winning

- Examining the potential of taking statistics for one division, one tier of Indoor National Championships to provide awards for top passer, top server, top attacker, top blocker, and top setter. Researching website service to provide statistics via video submission.

7. Female Coach Recruitment Plan

- Reviewed *VC Female Coach Recruitment and Retention Plan* document.
- Volleyball BC volunteered to assign personnel to create and share a female coach recruitment plan for clubs.
- Further work is needed to establish steps to create more full time coaches at the youth level (16-18) as a legitimate job opportunity for female coaches.

8. 14U Fair Play rule

- An update from New Brunswick was provided regarding some clubs selecting fewer players to create an advantage within the 14U Fair Play rule. Further research is required to determine if the number of athletes participating at the 14U age group is going down in New Brunswick.



9. Concussion Policy update

- Research is underway in determining the education and experience requirements for Athletic Therapists at a National Championships.
- Reviewed *2015 VC Concussion Policy* document

10. Canada Games tournament structure (power pool formats)

- The Canada Games Council is encouraging NSO's to create more meaningful competition formats at the Games and reduce blowouts. The group reviewed the *Canada Games Draw and Schedule Principles* document. The group provided some edits and agreed to move forward with the guideline and submit to the Canada Games Council.

11. Cell phones and other devices on the bench

- The group briefly discussed potential actions that should be taken for coaches or athletes using cell phones or cameras with tripods on the bench. Further research will be provided at the next meeting on FIVB rules regarding this item.

Round Table: none

	ACTION ITEMS	BY WHOM	TIME LINE	ACTIONS Sept 19, 2014
	Compile a female coach recruitment plan for clubs and promote	VBC	Jan-15	IP
	Establish more (8) full time coach positions at the youth level	VC/ PTA's	2016	IP
	Further research on appropriate concussion policies and procedures in a National Championships setting, and provide samples.	Jim, Jason, Chris	Jul-14	IP

*IP – In Progress

C – Complete

Next Meeting: Nov 27, 2014. November in-person meeting potentially cancelled.