

**Oklahoma Region Volleyball Association
Board of Directors (2024-2025) Fourth Meeting
May 10, 2025**

MINUTES

Call to Order

David Blakemore

Meeting called to order 10:05

Roll call of board members – Guest Intro

David Blakemore

Members present:, Shawn McCarty, Margo Juergens, Darin Thompson, Janet Tyler, David Blakemore, Stephanie Kane, Bill Hamiter

Members absent:, Kristen Conventon, Mike Freeman, Cindy Maggart, , Lee Johnson, Ector Becerra, Randy Decker, Jeff Boyland, Asa Freeman

Guests Present: Pete Mills, Trey Potts, Derek Serowski

Staff Present: Jody Webber, Libby McCarty

Setting of Agenda

David Blakemore

Review/Approve Minutes from February 2nd Meeting

David Blakemore

Motion made to approve minutes by Bill Hamiter and second by Janet Tyler

REPORTS

Commissioner Report

Shawn McCarty

Highlights since the February 2, 2025 meeting

- Attended multiple tournaments
- Oversaw Rankings Tournament, 18s BQ and Regionals
- Worked on planning Beach Regionals
- Hired coaches for All Star Championships.
- Multiple calls with OKC Fairgrounds regarding Rankings Tournament
- Multiple calls with Tulsa Expo regarding Regionals
- Continued work on ROAS report. All required policies have been posted on website. We received confirmation from ROAS chair that we have met all our requirements.
- We have one coach who Safesport determined is ineligible. The coach and club have been notified.

Motion by Bill Hamiter seconded by Janet Tyler to approve Commissioner Report

Beach Report

Shawn McCarty

- We will be hosting Beach Regionals at the new Boombox Beach Volleyball facility in OKC. They opened for business this weekend.
- The event will be held the second weekend of June. We are moving weekends to get off the OSSAA's "dead period".
- We are anticipating a really good turnout based on being off of dead week and the event being held in a new facility will exceptional amenities.

- We are looking to host a Beach Officials clinic in conjunction with the event and possibly Para Beach Volleyball programming.
- We are hoping to have a clinic from college or possibly pro players.
- We have created a Beach Standing Committee consisting of the following –
 - Lee Johnson, Chair
 - Ector Becerra
 - Sarah Kling
 - Mia Burge
 - Clairra Warren

Motion by Janet Tyler seconded by Margo Juergens to approve Beach Report

HP/All Star Report

Janet Tyler/McCarty

- 2025 All-Star Championships will be in Madison Wisconsin
- 2026 All-Star Championships will be in Columbus Ohio. Tulsa put a bid in for 2026 but was not selected.
- Janet Tyler will lead our All-Star Delegation for 2025
- We have selected the following coaches for our coaching delegation
 - Anna Howle U13
 - Holly Beers U13-2
 - Jason Butch U17 or U15
 - Heath Kufahl U17 or U17
 - Sammy Duncan – Boys U15
 - Bryan Mosely – Boys U17
- All teams, except for girls U15 are full. We are working on filling the roster for this team.

Motion by Steph Kane seconded by Margo Juergens to approve All Star Report

Registrar Report

Libby McCarty

As of May 1, 2025 we have 5,826 total members. This is up from 5,655 total members in February 2025. This is a new record number of members. This is at least 20 straight years with record memberships. In the last month we have had 5 new club applications for next season.

Motion by Janet Tyler seconded by Steph Kane to approve Registrar Report

Treasurer's Report

Margo Juergens

Margo presented Financial reports (please refer to financial reports presented by Margo)

- 20250509 Balance Sheet Previous YTD Comparison
- 20250509 Transaction Detail by Account YTD
- 20250509 Profit & Loss Previous YTD Comparison
- 2024-2025 Accepted Budget with Actuals as of May 9, 2025
- BOK account balances

Motion by Bill Hamiter seconded by Janet Tyler to approve Treasurer Report

Officials Committee Report

Bill Hamiter

The three Regional official candidates (Joey Fitz, Dale Peters, Erin Roden) were successful in their evaluations!

Dani Newsom has been accepted to the USAV Junior National Candidate Camp at GJNC in Dallas, June 25-28, 2025. She plans to apply for Junior National Official certification in 2026 season. Michael Goodall had expressed interest in pursuing National Official certification, but did not complete his application for 2025.

Ric Washburn worked with me at OK Regionals with assigning Officials. Ric is an experienced official and is also the Officials Chair for HOA. He trained me on the system that he uses for assignments. The assigning was compounded with teams moving and officials canceling. Ric helped by recruiting officials from HOA. A total of 71 officials worked OK Regionals, some part-time, some Saturday only and some Sunday only. The staffing was further hindered by staffing the Sitting VB matches and the Regional candidates evaluations.

There has been renewed interest in Beach volleyball officiating. I have had discussions with Keith Murless, Director of National Beach Official Certification & Evaluation. He is working with me and Lee Chartier from Boombox to have a Beach Officials Training Clinic in Oklahoma. I am also recruiting a Beach Officials Chair for OKRVA.

Motion by Janet Tyler seconded by Bill Hamiter to approve Treasurer Report

Junior/Rankings Committee Reports

Jody Webber

Jody presented the final seeding report for the OKRVA Junior Regionals tournament.

Motion by Darin Thompson seconded by Steph Kane to approve Junior/Rankings Committee Reports

Structure and Function Committee Report

Darin Thompson

Nothing to report

Finance Committee Report

Margo Juergens

Nothing to report

Ethics & Eligibility Committee Report

Mike Freeman

Nothing to report

Website/Social Media Report

Blakemore/McCarty

David Blakemore is looking for potential candidates who will be responsible for posting on the OKRVA social media accounts. This is a budgeted paid position. As the candidate is hired we will let the BOD aware of this. At the current time David Blakemore is responsible for the updates.

NEW BUSINESS/MISCELLANEOUS

Exec. Committee Items

David Blakemore

- Funding for Second All Star Boys Team
- Funding for NAIA Beach Hospitality
- Sanctioning Event out of North Texas Region
- Transfer Request (Boys) Ayden Razo from Kaizen to Dynamite
- Tryout Parameters Modification (dead period)
- OK Premier 15 Diamonds fee for not playing 2 in-region events

Discussion Regarding New Tryout Parameters

David Blakemore

This was discussion only and nothing was finalized or need additional board discussion.

2026 Rankings/18s BQ/Regionals Update

Shawn McCarty

Shawn is going to request the dates for the next season's tournaments placed on hold in both Oklahoma City (possible Ok State Fair Grounds and Convention Center) and Tulsa (Sage Net Center). He will also be having discussions on fee negotiations.

Motion by Bill Hamiter seconded by Janet Tyler to approve 2026 Rankings/18s BQ/Regionals Update

ROAS Report Motion

David Blakemore

OKRVA passed the audit conducted by the ROAS committee with USAV.

All approved the ROAS Report Motion

In-State Alternate Tournaments

Shawn McCarty

Shawn will look for specific guidelines and will submit information to the junior committee for review.

Commissioner Election May 2025- May 2027

David Blakemore

Shawn McCarty nominated as the OKRVA Commissioner. Shawn elected unanimously as commissioner.

Election Committee for August Meeting

David Blakemore

The following members are up for election in August 2025, Asa Freeman, David Blakemore, Lee Johnson, Margo Juergens, Steph Kane, Mike Freeman

The Election Committee members are Darin Thompson, Janet Tyler, and Randy Decker to present candidates to for OKRVA BOD election in August 2025.

Motion by Margo Juergens seconded by Bill Hamiter to approve Election Committee

Set Date for August 2025 Meeting

David Blakemore

Date set for August 17, 2025 1:00pm at the Best Western, 315 N. Husband St., Stillwater, OK

Adjournment

David Blakemore

Meeting adjourned at 12:09pm