

Minutes

Monday, April 17th, 2023 @8:30 pm

Central Florida Division
Executive Committee Meeting

- **Call to Order** at 8:39 by Jenny Seachrist, others in attendance, Shanna Davis, Robert Szokolay, LeAnn James & Nestor Grajales
- **Consent Agenda**
 - Robert moved to approve minutes from January 30, 2022; Nestor seconded
- **New Business**
 - New Bylaws and Operating Guide -
 - Shanna related that the new bylaws that will be standardized across divisions and the accompanying template Operating Guide meant to house the nuance for each division will be sent out soon and adoption will be required by September 1st in the new season. The biggest change will be that all members of the Executive Committee (not just the officers) will be elected at the Annual Meeting (at the end of next season).
 - Referee Development Update -
 - Nestor and Shanna mentioned the advanced referee clinic sponsored by the division. Bill was able to update some pending referee ratings; the associated event did not have a high enough attendance to upgrade other ratings.
 - Financial Report -
 - Robert stated that as of Saturday afternoon the balance was \$20,268.
 - Jenny said that Winter Garden Fencing Academy covered the \$1,000 to Bill Becker for the 1st referee clinic and she will send a request to Robert, the treasurer, for reimbursement.
 - Jenny will reach out to Ken Lauver, the treasurer from last season, to request his last ledger document for Robert.
 - Summer Nationals Qualifier -
 - Jenny confirmed that any events that will be fenced will happen at Winter Garden Fencing Academy on Sunday, May 7th - the exact times will be posted once registration is closed - she requested Nestor's help with refereeing.

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- Discuss Sending Division Sponsored Teams to National events -
 - There are 12 team events on the schedule for [2023 Summer Nationals/ July Challenge](#). The fees for those events are as follows:
 - “So for **one team** to register, it is \$105 for the tournament fee and \$60 for the event fee (\$165 total). This is paid by the individual signing up the team and is all that is needed provided all team members are fencing in individual events. If there are any team members not fencing in individual events at the tournament, there would be an \$85 tournament fee required for that individual as well.” (Glen Hollingsworth, 12/14/22 via email)
 - Shanna and Nestor propose:
 - that the division pay the team tournament and event fee for no more than 1 team per team event (not to exceed \$165 per team) offered at Nationals. A prospective team should bring forward their request by May 7th in an email to the secretary. Each request should include
 - a team roster (4) denoting the team captain and citing the rating and club affiliation of each teammate as well as a coach willing to be present.
 - For the Senior Team events, each team member should have a rating of a C or greater for the weapon being fenced.
 - The Team Captain should have prior experience fencing a team event at some level.
 - Teams must consist of Central Florida Division members only and must include fencers affiliated with 2 or more Central Florida Division Clubs (primary or affiliate membership) and no more than 1 unattached individual.
 - Given that this involves division funds, the division officers will give final approval to any/all division sponsored team registrations.
 - Nestor moved to approve the above; Jenny seconded; all in favor; none opposed

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- Basic Armory Clinic for Fencers and Parents -
 - Nestor stated that he still needed to chat with Jenny and hammer out the details. They will put together a proposal for slack and any votes can happen there. The idea is it would be informal and be held after the Annual Meeting and before Summer Nationals.

- Division Championship Finale -
 - Shanna stated the dates and that the Annual meeting would be held in the morning on the second day
 - April 29th & 30th at Stoccata
 - Early bird fees end Wednesday April 19th.

- Call for Charles Johnson Sportsmanship Nominees -
 - Shanna reminded everyone that nominees are due April 20th and will be highlighted on the facebook page.

- Annual Meeting - April 30th at 8:30 a.m. at Stoccata
 - Discuss Agenda
 - Financial Report
 - Highlight that division funds were used to sponsor two referee clinics during the season and resulted in x number of referee ratings
 - Announce and affirm officers for next season
 - Share new Bylaws
 - Announce date of Armory Clinic

NEXT MEETING -