

## 2021 AAU VOLLEYBALL ANNUAL MEETING -- MINUTES

1. Set Dates for the 2022 season.
  - a. Jan 22/23 – 1st playing weekend
  - b. Gold Tournaments – age divisions announced once facilities secured
    - i. 4th Grade – March 26
    - ii. 5th Grade – March 26
    - iii. 6th Grade – March 26
    - iv. 7th Grade – April 2
    - v. 8th Grade – March 26
    - vi. 9th Grade – March 26
    - vii. 10th Grade – March 26
    - viii. 11th/12th Grade – March 26
2. Changes to discuss
  - a. 7th Grade will continue to play on the 7'2 net
    - i. We increase net height by 2 inches each year – developmental progression
      1. 4th Grade 6'8
      2. 5th Grade 6'10
      3. 6th Grade 7'0
      4. 7th Grade 7'2
      5. 8th Grade and above regulation
  - b. 6th Grade will continue to be allowed to take one step onto court when serving
    - i. 6th grade switches from the volleylite to regular ball – help with the transition
    - ii. You do not need to tape down a line – just allow one step over endline
  - c. 5th Grade will be allowed to take one step onto court when serving
    - i. They used the volleylite in 4th grade – transition to moving closer to serving line
  - d. 6th Grade will continue to use the regulation volleyball
    - i. Made allowance to serve a little closer
3. Verified Roster – will be used when entering tournaments
  - a. Instructions and video will be shared on how to create
4. Revisit who is required to officiate at each grade level
  - a. Encourage clubs to train individuals to officiate and keep score
  - b. You may have a player be the down ref – 4th grade and up, please have a strong up official who knows the rules if using a player for the down ref
  - c. 8th Grade and up may be the up official, but there must be an adult standing on the floor by the 8th grade up official.
5. Checklists are being created to guidelines for the following:
  - a. Tournament Directors
  - b. Club Directors
  - c. Coaches
  - d. Parents
  - e. Officiating
  - f. Scorekeeping
  - g. Line Judging

## 6. Gold Tournaments

### a. Locations

- i. 4th Grade – Lake City and Rockwell City
- ii. 5th Grade – Indianola
- iii. 6th Grade – Marshalltown
- iv. 7th Grade – Ankeny
- v. 8th Grade – Cedar Falls/DNH
- vi. 9th Grade – Hull
- vii. 10th Grade – Sioux City
- viii. 11th/12th Grade – Orange City

b. 6th/7th and 8th grade will need to qualify twice for the gold tournaments

c. Tournaments must have 5 teams to be qualifying tournaments next year

d. Number of qualifiers will be same as the 2020 season

## 7. Entry Fee

a. Should we consider increasing the cost of tournaments?

i. Regular Tournaments will stay \$75

ii. Gold Tournaments increase to \$150

1. Increasing cost for custodial/rental fees

## 8. Venmo Account

a. We will be setting up a venmo account to pay the \$50 hosting fee

b. All teams who host tournaments must pay this one time fee.

c. If you do not pay the fee your tournaments are not qualifying tournaments and teams cannot qualify for the gold tournament.

## 9. Ryzer

a. All sanctioned AAU Tournaments need to be listed on Ryzer

## 10. Club Teams

a. AAU teams should be teams from the same community or feed into the same high school. It is not meant for teams to have players from multiple school districts.

b. If your school district does not offer an aau volleyball program. You may participate on a nearby school aau program. All players from your school must participate with the same school.

## 11. Jewelry

a. It is highly recommended to not wear jewelry for the safety of players, however we will leave this up to the coaches. Tournament directors do not need to monitor.