



## Winnipeg Coed Volleyball League

**Date:** May 27, 2025

**Time:** 7:30 PM

**Location:** Valley Gardens Community Centre, 218 Antrim Road, Winnipeg MB.

**Present:** Marianne Salangang, Alexandra Murie, Julius De Castro, Faith Sebastian, Jay Fullante, Meredith Wood, Steve Dupont, Phil Dao, Jim Vuong

**Regrets:** None

- Meeting called to order by Marianne at 7:32 PM
- Introduction of the Executive Board Members

### President Report:

- Gyms we used this season: MBCI Red/Blue, CPET, Bernie Wolfe, Salisbury Morse.
- League is larger than it's ever been. Interest grew so much we added a Tier 19 and only had to say no to 2 new interested teams.
- Currently trying to acquire Dakota for the 2025-2026 season
- 4 tournaments completed this season: The Pink Tournament was a big success, we want to give a special thanks to all that joined in support of the Davidson Family.
- 3 Insurance claims filed.
- Motion to adopt President Report: 1<sup>st</sup> Steve Roberston 2<sup>nd</sup> Jordan, Motion Carries.

### Treasurer Report:

- As of April 30, 2025, the WCVL is in sound financial condition with net assets of approximately \$104,000.
- WCVL endeavours to break even each year. For the 2023-2024 season, the league ended the year with a deficit of over \$12,000. For the 2024-2025 season, we were able to increase our net income by about 200%, ending the year with a surplus of over \$12,000. The increase in net income can be attributed to a few significant events and transactions:
  - This season, the league had enough demand to allow for the addition of a 19th tier. This generated additional revenue of approximately \$11,600 over what was budgeted.
  - WCVL held four tournaments during the year which had strong attendance and generated about \$22,000 in tournament fees, an increase of over \$8,000 from last season.
  - Expenses remained generally stable and proportional, with the exception of insurance, which decreased by approximately \$2,000. Budgeted expenses for advertising and promotion (merchandise, etc.) was also minimal during the year, down \$4,000 from the last season.
  - WCVL's financial outlook is positive. We anticipate an increase in fees for the upcoming season, due to increases in referee fees and gym rental rates. Additionally, to ensure the league can maintain its current gym rentals, the Board intends to hire an attendant next season to monitor the proper handling of equipment during set-up and tear-down.
    - See financial report.
- Motion to adopt President Report: 1<sup>st</sup> Ernest Lacuna 2<sup>nd</sup> Dan Laroche, Motion Carries.

## Important Dates

- Beginning to Mid August = Returning Team Registration
- New Team Meeting = Aug 28
- Preseason tournament = Sept 14
- First game of the season = Sept 21:

## Open Floor/New Business:

- **Dakota:** If we are able to rent Dakota, we will remove SMP and reduce time at CPET.
  - **Tier 1 & 2 substitutions:** Tier 2 captains raised concerns about using regular substitutes who have since moved to Tier 1. Going forward, Tier 2 teams may continue using those now-Tier 1 substitutes.
  - **High Roller Tournament:** The league is considering a high roller tournament next season, with a higher entry fee and larger prize payout. Interest will be gauged at the start of the season.
  - **Gym Attendants:** The league is exploring hiring gym attendants specifically for RESTD gyms. All other locations will continue using the current gym closing procedures. This would help ensure proper closing and reduce concerns from the gyms.
  - **Open Mic: Equipment Concerns:** *"Gyms are complaining how we leave the gym on Sundays, but we need to see that these schools have better and safer equipment, specifically Bernie Wolfe"*. **Board Comments:** Marianne has been in contact with Bernie Wolfe, and they are considering improvements for next season. Our league still must continue to use our own equipment (including referee stands) and not the schools.
  - **Open Mic: Ball Retrieval Issues:** *"How do we get balls back from the schools?"*. Teams are finding it difficult to get their balls back from schools—responses are often delayed, and when balls are returned, they're sometimes damaged. **Board Comments:** Teams can reach out to the school directly about stuck balls but it's ultimately up to the gym when and how they retrieve them. Some schools wait until the end of the school year and use a cherry picker to get balls down from the ceiling.
  - **Open Mic: Season End Date:** *"When is the end date of the 2025-2026 season?"*. **Answer:** April 19<sup>th</sup>. The MVOA has requested a bye week in between rounds.
  - **Open Mic: Start Date/Season Extension:** *"How does the league feel about starting the season earlier instead of extending it?"* **Answer:** The board will explore available dates, contact our venues, and conduct a member poll over the summer.
  - **Action item (Board):** The Board will explore the feasibility of starting the league earlier and reach out to gym contacts to check for potential availability. If an earlier start appears possible, The Board will distribute a poll or survey to WCVL members to gather input on the proposed change.
- Meeting adjourned 7:48 PM
  - Teams to go to their convenor for registration.

