



Winnipeg Coed Volleyball League

Date: May 21, 2026

Time: 7:30 PM

Location: Valley Gardens Community Centre, 218 Antrim Rd, Winnipeg MB

Present: Marianne Salangsang, Alexandra Murie, Faith Sebastian, Jay Fullante, Steve Dupont, Phil Dao, Jim Vuong

Regrets: Meredith Wood, Julius De Castro

- Call meeting to order at: 7:32 PM by Marianne
- Motion to accept 2025 Fall Organizational Online Minutes_ 1stErnest Lacuna 2nd. Ryan Dingwall Motion Carries
- Introduction of the Executive Board.

President Report

- Gyms we used this season (MBCI Red, MBCI Blue, BWCS, CPET, Dakota, JP). Our apologies for the use of JP for playoffs. Our hands were tied as there was no other viable options with the league losing MBCI Red due to renovations. We will be back at MBCI Red in the next season and we are trying to work with other facilities, including Bison Run. It would be good to get some games out in that side of the city.
- The league completed 4 tournaments this season. One of the tournaments was a charity tournament for the Gift of Love and Hope. The league intends to continue hosting an annual charity tournament whenever possible.
- 5 Insurance files were submitted during the season.
- Hired 4 gym attendants this season and have had a very small amount of complaints from our permits vs previous seasons. This is working in our favour so we'll continue to have gym attendants
- Motion to accept President Report 1st Mark Cowell 2nd. Motion Carries

Treasurer Report:

- As of April 30, 2026, the WCVL is in sound financial condition with net assets of approximately \$99,500 (2025 - \$104,000).
- In the previous fiscal year, the league ended the year with a surplus of over \$12,000, which was largely attributable to the addition of a 19th tier. This year saw a deficit of approximately \$4,500. While we exceeded our budgeted revenue due to strong tournament enrolment, expenses were \$17,500 higher than what was budgeted for. The increase in expenses is primarily attributable to the following factors:
 1. Gym rental expenses increased significantly compared to last year. Rates continue to increase annually, and holding more tournaments will also drive increases in gym rental expenses.
 2. To ensure the league was able to retain its current gym rental agreements, we hired gym attendants who ensured that facilities were properly closed, among other responsibilities.
- The Board proactively increased league fees for the 2025-2026 season in anticipation of these two above-noted items. As a result, the league was able to stay close to our goal of breaking even despite the increased expenses. Overall, WCVL's financial outlook is positive going into fiscal 2027.
- Cannot make any statements on fees for next year as of today but we should not see any significant changes

Motion to accept Treasurer Report 1st Dan Laroche 2nd. Cory Lachance

Important Dates:

- Beginning of to Middle of August: Returning team registration
- New Team Meeting: Aug 27, 2026, Boston Pizza Regent
- Preseason Tournament: Sept 13, 2026
- First game of the 2026/2027 season: Sept 20, 2026

Open Floor/Open Business

- **Volleyball Canada Ceiling Rule Update:**

A new Volleyball Canada ceiling exception rule came into effect in 2026. The league chose not to implement the rule mid-season but will implement it for the upcoming season to be consistent with the MVOA. Under the new rule: If the ball contacts the ceiling or overhead objects **on the same side of the court as the team playing the ball**, play continues. If the ball contacts a wall, other non-playable objects, or crosses the plane of the net after contacting the ceiling/overhead objects, the ball is out of play. **Motion:** Effective for the upcoming season WCVL will adopt the new Volleyball Canada ceiling rule to align WCVL rules with MVOA officiating.

- **Scent-Free Environment**

Janet raised concerns from members of her team regarding strong scents during Sunday league play. She asked if the league could encourage participants to be as scent-free as possible.

Response: The league will send a reminder to teams and include a scent-free request in league emails, asking members to be mindful of players with scent sensitivities.

Action Item: Include a scent-free reminder in preseason and league communications.

- **Official Game Ball**

A question was raised about whether the league will continue using Tachikara volleyballs. At this time the league will continue using Tachikara balls. The quality and durability of the balls (Tachikara) have declined with an increasing number being returned as defective and becoming more difficult to source. The possibility of switching to another official game ball was discussed. Potential options include **Mikasa**, **Molten**, or remain with **Tachikara**. If a change is approved, a transition season may be required.

Action Item: Distribute a survey before the season begins to allow members to vote on the official game ball.

- **Substitution Rule Review**

Discussion took place regarding relaxing the current substitution rules. While Tiers 1–2 and Tiers 17–19 have specific substitution rules, teams in the middle tiers expressed concerns about having a limited pool of eligible substitutes despite the league's substitute list. A proposal was made to allow teams to use substitutes from **one tier below, their own tier, or one tier above**. For Tiers 15–19, teams would be permitted to use substitutes from any team within Tiers 15–19.

Motion: Amend the substitution policy as proposed. 1st Janet Jardine 2nd Matt Di Ubaldo.

Action Item: Send a league-wide vote to members before the season begins regarding the proposed relaxed substitution rules and amend the policy as needed.

Meeting adjourned at: 7:52 PM- Teams to go to their tier convenor and pick up their cheques/winnings.