## AEC Conference Call October 20, 2013

## Attendees:

Karen Krsak Jackie Callendar Jim McKee Steve Vaitones Marlene Atwood Scott Erwin Herb Nichols Monique White

Pam BetzVal FossPat PrettyLinda BommicinoDesiree FriedmanAlan RothKatherine BranchMike HinzDave Shrock

Conference call began at 8:05 pm ET.

**Association Grants** – the subcommittee met and recommended awarding \$20,000 instead of \$15,000, but they have not had a final decision on this yet.

**Accreditation Subcommittee** – will meet at the Annual Meeting and will focus on the Plans for Improvement that were requested to be submitted by December 1<sup>st</sup>.

Permanent Membership Numbers – will start to be issued on Nov. 1, 2013. The number will no longer indicate the Association or the expiration date. The National Office did a great deal of research with the Associations before starting this, and they have had very positive feedback. All multi-year memberships will roll over as they always have. The expiration date will be indicated on the confirmation letter. National is working with the Officials Committee so they can get the membership database and the official's database talking to each other. Your number will never be reused, so it can lapse but be re-established if you later renew. Also, we will all have to input security questions/answers so that you can immediately get your password if you have forgotten it. Coaches will no longer be able to put their personal information into each athlete's membership. Any youth member will not be allowed to have an email address that matches their coach's addresses. Coaches are legally required to have a waiver from each parent to sign off on their submitting a child's membership. Renewal reminders will be sent out. There are currently no plans to implement a rolling 12 month membership; memberships will still expire at the end of 2014.

**Sanctions** – New England is still getting about half their sanctions via paper. Pacific agreed with this and they also have the stipulation that there is an assigned medical person in place before the sanction can be approved. Florida reported about 40% still via paper. Jackie said the Border Association reported a glitch in the system, but Desiree was not aware of it. She will check on it. Georgia reported a certain amount of user error that Carmen has had to manually fix, and post event reports are coming back on paper. There is also an issue with the Association credit card being charged when the number of participants went over the original sanction.

**JW Marriott** – reports that rooms for the Annual Meeting are already booked up and there are absolutely no rooms. Desiree reported that some additional rooms were released on Friday, and they are looking at getting more hotels. There is a huge football event in town that weekend, so that is causing a problem. A large number of rooms are on hold for the AAC athletes, as well. And there are a couple of other groups like that. There are rooms available at the JW Marriott, but at double the rate.

**On-line Annual Meeting forms** – documentation like by-laws, financials, etc., will not be required until after the New Year. This is a change from previous years.

**On-line Voting** – Dave Shrock will speak at the AEC meeting so we can understand how on-line voting can be done successfully. This will be a big topic of discussion for our meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 9:17 pm. The next meeting will be in person on Thursday, Dec. 4, 2013, at the Annual Meeting.

Submitted by Linda Bommicino, Secretary