



2017 Officers Report Washington D.C.

Commissioner's Report

Welcome to Washington D.C.! It has been quite another interesting year for USADB. We hope you enjoy your weekend and may the best teams win!

Last year, the tournament in St. Louis went well but not as successful as we hoped in terms of finances. As you know Secretary Carl Denney, quietly resigned from board after three months. Frances realized that she could not continue being on board as Public Relations. We continue to experience challenges as we seek for this year's tournament sites. We advertised for tournament director but was not able to find anyone.

National Program Activities:

Big thanks to Chuck Wallace for willing to help out as he is not identified as tournament director this year. Big Thanks to Joey Baer for all the help and hard work with seeding and bracket. We acknowledged that the past two weeks has been whirl wind among coaches and we are always working on improvements in making the tournament as successful as possible. After this tournament is over, we do have a new tournament director for 2018.

Region Issues:

This has been an unusual year. Welcome back FAAD. It seems this year each region have their own challenges and thanks to those who worked closely with USADB to communicate issues and consultations.

International:

USADB International hosted PanAm Games in Maryland at Maryland School for the Deaf in order to qualify for Deaflympics. They did good job and the men's team won gold. There was no competition for women's team but they did have their try-outs at the same time.

With the ongoing situation in Turkey, both men and women's team had to withdraw from Deaflympics due to safety. There is a fine in place for withdrawal and if they decided to hold off and wait until now, the fine would've doubled. USADSF is currently working to see if they could get the fines reduced some but we wouldn't know for another month.

In the meantime, U21 will be hosted at Gallaudet University in July 2018.

Youth:

This year All-Star is pretty exciting! 10th anniversary! This is the first time we have gone over the numbers! We have 22 girls and 27 boys, exceeding the numbers. Jeremias has been doing great job, even at the last minute to put this together due to unexpected challenges from Gallaudet University.

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