NCTTA Championship Meeting March 3, 2009

In attendance: Willy Leparulo, David Del Vecchio, Francois Charvet (late), Joe Wells, Scott Ryan, Ben Boldt, John Larsen, Julie Haldeman, Kagin Lee, Ed Hogshead, Mitch Siedenfeld

Missing: Misha Kazantsev

Hotel Update (Julie)

-As of March 3rd 2009 only a pickup of 21 rooms out of 60 or so available; Julie is not concerned as ppl wait until last minute generally

-Meeting space is reserved at Kahler from 6-10pm on Friday

-Julie is requesting the 75 dollar economy room night be added to website

-Rooming lists from Joe Wells; announces to have everyone contact him to get the rooming list figured out; talks with Mitch about umpires and NCTTA will sponsor the lodging at expensive hotel and allow student athletes to get rooms at cheaper hotels

Banquet information

-Joe has been talking with Phyllis about the banquet, it is in a new room this time in the Kahler, which is a bigger space

Transportation (Julie)

-she says everything is the same just needs our tournament times to work around

-will have bus for everyone from airport to hotel and hotel to playing site

Volunteer Update (Mitch)

-Mitch talks about having the same support from volunteers this year as last year; had questions about reserving out of town umpires rooms

-lots of umpires from twin cities, concern about umpires and the gluing factor; mitch is trying to see about more volunteers from the TT club at the Rochester Technical college as well

-Venue setup was discussed; Ben Boldt to double check with facility

-Ed H suggests on volunteer part 3 things

a) Practice attendant be available to coordinate practice area

b) Control on field of play...more control on who has access to inner part of table area

c) Umpires with more experience

-WL brought up the announcer issue since we lost Mike Meier this year; Joe Wells could do it but would like to see someone else step up if possible

-WL also brought up concerns about who can work Registration

Volunteer Umpires:

-experience with gluing rules; 5/6 people prepared to do racquet testing; officials meeting on Thursday evening; 4 out of state umpires available and there will be a good number of pre training with Mitch and Kagin

Kagin's questions

-Someone to run the tournament b/c Dan is alone

-Ask Dan what could be done to help make things better

-Rosters?

Ben Boldt's Stuff

-Ben Boldt will handle event logo with their guy as well as handling the programs and handbook printing; also will be coordinating tournament T-shirts also is talking with Francois Charvet about it

-Also Lunch will be box lunches but we will scale it back to prevent waste and extra money waste

-Trophies were sent on, need names by next Wednesday to Ben

-talked about staff polo's, need to get numbers about that

Sport Medicine (CPR/First Aid)

-we have access to bags of ice, scott Ryan is certified as well and current and we could save the 25 dollars an hour; also check with mitch to see if person volunteer has this as well

Registration

-Will there be athlete bags and what to do put in there...yes there will be and Ben and company will help organize that; NCTTA also needs to include what things will go where (handbooks, etc.)

Gluing Policy

-Random Testing in ACUI RR nixed

-How is random testing done? Kagin will mark the slip where the random test will be done

-10 min. prior to each round everyone shows up and certain ppl are tested, those that don't show up and are supposed to be tested, will be tested after the match

Meeting Adjourned 11:23pm