

Membership Office Hours Notes

24 June 2023

Bones, WFTDA Senior Director of Global Programs, and Lois Slain, WFTDA Board of Directors, met with members of Atlanta Roller Derby (Atlanta, GA, USA), NOVA Roller Derby (Leesburg, VA, USA) and Discordias Roller Derby (Mexico City, Mexico).

Things we discussed:

New rankings system

- Atlanta has had a lot of gameplay this year. We discussed how we want to have regional roundtables in the near future (July timeframe?) to discuss how it is going. Bones suggested that we do it after Competitive Play finishes their analysis of rankings so far and perhaps we can have CP representatives in each roundtable.
- **ACTION ITEMS:** Board to schedule regional roundtables and Bones to work with CP on the report and to see if they can attend.

South Region Hosting

- We do not have a host for the South Region yet, though we do have interest from a couple leagues, including Atlanta.
- Atlanta wanted information on broadcast requirements as the smaller venues have less space for things like scissor lifts. Bones will reach out to Broadcast to get more information.
- **ACTION ITEMS:** Bones and CP to work with leagues in this region to secure a location. Bones to reach out to Broadcast about requirements.

Officials recruiting and education

- Atlanta suggested the idea of setting up officiating education, clinics and even scheduling regionally.
- This brought up discussion about microregions and collaborative work like what is being done with [California Derby Galaxy](#) in the Bay Area, CA, USA.
- DC/MD/VA area leagues are having some discussion about coordinating in a similar fashion to CDG.
- The Board wanted to do a panel discussion with CDG and other groups who have collaborated successfully to see how things work and if this is something that can be more formally set up in other areas. We will look to do this in 2023.
- **ACTION ITEMS:** WFTDA to set up panel discussion about collaboration.

Mexico Update

- Discordias decided to join the North America - South region because travel to much of Latin America (Chile, Argentina) is very expensive. Colombia and Mexico can travel more cheaply.
- There have been issues securing visas to come play in the US. About 60% of the team have visas so they are hopeful they can travel soon. (Some members played on the MRDA team that went to Pittsburgh, PA, USA this weekend.)
- **ACTION ITEMS:** Bones to share this information with Competitive Play.

Insurance Question

- NOVA asked about Level 3 Juniors being able to play adults, if WFTDA Insurance had plans to extend coverage to match what USARS has.
- The issue is that older L3 Juniors on USARS insurance can have more play opportunities, whereas those on WFTDA insurance have to travel to USARS leagues further away to play.
- WFTDA gave WFTDI contact information to allow NOVA to share this feedback directly.

If you have any membership questions, you can reach Bones at memberservices@wftda.com or bones@wftda.com.