

WITT Meeting Hawaii November 2006

Present: Beth Palmer, Chairman, Rosanne Pollack, Gail Greenberg, Sylvia Moss, Peggy Sutherlin, Cheri Bjerkan, and Nadine Wood.

The meeting was devoted to discussing the shortage of money in the USBF, particularly in running trials for all the events, and ways to cut costs in general. Our primary suggestions were:

1. Get rid of the extra trials in the Rosenbloom and McConnell year. These events are open to everyone. This affects just the Open since the Women and Seniors have never held a trials on this year. The makeup of teams are constantly changing and many might welcome not having an "extra" year of commitment to a particular team.
2. Cut back on coffee, soda and other drinks that are purchased from the hotel. There is always a place in the hotel to purchase coffee (restaurant, bar). Hiring a caddy with the sole responsibility of servicing the players from the nearest facility is a lot cheaper than paying the big prices the hotel charges to have coffee in the room.
3. Piggyback with a Regional which is what the WITT and Seniors have usually done.

The next meeting will be held on Friday, March 16 at 11:30 p.m. in the Lafayette Room on the Mezzanine level of the Renaissance Grand Hotel in St. Louis.