



## ACV Newsletter - October 2020



### Thank You!!!

Thank you to everyone for your flexibility and willingness to deal with the schedule changes and the different requirements you may be encountering at the various schools. It is deeply appreciated! Remember, the season will run later than normal this year. Please keep your availability accurate through December 7-8. That will be the final days of playoffs (State Semi-Finals due to the State Tournament consisting of only the single Finals match at each level).

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### October Chapter Meeting

Don't forget the October General Meeting is coming up the following week on:

- Wed 10/7 General Meeting

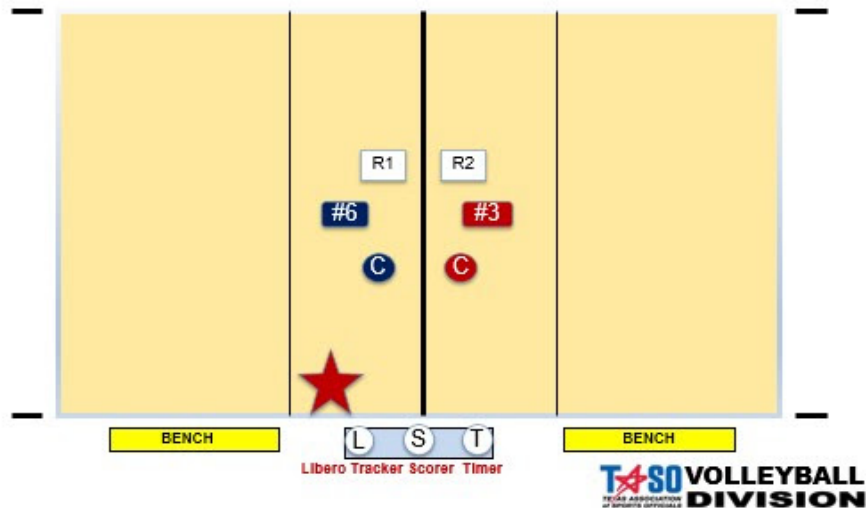
This meeting is mainly for our new officials. Mentors are asked to attend as well.

You can find the Webex links on the [Webex Page](#) as well as the ACV Calendar. For up to the minute updates you can simply [subscribe](#) to the ACV Google Calendar.

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# Scorer, Tracker, Timer



## Officials Table

You should remember the above slide from the TASO Rules Considerations when you completed your clinics. We have said that it is not the official's responsibility to enforce UIL/TAPPS Covid-19 guidelines, i.e. benches, coaches, spectators, wearing masks, social distancing, etc. However, the scoring table is actually part of the officiating crew and thus we are to enforce the NFHS Covid-19 Considerations put out by TASO. Please just inform the coaches that we cannot have anyone other than the Libero Tracker, Scorer and Timer at the table. With all that said, keep in mind that many schools have extra long tables or 2 tables pushed together or other configurations. If it's an extra long table (stretches from attack line to attack line), then just designate 1/2 or 2/3's of it as the scoring table. We are only enforcing the personnel at the the scoring table. Who sits at the adjacent table is not our concern. The bottom line, we want to be reasonable in our application of the rules so as not to cause more friction with the coaches while maintaining a safe environment for all participants, including you. We are there to facilitate the match, not be the Covid-19 police. We've added some [additional information on the ACV website](#), under the Covid-19 tab, to help clarify the application of this rule.

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## October is Breast Cancer Awareness Month.

You should have received an email from TASO regarding Breast Cancer Awareness month. We all know that pink whistles, lanyards, flags are all fine during the month of October. However, there is some confusion regarding this statement from the TASO email: *"Some schools may wear tiny ribbon tattoos during the month of October. This would be fine since the tiny ribbon tattoos would be no different than a school mascot tattoo. (none painted on face or body)."*

**Gloria Cox clarified; "They can be sticker like since we will not examine them too closely."**

In other words, let's not be too picky on this. If you have questions please contact Christle - [ACV VP/Trainer](#).

Send pictures if you have a specific instance you need clarified. Remember, unless there's a safety issue; i.e. glitter, sequins, etc. err on the side of let them play. We have added [PDF document](#) on the ACV Website, FAQ, with some further information on this.

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## Board of Directors Election

The 2020 election will be conducted similarly to the 2019 election. Voting will commence on Friday, November 6th and conclude at midnight on November 12th.



All voting will be conducted online through the Member's Portal on the TASO website. We will be voting on the following positions.

- Vice President
- Recording Secretary
- Assigner
- At-Large Rep #2
- At-Large Rep #1 (Remainder of term)

Nominations can be sent to Philip Franco at [pfreflife@aol.com](mailto:pfreflife@aol.com)

## Announcement

Patrick Kinast (ALR #1) has regrettably had to resign his position due to work and personal reasons. He has pledged to continue to support the chapter in any way he can. We thank him for his time and commitment to ACV. Rhiannon Stracener has agreed to be appointed to step in until an election can be held.

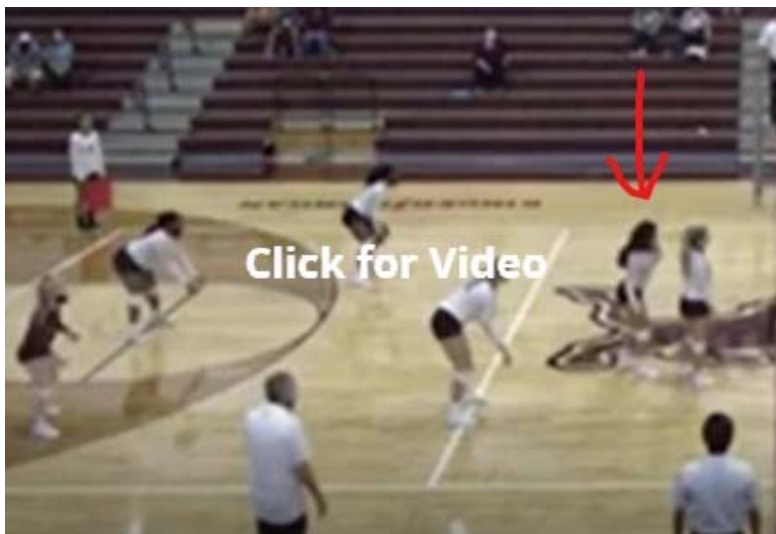
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## Assigner Reminders

- Be sure to read all match notes as there may be information posted as to the schools COVID screening and precautions.
- Be sure to check Travel and game fees and notify Janiece if you feel any are incorrect. Schools are paying what is listed in Arbiter.
- Remember, officials are to be dressed and ready at courtside at least 30 minutes prior to match time. If you are running late, please communicate with your partner and Janiece.
- The 2nd Assigning fee invoice will be generated on 10/1 and will be due before 10/11.



[Click to update Arbiter](#)



## What's the Call?

Setter on left is middle back.

- A. Illegal Alignment?
- B. No positional fault, play on?

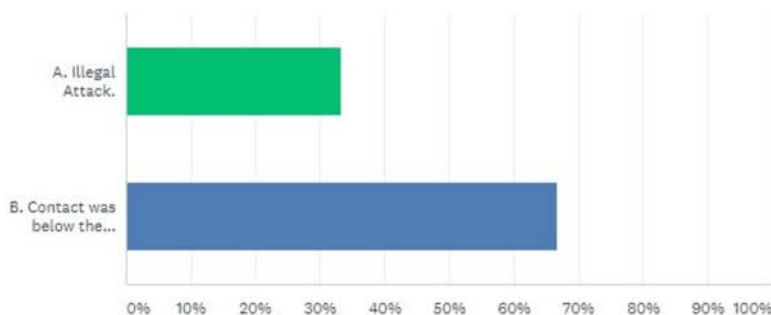
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## September - What's the Call survey results.

2/3 said the setter was below the height of the net and play should continue.

WHAT WAS ACTUALLY DONE: R1 called an illegal attack. This is an excellent illustration of differing perspectives. (Click on the graph if you want to view the video again).



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
▼ A. Illegal Attack.	33.33%
▼ B. Contact was below the height of the net, Play ON!	66.67%

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