



# JVA Board Candidate

## Troy Gilb

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**How many years have you been a JVA member?**

15 years

**Please explain how you have supported the Junior Volleyball Association**

Since the JVA's inception I have been a big supporter of the JVA's mission of growing and improving junior volleyball. Our club was a founding member of what was the JVDA at that time and we have consistently been one of the few clubs in the country to compete in a full JVA/AAU schedule. Along with my support for girls volleyball, I have helped facilitate the push to move boys volleyball towards the JVA & AAU and have been a strong advocate for change in how boys volleyball is viewed locally and nationally.

SPVB has sent a very large number of teams to the JVA World Challenge year in and year out, hosted JVA sanctioned events as well as support the JVA Boys Showdown in MoTown. We have been a huge supporter of the JVA since the beginning and continue in that support.

**Describe your experience in the volleyball industry, including any volunteer leadership experience, such as board, committees, offices, etc.**

I have been involved in volleyball for over 33 years. I started my own club program out of college and have been in leadership positions within the various organizations & clubs that I have been a part of. I have never held a board position but I feel that my experience in coaching and directing both boys and girls programs makes me a unique candidate. I have been involved with USA Volleyball, the JVA and AAU with both boys and girls and have seen the growth and development of the sport through all lenses. I have been a coach, director and now business owner and can bring a unique perspective and experience to a board position.

**If nominated and elected to serve, which areas would you feel you could make the greatest contribution?**

I believe that I can serve as an independent voice for a multitude of issues regarding girls and boys volleyball. My experience can lend a unique perspective to the board because I have worked on both the girl's and boy's sides of volleyball. I can separate the issues that affect both sides as well as see the similarities of each.

**What personal qualities will you bring to the Board?**

I believe that I am a strong leader and a forward thinker. I am willing to listen to what others offer without judgement while at the same time expressing my beliefs in a respectful manner. I have been involved in volleyball my whole adult life and I have seen the changes this great game had made over the many years of my involvement in it.