



WWCA November Meeting Agenda

Friday, November 1, 2019
WWCA Convention, Green Bay, WI
8:00 am



Meeting Objective: Last minute clinic needs, GM HOF display, constitution process, girls wrestling plan. Meeting to dismiss by 10:30 AM.

Call to order/Welcome (Pete Moe)—Attendance (Ryan Gerber)

In Attendance: Peter Moe (*President*), Wendall Bean (*President-elect; Convention*), Randy Ferrell (*Past-President*), Bob Empey (*Treasurer*), Ryan Gerber (*Secretary*), Chris Hansen (1), Pat Ratkovich (2), Jason Lulloff (3), Justin Lancaster (4), Curtis Fiedler (5), John Schimming (6), Craig Austin (7), Kevin Koch (8), Mike Arendt (*Officials*), Teague Fenwick (*Challenge Series Co-Coordinator*), Matt Halter (*Web Director*), Tom McGarvie (*Alumni/HOF*), Tim Potratz (*Awards*), Jason Stromberg (*Publicity*), Matt Verbeten (*WWF*)

Not in Attendance: none

Voting Procedure

- Will be getting notes from the November meeting on 11/1
- 8 Day window to review November notes ends on 11/8
- 2 Day window for voting opens at 8 AM on 11/9 and closes at 8 AM on 11/11

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****The survey is TURNED OFF until after the 8 day review period****

1. Call to order/Welcome (Pete Moe) - Attendance (Ryan Gerber)

2. Reports

- Secretary's Report (Ryan Gerber)
 - Review of acceptance/process from emails
 - Past Minutes - [September Minutes](#)
 - September's Meeting Minutes unanimous

Motion to approve: Curtis Fiedler, Second: Jason Stromberg, Vote: Unanimous, 20-0-0

- Treasurer's Report (Bob Empey)
 - Report: Current funds: \$35,979.57
 - Details by request to President

Motion to approve: Jason Stromberg, Second: Randy Ferrell, Vote: Unanimous, 20-0-0

- President's Report - Web Director and Challenge Series update (Pete Moe)
 - Matt Halter, Web Coordinator - Fond du Lac
 - Teague Fenwick, Challenge Series - Holmen

- iii. Mike Arendt, Officials Rep- Oak Creek

3. Old Business

- a. Clinic needs (Wendall Bean)
 - i. [Staff Intro Sign Up](#)
 - 1. Wendall Bean has bios on all presenters - binders at registration (please bring back)
 - 2. Presenters don't have bios, just clinicians - Be sure to talk with the presenters prior to the session
 - 3. Be sure to keep the presenter on time - let them know when the end of their session is coming (tight schedule)
 - ii. ID tag (red) and beer mug (12 oz)
 - iii. Need more mats for sessions (Green Bay has brought 2 in the past, 1 this year)
 - iv. 375/380 clinic registrations 8:30 am (roughly about same as 18-19)
 - 1. Some haven't paid yet so some might be no-shows
 - 2. May include repeats
 - 3. May have last minute walk-ups
 - v. NWCA Leadership Academy session - 61 people in the session this morning
 - vi. Wisconsin RTC session has been dropped - miscommunication
 - vii. Raffle Help
 - viii. Banquet - roughly 450 as of 8:30 am - lower than in years past
 - ix. Requested phone numbers of Executive Committee members
- b. Banquet needs (Tom McGarvie)
 - i. Pete, Jason, and Craig will take care of setting up Hall of Fame display for the banquet
 - ii. Jason to meet Hall of Famers
 - iii. Need somebody to take banquet tickets (6:30 pm) - Pat Ratkovich
 - iv. Don Hale will be at the Hall of Fame table throughout
 - v. Collections Policy will be mailed to executive committee for Hall of Fame
- c. Officials update (Mike Arendt)
 - i. Saturday - clinic; 8 presenters - 4 different break-outs (9-1p)
 - ii. Roughly 100 pre-registered w/ more coming
 - 1. Numbers will probably be down this year due to the WIAA calendar shift - fall sports still going on
 - 2. Roughly 30% of Wisconsin's officials will be here
 - iii. Drastic need for officials statewide - average age of official in WI is approx 58 years old**
 - iv. Rules video is up and ready to go
 - v. Mike Blasyck transitioning out of his position and Mike Arendt taking over following this season
 - vi. Hair coverings is a point of emphasis this year given change in rule - regardless of new designs, the rule that head coverings must be attached to the ear guards is intact.
 - vii. Officials will be doing a presentation to coaches on Saturday at 8:10 am
 - viii. Boundary line rule change from last year will continue to be a point of emphasis to ensure consistency in administration and coaching
 - ix. National Federation rule changes heavily influenced by Wisconsin - Head, Neck, Cervical rule

1. Wisconsin is in compliance - we have a vote now at the National level
2. If you have ideas, thoughts, feel free to contact Mike for consideration
- x. SE Wisconsin - partner refs with teams to come to the team early in the year and discuss with the team regarding rule changes, questions, etc.
 1. Serves as a recruiting tool for refs
 2. Mike Arendt will be selective in choosing which refs go to which programs
 3. Help pair young officials with veteran officials
- xi. Coaches input is very necessary for the promotion of good, young officials - please provide input!
 1. Question was asked as to the status of the mentor program, "Aspiring Officials," and whether or not it still existed.
- xii. Current wrestlers can get registered to officiate through the WIAA for free - can ref youth, middle, and JV wrestling**
- xiii. Discussed the selection process for sectional, team sectional, state, and team state tournament officials
 1. State level officials must have a minimum score of at least 5.0 plus having worked a minimum of at least 3 sectionals
- d. George Martin HOF Display Overage Cost (Pete Moe)
 - i. [Proposal](#), [Invoice](#), [Invoice 2](#)
 - ii. In July, Board approved \$6,084 allocation for the construction of the display
 1. Changes to location required additional fees; originally was supposed to be on 'west' wall, however, after consideration, too many issues were presented once this was looked at (fire ALARM on wall, additional electrical issues, etc). New display rests on top of original display requiring additional labor and scaffolding.
 2. Electrical upgrades were additional fees
 3. Original approval costs have been paid; voting regarding paying for overage costs
 - iii. Discussion
 1. Overage in this case was 33% of already approved funds
 2. Does the board have a policy regarding future projects for overages?
 - a. Procedure necessary to have board approval prior to constructing and paying for overages
 - b. What does this policy look like?
 - iv. Wendall Bean - WWCA should send a letter of thanks to Chula Vista for allowing this display
 - v. Display Pictures [\(1\)](#) [\(2\)](#)

Motion to approve paying for overage costs: Pat Ratkovick, Second: Randy Ferrell, Vote: Unanimous, 20-0-0

- e. Constitution presentation/process (Pete Moe)
 - i. Procedure
 1. Changes will be discussed at the annual meeting for a vote
 2. Hard copies made for people at the luncheon
 3. Want to get a vote on everything at once rather than separate votes
 - a. If membership wants to go item by item, they can vote to do this
 - i. Will take longer

- ii. If no motion to approve from membership, executive members need to motion so item "dies in vote, not on the floor prior to motion"
- f. Girls wrestling plan (Jason Lulloff/Pete Moe)
 - i. Idea presented to WIAA
 - 1. Only issue that Dave Anderson/Wade Lubecki had was females having an option - they want females to declare either competing in boys or girls prior to the individual tournament starting
 - a. If a female wrestler made a choice to compete in the female postseason, they could still participate in the Team Sectional but not the male regional
 - b. No other sport within WIAA allows a participant to compete in two divisions at the same time
 - 2. Most items seemed to go over well with Dave Anderson/Wade Lubecki
 - 3. If awarded a Sectional, hosts would have both the male and female events in the same place
 - ii. Presentation at Convention by Jason Lulloff
 - iii. Number discrepancy between WWCA and WIAA over how many female wrestlers there were (WIAA used data gathered by HS ADs only - some schools didn't even get reported (Holmen) - many discrepancies statewide)
 - iv. [Jason's Convention Presentation](#)
- g. Wendall Bean
 - i. WWCA shirts for exec membership @ registration
 - ii. Bring raffle prizes to registration area
 - iii. New registration team this year, please avoid this area - thanks!
 - iv. Concordia provided assistance with moving mats and will assist clinicians with demonstrations as needed.**
 - v. Youth clinic was dropped for this year
 - 1. Only 7 registrants
 - 2. Several reasons possible for why numbers were so low this year
 - 3. Purpose of youth clinic was:
 - a. To attract youth coaches to the convention
 - b. Alternative fundraising opportunity
 - c. Benefit youth wrestling and help kids

4. New Business

- a. WWF Update - Matt Verbeten
 - i. Dates
 - 1. Girls folkstyle state tournament this year - March 8 @ UW-SP
 - 2. Youth team state tournament - March 8 @ Marshfield
 - 3. Dominate in the Dells - March 14-15 at Chula Dome
 - 4. Kids state qualifiers - March 20-21
 - 5. Kids state tournament - March 27-28
 - 6. WWF Freestyle/Greco Qualifiers - May 2-3
 - 7. Northern Plains - May 16-17
 - 8. Kids National Championship - July
 - ii. Safe Sport Registration/Training required for each club

- b. Public Relations update - Jason Stromberg
 - i. Struggling with sponsorships
 - ii. Cannot sell merch/products in the Nicholas Suite
 - 1. UW policy
 - 2. Not finding it financially beneficial to sponsor w/o being able to sell merch
 - iii. Need to look at alternative sources - need value-add for sponsors
- c. Limit of scrimmages per season - Pat Ratkovich
 - i. Other states allow a higher number of scrimmages, especially during the holiday season.
 - ii. Maybe we should look at the current language on events allowed, duals and tournaments
 - iii. Matches are scarce in some cases due to numbers issues - could scrimmages allow more opportunities for kids; match allotments language also
 - 1. Are teams taking advantage of scrimmage opportunities as currently allowed
 - 2. The allowance for teams with 8 or less kids can practice with another team - this number is fairly low and in some cases, unmanageable
 - a. Logistics
 - b. Travel

5. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn: Curtis Fiedler, Second: Matt Verbeten, Vote: Unanimous, 20-0-0

Next Meeting: Saturday, February 29, 2020 at 7:00 AM at the Kohl Center