

WEVA Meeting Minutes

Date: July 12, 2010

Time: 6:08 PM

Present: R. Majeski, J. Hughes, S. Seabridge, J. Newland, T. Weislo, R. Lucci, C. D'Errico

Excused: F. Chase

Late: L. Schoenl

Welcome & Thank You (S. Seabridge)

- Fred Chase submitted voting proxy to John Hughes.
- Request from C. D'Errico to add discussion about Jr. issues from previous meeting to the Jr. report.
- Motion: Approve previous meeting minutes as presented... 1st S. Seabridge/2nd T. Weislo/ Passed (7-0-0).

Registrars Report (J. Hughes)

- 22 registered since last meeting.
- 64 more total than previous season (predominantly from the Junior community).

Financial Report (J. Hughes)

- Dionne is authorized to get the latest copy of Quickbooks, as recommended by the tax consultants.
- Sports Courts income has stopped.
- On-line Region Store expenses for this season were paid for on last season's budget. This explains the large discrepancy between this season's expenses and income for the Region Store. An order for next season will be paid for this August.
- WEVA savings: \$13,296.10
- WEVA checking: \$88,897.16
- M&T Free checking (Scott): \$4826.24
- CD#2333: \$24,470.98
- CD#3505: \$12,744.98
- CD#3513: closed \$0 - transferred to #2333
- Motion: Approve budget report as presented... 1st R. Majeski /2nd C. D'Errico/Passed (7-0-1).

Review Action Items (S. Seabridge)

- 2010 Elections – complete
- IREVA – still good. Rocco to talk to Peg.
- Coaching clinic vs. CAP – no update
 - Rocco to talk to Peg about coaching clinic
- Jr. Travel Policy – Jr. Guidelines Committee hasn't met yet.

Status of Sport Court – Armory (J. Hughes)

- J. Hughes has requested feedback from Jr. clubs regarding the usage of the sport courts. The expense of storage, setting up/tearing down, etc. The courts are depreciating in value.
- A. Decker wanted to get them. However, could not get the financial feedback to get them.

- JAVA (D. Kohl) still trying to get them to use in the ice rink in Jamestown. Want to turn one of the rinks into other activities (basketball, kickball, volleyball, etc). They are having a meeting within the next couple of weeks to get more future direction and potentially sell the sport courts.
- J. Hughes would like to give JAVA a couple weeks longer for them to potentially get approval to buy them.
- BOD recommends having J. Hughes to advertise the sport courts on Craigs List for \$7500 with the option of not having to accept an offer just in case JAVA comes through.

Officials Report (J. Newland)

- National Officials – can never get enough officials to cover girls’ nationals.
- Referee training website that is free to all within the USA website (officials tab)
- Linda Chase is new Jr. National Official
- Certified 43 out of 53 officials
- Boys and Girls National Sites announced for next season
 - Girls – Atlanta, GA
 - Boys – Minneapolis, MN

USA Membership Increases (J. Hughes)

- See spreadsheet 2010 WEVA Membership Options
- Increases from USA Volleyball for upcoming season.
- Addition of league option. Can be managed to meet needs of almost any league, clinic, or training house league. Call J. Hughes for more details.

AES online registration not secure

- WEVA to re-institute fines for illegal rosters
- Email from J. Hughes (prepared by S. Seabridge) that will be sent to all clubs to regarding information to re-institute fines.

Next Meeting: Sunday, September 19th 6PM at GCC

WEVA Annual Meeting

Michell Hays and Marcy Brackett from Crossroads in attendance

Tournament Report (S. Seabridge)

- Adult Tournaments – 2 sanctioned
 - No income generated from adult tournaments
- Jr. Tournaments – 38 sanctioned
- Total of 40 tournaments sanctioned
- Total Sanction Bonds: \$605
- Total Sanction Fees: \$2620
- Total of \$3225 vs. \$3000 that was budgeted

Website Update (S. Seabridge)

- Automated sanction process for August
- Online Sanction
 - Tryouts – mid August

- Practice – end August
- Insure that tournament system works 99.95%
- Tournament Sanction Request
 - Sept 10 – 2 day tournaments
 - Sept 24 – 1 day tournaments
- Club directors – please send an email to Scott or John of pictures/stories for articles on our website.

Gary Adler Scholarships (J. Hughes)

- Girls Scholarship awarded to Amy Hamill from Extreme VBC. \$500 will be sent directly to her choice of college.
- Total of three girls entered.
- No boys entered.

Junior Business (C. D'Errico) [comments marked in red are from meeting discussion]

- Event Committee:
 - 1) Liaison from each club to make sure all tournaments are reported before final rankings are completed prior to BID [**PDF format for rankings report to add to website requests**]
 - 2) Action Items for the event committee on ranking system
 - a. Tournament Levels (reviewed every year)
 - b. Automate the calculations by using the spreadsheet as in the past
 - c. Verification of official tournament results to data entered
 - d. Ensuring all events entered for the teams (liaison helped in process)
 - e. Consideration of review of rosters for events versus roster at BID Qualifier – consider discounting results from that event
 - f. Review contributing factors to rankings – make necessary adjustments
Input received potential factors – qualifier events not as strong as before, some events should be higher/lower based on strength of teams entered (possibly at just one age group since they vary at each event), lower age groups playing up in stronger tournaments (NETS events vs. regular tournaments), review local lower level tournament point system – teams can play in a lot of local tournaments win them and get a lot of points compared to teams traveling and doing OK at stronger events.
 - 3) Review locations for BID Qualifier/HOCUS POCUS/WEVA Festival if continuing to alternate events yearly - Bid Qualifier for 2011 – Rochester Hocus Pocus for 2011 at BNCC – do we rotate WEVA Festival – some suggestions made is to have BID Qualifier at BNCC every year with format like we did this year and Hocus Pocus NETS event and Local tournament in Rochester – consider possibly rotating WEVA Festival
 - 4) Determine Boys Regional Dates/Locations earlier [**T. Weislo agreed to take action on this**]
 - 5) Discussion on participation in BID Qualifier if bid won at National Qualifier event – for example if win OPEN then cannot participate, if win Club we have a National Bid from our region – can win American or National bid at qualifier events – so if they win American bid they can participate in the BID Qualifier to qualify higher – if so we would have to turn back in the American bid to USA and we want to have more teams participating at Nationals. (apply to girls only) – so would presume that the club have to compete at American to keep both bids in region

- 6) Do we want to consider forming a High Performance team to participate in the National Event? [T. Weislo will be coaching High Performance and will get some feedback]
- Junior Guidelines Committee:
 - 1) New Junior Club guidelines document posted to web that John located. Still pending - gathering information from all committee members for work completed through this junior guideline committee's efforts
 - Education Committee:
 - 1) In progress planning – Coaching clinic
 - a. January timeframe/Preview to the Final Four in November/Spring women's tournament/EMPIRES timeframe are different recommendations [May have problems with Preview to the Final Four due to pre-season travel guidelines, not being able to travel over 400 miles]
 - b. Solicit local college/elite high school coaches/Coaches from the Event if held in conjunction with event
 - 2) Need additional IMPACT certified instructors – Lonni Wilson no longer in area – John Head was recommended – has this been confirmed?
 - MISC items:
 - 1) NO IMPACT Certification expiration at this point in time
 - 3) Compile list of coaches currently registered for 2009-2010 season that will be not allowed to coach next season until IMPACT certification complete.
 - 4) Templates on our website for tournament director's – deviation from that send to event committee/tournament coordinator for approval - in progress
 - 5) Leaving Sanction Bond at \$50.00 in 2010-2011 season for tournaments
 - 6) Certification of scorekeepers and second refs from clubs – at the BID qualifier event – the \$25.00 fine will be enforced in 2010-2011 season for teams not in compliance – certification noted on rosters if players certified in the past – attending a clinic and more importantly completed the certification at the tournament and handed in the required form signed by the certifying official
 - 7) For 2010-2011 again junior club teams must submit any different year ending events planned before BID qualifier (this past year no clubs submitted any differences so participation in the USA National event was assumed for all teams)
 - 8) For any team winning at a National Qualifier event WEVA will pay entry fee into USA Nationals (club and open)
 - 9) Determination of junior personnel to attend USA meetings – need to solidify early
 - 10) Incident Reports must be filled out from practices and tournaments – clubs must do a better job – sometimes do not know about an incident until an insurance claim is filed – and the Regional Office has no paperwork on file for the accident [tournament injury reporting is OK, but injuries that occur during practices are rarely reported. All injuries must be reported, whether during tournament or practice]
 - 11) Tryout and practice sanction forms must be completed BEFORE they commence – will be online for 2010-2011 season
 - 12) Submission of tournament dates by junior clubs - deadlines for 2 day and 1 day events
 - Discussion: Would WEVA want to use libero serve?
 - MOTION: To implement for 2010 – 2011 season the use of libero serve in WEVA sanctioned tournaments with the exception of girls bid qualifier

and boys CAN-AM tournament...1st C. D'Errico/2nd T. Weislo/Passed (8-0-0).

Brainstorming for WEVA Development (All)

- More investment in local schools
 - Penfield
 - St. John Fisher
 - SUNY Brockport
- Get more USA members to play beach
 - No fee increase in this area
 - How do we promote this to get more players?
- More coaching education
 - Will have conversation with K. Salisbury
 - Need more people
 - Will budget more \$\$ for coaching development
 - How do we get a draw?
 - Elite college coaches?
 - Big name college coaches?
 - CADRE certified coaches?
 - Request for library materials
 - Region could purchase all sessions from AVCA convention to share with our region.
 - Discussion on holding a series of clinics during November, December, January, and February
 - Different presenters
 - 4-5 presenters @ each session
 - WEVA to pay for presenters, travel
 - Charge \$30 for high school coach, free to WEVA club coaches
 - Rocco to prepare plan/budget to J. Hughes
- Fundraising
- High Performance
 - Important for boys as it's a conduit to college
 - Try to get collegiate teams in USA vs. what region they play in currently
 - Potential for more tournaments and income

Motion to adjourn meeting: 1st S. Seabridge/2nd J. Newland/Passed (8-0-0).
9:56 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Western Empire Volleyball Association
Laura Schoenl, WEVA Secretary

Region Memberships (19)

Prod. Code	Name	Category	Group	Price	Start/End Dates	Require BG Screen	Status	Payment Options
OY	WEVA Other-Youth (11 and under)	Other Youth Mbrship	Junior Memberships	\$15.00	-	No	On Front-End	All Available
R	WEVA Regular Adult-Affiliated with Jr. Program	Regular	Adult Memberships	\$60.00	-	Yes	On Front-End	All Available
<p><i>Full benefits of USA membership</i> Please make sure that you ALSO select at least one of the junior program role indicators below . Please select the one role that most accurately describes our involvement with the Program.</p>								
OA	WEVA Adult Leisure Player	Other	Adult Memberships	\$40.00	-	No	On Front-End	All Available
<p><i>May compete in all USA and WEVA sanctioned events with the exception of National Championships. This membership may be upgraded.</i></p>								
EJ	WEVA One Event One Day	One-Day Membership	Junior Memberships	\$15.00	-	No	On Front-End	All Available
<p><i>Membership valid only for date indicated</i></p>								
J	WEVA UPGRADE to Full Membership from One Event Membership	Upgrade, (One-Day)	Junior Memberships	\$44.00	-	No	On Front-End	All Available
<p><i>FOR USE only if previously registered in 2010/11 season as a One Event member.</i></p>								
R	WEVA UPGRADE to Full Membership from One Event Membership	Upgrade, (One-Day)	Adult Memberships	\$44.00	-	No	On Front-End	All Available
<p><i>FOR USE only if previously registered in 2010/11 season as a One Event member.</i></p>								
DA	WEVA Adult - Summer Only	Summer	Adult Memberships	\$15.00	5/1/2010 - 10/31/2010	No	On Front-End	All Available
<p><i>Summer Membership - Valid for indoor and outdoor play.</i></p>								
DJ	WEVA Junior - Summer Only	Summer	Junior Memberships	\$15.00	5/1/2010 - 10/31/2010	No	On Front-End	All Available
<p><i>Summer Membership - Valid for indoor and outdoor play.</i></p>								
OJ	WEVA Junior Leisure Member	Other	Junior Memberships	\$40.00	-	No	On Front-End	All Available
<p>May not participate in any tournaments or any travel. This membership covers skills clinics , house leagues, and "practice only" players for the purpose of skill development. Within the above restrictions, this registration level includes all other benefits of USA membership, including liability, sport accident insurance and the USA member magazine.</p>								
J	WEVA Other Youth Upgrade	Upgrade, (Other Youth)	Junior Memberships	\$45.00	-	No	On Front-End	All Available
LJ	WEVA Junior League Membership	League Membership	Junior Memberships	\$7.00	-	No	On Front-End	All Available
<p><i>Valid for 12 weeks of play from the date indicated on the left, NOT to exceed 16 hours of play during this time frame, this includes but is not limited to practices, clinics, camps, tournaments etc. This membership covers skills clinics , house leagues, and "practice only" players for the purpose of skill development ONLY.</i></p>								
R	WEVA Regular Adult	Regular	Adult Memberships	\$60.00	-	No	On Front-End	All Available
<p><i>Full benefits of USA membership</i></p>								
J	WEVA Regular Junior	Regular	Junior Memberships	\$60.00	-	No	On Front-End	All Available
OA	WEVA Supporter-Affiliated with Junior Program	Other	Adult Memberships	\$40.00	-	Yes	On Front-End	All Available
EA	WEVA One Day One Event	One-Day Membership	Adult Memberships	\$15.00	-	No	On Front-End	All Available
<p><i>Membership valid only for date indicated</i></p>								