

**Colorado USA Wrestling
Board Meeting
January 4, 2009
Prairie View High School, Henderson, Colorado**

Approved Minutes

Board Members Present:

State Chairman, Scott Neitenbach; *Secretary*, Barbara Cordova;; *Cadet Director*, Todd Legge; *Women's Director*, Pat Babi; *Mat Officials Director*, Jason Babi; *Folkstyle Director*, Ted DeRousse; *Events Director*, Troy Rutz; *Pairings Director*, Kay Pickrell, *Members-At-Large*, Troy Pickrell,

Board Members Absent:

Vice Chairman, Craig Johnson; *Treasurer*, Dan Havens, *Kids Director*, Chris Burghardt *Junior Director*, Tony Schunke;; *Equipment Director*, Brandon Hays; *Grappling Director*, Sheldon Marr; *Coaches Director*, Barry Himmelman, *League Representatives*, Brian Velarde, Travis Lemay, Terry Lynn, *Members-At-Large*, Anthony Guerrero, Mark Schmidt, and Jimmy Johnson.

Welcome & Roll Call:

- Chairman, Scott Neitenbach, called the meeting to order at 1:33 pm.
- Secretary, Barbara Cordova, took roll call: 9 board members were present, a quorum was reached.

Review Agenda & Meeting Time Frames:

- All CUSAW members were provided a meeting agenda by previous email. There were changes made to the agenda. The agenda was approved. (Motion: Jason Babi / 2nd Troy Rutz / Unanimous consensus).

Secretary's Report:

- *Secretary*, Barbara Cordova, asked for corrections to the 11-23-08 minutes. The minutes were approved. (Motion: Jason Babi / 2nd Todd Legge / Unanimous consensus).

Membership Report:

- Secretary, Barbara Cordova, is going to reach out to Shelly Santistevan regarding Membership Coordinator position.

Old Business:

- *By-Laws* – Discussed and added proposed changes.
 - Mo Babi added that the current by-laws are approved by USAW.
 - Discussed Club orientation in regards to voting as well as timeframe on membership to be able to vote. May 1st by the previous season.
 - Article 5.9 - Tabled discussing Proxy Votes.
 - Article 7.2.3 – Kids & Cadet verbiage needs to be separated
 - Article 7.2. – Needs to add Events, Pairings, Grapplings & Womens Director
 - Article 7.7.1 – Move up to 5 meetings

- *Fund raising* – Discussed creating a committee of 3 to 5 individuals.
 - Motion was made to approve Russ Laney and Cam McElhany as CUSAW fundraisers pending contractual agreement. (Motion: Jason Babi/ 2nd Troy Rutz/ Unanimous consensus)
- *Rocky Mountain Regionals* – Discussed the Regional tournament.
 - *Events Director*, Troy Rutz, informed the group of the schedule for RMR. No pamphlets will be mailed. Information on the tournament will be listed online only.
 - *State Chairman*, Scott Neitenbach, contacted the Holiday Inn in Pueblo regarding sponsoring the RMR tournament. They offered 1 free night after every 3rd night of stay.
 - Board also discussed Social night and Hospitality room (2 days) for the tournament. Scott is going to follow up with the Holiday Inn.
- *Budgets* – Working on Budget for RMR. Directors are still working on their respective group. Assume no money.
- *Hard Cards* – *State Chairman*, Scott Neitenbach, is going to follow up with Tony Black and Mark Scott in the National Office regarding the \$10 Event Card.

New Business:

- *Schedule* – Discussed the High School State Folkstyle Dual which will be held on March 14th at Prairie View HS.
 - *Folkstyle Director*, Ted DeRousse, will determine entry fee and setup with Todd Legge.
 - Board also discussed changing State Tournaments to One Day. It was determined to keep the tournaments as 2 days.
 - Discussed sending Tournaments flyers to Scott to get posted on website.
- *Track Wrestling* – *State Chairman*, Scott Neitenbach, spoke with TrackWrestling.com and registered our tournaments. He was informed they have a video training but it is old; however, he is going to try to locate the training. The Mat/Pairings clinic is still scheduled for February 28th at 10:00 am.
- *National Events* – Board discussed deadlines for National Events to eliminate excess in equipment. Also, we discussed getting paperwork out to the qualifiers, so they can get it back early to CUSAW.

Chairman's Report:

State Chairman, Scott Neitenbach, gave his report.

- *Coaches Silver Clinic* – He received a few calls regarding Coaches Silver Clinic. Mat Officials Director, Jason Babi, informed the Board that they will need to go to a Coaches College for that designation.
- *Quarterly Newsletter* – Scott will begin to work on newsletter. Cam wants to use newsletter to promote fundraising through a Pay Pal account for donations.

Women's Director Report:

Women's Director, Pat Babi, nothing reported.

Junior Director Report:

Junior Director, Tony Schunke, was not in attendance.

Cadet Director Report:

Cadet Director, Todd Legge, reported the following:

- Discussed organizing an Awards Banquet for a fundraiser to honoring last year All-Americans.

Grappling Director Report:

- *Grappling Director*, Sheldon Marr, was not in attendance.

Coaches Director Report:

- *Coaches Director*, Barry Himmelman, was not in attendance.

Folkstyle Director Report:

- *Folkstyle Director*, Ted DeRousse, nothing reported.

Pairings Director Report:

- *Pairings Director*, Kay Pickrell, nothing to report.

Mat Officials Director:

Mat Officials Director, Jason Babi, reported the following:

- Discussed options for volunteer officials.
 1. Free entry fee to wrestlers who have parents that help official (5 events, 3 must be State Tournaments)
 2. 5 % off Fargo if parents volunteer
 3. Free gate fee for helping with tournament
 4. Jason & Kay will track the volunteers. Also, we need to have promotions posted on the CUSAW & Colorado website. Volunteers need to be registered.
 - Motion was made to approve the above options. (Motion: Jason Babi/ 2nd Troy Rutz/ Unanimous consensus)
- Informed the Board on new FILA regulations where flip disks are no longer being used instead a Bag with 2 red balls and 2 blue balls will be used. Jason spoke with Rod Cozzetto to see if his inmates could make the bag and balls. He needs to get the dimensions.
- Mat Official budget was reviewed – bags with balls (10 sets), State Official shirts (20), Regional shirts (30).

Events Director:

- *Events Director*, Troy Rutz, nothing reported.

Treasurer's Report:

- *Treasurer*, Dan Havens, was not in attendance.

Additional Comments:

- Mo Babi was inquiring about the status on the mail-in ballots. Scott Neitenbach stated Chris Burghardt is still working on getting all the information together and will be discussed during next meeting.

Executive Session:

- None

Next meeting:

- February 8th, 1:00 pm, location TBD

Adjourn:

- The board meeting was adjourned at 5:07 pm (Motion: Jason Babi / 2nd Pat Babi / Unanimous consensus)