

MINUTES OF A SCHEDULED MEETING OF THE
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
OF
COLORADO USA WRESTLING

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 27, 2009

UNAPPROVED

ATTENDEES:

Craig Johnson, Troy Rutz, Pat Babi, Cam McCeheny, Paul Trygstad, Brian Velarde, Troy & Kay Pickrell, Scott Neitenbach, Todd Legge, Mark Schmidt, Billy Gabel, Chris Burghardt and Gina Becker

ON THE PHONE:

Dan Sauer, Dan Haven, Jim Johnson and Barry Himmelman

GUEST IN ATTENDANCE:

Mo Babi and Chris King

NOT IN ATTENDANCE:

John Stowall

The first section of these minutes of the Board of Directors of Colorado USA Wrestling, Inc (“CUSAW”) from a meeting held at Prairie View High School. Here is a summary of the business conducted. The meeting was called to order by the Chairman.

The first order of business was to approve the minutes of the last Board meeting. Kay Pickrell disagreed with the indication that she said that the girls who participated paid for the extra equipment for the Fargo Woman’s Duals. It was notated and stricken from the record. Then the previous minutes were approved.

Next item was to vote in an interim Secretary, Craig Johnson nominated Gina Becker to fill the vacant position and Todd Legge seconded the motion. The motion went to vote and the decision was unanimous.

Next was the motion for the position for Folkstyle Director, which has 1 more year remaining. Todde Legge nominated Billy Gable. Mark Schmidt seconded the motion. The motion went to vote and the decision was unanimous.

Next was the motion for the position of Mat Official. Paul Trygstad nominated Chris Burghardt. Craig Johnson seconded the motion. The motion went to vote and the decision was unanimous.

The next order of business was Craig Johnson discussing the Accounting Committee. Craig discussed his review of the Bi-Laws. Found signed copies from 1997 and unsigned copies from 2001. From the review process, one difference in the copies from 1997 to 2001 was the changing for votes for the clubs. Craig also discussed the audit of the accounting documents from 12/08/1999 to 10/05/2001 by a one Lucy Peterson. Ms. Peterson reported back stating that the books from said time frame were indeed in order with an approximate positive balance of \$6,400.00 at the time. Craig then requested from Pat Babi documentation to support the transactions of the questionable accounting practices. According to Craig, Pat

Babi's rebuttal was in the form of an email with no supporting documents, no response to the questions at hand and the need to address the serious accounting concerns. Pat Babi's response was that time constraints were present and there were difficulties with the insurance company with regard to medical claims. Pat Babi stated that she had requested bank records from Dan Havens. Craig Johnson stated that Dan Havens was reviewing and copying the bank records and was ready to send them to Pat Babi. At this point, Scott Neitenbach announced that the State Attorney had been contacted. The State would be assigning an investigator to look into the Babi's CUSAW banking transactions. There will be no cost to CUSAW for the investigation. Brian Velarde stated that there was nothing more that the Board could do and Scott Neitenbach agreed. At this point, Scott Neitenbach asked Pat Babi to step down from the Board until the results of the State Attorney's investigation was complete. Pat Babi elected not to step down from the Board.

Brian Velarde made the motion for Pat Babi to step down from the board. Todd Legge seconded the motion and then it went to vote. The decision of the Board is as follows:

8 Yeah
4 Nays
2 Abstain

Pat Babi has stepped down from the CUSAW Board.

Next item of business, announce by Scott Neitenbach was fundraising. CUSAW has been discussing a utilizing a internet fund raising program with a company called Dubli. Scott Neitenbach was going to suggest to the company representative that a representatives make a presentation at the Annual Meeting on how the fund raising works for CUSAW. A motion was put to the floor by Todd Legge to accept Dubli as CUSAW fundraiser. Dave Sauer seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

Next item that was discussed was Awards and Acknowledgements. The following recipients were voted on and approved:

- Volunteer Award- Paul Trygstad
- Mat Official- Chris Burchardt
- Pairing Official- Rene McCelheny
- Coach- Troy Rutz
- Athlete- Adeline Grey

Would also like to order certificates for all the All-Americans. Dan Havens to look into arranging Day Spa accommodations in Colorado Springs for Lena Fajerman for all the hard work she has done for CUSAW. The Board would also like to have a "Director's Recognition Awards". Troy Rutz to will work with John Stowall to order plaques and certificates.

Next item of business is equipment purchasing. Online member ordering was discussed with more details to be addressed in future meetings. Possible arrangement could be made where the online store would give royalty kickbacks to the CUSAW. Was also noted that designs and equipment ordering need further examination with designs being approved, finalized and illustrated before January 1st. Also, the Board would like to eliminate wasted equipment purchases noting that equipment overages hurt CUSAW financially. Board would like to streamline the process and make it more efficient. To be discussed further.

Next item that was discussed was Tournaments. Mark Schmidt discussed having a rotating tournament starting in Florence. This would be a dual tournament that would be a round robin style involving the best of best in each CHSAA classification. The teams would be as follows:

- 1A-2A
- 3A
- 4A
- 5A

Mark Schmidt initial poll of high school head coaches is quite favorable. Mark Schmidt to be the tournament director. Todd Legge motioned to add this tournament to the CUSAW schedule of events and Mark Schmidt seconded the motion. The motion went to vote and the decision was unanimous.

Discussed State Tournament location: Coronado or Pueblo. Prairie View to defer the 1st State Qualifier to Grand Junction. This would give the Western Slope more exposure.

Scott Neitenbach put out a proposal to give the Pikes Peak League an affiliate fee calculated at \$5.00 per card purchased by Pikes Peak League members. Discussion revolved around creating goodwill and incentives to get other youth wrestling leagues to consider USA Wrestling membership. The proposal was discussed and Scott Neitenbach decided to defer continued discussion until the matter could be given more thought.

One Mat and Pairing Officials will be required to actively participate in the CUSAW schedule of events as a condition to host a local tournament by a hosting club. Some ideas presented included the Pairing and Mat Officials Directors actually scheduling officials for State and local events as well as requiring the club officials to attend a certain specific number of local and State events. Specific details will need to be worked out prior to December 1st.

Motion was made to meet via conference call by Todd Legge and Seconded by Mark Schmidt on the evening of October 15, 2009, at 7:00 p.m. Motion was accepted unanimously. Annual Meeting is scheduled for October 18, 2009. From 12:00pm to 1:00pm is the meet and greet and 1:00pm to 4:00pm is the meeting itself.