

**MINUTES OF A PREVIOUSLY SCHEDULED MEETING OF THE
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
OF
COLORADO USA WRESTLING, INC.
APPROVED**

The first section of these minutes of a previously scheduled meeting of the Board of Directors of Colorado USA Wrestling, Inc. ("CUSAW") from a meeting held at Thunderidge High School held on August 23, 2009, is a summary of the business conducted as the notes of the now-resigned Secretary were taken with her when she resigned from the Board.

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman. The Secretary took roll and found that all members of the Board were present.

The first order of business was the review and approval of the minutes of the last meeting of the Board. Pat Babi initiated a discussion about the terminology used in defining the title of the minutes. After some discussion, it was decided to move on and the minutes previously posted were approved.

Next, Barbara Cordova reported on the membership and reported that membership was up from the prior year.

Next, the Chairman gave his report. A recap of Fargo was noted. The date of October 17, 2009 was discussed as a possible date for the membership annual meeting. The Chairman said he was looking at the Crowne Plaza Hotel in Colorado Springs for hosting the event and possibly putting on a poker tournament to involve the coaches around the state and raise some money for the organization. Other possible sites discussed were the Sundance Mountain Inn in Monument, the Hilton, and Embassy Suites.

Next, Jim Johnson made a motion to remove Ted DeRousse from the Board, which was seconded by Todd Lege. After discussion, Ted DeRousse was thanked for his service and removed as a member of the Board by a vote of 11 to 10. After the vote was taken, Jason Babi and Barbara Cordova both resigned as members of the Board and their resignations were accepted immediately.

Craig Johnson volunteered to take notes and compose the remainder of the minutes of the meeting and to assist until the Secretary is replaced.

The discussion went back to the anticipated annual meeting. A Texas Hold Em tournament was discussed and considered. Mark Schmidt agreed to help get high school coaches attend and Barry Himmelman agreed to help organize the event. The tournament would be for those age 21 and older. Pat Babi asked about alternative activities for family members and friends. Craig Johnson noted that the Secretary of State requires a license for any games of chance and for any raffles.

The 2010 schedule was discussed. Scott Neitenbach and Troy Rutz will work together on the schedule. The Chairman suggested using the qualifier event to train tournament personnel on Track Wrestling. The use of Track Wrestling has proved profitable and accountable. It was noted that walk up fees pay for themselves. The Chairman went over the benefits of Track Wrestling and pre-registration. Pat Babi noted that she was unfamiliar with the aspects of running a grappling tournament.

Next, the Treasurer's report was presented. The Chairman posted it and balanced. Dan Havens made his report and asked for questions. Dan Havens noted that there was a \$400 mistake on the receivables showing a receivable of \$1880, which needed to be corrected to \$1480. Barry Himmelman said he still has \$200 for fuel that he needs to turn in.

The Chairman then discussed discrepancies in the certain parts of the budget versus actual expenditures for Fargo. He first talked and asked about the women's budget. The budget was \$1400, but actual expenditures were \$3085, or approximately \$300 per girl, whereas the expenditures per boy were \$106 per boy. John Stowall responded by explaining that equipment for the girls and coaches was \$2121, and the Colorado Women's Wrestling Alliance gave \$685. John bought some equipment and reimbursed CUSAW. The amounts came to \$235 per girl and the budget was for \$155 per girl. The Chairman discussed the necessity of sticking with or hitting the budgets to keep from having financial overruns.

Pat Babi talked about the final costs for the women for the duals and Fargo. Todd Legge commented about cost savings and cuts. John Stowall reported that there is no inventory left over. Pat Babi went over an itemized breakdown of the actual costs. The Chairman re-emphasized the need to try to stick with budget figures.

Next, old business was presented. The Chairman went over the events of the year and asked what could be done better. Tony Shunke said the Juniors wrestled well. He suggested possibly fielding two teams to allow the athletes more rest. Colorado had 10 All Americans altogether. Tony suggested that one person should handle all money on these trips. Mark Schmidt commented that this was what he liked to talk about and that Colorado's wrestlers can compete with anyone.

Todd Legge said the cadets wrestled well. Troy Rutz was thanked for his valuable assistance. Troy helped a lot at the duals. Corey McNellis was thanked for his assistance at Fargo. The Chairman suggested some awards should be given in recognition of the efforts of people, and he asked for assistance in compiling a list of awards to be given.

Pat Babi reported that Adeline is now a 3 time National Champion, and that 33% of all Colorado girls became All-Americans. The training camp was good and valuable.

The next order of business was fundraising. Cam McIlhaney presented a fundraising opportunity that his league uses for selling wreaths for \$30 apiece. The split would be \$10 to the supplier, \$10 for the family who sells the wreath, and \$10 to be split between CUSAW and Pikes Peak. Cam noted that the order form may be found online at pikespeakwrestling.com along with a script for sales. No action was taken on this fundraising idea.

Another fundraising idea was presented by Cam that was connected with New York Life. This matter was at a too preliminary stage to be considered by the Board.

Paul Trygstad suggested selling calendars setting up 5 regions. Cam suggested tying the fundraising activity to a particular purpose.

Dubli was discussed. The Chairman said Dubli was posted on CUSAW's website and presented a huge funding opportunity. Pat Babi was worried about underage users. John Stowall moved to have Dubli removed from the website pending getting further information about it from Kelly Stitzer. Brian Velarde seconded the motion. The Board voted 9 to 4 to remove Dubli from the website. Craig Johnson abstained from the vote. Two others no voted.

Craig Johnson reported that he had gone through all past minutes and documents delivered to him by Barbara Cordova. Craig was not through with his analysis, and indicated that he was looking for information that affect the bylaws, policies and procedures of the Board and CUSAW. Craig agreed to finish his review and then submit copies of his notes to each Board member at the next meeting.

The Chairman brought up the issue of whether to raise the cost of USA Wrestling cards. At the national meeting of chairpersons in Florida just concluded the cost of the cards was raised by \$2.00 per card. After much discussion, it was decided to put the issue of whether CUSAW should absorb the increased cost of the cards or pass that increase on to purchasers to the membership at the annual membership meeting. Jim Johnson moved to raise the card cost to \$40.00 per card to market and support a national team. Craig Johnson seconded the motion. More discussion ensued. The motion failed by an 11 to 5 vote against.

Troy Rutz then motioned to raise the card prices to \$35 and Barry Himmelman seconded the motion. After discussion the motion passed unanimously.

John Stowall then said if there were any questions on equipment, then just call him.

The next meeting set for September 27, 2009 at Prairie View High School at 2:00 pm. The meeting adjourned at 5:50 pm.