

WEVA BOD Meeting Agenda / Minutes

Date: Monday March 9, 2015

Location: Fortune's at Batavia Downs/Casino in Batavia, NY

Time: 6:00 PM



Excused: J. Crandall

Called To Order: 6:18

Points of Information:

- Fred Chase back at a meeting after missing January with emergency surgery.

Meeting Minutes from January 2015 Meeting: revised minutes to be sent by L. Schlegel:

- Meeting minutes confirmed were approved 6/0/3
- *Action Item: January meeting minutes – Motions need to be updated to read 6/0/3, and sent to R. Lucci and S. Seabridge for website*
- It was noted that if you are missing from meeting, then you should abstain on voting for the meeting minutes.

Registrars Report (J. Hughes):

- Numbers are great and right on par with last year.
- Almost 3200 registered:
 - More adult registrations will be coming in with chaperones and teams for adult nationals needing to register still.
 - Numbers will be similar to last year, and last year was a huge increase in registration for the region.

Financial Report (W. Page):

- Financial report includes three reports: all finances, summary page, vanguard
 - Vanguard, is continuing to be successful and is increasing, which is the goal
 - This report was sent to the board via email on 2/18/15
 - Accountant also has this report
- WEVA:
 - Tournament reports coming in (WEVA Rally / WEVA Festival Events)
 - Forecasting profit from events at what we had expected
 - Region sales / store sales
 - Sales are where they are expected for the year
 - Store is a valuable asset for clubs and appears to be profitable for

region

- Expenses are where they have been expected
- Budget Adjustment:
 - One line is showing in the budget twice in regards to PVL
- Review unrealized gains / losses line on budget
 - Depreciation / Tax Item - will be removed from budget / not an actual budget item.

Motion To Approve: 1st F. Chase, 2nd, J. Newland – Approved (8/0/1) Unanimous

Action Item Review :

1. C. D'Errico or S. Seabridge need to adjust the Fees Document
 - Updated in January, Maureen posted to the website.
 - *Action Item: C. D'Errico verify this has been posted, there was some discussion at meeting.*
2. J. Hughes to send Vanguard report to all BOD members.
 - Confirmed this was sent.
3. R. Lucci will send size breakdown for Tees to J. Hughes.
 - Order has been placed / t-shirts are being worked on
4. C. D'Errico change TRYOUT document
 - Updated and posted
5. S. Seabridge will change Due Process document.
 - Updated and posted
6. J. Hughes to email S. Seabridge to clarify sets or matches in tournament result reporting
 - Updated and posted (2/17)
7. J. Hughes to look into the costs of pins as gifts at nationals
 - Pins are more then WEVA can afford.
 - Suggestion:
 - Re-meet on this after teams win bid and have WEVA subsidize part of this expense for teams.
 - *Action Item: RL – Will follow up with winning teams to see if they are willing collaborate with WEVA on a gift. Next WEVA meeting is after girls WEVA qualifier*

Tournament Report (from S. Seabridge):

- Emailed by SS to all
- Summary: 22 tournaments complete
 - Majority of events still owe paperwork to the region
- Other tournament details were given in report, including details from all events (ex. Tournaments reporting illegal rosters and etc)
- March 15: Drop dead date for all teams needing to have roster with players that are second referee and score keeper certified
- April 1: Drop dead date for Safe Sport and Impact to be completed.
 - Coaches must complete both
 - Officials must complete Safe Sport
 - IMPACT is online for coaches that need to complete, Safe Sport is an online module.

- Boys Regional Update (J. Hughes and C. D'Errico)
 - Lost one court for the event, and need to find another to make the event work.
 - Looking into West Seneca as another option
 - Four Stallions is not available
 - Discussed possible solutions / court placements / age group locations
 - *Action Items: Board Members/ T. Schneider – reach out to other contacts in Buffalo to help find courts.*
 - Site Coordinator needed at BNCC - Dave D'Errico will serve in this role.
 - Lockport Site Coordinator – Tom will serve in this role
 - Once other site(s) are decided, other site coordinators will be decided.

- Email came in about a player asking for eligibility for BID event. Player just registered, and will not meet the rule to play in two tournaments prior to our event.
 - Handbook states only exception is for injury.
 - Decision made to follow the handbook as it stands and not allow player to play in regional tournament:
 - *Action Item: T. Schneider will reply to the email.*

- Girls Bid Update (J. Hughes and C. D'Errico)
 - Requests to clubs for interested in BID have been sent out.
 - C. D'Errico gave report on what teams have replied or haven't
 - 15's age group is now on Sunday
 - East is needed for this.
 - MSA and East have been requested for courts.
 - Waiting for confirmation from East

- WEVA event updates – Festival, Dig Fest, Rally

- Completed – WEVA Rally 1 and Festival
 - Water on courts at Armory was a problem.
 - Had to move courts but it worked out
 - Digfest is full for this weekend
 - Two full days, 9 courts both days
 - Referee schedule is completed and will be sent out
 - WEVA Rally II
 - Can accept 18s that are interested, since Xtreme event is full
 - WEVA Rally III
 - Can take one more 18s team, otherwise full
 - Fine Designs did gear sales at WEVA events, and WEVA made 20% of the sales for Region / Tournament from the sales
- Facilities / Main Street Armory
 - Pinnacle in Victor, NY is confirmed, looking to open in July
 - 6 court facility in July
 - Owner has made arrangements with Cal for 18 courts under one roof (6 courts and then bring in 12 sport courts to go on turf)
 - Brockport
 - John met with to negotiate prices with the college. Prices were negotiated down to a more reasonable price (includes site set up and tear down)
 - \$300 or less per day per court
 - 5 courts in North, 3 in South to equal 8 courts
 - Main Street Armory
 - Problems with leaking courts, and charging for unusable courts.
 - MSA will be a last resort for WEVA run events moving forward.
 - East High School
 - John is meeting with them about new nets, possibly WEVA will look into a new donation.

Website Update (J. Hughes via S. Seabridge):

- Completed items reviewed
- Team maintenance page, 80% complete
- 28 updates since January
- Fully reviewing officials page – working with F. Chase on this

Education Committee Report (L. Schlegel):

- NFVB – Steve Aird (Maryland) attending BNCC on March 12 (R. Lucci)
 - Agenda is all set and RL is emailing JH about it tonight to email out.
 - Includes coaches clinic – speaking / Q and A, skill demo on the courts, speaking piece to players (coaches can listen) – topics are

training/ competing / playing at next level, more player demos with the later practice slot and staying after practice for more Q and A

- Steve has just returned from Russia and working with teams there.
 - NFVB will run for free and pay Steve – based on attendance, NFVB will potentially ask WEVA for some money for the event.
 - The Education Committee has a budget to use for these events.
- BNCC to host Spring College Tournament on April 11– Six NCAA teams (Niagara, SUNY Buffalo, Canisius, Daemen, Syracuse and Colgate)
 - Meeting Tuesday 3/10 to discuss schedule and coaching clinic
 - May Event – planned by VFX / hosted in Rochester
 - August Event – plan to bring in USAV speaker / clinician
 - Evaluate the attendance and quality of the events after August and determine which areas of the year are best and what topics we can cover.
 - Kyle is doing a 75 min presentation and 150 training program as a representative of WEVA, with IREVA at NYS AHPRED Conference (it is an all sport conference for PE teachers)

Officials Report (J. Newland):

- Working on Safe Sport for all officials to hit deadline
- Boys Qualifier Date – J. Newland will be assigning from that point on for the rest of the season (instead of F. Chase, but with his help since he is traveling a lot.)
- No Junior National and National Candidates at this point.
- CWVO: Rochester – 15 in area that participate out of about 100 (Buffalo is at 18) – need to find a way to get more college / high school officials involved in club / USA
 - Suggestions for getting people involved were discussed
 - Part of the problem is the payment – more money to make in HS tournaments than club tournaments.

Adult/Beach Report (R. Majeski):

- April 25, 2015- HP beach tryout
- Junior Tour Stop, June 13 – Woodlawn beach
- Junior Tour Stop, June 14 – In Rochester – recently approved
 - Players can play / qualify in both
- Nationals are in Virginia Beach
- WEVA National Fees:
 - Need to figure out how WEVA will potentially support fees to send two teams per age group to Nationals.
 - In budget for WEVA to pay entry fees for teams from our region
 - With two qualifying events in the region and both being qualifying for all ages, WEVA will have to decide how to allocate

or change entry fees the region will pay

- Adult
 - Two teams planning to go that we currently know of

PLV Report (C. D'Errico):

- 13 players committed to date, with others on the list to join team
- Requested bio updates from all (new or updates)
- Steve Aird – Head Coach (flight booked)
- Monique Mead – would like to be the assistant. Steve has requested that he is able to find his own assistant.
- Qualifying Matches – two need to be played prior to team leaving for Detroit
 - Looking at players in the region and from the team to put together a group to play in these matches.
 - Looking to work with IREVA and Chesapeake Bay Region to do this.
 - Both teams would want to meet somewhere in the middle of all locations to schedule these matches.
 - April 18 and April 25 are proposed dates
- Budget – Small deficit in sponsorships.
 - USA Elite camps are still an option
 - ROX - waiting for quote.
 - Following up with other sponsorships as well
- Close to 20 teams for the event

Junior Business (C. D'Errico):

- Cindy sent report to be attached with minutes (check email)
- Lottery for Girls WEVA Rooms – May 7 at 12pm to fill room list for rooms (10 rooms per team)
- Review items all ready discussed
- Girls ranking to be updated and posted this week
- Mandatory 14s Format:
 - Two short if BVA drops out, we are definitely one short right now (at 27)
 - Email has been sent out to 14s that are not signed up to see if teams are interested
 - Looking to be at 28 teams, and will ask another 13s team if needed to make sure we are full.
- Event /Seeding Committee
 - Dates were sent out to schedule this meeting in April.
 - Final seeds for Girls Regional will still be finalized week before the tournament.
- Boys Can Am:
 - Improvements that can be made due to it being a National Qualifier event

- Schedules come out late and communication to teams/club directors in regards to event can be more timely.
- Discussion: If WEVA should do something to better organize the event.
 - Potentially reach out to Pace about asking if they would like WEVA's help.

New Business:

- A formal complaint was filed and turned over to WEVA Complaint/Grievance committee, Chaired by the Region Vice President.

Next BOD Meeting: Monday, May 11th

- R. Majeski will check on TF Browns for availability.

Motion: Adjourn Meeting, 1st R. Majeski, 2nd F. Chase, Approved (8/0/1) Unanimous