

WEVA Board of Director's Meeting Minutes

Date: March 12, 2012

Time: 6:00 PM

Present: R. Majeski, J. McKinney, M. Pentz, F. Chase, J. Newland, R. Lucci, C. D'Errico, CJ Denk, S. Seabridge, T. Weislo, J. Hughes

January 2012 Meeting Minutes e-mailed to board on 1/19/2012 – Approved via e-mail on 1/26/2012 with 2 abstentions.

Points of Information (R. Lucci)

- Club teams are appreciative of being relieved from work duties at tournaments. Good sportsmanship, good reflection on the region.
- Thank you VFX for helping with WEVA Festival (set-up & site coordinator responsibilities).

WEVA Board Conflict of Interest Documentation (J. Hughes)

- WEVA Policy e-mailed to BOD on 1/26/2012.
- Policy is now written. Policy is posted on the web. Done.

Registrars Report (J. Hughes)

- Total Membership Adult 475.
- Total Membership Junior 1883.
- Total Registrations from 9/1/2011 – 3/5/2012 = 2358.
- About 80 short of last year at this time.

Financial Report (J. Hughes)

- No questions on the budget. Motion: Approve budget, 1st F. Chase/ 2nd J. McKinney/Passed/ (10-0-0).

Action Item Review (S. Seabridge)

- Must begin working on formal review process for Executive Director.
- Facilities Spreadsheet – waiting to finish big club tournaments.
- Rules Comparison Chart – 32 pages! Needs to be cut down; streamlined. R. Lucci will review.
- Committee for Executive Director position – send job description ideas to S. Seabridge.

Tournament Report (S. Seabridge)

- Looking good. Zero adult tournaments. 35 juniors tournaments.
- Discussion about scorekeeper certification fines. Motion was approved at November 2011 meeting. How to enforce? 16-18 age group went into effect March 1st. All age groups' rules are in effect April 1st.
- Cindy will notify clubs to use most updated rosters. Rosters will be verified/checked by tournament directors to verify there is a certified worker(s). All certifications submitted to Fred to-date have been updated to database.
- Action item added - Board will re-review tournament guidelines. Message will be re-sent to clubs as an FYI (EX: attention to pool size (4 instead of 5), timing (50 min vs. 1 hr), 30-pt games, caps).

Website Updates (S. Seabridge)

- No update. Maureen super busy. Update will be sent via email.

Adult PVL (R. Majeski)

- Explanation - grassroots initiative. Held at USA Nationals, Salt Lake City UT. Prize Money (1st \$10,000, 2nd \$5,000, 3rd 2 @ \$2,500).
- Don't know entry fee yet. Can't sign up online yet. Commitment from eight USA regions.
- Can take two out-of-region players (if they don't field a team in their home region).
- Cost is major concern of potential athletes. How can the Region assist?
- Motion: WEVA to fund a Women's PVL team for 2012 to a max of \$5,000 ... 1st C. D'Errico /2nd CJ Denk/Passed (10-0-0).
- Roger will develop overall business plan: try-outs, how players will "give back" to the Region, coach selection, future fund-raising concepts.

Junior Business (C. D'Errico, T. Weislo)

- New WEVA Ranking system is now posted on website – notification sent to club director's.
- WEVA Girl's Bid Qualifier – April 28 & 29. 13 teams
- WEVA Boy's Regional Event – March 18. 36 teams.
- Girl's WEVA Festival – February 25 & 26. 68 teams!
- Hotels booked for Junior Nationals.

High Performance Cancellation Update (T. Weislo)

- HP Try-outs cancelled.
- Was not marketed as well as it should have been. Improvements? Chart it better/timeline, FAQ's on the website, Coach should visit practices to encourage players, Who was the Coach?, dates of competition, benefit to athletes.

Officials Report (J. Newland, F. Chase)

- Low on officials this coming weekend.
- One Coach ejected at VFX tournament. Commented on officials maintaining professionalism; uniform, interactions with athletes.

Scorekeeper/Second Referee Clinic updates

New Business

- American Bid – must come in 1st place in the Club level division.
- Because of the size of our region, we get ONE bid to Nationals. If teams are interested in applying for an At-Large bid, contact J. Hughes with your case.
- May 5, 2012 High Performance Beach Try-out (might actually be at the beach!)
- No longer hosting NCAA College Regional Beach Qualifier on March 23, 2012.
- WEVA is in need of storage space in the Rochester area. Contact J. Hughes.
- National Office is closed 3/15/2012 – 3/20/2012.
- Send reminder to all Club Directors RE: Gary Adler Scholarship.
- Next Meeting – May 14, 2012 at 6:00 p.m.
- Motion to Adjourn Meeting: 1st S. Seabridge/2nd R. Majeski/Passed (10-0-0) 8:38 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Western Empire Volleyball Association
Meryll Pentz, WEVA Secretary