

WEVA Board of Director's Meeting Minutes

Date: May 14, 2012

Time: 6:00 p.m. at T.F. Browns in Batavia, NY

Called to Order: 6:16 p.m.

Present: J. Hughes, M. Pentz, C. D'Errico, F. Chase, R. Lucci, R. Majeski, CJ Denk,

Late: S. Seabridge, J. McKinney

Excused: T. Weislo, J. Newland



March 2012 Meeting Minutes e-mailed to board on 4/9/2012 – Approved via e-mail on 4/10/2012 with 1 abstention

Points of Information (R. Lucci)

- WEVA Bid Tournament Winners – 12's Niagara Frontier, 13's Niagara Frontier 13-1, 14's Niagara Frontier 14-1, 15's Octane VBC 15, 16's VolleyFX Mantra, 17's Niagara Frontier, 18's Niagara Frontier
- Thank you Cindy for your work on the Girls Bid Tournament. Thank you BNCC & West Seneca West HS for venue & staffing.
- High Performance Try-out – few players from out of town (TX, NJ) and a few regional players tried out. Weekend wasn't ideal, but changing it in the future doesn't seem possible. Results should be out in two weeks.
- USA Men's Team Qualified for the 2012 Summer Olympics. Former WEVA member on the team – Matt Anderson (West Seneca West HS).

Registrars Report (J. Hughes)

- 2414, down approximately 40. Still possibility to pick up a player here or there.
- Down 27 Adults / down 26 Juniors.

Financial Report (J. Hughes)

- Extra \$6800 going toward USA Nationals entry fees
- Beach Balls w/ USA logo for sale in WEVA store for \$28-30
- Motion: Approve budget, 1st F. Chase/2nd R. Majeski/ Passed (8-0-0)

Action Item Review (S. Seabridge)

- Executive Director Job Description (S. Seabridge)
 - o Scott has a job description from a non-profit organization to review as we begin to consider writing our own job description
- Pool Play recommendations (S. Seabridge)
 - o Aim to have tournament recommendations prepared for annual meeting in July.
- PVL Plan (R. Majeski)
 - o Already sent, but not finalized. Will attend meetings while in Salt Lake City, and discussion with players regarding funding for next year's team.
- USA/Canada Rule Comparison Chart (R. Lucci)
 - o Very lengthy. Will prepare for start of next club season.
- Facilities Spreadsheet (C. D'Errico & R. Lucci)
 - o Working on it, nearly complete.

Tournament Report (S. Seabridge)

- 36 tournaments scheduled. Paperwork completed for 15. 2 were cancelled. Waiting on 10 financial reports (due at end June). 4 tournament results are late (nothing sent), 2 tournaments haven't happened yet.
- Collected \$1840 in fees

Website Update (S. Seabridge)

- Maureen is extraordinarily busy
- Automating tournament director's report (complete), financial report (80% complete), & tournament results submission
- Automate rankings – nothing complete

- Club Maintenance page and Team Maintenance page – nothing complete
- Sites Page – one stop shop.
- Modify Fact page – 50 % complete
- Forms page – listed on one page. 75% complete
- Officials Maintenance page – ratings, dates, nothing complete
- USA newsletter rotating, updated/linked
- Photo Gallery page –
- Would we/Should we do a Facebook page? Twitter?

Adult PVL Update (R. Majeski)

- Current roster - 11 players are going. Two are not travelling because of cost & time away from work. About 17 girls attending practice. 2 coaches – Roger Majeski & Jim Mercer
- PVL Format for Salt Lake City - 12 teams: 8 go to gold, 4 to silver
- Using Nazareth College for weekly practices, Hot Shots too. Played in tournament at MSA, took 1st and 2nd
- John has assisted with AES (Advanced Event Systems) issues
- CJ Denk has come to practice; helpful
- Could use a SID to update Bio's, photos, ...
- Where will we post results? Send to whom?
- Biggest issues: player injuries, tough to get starting squad together for practice, need more like 24 people

Junior Business (C. D'Errico)

- Boys regionals (C. D'Errico)
 - o Record number of players certified at the event – 80+
 - o Ran smoothly overall. SUNY Brockport facility was good overall, minus jump serving limitations
- Girls BID Qualifier (C. D'Errico)
 - o Significant number of hours spent preparing rankings to most appropriately seed teams
 - o Discussion about time delay for 16's due to 3-way tie.
 - o Thank you to John Hughes and Fred Chase for serving as site coordinator and official's coordinator, respectively.
- Year End Juniors Meeting (C. D'Errico)
 - o Boy's topics: hold regionals later in the year, site will be BNCC next year, consider two-day tournament next year, use ranking system similar to girls
 - o Girl's topics: next year's bid event will be at Armory & East HS on April 27-28, 2013, WEVA Fest is scheduled for February 23-24, 2013.
 - o Combined Topics: recertification of scorekeepers/2nd refs, fines for rosters/team not in compliance, and communication to club directors (too much/not enough?)

Officials Report (F. Chase)

- Fines for illegal rosters and teams not having qualified referees and scorekeepers (J. Hughes)
 - o Several fines: \$787 collected so far. \$300 - \$400 more coming in.
- Discussion about what to recommend for delinquent teams? Not allow them to re-register? Add fines?
 - o Motion: Delete the recertification requirement for Juniors going from 14 → 15 beginning in the new season (with the disclaimer that if significant rule changes occur in any given year, then attendance at clinic/recertification must be completed), 1st R. Lucci/2nd R. Majeski/Failed (2-2-4)
- Fred will poll the officials group to ask about Junior recertifications

New Business

- Donation to the Olympic Team
 - o Motion: Send \$25 to USA Olympic Team, 1st S. Seabridge/2nd F. Chase/Fails (2-6-0)
 - o Motion: Send \$250 to USA Olympic team in the name of Matt Anderson, 1st C. D'Errico/2nd CJ Denk/Passed (9-0-0)
- Gary Adler Scholarship - selection committee
 - o 3 applications from boys, 3 applications from girls

- Review Committee: Scott, Meryll, Jeff, Fred, & Roger
- Discussion about online payment for registration by credit card. Will meet next week to discuss pro's & con's with other Regions. At this point, it's in "discussion phase" ... how much should John pursue it? VFX would likely not use it (they have their own PayPal), Paradigm needs to know more. No refunds!
- Next Meeting – ANNUAL MEETING – July 16, 2012 at 6:00 p.m. at Genesee Community College (GCC)
 - 7:00 p.m. Junior Boys (only)
 - 7:30 p.m. Combined Boys & Girls Roundtable
 - 8:00 p.m. Boys Dismissed, Junior Girls (only)
- Motion: Adjourn Meeting, 1st M. Pentz/ 2nd F. Chase/Passed (9-0-0) 8:16 p.m.

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