

## WEVA Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

Date: November 14, 2011

Time: 6:42 p.m.

Present: R. Majeski, J. McKinney, M. Pentz, F. Chase, J. Newland, R. Lucci, C. D'Errico, CJ Denk, S. Seabridge

Excused: T. Weislo, J. Hughes

### Points of Information (R. Lucci)

- Recognize HS Team Winners: Mercy, Penfield, Eden, Randolph, Marcellus
- Recognize Jeff McKinney: R-1 on Elite Eight final - Middlebury vs. Cortland
- Region scorekeepers Linda Chase and Jim Vanderhoof on NYU final
- May 9<sup>th</sup> Meeting's Minutes are not available.

### Registrars Report (sent by J. Hughes)

- Total membership adult 152
- Total membership junior 538
- Total Registrations from 9/1/2011 – 11/7/2011 = 690

### Financial Report 2010-2011 (sent by J. Hughes)

- 2011-2012 Budget passed via email in September
- S. Seabridge comments the process went very smoothly
- Motion: Approve budget as reported for the 1<sup>st</sup> month of fiscal year ... 1<sup>st</sup> S. Seabridge/2<sup>nd</sup> F. Chase/Passed (9-0-0)
- Motion: Approve year-end budget ... 1<sup>st</sup> F. Chase/2<sup>nd</sup> J. Newland/Passed (9-0-0).

### Tryout/Practice Sanction Report (L. Schoenl)

- Rocco comments that the process is efficient and easier via the Web.

### Action Item Review (S. Seabridge)

- Develop a formal review process for Executive Director
  - o Must make decision for benefit package, salary, & bonuses (benefit package)
  - o Will have a goal-setting session and formal review process
  - o S. Seabridge calls for committee volunteers.
- Establish a Grants & Sponsorship Committee
  - o CJ Denk will ask some volunteers to consider participating; suggested that we seek early involvement from some modified parents
  - o Discussion about how to target/promote people to join this committee
    - It's currently posted on the WEVA homepage
    - Suggestion to put it on Rochestervball.com or individual club websites, or send a mass email to adult members
- Finger Poke Incident
  - o Fred is working on resolving this case
- Post number of coaches/support staff on FAQ page
  - o Maureen will post

- Discussion on roster requirements
  - o S. Seabridge states that he received almost NO feedback from BOD regarding this
  - o F. Chase & J. Newland are encouraging about enforcing the roster requirements
  - o Officials will verify rosters for the 1<sup>st</sup> time each team plays, as required by the tournament director. Not every tournament director will require this
  - o Motion: Approval of roster checking ... 1<sup>st</sup> J. Newland/2<sup>nd</sup> R. Majeski/Passed (9-0-0)
- Keeping court/bench clean
  - o Officials should facilitate cleanliness. They will remind the teams to clean up area after match
  - o A recommendation will also be made to the clubs
  - o Rocco is suggesting the use of [BINS](#) to help with water bottle clean-up.
- Establish a facilities spreadsheet
  - o C. D’Errico reports that it’s in its final stages ...
- Junior commitment letter across clubs
  - o Closing this action item
  - o Cindy has a form – other clubs can view it, use it as a reference

#### Tournament report (S. Seabridge)

- Multi-day event & Bid Event dates (C. D’Errico) – 23 Juniors tournaments sanctioned to date.
- As S. Seabridge approves sanctions, J. Hughes will be notified, then L. Schoenl, then F. Chase is notified to secure officials for those days/times.
- Hotel Situation – Can we contact USA Office and hold hotel rooms in advance for Jr. Nationals? We know we will send one team from each age group.
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#### Website Update (S. Seabridge)

- Tournament sanction process is fully up-to-date and online.
- Tournament Cancellation now available online. Tournament Director must provide a *reason* for the cancellation.
- Practice & Tryout Cancellation is also available online.
- Facility selections can be added using a dropdown list. New facilities can be added by selecting “OTHER”.
- Tournament Director’s Event Report, Tournament Director Financial Report, and Tournament Results Submission are expected to be complete by mid-December.
- FAQ page will be updated using a dropdown box with categories.

#### Junior Report (C. D’Errico & T. Weislo)

- J. Hughes is requesting a list of WHO tried out, who’s on your team’s roster, and who’s **unassigned**. This means releasing players from your club to now being “unassigned”.
- Discussion about process and procedures to qualify for bid tournament. Cindy will communicate this process.
- New GIRLS clubs starting up:
  - o Canalside VBC - Spencerport Area (Ed Patt) 14, 15, 16
  - o Keuka Lake VBC - Penn-Yan Area (Ben Guiliano) 12 - 18
  - o Viper VBC – Cattaraugus County (Joseph Crandall) 15, 17

- Cayuga VBC – Cato, NY (last yr) (Betsy Hayden) 16, 18
- Indigenous VBC – Irving, NY (Lisa Maybee)
- PRIDE – Sheffield, PA (Luke Whitman) 15
- Synergy – Holley (Clancy Johnson)
- Vortex (old “Infinity” club) – Williamson (Kelly Cook) 18
- New BOYS clubs starting up:
  - Keuka Lake VBC – Penn Yan area (Ben Guiliano) 12 - 18
  - Gates Chili VBC (?)
  - Penfield Tradition (Andrew Solomon) 13
  - Raiders VBC – Athol Springs, NY (Shane Cassell) 17, 18
  - Lockport VBC (Tom Schneider) 12
- High Performance Update – no update. Request to R. Lucci to resolve date issues for try-outs. Need to be solidified. Are deadlines defined? T. Weislo/R. Lucci say this will be ready for Dec. 1.

#### Officials Report (J. Newland/F. Chase)

- Scorekeeper/Second Referee Clinic Requirement – concern that there won’t be enough time to certify younger players considering new WEVA Fine Policy – C. D’Errico suggests we break out fines by AGE GROUPS: 16-18 & 12-15. Instead, discussion leads to move certification fines to March 1<sup>st</sup> (\$10) – April 1<sup>st</sup> (\$25) for all players.
- Motion: Approve certification fines ... 1<sup>st</sup> C. D’Errico/2<sup>nd</sup> R. Majeski/Passed (9-0-0).
- First Juniors score clinic held Nov. 13, 2011
- Plan to bring all ref’s up to speed for Junior’s R2/Scorekeeper certification (unless the official is first-year officials or provisional)
- Roster verification at Junior events – discussed earlier.
- Junior National official candidate Mike Jansma
- Brief discussion on new libero rule.
- Jim Vanderhoof and John Newland will put forth a proposal to put R1’s & R2’s on ALL matches at regionals (all age groups 14-18).
- Money in official’s budget for non-working official for scoring/training/evaluating. You may see this at local tournaments.

#### New Business

- Will discuss plan for the review of Commissioner/Executive Director position at January meeting. Discuss succession plan for Commissioner. Open an application process for interested parties.
- Impact dates
- Final Four/AVCA in December 2011. Board members J. Newland & F. Chase will attend.
- Next Meeting – January 9, 2012 6:30 p.m.
- Motion to Adjourn Meeting: 1<sup>st</sup> R. Lucci/2<sup>nd</sup> F. Chase/Passed (9-0-0) 9:12 p.m.

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