

WEVA Meeting Minutes

Date: May 8, 2006

Time: 7:11 PM

Present: J. Hughes, C. D'Errico, R. Werkmeister, S. Seabridge, S. Pierce, J. Lodes, D. Schoenl, J. Ingalls, R. Majeski, D. Bothner, G. Hill (Lucci proxy)

Excused: R. Lucci, F. Chase, C. Wickens, L. Schoenl, R. Quinn, T. Weislo, J. Algier

Unexcused:

Welcome (S. Seabridge)

- Welcomed and introduced Gary Hill of Niagara Frontier as Rocco Lucci's proxy

Previous Meeting Minutes (S. Seabridge)

- **Motion:** *Approve previous meeting minutes as presented ... 1st J. Hughes/2nd C. D'Errico/Passed (10-0-1).*

Registrar's Report (J. Hughes)

- 2005 had 111843 members; 2006 is at 1839. We expect a few more registrations as supporters/chaperones and John is clearing out the unpaid list, which may yield a few more members.
- Unpaid list is down to around 94 from the previous meeting total of 270. The majority will be cancelled because they were tryout people that never landed on teams.
- John is at the National meeting in New Orleans at the end of May and there is a 2-hour session on trying to get the registration system easier to use.

Financial Report (D. Bothner)

- Budget Information – budget report supplied at meeting but not reported here due to report being lost by scribe.
- There is \$2848 for background checks, which is ~ \$2K more than budgeted. All background checks have been clear this year.
- There is \$1921 in profit from the Region Store.
- Fred will attend the National meeting for Officials and the cost will be split by CWVO, of which Fred is president of the Board.
- WEVA's fiscal year will be changed from November 1st to October 1st to align us better with USA Volleyball. The accountants are working on this.
- A profit was made on Region Championships due to the girls' turnout being smaller than usual and the girls 12 courts being donated by Eden.
- **Motion:** *Approve financial report as presented ... 1st J. Ingalls/2nd R. Majeski/Passed (10-0-1).*

Board Membership & Attendance (S. Seabridge)

- Stephen Pierce's attendance was brought up and Stephen was asked if he still wanted to be on the Board. Stephen replied that he did and he apologized for missing the last couple of meetings. The Board was in agreement that Stephen should stay on.

Tournament Director's Report (S. Seabridge)

- There was a discussion on pool size during a tournament (sometimes 5 team pools take too long). There was also discussion on the 8-game minimum requirement.

- Scott informed the Board that he planned to hold a meeting with all the junior clubs and tournament directors to come to a consensus on what policy is best for sanctioning tournaments.

Commissioner's Report (J. Hughes)

- Ray has retired as Referee's Chair. John has offered the position to Fred Chase and he has accepted. Fred & John are looking for East/West assistants, one more clinician, and have named Renee Paser-Paull as the Scorekeeper Chair.
- WEVA will need to name a temporary Officials Rep to the Board or wait until next elections.
- Discussion was held on what to do for Ray based on his time and efforts towards WEVA. Ideas like dinner and golf were discussed.

Official's Report (J. Hughes)

- We are sending Jeff McKinney and Dave Lambert for Jr. National ratings and/or upgrades.

Junior Report – Girls (C. D'Errico)

- Region Championships
 - 59 out of 86 teams competed in the Girls' Region Championships – some of the teams did not feel they would be competitive and others felt it was too far for a 2-day where you only play once or twice the 2nd day.
 - The 2-day Region Championship format needs to be re-evaluated
 - Ideas were discussed about having a region qualifier, which gets the JOV National bid, and a festival/championship day, with no JOV National bid on the line.
- Girls ranking system seemed to have worked well this year after we started entering the tournament finishes ourselves. We need to re-evaluate this process for the upcoming year.

Fund Raising (J. Hughes)

- We are running the 1st Annual WEVA Festival
- Boys and Girls will be run on Sunday with 5-6 courts for the Boys and 4-5 courts for the Girls

Junior Recruitment Policy (D. Schoenl)

- Darrell informed the Board that he did forward the potential recruiting policy to the junior reps and received no feedback.
- A large discussion was held on the subject, which included some new ideas, while rehashing many of the ideas and concerns that have been brought up the last three years.
- Scott decided that Darrell was to forward the policy to all the Board members and if they has objections, they could submit their own version or edit Darrell's. The bottom line is that we need a policy – no matter how liberal or conservative.

Educational Development and Cap Clinic (Fred Chase for Kyle Salisbury)

- IMPACT clinic and CAP I clinic by J. Kessel
 - 47 for IMPACT
 - CAP II canceled due to lack of attendance
 - 42 for CAP I
 - WEVA will be getting a portion of the profit.

Website Update (Scott Seabridge)

- No update

New Business

- A question was raised about collegiate players or alumni coming back and practicing with their old club and how do we register them.

Next Meeting: Monday, July 31st at 7:00 PM at GCC

Motion to adjourn meeting: 1st J. Hughes/2nd R. Majeski/Unanimous (11-0-0)
9:40 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Western Empire Volleyball Association
Scott Seabridge for Laura Schoenl, WEVA Secretary