

WEVA Meeting Minutes

Date: June 2, 2008

Time: 6:38 PM

Present: S. Seabridge, T. Weislo, J. Lodes, T. Short, D. Schoenl, R. Majeski, L. Schoenl, B. Chanthavisouk, C. D'Errico, J. Hughes, J. Ingalls, J. Newland, R. Repich

Excused: L. Wilson, R. Lucci, F. Chase

Unexcused: R. Repich

Late: C. Wickens (7:30 PM)

Welcome & Thank You (S. Seabridge)

- Thanks to all attending tonight.
- Changes to previous meeting minutes: Date wrong (March instead of April) and Guest should have read Excused.
- Fred Chase has submitted his proxy to John Hughes in writing.
- *Motion: Approve previous meeting minutes as presented, with above mentioned changes ... 1st T. Weislo / 2nd D. Schoenl / Passed (12-0-0).*

Registrars Report (J. Hughes)

- 7.2% increase over last year, which is 9th overall increase in 40 regions.
- For the first time ever, we are nine members ahead of IREVA.
- Total members as of 5/20/08 is 2,183
 - Adult Male – 247 (12.27% growth)
 - Adult Female – 281 (5.24% growth)
 - Junior Male – 314 (5.71% loss)
 - Junior Female – 1,341 (10.28% growth)

Finance Report (J. Hughes)

- IMPACT clinics: \$1,140 in profit.
- Region store: \$2,848 in profit.
- Bank charges \$189. John asked Dionne to look into it as there shouldn't be any.
- Projected overall profit of \$15,400.
- WEVA savings: \$56,808.31
- WEVA checking: \$8,308.42
- M&T Free checking (Scott): \$2,567.24
- CD#2333: \$6,358.54
- CD#3505: \$6,431.45
- CD#3513: \$6,505.92
- Gary Adler CD#3521: \$4,879.44
- All CD's will roll over on June 10.
- No applications for Gary Adler Scholarship
- *Motion to approve budget report as presented ... 1st L. Schoenl / 2nd S. Seabridge / Passed (12-0-0)*

Proposed BOD Reconfiguration (S. Seabridge)

- BOD is currently too big to accomplish what we need.
- From last meeting, consensus was to have nine BOD members.
- Proposed nine:
 - President
 - Vice President
 - Secretary

- Treasurer
- Officials Rep
- Junior Coordinator
- Boys Rep
- Girls Rep
- Adult Rep
- Concerns about the commitment of the proposed nine, and concerns about the amount of work that these people will take on.
- What about Southern tier representation?
 - Would be part of sub-committees, but will leave opportunity open to add a rep.
- What about a 2nd girl's rep? Do we need a 2nd girl's rep because of the numbers of girls' participation in the region?
 - Would be a part of the sub-committees.
- John said that the national office wanted a beach rep on all regions' BOD.
- Can change Adult to Adult/Outdoor rep.
- *Motion to approve proposed reconfiguration as presented ... J. Lodes / 2nd T. Short / passed (11-0-1).*

Proposed BOD Members (S. Seabridge)

- Proposed members as follows:
 - President – Scott Seabridge
 - Vice President – Fred Chase
 - Secretary – Laura Schoenl
 - Treasurer – Jim Lodes
 - Officials Rep – John Newland
 - Junior Coordinator – Cindy D'Errico
 - Boys Rep – Tom Weislo
 - Girls Rep – Rocco Lucci
 - Adult Rep – Roger Majeski
- Proposed members are based on the following criteria:
 - Already specified Board positions.
 - Attendance at recent Board meetings.
 - Balance girl's representation between East & West areas.
 - Qualifications to lead committees.
- Discussion on whether or not we should vote on the last three voting positions of the restructured BOD (Boys rep, Girls rep, Adult rep).
- *Motion to approve restructured BOD members to be effective on Oct. 1, 2008 ... 1st J. Lodes / 2nd J. Newland / passed (10-0-4).*

Proposed WEVA Committees (S. Seabridge)

- 11 Sub-Committees presented
 - Adult
 - Communication
 - Education
 - Ethics and Eligibility
 - Executive
 - Event
 - Finance
 - Governance
 - Junior
 - Officials
 - Outdoor

- Discussion on only four sub-committees to be included on the by-laws. They would be:
 - Ethics and Eligibility – To determine the eligibility and/or level of a member. To be chaired by the Vice President. For issues involving Due Process, representation is dictated by the “WEVA Due Process and Appeals” document. For eligibility issues, minimum Board representation is the Vice President, Officials Rep, and one Board member in a Junior position (Coordinator, Boys Rep, or Girls Rep) or Adult Rep, based upon whether the members in question are adults or juniors or as appointed by the Chairperson.
 - Executive – Portion of the Board of Directors that oversees the performance of the Commissioner and handles issues within the Board of Directors. To be chaired by the President. The Executive Committee shall consist of the four elected officers or as appointed by the Chairperson.
 - Finance – To develop the financial policies of the region as well as the yearly budgets. To be chaired by the Treasurer. Minimum Board representation is the Treasurer, President, and one (1) Board member in a Junior position (Coordinator, Boys Rep, or Girls Rep) or as appointed by the Chairperson.
 - Governance – To create a qualified slate of candidates for the Board of Directors during election years. To be chaired by the Vice President. Minimum Board representation is the Vice President, Adult Rep, and one (1) Board member in a Junior position (Coordinator, Boys Rep, or Girls Rep) or as appointed by the Chairperson.
- Other sub-committees to be included in WEVA Handbook, but not in the by-laws:
 - Adult
 - Communication
 - Education
 - Event
 - Junior
 - Officials
 - Outdoor
- Discussion on whether or not there should be a minimum number of people on each sub-committee.
- Discussion on clearer definitions on sub-committees.
- *Motion to accept the four by-law committees as presented: Ethics and Eligibility, Executive, Finance, and Governance ... 1st S. Seabridge / 2nd C. D’Errico / passed (12-0-2).*

Proposed BOD Election Split (S. Seabridge)

- The reason for splitting the vote is to avoid having a 100% turnover of the BOD.
- Each term will be three (3) years.
- The next elections for the President, Secretary, Boys Rep, Girls Rep, and Officials Rep will be in 2013, 2016, etc.
- The next elections for the Vice President, Treasurer, Junior Coordinator, and Adult Rep will be in 2014, 2017, etc.
- Suggested moving Official’s Rep to 2011.
- New elections will be as follows for 2010:
 - President
 - Secretary
 - Boys Rep
 - Girls Rep
- New elections will be as follows for 2011:
 - Vice President
 - Treasurer
 - Junior Coordinator
 - Adult Rep

- Officials Rep
- *Motion to accept the BOD Election Split as presented including moving Officials Rep to be voted on in 2011 ... 1st S. Seabridge / 2nd J. Lodes / passed (13-0-1).*

ROD Meeting (J. Hughes)

- Look at kudda.com to find all kinds of information about development.
- October meeting will be in Colorado Springs
- Jr. and Commissioner meetings will be held simultaneously.
- Starting next year for national championship and qualifier tournaments, there will be a rostered adult at the scorers table qualified to take over for the score keeper.
- Background screenings: 21,600 backgrounds by SSCI - 659 had records (.2% disqualification rate).
- Sports courts: received extra tiles (\$403 worth of extra tiles ordered). Scott Donaldson of the Armory will pick up ½ of the cost.
- Advocacy group (NAVR): membership fee \$500/year, made up of region commissioners.
 - Concerns with the by-laws of USA Volleyball.
 - Over 48 pages of new by-laws that were passed.
 - The new by-laws gives USA Volleyball even more power over regions.
 - NAVR is prepared to run own qualifiers and championship events without the USA involvement.
 - Will probably meet once per year.
 - John Hughes to send information to BOD to review to better understand the function of the advocacy group.

Junior Meeting (C. Wickens)

- YJOV and ROD passed that the girls 18 tournament (National Championships) will take place no earlier than the first Monday following the last Sunday in June.
- High Performance try-outs: trying to have try-outs within the region and have a rep from our region.
- Youth Development: grant from \$3K down that you can submit through your region to USA.
- Beach schedule is up. Big push for juniors to play beach. We need to get our juniors more involved in playing beach.
- Boys and Girls Tournaments
 - Boys in Atlanta
 - Girls in Miami
 - Side note – adults in Minneapolis

Proposal for WEVA sponsored Youth Volleyball Program (B. Chanthavisouk)

- Objective: Provide a means to introduce the sport of volleyball to children in grades K-6. Grow the sport to sustain our current growth trend. Promote the sport in traditionally underserved areas.
- Good idea for grant proposal.
- Will get Fred Chase involved to assist in writing a grant proposal.
- Will work more on it in the future.

Request for Support from Friends of Pittsford Boys Volleyball (J. Hughes)

- Email from Frank Logosh, on behalf of the Friends of Pittsford Boys Volleyball asking for support from WEVA in the amount of a \$1,000 donation.
- Concerns about the possibility of this organization (or any others as well) asking for repeat donations every year that WEVA wouldn't be able to accommodate.
- WEVA will not be making this donation, but many have expressed interest in attending the Applebee's Pancake Breakfast.

New Business (R. Majeski)

- USA Junior Beach Tour handout from Roger Majeski.
- Divisions are U12, U14, U16, U18, and U20.
- Event will be held at Ontario Beach Park/Charlotte Beach on Sunday, August 3.

Annual/Jr. Meeting to be held Monday, July 21st

- 6:30 – 7:30 Annual Meeting
- 7:30 – 9:30 Jr. Meeting

Motion to adjourn meeting: 1st T. Weislo / 2nd D. Schoenl / Passed (13-0-1)
9:28 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Western Empire Volleyball Association
Laura Schoenl, WEVA Secretary