

Colorado USA Wrestling



Board Meeting Minutes

Location: Kennedy Center, 10500 E. Girard Ave., Denver, CO

Date: 01-14-18

Time: 3 pm

Recorded By: Bill Barron

I. Board of Directors

- State Chair – Joe Betterman
- Vice Chair – Paul Trygstad
- Treasurer – Stephanie Schlieman-Martinez
- Secretary – Bill Barron
- Pairing Officials Director – Stephanie Sanders
- Mat Officials Director – Paul Trygstad
- Event Director – Stephanie Sanders
- Folkstyle Director – Abram Lopez
- Women's Director – Deanna Betterman
- Cadet Director – Matt Paeth
- Junior Director – JD Dinette
- Kids Director – Jake Martinez
- Coaches Director – Phil Grasmick
- Metro League Representative – (open)
- Member-At-Large –

II. Roll Call

- a. Meeting called to order by Chair Joe Betterman.
- b. PRESENT: Joe Betterman, Paul Trygstad, Bill Barron, Stephanie Sanders, Abram Lopez, Deanna Betterman, JD Dinette, Jake Martinez, Phil Grasmick, Stephanie Schlieman-Martinez
- c. ABSENT: Matt Paeth (conference phone); JD Dinette, Abram Lopez
- d. GUESTS: Scott Sanders

III. Meeting Agenda

- a. EVENT SCHEDULE (motion to accept events report accepted unanimously)
 - i. State tournament conflicts with folkstyle dual tournaments in VA & NV; as we are F/G based at that time of the year, we have decided to not change the date
 - ii. Should not change schedule significantly after the 1st of the new year
 - iii. Emphasis on getting it out by annual meeting and evenly distributed through state
 - iv. Goal is to support all 3 styles but to recognize different emphasis at times of year
 - v. Potentially send elementary/middle school teams to USAW Heartland Duals in early April
 - vi. Earlier qualifiers open more spots for Fargo participants
 - vii. Continue efforts to reach out to folkstyle wrestlers to participate in F/G
 - viii. Broaden reach to all areas of the state to participate and host tournaments
 - ix. Offer winter season 3-style tournaments to invite more cross-overs
 - x. Demographics of state is that we are more seasonal (winter) in wrestling
 - xi. Increased number of folkstyle officials are also doing F/G, so they can ref at same event
 - xii. Link fliers to website in advance for events and Summit
- b. DISTRIBUTION & ACCESSIBILITY
 - i. At what point are we a service provider vs working through a specific organization?
 - ii. Conflict of interest for different leagues to utilize email list to send info for their events?
 - iii. Access to email list of state CO-USA membership available to all CUSAW clubs

- iv. Need to designate an individual to oversee the email distribution lists
- c. TRAILER
 - i. Saved money on \$5300 price – bought security locks
 - ii. One trailer for mats, one for digital equipment
 - iii. Large decals vs wrapping for advertising
 - iv. Need to make sure towing vehicle has proper specifications
- d. BANK ACCOUNT
 - i. Membership dollars coming in as well as recognition banquet
 - ii. Chair Joe Betterman & Treasurer Stephanie Schlieman-Martinez need approval and ability to monitor and approve expenses (motion made, seconded, and approved)
- e. EQUIPMENT RENTAL
 - i. Hand receipt for what is contained in each trailer – create inventory list
 - ii. Insurance for equipment storage and transportation – covered by USAW as a sanctioned club / event as well as property owner's insurance (not at a school location)
 - iii. Equipment director needs stipend as well as compensation for mileage and vehicle
 - iv. We need to oversee who is allowed to transport
 - v. Phil is willing to assist Equipment Director
 - vi. Rental fee is mileage based on towing + \$50 round trip compensation for driver
- f. FOUNDATION & BANQUET (motion to approve discussion unanimous)
 - i. Went well but can improve planning, execution, and long-term planning.
 - ii. Successful but promote with pictures and write-ups
 - iii. #CUSAWkidsfirst hashtag with a backdrop picture
 - iv. Increase corporate sponsorship to hit \$100,000 mark
 - v. Begin planning this year's banquet now – consider day & date
 - vi. Time banquet to include all national events (November / December)
 - vii. Host raffle to help pay for team trips
 - viii. Program draft soon – banquet date to consider is 12-15-18 – sell program
 - ix. Electronic program (continually updated) via subscription w/ marketing, pictures, video
 - x. Create CUSAW brochure listing events, programs, results
 - xi. List of honorees needs contribution from directors, coaches, clubs; post online and update
 - xii. Get to point where CUSAW can operate as business; pay Board members for time & tasks
 - xiii. Approach CHSAA to distribute CUSAW info at tournament
- g. FARGO CAMP
 - i. Location possibilities: OTC (more centralized) – Otero (last year's location but more distant)
 - ii. If at OTC, they could make Olympic athletes more available
- h. NEXT MEETING FEB. 11th @ 4 pm – potentially Sky Sox Meeting Room (Colo. Springs)
 - i. Gear company contract proposal at this meeting – two-year deal to bargain for discount – send out info to membership – list gear company on website as current sponsor