

WEVA Board of Director's Meeting Minutes

Date: September 16, 2012

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

Called to Order: 6:15 p.m.

Present: C. D'Errico, J. Hughes, R. Lucci, T. Weislo, R. Majeski, M. Pentz

Excused: F. Chase, CJ Denk, S. Seabridge

Unexcused: J. McKinney, J. Newland



July 2012 Meeting Minutes e-mailed to board on 8/19/2012 – Approved via e-mail on 8/27/2012 with a vote of 10/0/0

Registrars Report (J. Hughes)

- New clubs and merges may result in potential growth for the Region.
 - New Girls Club out of Rush-Henrietta HS called *Team Impact*, has coaches & facilities, and will likely field 3-4 teams total.
 - New Boys Club out of Athol Springs called *Red Raiders VBC* – will field 2 teams.
 - New Club named *Octane* (old Cobra Club).
 - Extreme & Premiere are merging, effective this Fall 2012.
- Adults 516 + Juniors 1920 = 2436. This number is within 5 of last year's number; dead flat. Final numbers for the year.

Financial Report (J. Hughes)

- Motion: Approve 2011-2012 Budget, 1st R. Lucci/2nd R. Majeski/Passed (6/0/0). Last year's net profits were substantial, indicating an outstanding year. Why? No High Performance, no CAP Clinic, not all budgeted funds were spent on web maintenance or facilities.
- The new 2012-2013 budget was reviewed and voted on via email.

Action Item Review (S. Seabridge)

- Executive Director plan (S. Seabridge) sent on Aug 20.
- Subcommittee should meet between now & November.
- Brief discussion about considerations: Letter of Intent vs. Contract, How is the agreement broken by either side?, Do we hire someone right out of college?, Should they have volleyball background?, Ideal candidate should have corporate law knowledge & understanding of non-profits, considering initially hiring a Director of Operations (1-yr) before Exec. Director?

Tournament Report (S. Seabridge)

- Tournament sanctions – Two day-tournaments have been sanctioned. Single day tournaments are pending.
- Tryout and Practice sanctions

Website Update (S. Seabridge)

- Tournament Director's Event Report – Complete, and ready for online deployment.
- Tournament Director's Financial Report – Nearly complete. Will launch online simultaneously with Tournament Director's Event Report.
- Tournament Results Submission – Not started.
- Automated Rankings – Not Started, must work closely with Cindy.
- Modify FAQ Page – Complete and online.
- New "Forms" Page – Complete (Note to BOD: everyone should check forms to make sure they are correct and up-to-date, no broken links ...)
- Automate Forms Links & Maintenance – Not started.
- USA Rotations Newsletter – Not started.
- New Club Maintenance Page – Not started.

- New Team Maintenance Page – Not started.
- New Referee Maintenance Page – Not started.
- Add Officials Photos – Not started. (Note: CWVO site no longer exists. We've moved to Arbiter.)
- New "Photo Gallery" Page – Not started.
- New Sites Page – Not started.
- New Sites Maintenance Page – Not started.
- We should remove the Conflict of Interest Form. If possible, we should remove the dates from region-specific forms. John has updated Incident Report (injury) and will have Maureen post to the web.

Adult PVL Update (R. Majeski)

- CJ has a plan and will share with PVL subcommittee soon. (Reminder: CJ (Chair), Roger, Cindy, and Scott assigned to this subcommittee).

Junior Business (C. D'Errico, T. Weislo)

- New Division at JNC – only for girls – PATRIOT division, will be "first-come, first-served" (registrations open January 2, 2013 – per J. Hughes)
- High Performance – has identified one boys coach, Mark Schlabach.
- Policy notifications to Club Directors (1st one went out on Aug 18) – was brief and to-the-point; suggestion to send out another. Girls Bid date has changed to April 20-21 (check web).

Officials Report (J. Newland/F. Chase)

- Officials Fee Proposal emailed on August 23 and approved. Discussion on comparison with other regions still open (J. Newland). J. Hughes will post this notification on the web and communicate to Club Directors.
- New Rule notifications to Club Directors – i.e. libero rule – J. Newland or F. Chase should send out to Club Directors. Also notify clubs about new libero jersey rule for 2013-2014 will be mandatory.

New Business

- Donation to the Olympic Team / Matt Anderson – (R. Lucci) – Matt was recently working out at BNCC. He is now playing in Russia. Rocco reports that he's a great guy! Signed autographs, talked with players.
- Tryouts during high school season – (R. Lucci, R. Majeski) –
 - Unfortunately HS and Club have nothing to do with each other.
 - Three Rochester-area clubs are hosting try-outs on the SAME day.
 - NFVBC has opted to wait until after HS season (after Thanksgiving)
 - Seems earlier every year ...
 - Parents want the "best possible" coaching
 - Should WEVA host a clinic for HS coaches - - or - - contact WEVA to send a rep to your local HS practice for a clinic/demo?
- WEVA Store email responses (J. Hughes) – email was sent to encourage clubs to use WEVA store. A few clubs have contacted and said YES, they are going to place orders.
- Additional Information
 - 2013 Empire State Games will be in Rochester, July 25-28. Cost will be \$40/per athlete. Opening Ceremonies Friday night. Considering Beach Volleyball this year / Scholastic & Open.
 - USA High Performance Beach – suggested date: May 5, 2012
- Next BOD Meeting – November 12, 2012 6:00 p.m. at T.F. Browns
- Motion: Adjourn Meeting, 1st R. Lucci/2nd T. Weislo/Passed (6/0/0) 8:13 p.m.

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