

WEVA Meeting Minutes

Date: November 19, 2007

Time: 7:17 PM

Present: T. Weislo, L. Schoenl, R. Majeski, D. Schoenl, B. Chanthavisouk, T. Short, J. Lodes, C. D'Errico, F. Chase, J. Newland, C. Gustafson, J. Hughes, R. Lucci, S. Seabridge, J. Ingalls, L. Wilson, K. Gill (guest), D. Tytler (guest), G. Hill (guest)

Excused: C. Wickens, R. Werkmeister

Unexcused: R. Repich

Welcome & Thank You (S. Seabridge)

- Sincere thanks to Dionne Bothner, Jerry Algier and Mike Paull for their efforts on the BOD.
- Motion to approve previous meeting minutes as written ... 1st L. Schoenl/2nd F. Chase/Passed (14-0-2).

Registrar Report (J. Hughes)

- Welcome new clubs to our region: Tri-County VBC & Blizzards.
- Notice to all clubs that are currently practicing: Whoever is practicing and have not paid for their membership are in violation!
- Last year, WEVA had 2,034 registered members.
- Currently, WEVA has 130 registered members.

Financial Report (J. Lodes)

- There was an email vote on Oct. 23 regarding the 2007-2008 proposed budget. See below for motion and details:
 - Motion to approve the 2007-2008 budget (Proposed Budget Nov 2007-2008 (2).xls) as written ... 1st S. Seabridge/2nd J. Lodes/Approved (11-0-1).
- General overview/review of old budget.
- WEVA Savings Acct. = \$26,115.15
- WEVA Checking Acct. = \$11,979.26
- Gary Adler Acct. = \$1,065.74
- M&T Free Checking (Scott) = \$2,587.24
- M&T Money Market = \$10,000?
- CD 33521 Gary Adler = \$4,795.56
- CD 32333 = \$6,368.54
- CD 33505 = \$6,183.24
- CD 33513 = \$6,394.08
- Motion to accept budget report as presented ... 1st C. D'Errico/2nd F. Chase/Passed (15-0-1).

Eastside Aces Incident Report (J. Ingalls)

- The coach in violation was asked not to coach for one year.
- Assistance will be given to better educate her on how to lead a team before she will return to coaching.

Review Girls Bid Tournament (C. D'Errico)

- Tournament will be held at Buffalo Niagara Court Center (BNCC).
- March 30: 16's – 18's
- April 13: 12's – 15's
- There was some feedback asking if the April 13 date could be moved up to April 12. The Jr. Girls Reps will decide what's best for the entire region as to whether or not any dates will be changed.

Boys Region Championship Schedule (T. Weislo)

- Cal was not present at the meeting, so the dates will be given to Scott by the end of the week.

WEVA Festival Date Review (C. D'Errico)

- May 3 or 4, specific date TBD.
- Who is willing to volunteer???

Adult Report (C. Gustafson)

- Ryan Repich absent so report will be tabled until next BOD meeting.
- There was some discussion regarding creating alumni teams with people who played for Junior Clubs.

Officials Report (J. Newland/F. Chase)

- Thanks to all officials and score keepers who participated at the Preview to the Final Four event.
- Review new referee compensation scale.
- Motion to approve new referee compensation scale as presented ... 1st L. Schoenl/2nd B. Chanthavisouk/Passed (11-0-5).

Tournament Report (S. Seabridge)

- 1 boy's tournament sanctioned.
- 21 girl's tournaments sanctioned.

Insurance Report (L. Schoenl)

- Reviewed all certificates of insurance that have been distributed so far this season.
- The applicant must be more specific when stating days/dates on request form.
- Notice to all clubs: If you're holding try-outs/practices without insurance, you are in violation!!!

Website Report (S. Seabridge/C. Gustafson)

- New website shell has been designed.
- Still working on navigation.
- See below timeline for more information:
 - 11/19: sitemap, look/feel
 - 11/21: shell build
 - 11/30: content populated
 - 12/3: database build begins
 - 12/7: forms built
 - 12/10: database complete
 - Mid January: tournament info complete

Due Process (S. Seabridge)

- Most changes are in Article III (Memberships in the WEVA Ethics Committee), Article VII (Sanctions), and Article IX (Appeal).
- Motion to accept updated Due Process (v.1.1) as presented ... 1st J. Lodes/2nd R. Lucci/Passed (14-0-2).

By-Laws (S. Seabridge)

- Changes in section 3.01.
- Scott to get executive committee together to review overall performance of the executive director.
- Motion to accept changes to By-Laws that include a commissioner vote ... 1st C. D'Errico/2nd F. Chase/refused (4-9-3).
- Motion to accept changes to By-Laws as written ... 1st B. Chanthavisouk/2nd J. Ingalls/refused (7-0-9).
- Discussion:
 - Executive Director position was originally supposed to be a 2-3 year term.
 - Define BOD functions as they are today.

- Motion to approve changes made (without commissioner vote) ... 1st L. Wilson/2nd R. Lucci/passed (15-0-1).

Split Election Proposal (S. Seabridge)

- A proposal of the following is being made so that the entire BOD is not up for election at the same time. This is best for our region because it allows some continuity when new members are elected.
- Up for election in 2009:
Vice President, Treasurer, Junior Coordinator, Boys Rep East, Girls Rep East (Ingalls), Girls Rep West (Lucci), Male Player Rep, Eastern Area Rep, At Large (D. Schoenl)
- Up for election in 2010
President, Secretary, Officials Rep, Boys Rep West, Girls Rep East (Werkmeister), Girls Rep West (Wilson), Female Player Rep, Western Area Rep, At Large (Chanthavisouk)
- Motion to approve split election proposal as presented ... 1st C. D'Errico/2nd R. Lucci/Unanimous (16-0-0).
- There was some discussion on how to get more people from the Southern Tier involved.

New Business – BNCC Proposal (R. Lucci/G. Hill)

- The proposal is for \$25K for carbon net systems, and \$5K for furniture and supplies for the coaches/officials hospitality room.
- The (main) return on investment for WEVA is the following:
 - Discounted rates for WEVA boys, girls, and adult programs of \$300/court or \$1800 for entire facility.
 - \$330 for individual court rental.
 - Discounted rates for WEVA affiliated clubs for tournaments, practices, and clinics.
- A very lengthy discussion on the concerns of the large amount of money involved. Concerns were also voiced regarding potentially “draining” our savings accounts and not being able to entertain other requests.
- Motion to table the proposal until Dec. 10 meeting ... 1st F. Chase/2nd J. Lodes/Unanimous (16-0-0).

Next Meeting: Monday, December 10 at 7:00 PM at GCC

There will be a meeting of the Executive Committee prior to BOD meeting beginning at 6:00 PM.

Motion to adjourn meeting: 1st L. Schoenl/2nd B. Chanthavisouk/Unanimous (16-0-0)
10:58 PM.

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