

**WWCA Executive Board Meeting
Saturday, February 23, 2013
Nicholas Suites of the Kohl Center
Madison, WI**

Minutes

Call to order by President Bob Empey at 7:05 AM

President Empey thanked everyone for being present and reminded everyone that we are the eyes and ears of the WWCA.

Additional items for the Agenda included: A. Ranking of Refs and B. WIAA State Individual Improvements

Also mentioned that Wade Labecki would be present later in the meeting...

Secretary's Report: Dave Black motion with Mel Dow second to accept minutes of previous executive meeting as seen on the WWCA Website... motioned passed.

Treasure's Report: \$41, 796.96 in the WWCA Account from Bob Empey. Other figures included \$6,206.65 for the Fall Clinic and a tentative profit of \$18,546.91 from the 2012 Fall Clinic.

Wendall Bean will have a more complete report of finances later in the year.

It was mentioned that there is a "verbal" commitment to have the Hyatt in Green Bay host the 2013 Fall Clinic once again... the dates for the Clinic are November 1st and 2nd of 2013.

More discussion to follow at the Spring Meeting

Scott Schmitz motioned to approve the report with a second from Jeff Behrens... motioned passed.

New Business

For the Spring Meeting: Agenda items will include the Fall Clinic, University Credit for the Clinic, HOF timing.

Reports

Hall of Fame (Jeff Behrens)

Jeff asking for help once again for presentation of medals for State Tournament
Also asking for assistance with collecting the Conference Champions from around the State

It was mentioned that the voting of for WWCA Awards is past due in regards to having this out to members

Public Relations (Mel Dow)

The Nicholas Suites seem to be going well with traffic flow
Price for Suites has remained constant and will be working to keep it the same

WWF/USA (Dave Black)

2020 Olympics... wrestling may be eliminated... we will be a grass roots with this.
Dave mentioned that wrestling needs to be Modernize, Modify, and Change
Spoke on the Team membership once again and how this is such a great deal for everyone

Officials (Mike Blasczyk)

Covered how rule interpretations are completed
Mentioned that the resource center on Ref Ranking can be a valuable resource
Recruitment of officials needs to be addressed... look at HS athletes as a means of getting/encouraging young officials to get involved.
Slight modification in the half pound weight loss per day...
Assistant referee is close to being completed as far as having this in place for state tournament
Stalling may be taken out of the progressive penalty chart... this is being discussed at the National level presently
Post season ranking of official and how assignments are done... top 75 officials for sectional and state tournament series are picked... must have a ranking of 5.0 minimum.

Wade Labecki

A third of coaches have not taken the test or watched the rules interpretation film
Mentioned that there has been more and more talk about seeding the state tournament (both individual and team)
Approx. 7800 hundred wrestlers this year
7th and 8th grade wrestling will not be in varsity (hs) sports in Wisconsin
Some discussion on Concussion Education and Care
Skin Conditions and the ethics of this was also talked about

Web Director (Bob Olson)

Just reminded everyone to send Bob material for the Web

Alumni (Jim Stephenson)

Jim mentioned that we have lost a number of great wrestling people over the course of the past several months and to keep their families in your thoughts

The Alumni has \$600 for their work

Golf (Blaine Felsman)

The Annual Golf outing will be on Sunday, June 2nd, 2013

Note the new location... Chula Vista in Wisconsin Dells

Old Business

The Hall of Fame Committee has talked about setting up a set of criteria/format the selection process... Jeff and Mel will be working on this more

New Business

A request for \$500 from Keith Swett to help with the Wisconsin Chapter of the National Wrestling Hall of Fame costs for this year was made to the WWCA.

Dave Black motioned and Wendall Bean second to honor this request... motion passed.

Discussion on JV Matches

More of a need than ever to promote more matches and competition. Schools have gone to 1 and a half minute period and wrestle a couple of times to give wrestlers more opportunities... it was stressed that regardless of the length of a match there must still be the 45 minute rest between each match.

The WWCA will be entertaining a presentation from Justin Tritz regarding the possibility of seeding the state individual wrestling tournament.

Spring Meeting

This will be held on May 5th at 2:30 PM

Support for D1 having two team out of each Regional for Team Sectional was discussed. A motioned was made by Dallas Moe second by Jeff Behrens to promote this venture. Motion passed

Super Regional

There is a move to develop a proposal for this type of function. More to come with this. Some tentative discussion included a team qualifier question.

Dave Black motioned with Dallas Moe second to adjourn at 10:06 AM... Motion passed.

Respectfully Submitted

Ken Manning
WWCA
Secretary

