

ISWA Monthly Meeting

February 5, 2017

Call to Order:

Louis Rosbottom called the meeting to order at 12:03pm. Asked each board member to check the garage area to make sure that we have everything that we will need for the state tournament in March.

Roll Call:

Board Members: Louis Rosbottom, Tina Fouts, Renee Schoettle, Chris Lynch, Mary Friedt, Jennifer Pierson, Mark Stevenson, Michelle Kaster, Patt Van Horn, Mark Mundy, Jean Whetstone, Pat Culp, Sharon Rosbottom, Linda Robinson, Thomas Pompei, Sarah Frisz, Jason Miller, Brady Eppert, Tom Dolly

Staff: Lauren Rioux, Tina Tonte

Guests: Randy Amos, Perry Meridian Wrestling Club and Kandace Miller

Secretary: Tina Fouts

- Presented December minutes
- Mark Mundy made motion to accept the minutes
- Jean Whetstone seconded the motion.
- Motion passed unanimously

Agenda items:

- Kris Hammack has stepped aside from her board position for personal reasons. She will be willing to help at any tournament at which she is present
- Dominic Pedroza has resigned from his position as Technology Director

Treasurer: Renee Schoettle

- Received some of the contracted money from 3x Gear at Elementary Duals State tournament
 - Will be accounted for in the Folkstyle State line item
 - Bottom line reported on financial report
- Chris Lynch made a motion to accept
- Michelle Kaster seconded the motion
- Discussed contract with 3x gear and compared to last year's vendor
 - Championship singlets were an addition to the contract from 3x gear as well as some board shirts and volunteer shirts
- Motion passed unanimously
- Renee Schoettle met with the auditors and has a draft of their report
 - Meeting with them in the next week or two to finalize
 - Based on review, not aware of any material modifications
 - Will have finalized review document once completed

Old Business

Hurrie Award

- Renee Schoettle named award winner
- Board members advised they need to sign up today, if attending banquet
- Banquet is being held at Jonathan Byrd's which is now located in Carmel

Treasurer's Position

- Louis Rosbottom reminded the board that this is Renee Schoettle's last year as treasurer and discussed the need to fill her position
 - Looking for a qualified candidate to fill this position

Computers and printers

- 10 new computers have been purchased

- Gives us 28 working computers and we are running 24 mats at Warren Central
- Printers to be purchased in the next couple of weeks
- Will be Windows 10 (HPs)
- Printers – 2 awards printers and 3 regular printers
 - Will review paperwork to see what was approved
- Patt VanHorn asked if we have a copier in the budget
 - We have a Cannon that is a copier/printer for use
- We will need 2 laptops for streaming
 - We will need the YouTube video for storage

Website

- We need to have the initial meeting
- Nick Hull has committed to do the background graphics work which helped us on the fee
- Office staff will do the maintaining and the training
- First step is to get with Sports Ngin to schedule initial meeting

New Business

Championship singlets

- Chris Lynch reported that 3x Gear is giving us enough championship singlets for one tournament
- Thought about offering girls the same singlet in a women's cut for Freestyle State Tournament
 - We would have to purchase these at approximately \$40 per singlet
 - 3x Gear recommends waiting until the tournament is completed and order what we need
 - The singlets will be mailed to the wrestler's residence within 2 – 3 weeks
- Mary Friedt made a motion to extend singlets to include women's tournament
- Patt VanHorn seconded the motion
- Motion passed unanimously

Age Groups

- We don't allow wrestler's to move age groups (with the exception of Cadets in High School to move to Juniors)
- Board was asked to think about whether or not we want to allow wrestlers to wrestle in a different age group
- We can discuss this in our June meeting
- Whatever is decided and rule is placed into practice, we need to adhere to the rule and require local clubs to follow the rule at their tournaments for liability sake
- Elementary Duals tournaments follows a different set of rules due to the nature of a duals tournament
- Patt VanHorn asked if tournaments allow for exhibition matches that cross weight classes, are we covered?
 - Yes, we are covered as long as they both have USA athlete cards

Elementary Duals

- Motion to allow Pre-K in elementary duals made by Jason Miller
- Motion seconded by Tina Fouts
- Motion passed

FaceBook

- We need to be careful what we are posting on FaceBook and where the information is coming from
- There was information posted that did not come from a board member
- Board members need to let the office know if they something that is posted and is incorrect and ask them to take it down
- Tom Dolly feels that if we have communicated to someone that we will not post about something that we need to communicate to the office so that it is not posted

Directors Reports

- **Vice Chair**– Chris Lynch
 - **Membership Staff** – Lauren Rioux
 - Athletes – 5862 (5809 last year), Coaches – 740, (677 last year); Clubs – 172 (21 new clubs)
 - Officials 67

- **Director of Services - Staff** – Tina Tonte
 - Contacted clubs that have not renewed and reminded them we can take payment by phone
 - Preparing to contact coaches regarding changes starting with Folkstyle State
- **Sports Medicine Director** – Nicole Moss
 - Not Present. No Report.
- **Tournament Staff Coordinator** – Vacant
- **Law & Legislation Director** – Steve Pugliese
 - Not Present. No Report.
- **Equipment Director** – Brandi Cash
 - Not Present
 - Chris Lynch reported that she is working with 3X Gear on Board Shirts, Championship singlets and volunteer shirts
- **Folkstyle Developmental Director** – Ryan Parrish
 - Not present. No Report
- **Section 1** – Mark Galka
 - Not present
 - Helping Portage with their tournament today, over 400 wrestlers
 - Crown Point had over 300 wrestlers at their tournament
- **Section 2** – Mary Friedt
 - Working with clubs, reminding them of rules for coaches' cards this year
 - Tournaments last weekend and this weekend – around 300 wrestlers
 - Increase in numbers from last year
 - Making sure athletes are pre-registering for state online
- **Section 3** – Jennifer Pierson
 - Reaching out to clubs running local tournaments – numbers seem to be good
 - Helped a couple of coaches with background checks and questions about online courses
 - Asked if they have to wait on books to arrive – response / No
 - Working with the office to link older coaches' cards with USA Membership
 - They need to look at their profile to see if their certification is out there, if so, they should contact the office for assistance
- **Section 4** – Mark Stevenson
 - No report
- **Section 5** – Michelle Kaster
 - Reaching out to clubs – seems to be going smoothly
- **Vice Chair** – Chris Lynch – for JD Minch
 - **Tournament Director** – Patt Van Horn
 - Tournament meeting held prior to board meeting
 - Will need help with weigh ins – keeping lines flowing.
 - Friday night to help with traffic
 - Saturday will really need help because wrestling will still be going on
 - Need to have commitments early
 - Introduced Randy Amos from Perry Meridian's club who will be helping to coordinate volunteers at State
 - **Mat Officials Developmental Director** – Mark Mundy
 - Working on recruiting officials
 - Hoping to pull in new freestyle officials
 - When officials clinics are scheduled we work to make sure that there are no conflicts.
 - They discussed the conflict with Big 10s and any other conflicts
 - **Folkstyle Referees Developmental Director** – Bart Welch
 - Not Present – Report via email
 - Gathering officials for tournaments
 - Working on sending officials to the USA Folkstyle Nationals
 - Has new ankle bands for ISWA State Finals
 - **Pairing Officials Director** – Jean Whetstone
 - Helping at High School tournaments
 - Did NCAA tournament at Manchester College
 - Helped at Dave Schultz tournament and had an opportunity to work a bit with the FloWrestling program

- **Pairing Officials Developmental Director** – Pat Culp
 - Registration will be open for Folkstyle state as soon as banking information is placed into the tournament set-up
 - Registration for Folkstyle State – registration ends at 10pm eastern time
 - Chris Lynch reported cut-off date of March 5th to have name included on the back of the shirts being sold by 3X
 - Asked for this cutoff date to be publicized on the internet and by word of mouth
 - Setting up a lot of tournaments
 - A lot of clubs are learning to set up the tournaments themselves
 - Head pairers are going to these
 - North numbers have increased a lot (around 300)
 - Gladiator series is helping with these numbers
 - Trying to help Tom Dolly get tournaments onboard with girls' program
- **Scholarship Director** – Sharon Rosbottom
 - Asked board members to encourage high school coaches, clubs, etc to have senior athletes submit their applications by April 1st,
- **Hospitality Director** – Linda Robinson
 - Working with other vendors to serve our tournaments. Will be ready
- **State Coaches Director** – Danny Struck
 - Not Present. Report via email
 - Another pool of coaches applications sent to around 1000 coaches
 - Made contact with all age group leaders reminding them to discuss coaches selection before telling anyone they "are in"
 - Coaches Wristbands are covered for Folkstyle State
 - Encouraging more local coaches to obtain Silver Certification to grow our coaching base
 - Coaches education/clinics will be held in spring.
 - 3 sites of a multiple day workshop for coaches and athletes to work together to learn olympic styles
 - Warren Central, Chesterton, and Jeffersonville are the locations
- **Regional Training Center Director** – Nick Hull
 - Not Present.
 - Chris Lynch reported that Nick has been communicating with the selection committee for Junior Duals, Jim Tonte and Chris Lynch have been asking questions
 - Working on generating interest
- **Cultural Exchange Director** – Danny Struck
 - Not Present. Report via email
 - Japan will not confirm but he has been working on this and feels it is coming along in a positive light
 - Howard Jones going to New Zealand
 - If interested, contact Danny Struck
 - Also, if interested in hosting a group, contact him
- **Team Leader Director** – Thomas Pompei
 - Has all team leaders taken care of except for Cadet Duals
 - Steve Livingston for Schoolboy Duals
 - Jason Miller for Middle School Duals
 - Still needs to confirm with Ryan Parrish for Elementary Duals
 - Nick Hull for Junior Duals – is talking to kids to begin the selection process
 - Will talk to Maurer or Coughlin as they have shown interest
 - Brady Eppert and Jake O'Neil are set for Fargo
- **Transportation Director** – Sara Frisz
 - Both buses for Fargo are leaving on July 13
 - First comes home on Tuesday evening – Cadet and Junior Freestyle Men and Cadet Women
 - Second bus to stay until the others are ready to come back - Saturday
 - Still needs to reserve the hotel rooms for the bus drivers
 - Still needs to reserve vans for Cadet Duals – needs card to reserve
- **Kid's Director** – Jason Miller
 - Stated that Ryan Parrish wanted him to thank everyone who helped at Elementary state
 - Had multiple compliments about the split of divisions
 - Tryouts for Heartland Duals at Warren Central on 3/5

- Will get with Linda Robinson for hospitality for the workers
 - Working with Bart Welch to get a couple of referees
- Middle School State – Chris Lynch to help hand out packets for Middle School Nationals team
 - Asked about 10% discount if paid up front, but was told this is a break-even trip and it can be considered in next year's budget
- Middle School state will have a 1 pound allowance as communicated on the flyer
- **Cadet Director** – Brady Eppert
 - Working on Fargo camp – has spoken with Thomas Pompei
 - Fine with keeping camp at Indiana Tech – looking at dates
 - Thomas Pompei provided dates
 - Junior Duals – 6/20 – 6/24
 - Fargo - 7/14 – 7/22
 - Moratorium – 7/3 – 7/9
- **Junior Director** – Jim Tonte
 - Not present.
 - Tina Tonte presented report – reviewing Junior Duals list – to Committee
 - Wanting to set up meeting to go over camp for Fargo
- **Greco Director** – Gary Myers.
 - Not present. No Report
- **Women's Director** – Tom Dolly
 - Working with office to get correct information on the website for women
 - Office Staff doing a great job of assisting him with this
 - Fargo site – women's information being added
 - No information on the website about the women's camp – need information added
 - As he obtains information about camp – he will provide to office for updates
 - Last time he was in this position, he obtained telephone numbers of all girls participating and called and invited them. He can do this again.
 - Needs to get at least one female team leader for the trip
 - Would like a women's page to make it easier for women to find information
 - Growth in women's wrestling is exciting – this is where the growth in the sport is occurring
 - Inaugural women's high school state went well
 - Thanked Pat Culp and Patt VanHorn

Louis Rosbottom had an email and asked board to put on our thinking caps regarding offsite weigh-ins for local tournaments. If these are being done, how are skin checks being handled? How should they be done? Is this an issue? Patt VanHorn will do an announcement and send to Section Directors.

Motion to Adjourn

- Mark Stevenson made motion to adjourn
- Mark Mundy seconded the motion.
- Motion passed unanimously.

Meeting Adjourned @ 1:35 pm

Next meeting Sunday, April 9 at 12:00 noon

Tournament Meeting Sunday, April 9 at 10:30 am

Tina Fouts

ISWA Secretary