**WWCA Executive Board Meeting**

**Saturday, February 24**

**Fall Meeting**

**Kohl Center, Madison, WI**

**7:00 am**

**Minutes**

**Committee in attendance**:Chris Hansen (Hudson/District 1), Dallas Moe (Wausau West/District 2), Jeff Matczak (Kaukauna/District 4), Scott Schmitz (Mineral Point/District 5), Mark Petersen (Camblesport/District 6), Kurt Kemnitz (West Allis Nathan Hale/District 7 co-rep), Mike Blasczyk (Appelton/Officials Representative),Tim Potratz/Awards/Weyaweaga-Fremont) Wendall Bean (Whitewater/Fall Clinic Chairman), Randy Ferrell (Nathan Hale/WWCA President), Bob Empey (Stoughton/Treasurer), Peter Moe (Cambridge President Elect /), Justin Lancaster(Secretary/Freedom), Dave McCarthy (WWF Rep), Jason Stromberg(public relations), Tom McGarvie (HOF Chair)

1. **Call to Order and Welcome Randy Ferrell.**

President Randy Ferrell called the meeting to order at 7:02. The meeting started with talking to Wade Labecki from the WIAA about a variety of topics involving the WIAA and Wrestling.

1. Keep Individual State Finals start time at 5pm.
2. Bob Empey made a motion to keep 5pm start time. Seconded by Scott Schmitz. Motion Passed 18-0
3. Near fall on the knees- Wade went to Indianapolis for rules interpretations. Most did not like the NFHS knees need to be down interpretations. They are looking into modifying this rule.
4. Bob Empey made a motion that the WWCA support the to change the rules about knees on the mat while getting near fall out of bounce the Wendall Bean Seconded Motion Passed 18-0
5. Submission deadline is March 5 for any new rule changes for the NFHS
6. Other changes color of under garment is ridiculous Wade said. They (WIAA) are looking at making a change to this rule.
7. Correction of errors the NFHS recognized that the wording needs to change, but they did not make that correction yet. WIAA is hoping that that change will be made.

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1. Head and neck minute 4 minutes instead of 1 ½ minute. Wisconsin has 4 minutes for head and neck injury, and is looking for other states to join us with this rule.
2. Dairyland Conference is going to reduce the number of weights for dual meets. Some problems could be the amount of weight a wrestler could give up if they move up a weight class.
3. Girls Wrestling – Plan of Action – 6 states have girls wrestling. Wade is not an obstacle. Randy Ferrell is looking into data from trackwrestling to see how many girls are weighing in.
4. WIAA needs specific plan in place, and support. The WIAA hears lots of ideas they need a concrete plan in order to give it some thought.
5. Wade Labecki brought to everyone’s attention 1.5% problems are getting coaches to use trackwrestling print off weigh in sheets.
6. Dave McCarthy asked is there data to say that 1.5% is healthier for kids and better for wrestling? Should other sports have to follow 1.5% because it is healthier? No real answers came about. Lots of discussion occurred.
7. Dave McCarthy made a motion to have scroll top ten team scores by division be displayed on trackwrestling at individual state tournament. Jeff Matzak seconded Motion Passed 16-0
8. **Reports**
9. **Secretary’s Report: Review and Approval of Minutes from the November Coaches Clinic Meeting**
10. **Report-** SecretaryJustin Lancaster read the minutes from November 2 and 4, 2017 meeting at the WWCA Coaches Clinic, Green Bay.
11. **Approval** John Quinlan moved to accept the secretary’s report and Scott Schmitz seconded. The motion passed 17-0.
12. **Treasurer Report- Bob Empey**

**1. Report**-Bob Empey gave the treasurer’s report. There is $37,077.20 in the main account.

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1. **Approval-** Scott moved to accept the treasurer’s report. Wendall seconded. The motion passed 18-0.
2. **Officials Report- Mike Blasczyk**

This year there were 130 officials at the coach’s clinic in Green Bay. Mike thinks that official’s education program is improving.

1. **Public Relations Report- Jason Stromberg**

$4000 from MyHouse. More people have signed up to be members of the WWCA. The name tags from the coaches clinic seem to be working for allowing member only to get chips and soda out of the Nicholas Suite.

1. **Clinic Chair-Wendall Bean**

Clinic chair- Next two years the WWCA Clinic will be in Green Bay

**F. Awards Chairman Report- Tim Potratz**

1. Tim is looking into a timeline for voting for awards (coach of the year, wrestler of the year, etc.)

1. Election of Award winners/ Award voting. When taking place? Getting word out.
2. 4x State tournament champions that will be returning to assist the WWCA HOF’ers with Awards

Matt Hanutke Kraig Underwood Brian Slater Kevin Black Cole Wunnicke

Bobby Wunnicke Zac Cibula Nick Hagar Jarod Donar Jens Lantz

Hunter Marko

1. Election of Officers. When do terms end? Confirming acceptance of nomination and membership of nominee. (Confirm, do they want to run for the office/position?) How are we confirming that district reps want to be in the running? Mike Pernseiner and Wendall Beam will confirm if the reps want to run for district positions.
2. Weight class is open for awards. There was a request for Ladysmith coach to handout award.

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Craig Austin made a motion for the Ladysmith coach to handout the award for his athletes weight class. Mark Matzak seconded. Motion Passed. 16-0

1. Who should pass out awards? It was talked about having the coaches of the individual state champ’s coach to hand out awards.
2. **President Report- Randy Ferrell**
3. Girls Wrestling Tournaments 4 events specifically for Girls
4. Marty Loy, Badger State, Bauer Brawl, Wisconsin Challenge Series
5. Missed tournaments in the Northern area of the state
6. Looking to keep moving forward with girls wrestling in the state of Wisconsin.

1. Rules Advisory Committee.
2. Small School Joint Practice-Looking at a certain number per week.

Scott Schmitz made a motion for joint practice for schools that have 10 or less kids to practice twice a week. Seconded by Mark Peterson Motion passed 18-0

1. Next Executive meeting will be April 29 in The Dells 9am
2. **Open Agenda**
3. Scott Schmitz brought up super regional’s idea. Short discussion.

Jason Stromberg made a motion for the change in verbiage for the individual state tournament series substitution to: If foreseen opening in the State Individual tournament series bracket, the next qualifying participant in that bracket will advance. The exception would be the day of the tournament (not making weight/skin issues) Seconded Wendall passed 17-0

Scott Schmitz made a motion for the WWCA to look for a replacement to replace Tom McGarvie for the challenge series. The WWCA needs to continue to support and financially help the Wisconsin Challenge series. Seconded by Jason Stromberg motion passed 17-0

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1. **Adjournment**

John Quinlan made a motion to adjourn the meeting Seconded Jeff Matczak Motion Passed 17-0

Respectfully Submitted by:

Justin Lancaster

WWCA Secretary