

July 8 USAWKS meeting.

Meeting started July 8, 2018 at 8:57 a.m.

Roll Call: Mike Juby
Stacy Beyer
Matt Treaster
Mark Stanley
Keith Ashpole
James Bilby
Richard Salyer
Rich Zimmerman
Steve Woody
Scott Edwards
Bobby Bovaird

Approval of old minutes

Minutes from last meeting approved by Richard Salyer seconded by Rich Zimmerman.
No opposing votes

Report on 2017-18 Freestyle/Greco Season:

Mike read email from Will Cokeley regarding Coach Nordhues and the Freestyle/Greco season.
Email was provided to all in attendance.

Richard made a motion that we seize contributions to the Colby Community College until a suitable resolution and demand restitution of all identified funds previously given from USAWKS.

Motion was amended to state:

We send a letter of inquiry to the athletic director of Colby Community college seeking information regarding the use of USAWKS funds which have been donated to the college.

Motion was seconded. All were in favor.

Fargo discussion

There are have been complaints that there is not a Southern Plains Camp. Mike does not feel that there is a need for a dedicated Southern Plains Camp due to the amount of other opportunities the kids have.

James reported that a lot of Seniors are having to report early to school, so they must choose between Duals or Fargo. It was discussed that even the older kids younger then the Seniors are not participating. James states he hears the biggest complaint is the money. It was suggested that we use the same singlets, t-shirts, and shorts for both events, so it would help save money.

Sent 23 kids down to Atlanta. Placed 14 kids in Greco, 5 in finals, 2 National Champions. Freestyle placed 15 with 3 finalists and no champions.

Mike was approached by the Hutchinson CBB to consider a bid for the NAIA tournament. Mark would encourage them to bid for it. If they end up winning the bid, they will want to use our score clocks and computers. We will have four events going on at that time, but we would have the six new score clocks that are being purchased for the colleges. The board stated they would be willing to support the tournament coming to Hutchinson.

Mike jumped from Proposed Rule Changes to Old business:

Options for insurance coverage (USAW New Policies flyer).

All coaches must purchase their cards online (\$5 higher charge) club can go in and renew their coaches online. Athlete card will be going up by \$1. Officials registered by KSHSAA will have to go through the background check but USAWrestling will pay for the cost. They must also be safe sport certified. High schoolers can official when supervised by a registered official or their head coach. They will come up with a procedure to permit the use of random officials on an occasional nonrecurring basis. Will has been working coming up with ideas for us to consider instead of USAW. Congress is requiring that action is taken to protect children from these situations.

Will made a motion to remain under USAWrestling for the upcoming season contingent on them following through with what they are doing and looking to see if we can work with these new guidelines and if we can't we will continue to look at alternatives for future seasons.

Motion was seconded. No opposition to this motion.

USAW changes can be found on flyer given at meeting starting with Dear Constituents.

Kathy stated that with the new policy for coaches we need to make sure information gets out ASAP regarding having to order online. Emails will be sent out that will include instructions on how to get the card.

Proposed Rule Changes:

#1 Change to online membership cards

Athlete card will go up by \$5 if done online and our organization will not receive any of the money. It would take away \$45,000 out of our state. If we were to go to online ordering we would do away

Motion: USAWKS will continue to process and purchase cards through Kathy Juby in house.

Second by Keith all in favor no one opposes.

#2 Modify rule for out of bounds

Motion: We do not modify out of bounds rule

Keith motion second Richard. No one opposes.

#3 Include a Women's division at the folkstyle state tournament

Motion: Include a Women's division at the Folkstyle State Tournament

Favor: 4 Opposed: 5

#4 Once the seeding starts, no changes or additions will be allowed except in the case of clerical errors by the tournament director. Bylaw is on pg. 25

Motion: To retain the wording that is already in Bylaws on page 25.

Motion by Steve Seconded by Rich Zimmerman

Favor: 6 Opposed: 2 Keith Abstained

#5 Eliminate High School division and modify 14U to 16U

Motion: Eliminate high school and change it to 16U.

Favor: 1 Opposed: 8

#6 Eliminate Rule 10-4 on redrawing brackets

Motion: Change final sentence of Rule 10-4 to leave the number one and number two seeds in the same spots then randomly fill remaining spots with other wrestlers.

First Rich Zimmerman second Keith Ashpole

Unanimous

#7 Officials recommendations

Favor of response as said by Chris McChlanahan: Unanimous Vote

Proposal from Kurt Lang to have officials sign up electronically with their interest in working a tournament.

Keith will work with Kurt putting a template together to get this process started.

Favor: Unanimous

We went to Heartland Duals this year and there were 4 officials representing Kansas. There were 56 officials from all over the US. They had senior officials that the tournament director had selected that were called walking chairs. They would walk and watch everything during the tournament. It came down to the finals and they selected two officials from Kansas they selected Scott Schroeder and Dylan Eck out of the 56 officials.

Adam Venegas was on the center mat for some of the top Senior matches in the nation.

Election of Board Positions:

Membership Director Kathy Juby

First Richard Second Keith Kathy Juby is elected

Treasurer James Bilby

First Richard no other nominees James Bilby is elected

Old Business:

- **Location for Freestyle/Greco Tournament:** Interest has been expressed by Charlie Knox & Junction City. Board wants to keep in Hutchinson but provide assistance in securing workers. Final vote on this was delayed pending further review by Mike, Matt & James.
- **Policy for priority of score clocks (see handout for current rules)**
 - a. Must reserve 4 weeks in advance but not before Sept. 1. The priority will go in order as follows:
 1. Clocks will be available to USAWKS Kids State Championship Series at no charge.
 2. Kansas State High School State Championships at \$100 per clock.
 3. First club that wants at least 16 clocks and reserves them at least 4 weeks in advance, but no earlier than September 1. The club will get the clocks at \$50 a clock including the use of a trailer.
 4. Any club that wants less than 16 clocks gets them at \$50 each but must arrange their own transportation if the trailer is not available.
 5. Any in-state wrestling event that is not club sponsored such as high school or college gets them for \$50 each.
 6. Any out of state group subject to approval by the state chairman shall pay an out of state charge of \$200 per clock.
 7. Kansas colleges may use up to six clocks at a time at no charge.
 - b. Clocks must be transported by club or college and everything must be tied down.
 - c. Clocks must be returned within 48 hrs. unless written arrangements are made with the clock custodian.

College score clocks

Richard suggested that colleges do not get clocks for free. Colleges most of the time are our worst offenders of not taking care of the equipment. After discussion, it was decided against charging the colleges for the clocks at this time.

Scott will keep six riding time clocks and two regular clocks.

Richard and Scott will discuss trailers later then let Mike know what is decided.

Computers

Need to buy 16 computers and Richard holds on to them until he hears of a bad computer, then he will switch it out.

Need to make sure clubs are checking with the schools to see if they have 2.4 ghz wireless available so our computers will run.

Need to investigate getting a Windows 10 license to upgrade the computers.

Trackwrestling contract

Mike is going to go back to TrackWrestling to specify that we receive tech support on Saturdays.

We want five advertising spots instead of just two and then TrackWrestling can have all spots if we do not sell them within four weeks of the tournament.

Mike will clarify #5 on the backside of the TrackWrestling proposal.

After answers to the above have been given the board will vote.

New Business

The USAW logo can not be used without APS approval. Use our state association logo not the USAW logo on apparel. Also no use of the Olympic rings.

Mike will be sending a letter regarding the Colby Community College use of funds.

Meeting was adjourned at 3:56 p.m.