

Board of Directors Meeting
Ellensburg, WA
August 20, 2022

Board Members in attendance

- President – Jeff Moore
- President Elect – MT Ayers
- Treasurer – Ed Hawthorne
- Secretary – Beth Michaelson
- Coaches Director – Rene Torres
- Mat Officials Director – Marcus Requa
- Junior Director – Greg Ford
- Women's Director – Tony Nunez
- 14U Director – Steve Losee

Motion to accept minutes from June 26 meeting by MT Ayers. 2nd by Marcus Requa. Motion carries

Welcome and thank you from Jeff for volunteering to serve kids and the sport of wrestling in Washington. Recognize long serving board members who have resigned: Tony Nunez for his service to the state and putting Washington Women's wrestling on the map. Thank you to Chris Feist for all of his service for many years.

Kudos to Justin Newby for working behind the scenes and keeping wrestling going during COVID19

State Chairman's meeting:

- Change of focus for women. Last year looking at Greco for women. This year re-evaluate as there is no international Greco for women. Will have Greco for women at dual tournaments. Use it to test interest from girls.

Note from Tony, that a lot of successful women are relying on athleticism to win and there's not a focus on developing skills. USA wrestling will try to focus on goals for age levels.

- Women will have to qualify for Fargo. 4 men and 4 women will need to qualify. Pushing Regional qualifiers. Qualify top 3 at state. Petitions are not encouraged by USA wrestling. Additional details will come out from Justin
- Headgear – recommended at national events. No longer required

Board Reports

MT Ayers – President Elect: nothing to report

Ed Hawthorne – Treasurer: presentation of budget. Ended 21-22 with profit of \$88,000. Operating expenses about \$200,000. Have \$460,000 in bank. States with a paid employee are thriving. Recommendation that Justin research investing a year's operating expenses. Ed Hawthorne makes motion to direct executive director to research investing one year's operating expenses and report back to executive committee with recommendations Second by Beth Michaelson. Motion Carries

Rene Torres – Coaches Director: Discussion on coaches education. Had a successful clinic when he was first elected, plans were hampered by COVID. Planning on offering coaches clinic in the future with focus on working with officials. Also liked women's and 14u training camps. Hoping other age groups will do the same. Note by Jeff that the hired directors will be working to coordinate that. Motion by Rene Torres to increase budget by \$5,000 to run camp. Second by Steve Losee. Executive committee will consider.

Greg Ford – Junior Director: Thinks we need to refine system or repercussions for athletes who are breaking rules. Greg motion to explore tiered payment plan for national team. Second by Marcus Requa. Motion carries. Discussion on discipline and off-season training including- consistency on room checks, meals, training in the off season across, discipline for national team leaders.

Tony Nunes – Women's Director: Camps had focus in nutrition, making weight, and training requirements. Makes a big difference in consistency and performance. Thinks that age divisions should require participation on camps.

Marcus Requa – Mat Officials Director: no report

Steve Losee – 14u Director : thankful to board for supporting 14u girls to duals. Prospect camps were successful. Motion by Steve Losee for WSWA to fund 14u women to duals at same level as boys. Second by Rene Torres. Motion carries. Executive committee will review.

Meeting adjourned at 11:30