09/08/2019 2019 Team Georgia Fall Meeting

The Team Georgia Fall Meeting was held on Sunday, September 8, 2019 at Woodward Academy. The meeting was called to order at 1:00PM. The following board members were present: Mr. Darren Bankston – Second Vice Chair, Mrs. Leah Thomas – Secretary, Mr. Kenny Cook – Officials Liaison, Mrs. Jessica Parent – Treasurer, Mrs. Letricia Denson, Registration Chair, Mr. Phil Arnold-Incoming/Outcoming Chair, Mrs. Katrina Dover-Women’s Director, Mr. Dillan Schouw-At Large Member, Antoine Glasgow-At Large Member, Nolan Meadors, Jeremy and Leslie Paradice. Other attendees include: Donell Bradley-Columbia Mat Club, Scott Brown – PTR, Bo Dorsey – Gilmer, Larry Jackson-Patriot, Walt Monroe – Gilmer, Charlie Morris – Morris Fitness, Chris Powell – CMP Wrestling, Mike Sousa – Grizzly, Richard Childs – Pope, Lance Laskey- SGAC, Marcus Ray- SGAC, Leo Politz- NG and GACS, Jason Madsen-Walton, Bobbi Corcoran- John Wayne, Kevin Corcoran – John Wayne, Steven Flournoy- ICON, Kendall Byrd-Cherokee, Billy Bradach-Roswell, Stacey Davis – Peach State, Devane Dodgens- Life University, Ian McCormick- Teknique Wrestling, Chris Doerrer- 706 Wrestling, Van Reed, Matthew Elakatt- Parkview, Jonathan Vest – Oconee, Don Sprinkle, Joe Black-Pope, Jeff Ragan – Kid’s Storm/Woodward, Anthony Armstrong – Walton, Scott Byers – South Paulding, Nathan Becker – Ola, Amanda Prado – Parent, Jeff Maddox – Newnan, Tom Daly, Marcus Fletcher-East Hall, Craig Fagin- Buckhead Wrestling, David Thornbury – Kell, Mike Smyth – Lovett, Wayne Stallings – TWP

2019 Fall Meeting Agenda

10:30am - 12:00PM - - - Registration and Workshops

12:00 – 1:10PM - - Lunch and Guest Speaker Mike Moor – Wrestling Mindset

 Discussed Mike’s background.

Currently have over 70 coaches with Wrestling Mindset.

 Discussed Mindset Principles

Discussed wrestlers pulling the trigger

 Teach kids to focus on progress rather than results

 Jeff Ragan spoke to the group about how Wrestling Mindset has helped his wrestlers

 Change the way you think – Change the Way you perform.

 Predator vs Prey

Break

 Call to Order 1:24

Motion to move proposals to beginning of meeting to help with scheduling for those needing to leave

1st and 2nd

Stacey spoke to membership regarding his proposal.

Katrina Dover asked about who would be responsible for implementing emails.

Scott Byers asked about where to see the list of who will be running.

Darren Bankston asked about the 60 day window and location. Location doesn’t matter.

Stacey confirmed these are going forward not retroactive to today.

Scott Byers questioned qualifications of those wanting to run.

Stacey explained the current bylaws with regards to experience and past history with TGA

Motion to Vote – 1st and 2nd

1st Proposal 5.3.2 Votes Yes- 25 No-0

5.3.2 Passed - Unanimous

2nd Proposal 5.3.4 Votes Yes-25 No-0

5.3.4 Passed – Unanimous

Proposals by Rob Horton

Phil read over the proposals requested by Rob Horton

Changes to 5.4.6 - USWOA Liaison must “in good standing with USWOA”

Motion to Vote – 1st and 2nd

5.4.6 Vote – Passed Yes 25 No – 0

5.4.8

Phil reviewed the change in wording proposed in the by law for incoming/outgoing.

Jeremy Paradice asked about limiting those coming in.

Letricia stated that in an emergency situation a chairman can call for a vote with executive board

Stacey Davis said adding that word excludes people and limits people.

Chris Powell asked if this gives the board more power?

Markus Fletcher asked about people moving in.

Donovan mentioned getting on task. We aren’t talking across the board. We are talking this specific point.

Darren Bankston – asked if the only thing we are changing is the “current” word.

Motion to Vote – 1st and 2nd

5.4.8 Opposed Yes-4 No-17

6.5.3

Phil reviewed the change in wording.

Tony Armstrong questioned if something happened. Why do we have to make the change?

Dillan explained reasons why this language is needed. Nolan followed up stating it is insurance for TGA. TGA is covering all avenues.

Motion to vote 1st and 2nd

6.5.3 Change Passed Yes-25 and No-0

7.3

Phil reviewed the current verbiage and the changed verbiage.

Moving the election to the spring meeting rather than state.

7.3 Change Yes-25 No-0

14.2 Grievance Process

Phil reviewed the proposal requested by Rob Horton

Ian McCormick asked if this is separate from Safe Sport

Stacey Davis asked where this came from. Phil responded it is updating verbiage

Motion to Vote 1st and 2nd

14.2 Passed Yes-25 No-0

14.3 Grievance Process

New Section Requested by Rob Horton to be added to the bylaws

Charlie Morris asked if something happens to a kid (safe sport) does it go to the board?

Darren Bankston said no – safe sport is safe sport. This is red card type stuff.

Darren explained the proposal

Stacey Davis asked if the grievance is about a board member. Darren explained that the last one was about a board member. This is about the membership. Stacey did not know the members of the corporation was the board.

Amanda Prado asked who was chosen.

Donovan asked about a friendly amendment.

Darren explained this is cleaning it up. In the past, things weren’t detailed and there were too many questions.

Darren explained examples at state when 2 parents got into a fight. Phil gave another example.

Jessica Parent made friendly amendment to have 5 instead of 3.

Leo Politz - What is criteria with regards to severity?

14.3.1 Hearing Notification

14.3.2 Hearing Board and Quorum

14.3.3 Notification of Decision

14.3.4 Appeal

Motion to vote with the friendly amendment 1st and 2nd

Proposal Passes with 5 instead of 3 - - Yes 19 No 3

14.4 Penalties for inappropriate behavior by individual members of the membership.

14.4.1 1st Offense

14.4.2 2nd Offense

14.4.3 3rd Offense

14.4.4 4th Offense

14.4.5 5th Offense

Friendly Amendment – participate and/or attend

Motion to Vote 1st and 2nd

Proposal Yes-20 No-0

Donovan Panone Proposals

Qualifications were eliminated a couple of years ago. Last year 22% of the membership participated. Years prior – 26%, 28% and 36%.

Chris Powell asked about the actual percentage of those attending actual tournaments.

Giant gap between beginners. They feel safe. They are afraid.

Bring back Qualifiers - - 4 qualifiers – top 4

Blind names – will see numbers

Keeping Novice Championship but moving it to January

Dillan friendly amendment – pigtail in the Novice Winner

McCormick isn’t in favor because the existing system with B4B, Mega’s.

Chris Powell gives history of qualifiers. He is for the qualifiers.

Sousa – Compares to High School

Friendly Amendment - Pigtail in the novice championship – he/she can participate in qualifier and will not lose pigtail spot. If he/she places and qfualifies, they will go into regular bracket not as pigtail. If they do not place, they will go back in as pigtail.

Motion to Vote 1st and 2nd

Yes - 24 No - 2

Motion to Vote 1st and 2nd

Proposal to have qualifiers passed

Yes 14 No 8

Eliminate 2 tournament Requirement –

Motion to Vote 1st and 2nd

Proposal Passes Yes - 14 No- 10

Break

Vision: Vision: to be the premier organization enabling Georgia to be a “top tier” wrestling state. Mission: Expanding participation and promoting excellence in Georgia Wrestling

Introduction of Board Members -

Executive Board Members

Chairman – Rob Horton First Vice Chair-Jason Griner

Second Vice Chair-Darren Bankston Treasurer – Jessica Parent

Secretary-Leah Thomas Officials Liaison-Kenny Cook

Registration Chair – Letricia Denson Women’s Liaison – Ben Mount

Incoming/Outgoing Chair – Phil Arnold

Directors

Kids Director – Donovan Panone Olympic Styles Director-Sean Moistner

Coaches Education Director – Open Officials Education Director – Buck Timbs

Women’s Director – Katrina Dover National Team Director – Link Davis

Social Media Director – Open Travel Director – Tanya Askew

At-Large Member – Dillan Schouw At-Large Member – Antoine Glasgow

Officials Director – Nolan Meadors Volunteer Directors – Jeremy and Leslie Paradice

Athlete Representative (Male) – Terry Allison Athlete Representative (Female) – Geneva Gray

Chairman’s Report – Presented by Phil Arnold

 See Slides

Financial Report – Presented by Jessica Parent

 See Slides

30-40% of registrations are taking part in the early bird registrations

Chris Powell – Can we look back to get a percentage prior to the early bird?

Denson explained she can’t give exact but she can give examples and experience.

Stacey asked what was in the “expenses” area. Jessica gave examples but said she could give him a more detailed list. Jessica forwarded paperwork to Stacey Davis after presentation.

Reviewed Georgia Kids State Championships – decision needs to be made between Perry and LakePoint.

LakePoint - we made 29,039 but Perry only 1,553 - - different in venue cost, Gate, registration,etc. Difference between actual venue is approx. 6K - - looking to renegotiate if we choose Perry.

Need a Corporate Sponsor – Apple- Carmax – Georgia Pacific

Sousa – discussed sponsorships and things they can get in return – such as website banners, advertising etc.

Stacey requested audit information. Jessica explained the audit process. Jessica explained differences in audits.

Registration Chair Report– Letricia Denson

Kid’s Director Report - Donovan Panone

Discussed Regional Areas

Major Tournament Listing

Folkstyle Tournament Changes

Looking at bringing in the borders –

There will several tournaments that will offer Madison style brackets.

New Business

Darren – Middle School Wrestling

Adjorn: 4:35PM