

## USAWKS State Body Meeting

October 7, 2018

### **I. Roll Call**

Total of 100 clubs present.

### **II. Amendments to Agenda**

No amendments

### **III. Approval of Minutes- 2017 State Body Meeting**

Richard makes a motion

Charlie Knox Seconded all in favor.

No one opposes.

### **IV. Report of Officers**

#### **A. State Chairman- Mike Juby**

Several changes this year. Membership has undergone several changes. There is now a wrestling leadership membership. This covers coaches and officials. These all must be ordered online. Kathy is no longer able to do this. There will be a \$5.00 processing fee for this. There is a big upside to this, coaches will not have to pay for their background checks. Each coach must order their own cards. Clubs will no longer be able to purchase for the coaches. If your club has you listed as an administrator on the site you can go in and see all coaches that are registered under your team. This does not apply to Athletes. Right now all athletes will still go through Kathy. Any club who does not want to use PayPal can send Kathy money and have a credit with USAWKS and get membership cards faster then having to mail a check when ordering cards.

We now have a volunteer membership. It is someone who needs to have a USA Wrestling membership but they do not need the whole card. Officials HAVE to be members of USA Wrestling if they are over the age of 18. Volunteer members have to do a background check and have to be safesport certified. This membership will cost them nothing, though. Officials who use this option will not have insurance. Any person who has regular, routine or frequent access to minor participants has to have a volunteer membership. Right now typical tournament workers do not have to have this. It is only people who are involved with the kids on a regular basis.

Every coach must have a wrestling Leadership membership. Absolutely NO ONE is to be in the mat corner or coaching at practice if they do not have a leadership membership.

This hotel is struggling. Next years meeting may take place in Salina but it will be at a different location.

Quentin Saunders went to the Pan Am U15 championships, where he won gold medals in both Greco and Folkstyle.

Logan Treaster went to the Pan Am Junior championships with the National team and wrestled well.

Scott Edwards has done great things for the Southern Plains tournament. He got the National Kids Cadet Person of the Year.

We must do a refresher course every year for SafeSport!! This will start next year.

**\*\*\*\*\* Chartering Club is \$75.00 and gives you all your insurance protection. If you are having practice but have not chartered your club no one is protected if something happens even if they have a USA Wrestling card\*\*\*\*\***

To charter a club or sanction a tournament the director must have their leadership card.

TrackWrestling was willing to give us:

We will now get event management for \$40 instead of \$60+ we will have free use of TrackWrestling.

TrackWrestling is phasing out their free tech support. As part of our contract any USAWKS event that is sanctioned will get free support.

Trackwrestling is going to rank tournaments. This will help with rankings of athletes at the end of the year. If anyone wants to be on the committee putting together those criteria let your district director know and we will put together a group that will do that.

If you want to do the Gold Membership through Trackwrestling they are giving all USAWKS members a 20% discount.

Southern Plains will now be the second weekend in June. Greco/Freestyle State will be the first weekend in June. Due to the date change we are unable to have the Southern Plains tournament in the original spot but Scott Edwards was able to secure the Kansas Star Arena.

Kansas will be able to host the Regional tournament for 3 more years then it will be on a rotating schedule and will probably not be back for 18 years.

#### **B. Treasurer- James Bilby**

USAWKS did not run at a negative this year. State tournament should bring us an extra \$10,000 this year. Big tournaments were under budget. Teams expenditures were all underbudget except two. Events didn't really have anything big to note. Profit margin of \$65,000. We are looking at negative \$24,000 for next year but with the team leaders we have we can turn out a profit again this year. Financial breakdown could be found in club packets.

#### **C. Folkstyle Director- Matt Treaster**

Things that we have set aside in the budget for Folkstyle are elementary and middle school duals. We always have the largest contingent that goes to that event. Folkstyle nationals and preseason nationals. There is \$6,000, \$1,500 per district out to help subsidize the camps for Folkstyle.

State Series had 3062 last year and 3081 the year before. Numbers are holding steady.

D. Assistant Folkstyle Director- Mark Stanley

3062 kids participated in the State Tournament

District numbers for the first state qualifying tournament:

D1 823

D2 786

D3 767

D4 686

Back filled 44 kids.

Started the state tournament with 1454 wrestlers.

**E. Freestyle/Greco Director- Will Cokeley**

Fargo had the biggest numbers we ever had. 80 signed up, by the end we had at 70. 1 kid made the finals. The kids participated in a camp at Baker then sent the kids home for a few days and then they did a two-day camp at Legends of Gold on the way to Fargo.

Since the Southern Plains date moved Will is hoping to resurrect Southern Plains camp. During April and May we will have regional prep weekends, those dates will be announced at a later.

Dual qualifying will be different this year. We are going to have a tournament in April, May, and June, if you do not show up for one of those qualifying tournaments then you do not get the chance to participate in duals.

**F. Women's Director- Joe Knecht**

We are continuing to see growth in the state and nationally. Growth in tournaments and State. State tournament hosted in McPherson 172 participants. This year we were able to have a team for 8<sup>th</sup> grade and below girls. Took 3<sup>rd</sup> place as a team. Seeing a lot more opportunities for younger girls Nationally.

Had a couple of girls from Kansas Jordan and Mya

who traveled to Estonia and were able to wrestle internationally.

Folkstyle national 15 all Americans. Took 5<sup>th</sup> place nationally.

Freestyle nationals' event in Irvin TX had 8 all Americans.

Freestyle National Duals ended up 8<sup>th</sup> in the nation.

Fargo was the largest team to date. Trained at Legends of Gold.

#### **G. Officials Director- Keith Ashpole**

Keith is still going to do the reimbursements like he does. Online there will be a listing of officials these will only be officials that have met all the needed criteria. No one else will be listed. Voting for state. Brett Lange has set up a site for Keith to use. He will place pics of the Officials and the tournaments they have worked so it is easier to know who is who.

Last year started a mentoring program in district 2. Keith then payed them out of his budget officials that would shadow another. Gave them an opportunity to work with someone rather than just being thrown on a mat. Go to the USA site and see the new rules. Richard has posted pictures to help everyone understand the rules.

#### **H. District 1 Director- Joe Knecht**

Tom Peterman

Jeff Olderman

Joe Knecht district director

Olathe for district tournament

Travis Keal district person of the year

State person of the year- Chuck Eldman state person of the year.

Official of the year- Walter Vandeventer

#### **I. District 2 Director- Richard Salyer**

Everyone was reelected from last year.

State person of the Year- Jamie Edison

Official of the year- Chase Moses

Ed Edison

#### **J. District 3 Director- Rich Zimmerman**

Rich district director

All the officers stayed the same.

Junction City will host subs on the west side

Jackson County on the East side.

Abilene will be hosting districts

District person of the year- Derek Loader

State person of the year- Daniel Riling

Official of the year- Billy Gaskill

**K. District 4 Director- Steve Woody**

Scott Edwards spoke for Steve. Scott will be taking over for district 4.

Corey Chancellor took over as south assistant

District meeting will be in Dodge City if not it will be in Pratt

Official of the Year- Kyle Roberts

Person of the year- Corey Burton

State person of the year- Steve Woody

**V. Old Business**

**A. Proposed By Law Changes (Approved by Board)**

1. Article II (15) Rule 10-4: 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.

Motion to accept for Richard Salyer

Charles Knox seconds it.

Unanimous

**B. Proposed By Law Changes (Not approved by the board)**

1. Require all membership cards to be purchased online.

Richard Salyer makes a motion

Charles Knox seconds the motion

Richard Salyer called the question voted to end discussion move to vote

Motion is to require athletes' cards to be purchased online.

3 votes for, the rest against.

Motion fails.

2. Modify the out of bounds rule.

Will Cokeley makes the motion

Seconded by Greg Boucher

Charles Knox called the question voted to end discussion move to vote

Not an approved safety zone 5' then we go back to the old high school rules.

33 votes for yes.

25 votes no

Motion fails.

3. Include a Women's division at the Folkstyle State Tournament

Ed Edison makes the motion

Joe Knecht seconds the motion

Charlie Knox called the questions voted to end discussion move to vote.

Amendment: Follow the same format we do today by not forcing a qualifying tournament. Girls will not be allowed to wrestle in the boy's divisions. Make a friendly amendment to combine 6u and 8u girls.

34 for

11 against

Motion passes.

4. Eliminate High School division and modify 14U to 16U

No motion

5. Proposals to modify selection and education of officials, and establishing an online selection process, were referred to Keith Ashpole to work with the people bringing the proposals.

No motion

**C. Election of Officers**

1. State Chairman

Richard nominates Mike Juby, Charlie Knox seconds it.

2. Folkstyle Director

Matt Treaster

3. Assistant Folkstyle Director

Mark Stanley

4. Freestyle/Greco Roman Director

Will Cokeley

5. Women's Director

Joe Knecht

6. Officials Director

Keith Ashpole

7. KWCA/University Representative

Randy Hinderliter

8. Coaches' Development Director

Bobby Bouvaird

Charlie Knox motions Richard Salyer seconds. All people stay the same.

**VI. New Business**

No new business.

**VII. Adjournment**

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