

Start: June 3, 8:34 am

I. Welcome: Mike Sutherland, Director

Kevin Wright led the invocation. Mike Sutherland thanked everyone for coming and ask everyone to mindful of the time as we have a lot to discuss.

II. Roll Call: Roll called by Brian Parker.

Director: Mike Sutherland

Co-Operation Directors: Kevin Wright, Jeremy Doty(by Zoom)

Business Manager: Jeremy Doty

Treasurer: Melissa Kramer

Secretary: Brian Parker

Officials: Vaughn Heath

Girls' Director: Michael Crain

Regions Directors:

Robert Satterfield, Region 1 Director

Alexy Winesburgh, Region 2 Director

Matt Sells, Region 3 Director

Derrick Harrison, Region 4 Director

Other: Darrel Lauderdale (National Director of AAU Wrestling), Chrystal Doty

III. Motion to approve the agenda for the 2023 Spring Meeting

Mike moved to approve the agenda. The motion was seconded and passed 8-0 with no discussion.

IV. Approval of Fall 2022 Minutes

The Fall minutes were emailed to Board members in October. Mike moved to approve the minutes from the Fall Meeting. The motion was seconded and passed 8-0 with no discussion.

V. Reports:

Director: Report by Director, Mike Sutherland

Mike said last season we came together more and we made vast improvements and we come together like this to keep improving. He said Jeremy stepped in and took a lot of burden off him, especially on some disciplinary issues. He wants to get back involved in day-to-day things and national teams. We had 915 kids in State. Mike wants to start a podcast with coaches, OWs, etc. on a youtube page and put it on our social media. He would like to create a library of wrestling moves. Darrel would like to see snippets of videos on certain match rules or situations to help clarify for parents and coaches what is judgement and what is a rule. Mike also said that Mike Hatcher got the NCAA national duals moved to Nashville(MBA) this year on December 18-19. He wants to hold a USA Youth tournament on December 17. Mike complemented Vaughn on how the officials performed this year. He also passed around a list

for some type of apparel for the Board such as polos, sweatshirt, or long-sleeve sublimated shirt to be paid for with Director's \$500 discretionary fund.

Darrel Lauderdale (National Director of AAU Wrestling):

Two weeks ago, Darrel was named National Director of AAU Wrestling by the President of AAU. National is looking at raising membership fees to enhance the background check. National AAU bought an inflatable arch for the awards area. We have flags and folding signs for trainers and weigh-ins to make them easier to find. TN and AL have around 8000 wrestling members including coaches. Other states are looking at us because of our growth, our improvement, and our positive relationship with USA wrestling, because of the work of this Board. Darrel asked us to email him with ideas to make National AAU wrestling better.

Co-Operation Directors: Kevin Wright, Jeremy Doty

Kevin wants to make State more special each year. He wants to somehow limit the number of coaches down to legitimate coaches. Melissa thinks the system we used for coaches this year will work better next year. Kevin thought doing the dummy tournament for registration was very labor intensive for Alexy and wanted to wrestlers to pay for State at Regions (Alexy disagreed). Kevin also suggested that everyone communicate with Brian Parker during the season when issues arise that need to be discussed at the next Board meeting, so he can go ahead and record it for that meeting agenda. Jeremy proposed having a firm coaches list to help monitor 'parent coaches' on the floor. Parker said we are supposed to be adding coaches to our roster on the website. Everyone agreed that continuing to give all bands to head coaches to distribute is the way to go. Alexy says we can download a club coaches list to the website. Kevin suggested having a set process for situations like the parent misconduct at Arlington. Jeremy said that they worked tirelessly interviewing people and coming up with a solution for that situation.

Business Manager: Report by Chrystal Doty

Chrystal said we saved money by not doing buses on national teams. We cut our gear order significantly this year and sold what we had left over, about \$1000 worth. She said we have to do better telling Rough House the sizes we want.

Treasurer: Report by Melissa Kramer

The balance at First Horizon is \$43505 and the balance at Wilson Bank is \$25,624. We still need to pay hotels and catering for this Spring Meeting which is around \$3500. Not taking buses for nationals helped a lot and we have not got a bill for the Iowa hotel rooms. Chrystal said she will take care of the hotel rooms for Iowa and elementary duals. The Treasurer or Director must apply for the 2024 TNAAU Club and league sanction by 8/15/23.

Secretary: Report by Brian Parker

Brian said there is a lot on the agenda, so let's stay on topic or we won't finish today.

Officials: Report by Vaughn Heath

Vaughn said there will be an official's clinic in October at Wilson Central on a Sunday. He would like to do one the following Sunday in Chattanooga. Last year we had over 25 guys come out. The college kids wanted to do it but were not dependable. Vaughn said State was awesome, from the referee's standpoint. Top 100 in Chattanooga was too long and too many kids. Kevin said we might need to go to 35 kids per mat, you really need 10 mats for Top 100. Brian said we could cut it out to make it more prestigious. Kevin said Track doesn't let you limit sessions, just the whole tournament which makes it harder to avoid sessions that are too large. Vaughn pointed out an error on page 7 of the Handbook where tournaments with 3 mats should have 5 referees, not 4. Brian confirmed this with Vaughn's original proposal and made the change in the Handbook. Vaughn proposed to have an assistant, appointed by the head official, to help with various TNAAU duties. This was tabled to the Fall Meeting since it is a by-law change and requires 30-day notice. Brian asked Vaughn to put more emphasis, to new refs, on protecting kids from gym walls by placing themselves between wrestlers and the wall.

Girls' Director: Report by Michael Crain

Michael said we had 84% more girls at State than 2 years ago. If all girls showed up for all weight classes, we would have 400 more wrestlers. We went 9-1 over two days at Nationals in Iowa. East TN will have a girls only tournament next season and he would like to have girls regional teams.

Regions Directors:

Region 1 report by Robert Satterfield, Region 1 Director

Our smaller tournament number are up and we are adding some new teams. Top 100 numbers and regional numbers were about the same.

Region 2 report by Alexy Winesburgh, Region 2 Director

There were 86 teams at State and registered properly. We are added 3 new teams in Chattanooga.

Region 3 report by Matt Sells, Region 3 Director

We had over 400 at Regionals. We have 3 clubs with more than 50 kids. We need to find a way to help and support the new teams build numbers. Alexy said we could create a packet for new clubs with the Handbook, template for registering kids and coaches, our calendar, recommendations to help build numbers, etc.

Region 4 report by Derrick Harrison, Region 4 Director

Top 100 was right under 500 kids with 6 states represented and regionals was about 420 kids. We worked on transitioning tournaments where our USA events don't run into AAU events. We would like to see the USA kids be able to get an AAU day card. They have some teams that are moving away from USA to AAU.

VI. Girls' Director Election

This is an election year for TNAAU Girls' Director if there is an interested candidate, with proper Board experience, other than our current interim director. If not, and he is willing, Michael Crain will be elected again by acclimation. Public information about the upcoming election was posted on the TNAAU website and Facebook 30 days in advance. There were no other nominated candidates, so Michael Crain was re-elected. Michael said Shawn Muholland from Clarksville was interested in being his assistant. Sutherland recommended that he try to recruit an assistant from each region.

VII. Unfinished Business

1. Finalize 2nd class of TNAAU Hall of Fame
Mike wants to make sure we include wrestlers each class. The Board wants wrestler nominees to have accomplishments beyond AAU and high school to be considered. Brian will send out the current list of nominees for everyone to pick their top 3 for a vote at the Fall Meeting. At the same time, he will ask for up to two wrestler nominees including credentials to be voted on in the Fall Meeting.
2. Remind all tournament directors/host that a kid can't wrestle two weight classes in the same session. The only exception for the time being is girls who are also wrestling in the boys' division.
3. Website improvements
Parker proposed paying Andy Fowler up to \$2500 (one-time fee) to revamp the website while in communication with Alexy. Kevin seconded the motion. **The proposal passed 8-0.** Alexy will continue to be paid for general updates among other things. Revamping by Andy will include but is not limited to the following:
 - a. Eliminate dropdown portion under Rules
 - b. Post open board positions on the Home page or its own page
 - c. Make coach contact info more easily available for each club
 - d. Referees Page needs updating
 - e. Tab for Girls
 - f. Eliminate/Hide All-star duals page
 - g. Add bios/pics for HOF members
 - h. Eliminate photo gallery
 - i. Tab for belt winners/OW winners for Top 100 and State

VIII. New Business

A. New Discussions/Proposals

1. State Tournament Report and Discussion

Melissa said gate went really well this year and coach lanyards went well. We lost \$200 shipping region medals back. We hired trainers and the required paramedics and police officers. The general public has no idea that it costs roughly \$50,000 to run the state tournament.

a. Location – Lebanon or Memphis

Chrystal said if we do it in Memphis, it would have to be a week later on March 9. Melissa said we have one more year at Lebanon, but we can get out of that if necessary, or we can extend the contract. Mike said we can only get Franklin Ag Center during high school sectionals. Brian gave everyone a layout that he produced with extra barriers to help with viewing and crowd control if we stay at Lebanon. Crain suggested 'on deck' wrestlers have ankle bands and all others wait in entrance aisle. Security needs to know that part of their job is keeping aisle clear of fans. More of this will be discussed in State venue logistics. After a lot of discussion on the pros and cons of each location and date, **the Board voted 7-1 to stay in Lebanon for 2024 State**. Mike is going to check with the Franklin Ag Center about possibly doing State the last week in January or first week in February for the future.

b. Weigh-ins

Everyone wrestling on Saturday will still weigh on Friday night. Weigh-ins will be organized by division and weight with colored cards in the 4 corners of the main floor with one ref doing skin check, and 2 scales per corner. Wrestlers will enter the weigh-in area at the far end of the hallway from where they entered the building to keep them from standing outside. Kids will get weigh cards at one of four tables and go to scales without parents (Have Tot scales close to the card table). There will be no early weigh-ins for middle school. Middle school will weigh-in on Saturday from 7:00-8:00 pm on 6 scales (No Sunday weigh-ins). We must have weigh cards ready and we need all Board members available to help with MS weigh-ins.

c. State Awards

- 1) We will use 8x11 card stock to print brackets for the champion with TeamTN watermark and put in a frame. We will need to bulk order frames.
- 2) We didn't have smaller size jackets, should we go to banners, bags or something else? The Board decided to stay with jackets, but make them a different color or design. Chrystal will make sure Rough House gives us sizes that match the 92 weight classes.
- 3) We will use an inflatable awards arch provided by Darrel, Kevin will build a 6-place podium (6th place just off the floor) for awards presentation, and announce which classes need to move towards the podium for medals over the main PA. Sells suggested another wireless mic for the awards area.
- 4) The Board agreed to keep using banners for team awards.

5) Can we do a group picture of champions in each session? Might be easier to get individual shots and put them together like they do in high school now. Mike and Alexy suggested having a sports photographer come in and set up a booth, take pictures and sell them, but they have to take pictures of all the champions and collage it by division. They would get paid by parents buying product, not by the Board. Crain will check into this.

6) According to our rules, we are supposed to be placing to the top 6 for each bracket, but we did not do that in some of the small brackets. Chrystal said that was her mistake.

d. Facility and Crowd Control

To use Parker's layout, we must increase the number of barriers to 172 (Darrel has 50 barriers, Summit high school has at least 50, Don is looking for more). We will make lanes for parents to stand and watch, then go back to seats. We will make lanes to the mat to be patrolled by an officer, where only on-deck, in-the-hole wrestlers, and coaches are allowed. See Parker's layout.

e. Mat Layout (10 mats, 168ft x 72ft)

Increase all circles to 27 feet. There will be 8 feet between the two horizontal rows of mats and 5.5 feet between the five vertical rows of mats. Trainer tables will be on the far ends. Coaches chair will be inside the barriers so as not the block spectator view when not coaching.

f. Showcase and True 2nd - Can we showcase the finals?

Parker suggested to celebrate the champion, create 10 AAU State Champ flags/banners (one for each mat) for the champ to hold on their back while running/walking around the mat circle. The flag will be returned back to the table for the next final match. Use a wireless mic to announce champs as they wear the flag. This is a cool video/pic opportunity for parents. Chrystal will check with Banners on the Cheap for the flags. As for showcasing the finals, since we do have different size brackets still, they won't finish at the same time. Also holding awards till the end will be a nightmare for the awards area. After a lot of discussion, **Kevin proposed that we keep using the slotting system and eliminating true 2nd for the next 3 years to showcase the finals. Alexy seconded the motion and the motion it passed 8-0.** For Saturday, Mike suggested that one person with a computer would be responsible for watching for finals matches and go announce them as they wrestle, as well as announcing the winner as they circle the mat with the State Champ flag. On Sunday, we will hold the finals for showcasing, since it is the only division. We will line up all 22 sets of finalists to announce and shake hands. We will wrestle 8

matches, then 7 matches, then 7 matches to help logistically with awards and officials.

g. Team Scores

Should we keep scoring the same or have small and large team winners or divisions? After some discussion, the Board agreed, by a vote of 5-3, to leave it the same and encourage teams to recruit more kids and qualify more kids.

h. Signage – Darrel says SEAAU will have a 10-ft tall arch that is 20-ft wide for awards as well as feather signs, table covers, and backdrops. He will try to get National AAU to foot the bill for some of this. Jeremy Doty suggested get sponsors for the table skirts(maybe \$500 each) and sending them also to all the Top 100s.

i. Track and Registration

- 1) Make sure Track slotting lines are correct before brackets are released, so regions don't meet until semis.
- 2) Registration was labor intensive for Alexy using the dummy tournament on Track, but she said it is okay.
- 3) Run State as well as Region and Top100s on a server.

j. Other Logistics

- 1) Start 9:00 on Saturday and Sunday. On Saturday, start the second session at 2:30. Middleschool weigh-ins will be 7-8pm officially, but can go longer if lines are backed up. Wrestlers must in line by 8:00.
- 2) Get neon orange shirts for officials. Mike will order distinctive shirts for Board of Directors. Parker suggested two shirts since its two days.
- 3) No inflatable beds/couches needs to be on the flyer.
- 4) The venue only allows certain vendors. Melissa will check on having more food vendors on Sunday.
- 5) We need to have a certain number of chairs around the barriers. The other chairs can be available for fans to use as needed. Reset chairs after the first round that are too close to barriers. Put on the flyer that fans may want to bring chairs also.
- 6) TNAAU will buy 2 large mat mops and 2 pump sprayers for Kevin to keep in his trailer. Mike will add it to his spreadsheet for a club to be responsible for.
- 7) Ensure clocks and computers are in every box. Confirm the number of mats and where they are coming from before Friday. Kevin and Alexy will take care of this.
- 8) What equipment belongs to TNAAU, SEAAU, and ScoreTime Clocks?

Darrel said the first set of clocks TNAAU bought many years ago were sold to Halls because they were not compatible with Track. SEAAU sold all its clocks to ScoreTime, so Don Barnett can give more info on that. Now Track is no longer making clocks. Don emailed the following: SEAAU purchased many clocks and computers with a \$50k loan over 5 years and have been paid off. ScoreTime Clocks and Mats LLC purchased those clocks from SEAAU. ScoreTime also purchased 56 mat sections (6'x42' each) with \$56k loan. Scoretime never charges TNAAU for the rental of clocks at any TNAAU event that it works. Scoretime will charge for the following: Mats \$250 per circle, shipping mileage, and set up. ScoreTime stores, maintains, and replenishes equipment at no charge to TNAAU. During the years I have let John Salter, Kevin Wright, Alexy, and Darrel use without charge to run tournaments which builds TNAAU. This year Scoretime has updated 12 computers due to damage and outdated computers at no charge to TNAAU, which cost \$6000. Since Scoretime is eating all the cost of equipment, I may recommend lowering your equipment charge and/or find out where you need to improve your wrestling product.

9) What does SEAAU get from membership fees?

Darrel said SEAAU gets \$1 from each card, so this year they got about \$8000. That is why they can buy signage and help out with other things like HOF awards and the girls' national team.

k. Officials pay

1. Did we pay \$35 per hour for the head official at state? Our rules state \$30 for all officials at State, but per Melissa's records we paid Vaughn and Don Elsea \$525 and everyone else \$450. Vaughn said that two head officials were paid \$35 per hour. Mike said we need to change that in our rule book. This will need to be done officially at Fall Meeting. There was also question about having to pay two head officials at the Chattanooga Top 100, since Vaughn and Trotter were both there.

2. We paid 17 officials and our rules state 15 refs on 10 mats, as Vaughn and Don were used to observe, evaluate, and resolve any issues as head officials. Mike and Jeremy questioned whether we need to pay two people as Head Official for State since Vaughn is capable of fulfilling that duty. Derrick said if having two guys help our refs get better, it is worth it. Mike proposed allowing Don to continue in a head official capacity even though he is retired from officiating. He will talk to Don about what he is expecting to do and what he expects from us.

3. Can we cut down on costs by not paying so many refs for weigh ins? We will have 6 refs(including Vaughn and Don Elsea) instead of 8 for Friday weigh-ins with at least one in each corner with two scales.

1. State Flyer - Change the following:

1. Eligibility Requirements - Must be a resident of Tennessee or a Member of a TNAAU-sanctioned club. (Instead of 'or', this should say 'and')

2. Individual AWARDS:

State Medals 1st through 6th place finishers in each age group

1st Place will be awarded a customized state trophy

(Delete this highlighted part)

m. Paying Workers/Volunteers

We have people taking off work, traveling and working extremely hard to ensure our tournament runs smoothly that don't make a dime while others are making varying degrees of payment for different roles. We need to go through each role and see if anything needs to be tweaked.

1. Kevin was paid \$1 per kid for Saturday
2. Alexy was paid \$1 per kid for Sunday
3. Board members mostly did weigh-ins without pay
4. Awards \$600 per day
5. Gate \$750 per day
6. Table \$450 per
7. Setup and Teardown \$500 each
8. Police Officers – patrol in and outside

(This is not a comprehensive list)

We need to consider a security company in addition to help with the crowd. Mike was concerned that many of us are spending money out of pocket to volunteer for State. Parker proposed that the Treasurer position get a pay increase of \$500 due to the extensive amount of work that Melissa does. While the Board agreed, this is a TNAAU Bylaw change that can't be voted on until Fall Meeting. **Parker also proposed to pay mileage to Board members for traveling to and working the State Tournament. The motion was seconded and passed 8-0.** Parker reminded everyone that they can already send Melissa their mileage and mailing address to get reimbursement for Spring Meetings.

2. National Team Report and Discussion – Report by Sells/Doty

Matt High is no longer interested in directing national teams. Sells said he did a ton of work, but his heart is not in it. Jeremy would like to create an elementary and middle school team at the beginning of the season so they can go to Virginia, Tulsa, and other national tournaments during the year. We would look at the schedule so not to compete with Top 100s. Sells suggested Disney. Mike asked Jeremy to put together a list of tournaments to go to. He would like to see at least 4 spread out over the year. Jeremy said last year's team that finished second at Iowa wants to travel together to more events. Sells said Mike Workman has an interest in directing national teams. Sutherland wants to appoint Workman as director of a national teams committee, which would include Sutherland and Jeremy, among others. Sells will confirm that Workman will accept. Melissa needs to know what tournaments we will go to way ahead of time.

3. Top 100 Report and Discussion

We need more consistency in satellite weigh-ins hosts for each of the Top 100s and try to identify permanent locations for each one. Mike said each region director needs to identify those sites and inform Alexy. One club (Arlington) in Region 4 has been identified as not adhering to the

guidelines for satellite weigh-ins, therefore the Region 4 director (Derrick) will not be assigning them as a location for the next two seasons as per the Handbook. There was a question about parent doing skin check/weigh-ins at a Chattanooga satellite weigh-in, but Alexy clarified that was her Region 2 assistant, Ashley Green, which is considered a Board member. While on the topic, Satterfield put on the record that Cassady Trentham is his Region 1 assistant.

4. IT/Track Report and Discussion

Melissa says Track fees will now include a processing fee. It is a flat fee plus a percentage, so on a \$20 entry, the processing fee will be about \$2.70. Kevin suggested posting on the flyers that Track will be adding a processing fee in addition to the registration fee. Alexy will make sure the tournaments are set up correctly, so that TNAAU does not incur that fee.

5. Awards Report and Discussion

We need to be very explicit about who gets awards on our flyers and website. Eric expressed to a couple of Board member that it was his fault that there was a problem with region medals and we will order much earlier from now on. Mike talked to Eric and Don and told Don not to order any awards. Mike is going to build a spreadsheet for what we want for Regions, Top 100, and State and end of the year awards. Eric will submit this to the supplier and copy Mike, Jeremy, and Melissa. Crain suggested ordering this summer. Matt suggested getting away from state of TN medals for Top 100s and getting something cooler. Mike asked everyone to submit ideas in the next few weeks.

6. Policing Handbook violations – Can we bring in new members to the Board without a vote, whose only job is to police certain violations such as putting in rosters on time or investigating beginner rule violations? Mike suggested having our assistant directors take these duties to get them more involved. Parker proposed adding to the Bylaws the following assistant region director duties: 1. Making sure all region teams are registered, 2. Making sure all region club rosters are submitted, and 3. Investigating beginner rule violations in the region. The proposal will be voted on at the Fall Meeting. Alexy suggested having rosters complete by before the first Top 100. Sells also suggested sending a link to the Handbook as an automated email upon registration and Crain suggested a QR code for easy access to the Handbook.

7. Girls' weight classes – Add girls weight classes to the Handbook including max weights for HWT and increase HWT limits. **Crain and Alexy proposed to add the girls' weight classes to the Handbook as well as add/increase the following:**

K-2: the heavyweight limit is 90

3-5: increase the heavyweight limit to 135

Middle School: add 118 and 200 class, heavyweight limit is 250. The motion was seconded and passed 8-0.

8. The Board agreed to continue to open wrestler lists during registration for all tournaments. For Regions, registration should close at the same time on the same day (Thursday, 12:00 midnight EST) for all regions regardless of whether they wrestle on Saturday or Sunday.

9. Parker proposed to change the Track separation criteria for open tournaments from beginner, average, good, excellent to beginner, average, state placer, state champion. This will remove subjectivity for parents. The motion was seconded and passed 8-0.

10. Alexy questioned if TNAAU defaults to National AAU which defaults to NFHS and the answer was yes.

11. Alexy proposed that any wrestler participating in the TSSAA Highschool State Championships should not be able to compete in TNAAU Region/State. Mike said the National AAU will back up the wrestler if they are age appropriate and make weight, so we cannot approve the proposal. There was a question about some private school kids in this situation getting to weigh a day early, but Mike said that was not the case and he witnessed appropriate weigh-ins. MBA will be a satellite weigh-in for Regions 1-4 for 8th graders, their siblings, and other AAU kids attending the Private School State. The list of wrestlers, weights and other pertinent information will be sent to respective region/track coordinators.

12. Club Transfers. Create a detailed procedure regarding how to transfer clubs mid-season with a hard transfer date. This should be sent to the appropriate Region Director and Secretary, to be forwarded to voting members and kept on record just like the minutes and past handbooks. Sells suggested using a Google form link to be filled out and automatically sent to all Board members for approval. If the Board does not approve, wrestlers can still change clubs but can't score points for the new club as per the Handbook.

13. What are we doing, if anything, to seed Region tournaments? At the least, can we let Track do it. If we use the open tournament criteria that we just changed, that will help. All the Region tournaments should be placing true 2nd as per the Handbook, which helps with slotting at State. Melissa said we need to Region flyers to state there is true 2nd and State flyer to state there is no true 2nd. **Parker proposed removing the following line from the Handbook on page 16: The fifth or sixth place wrestlers (in that order) will be given the opportunity to enter the tournament in the next available placing slot if known by completion of region tournament. The motion was seconded and passed 8-0.**

14. Add parent misconduct and consequences to the Handbook page 5. Official letters should be sent to parties involved in misconduct and kept on file with the Secretary. Where is a record of the Music City incident and consequences? The offending parents were suspended for the rest of the season and the offending wrestler was suspended for two weeks. Sells suggested that any flagrant offense by a parent will be investigated and outcomes will be anything up to or including permanent suspension. This will give the Board discretion depending on the offense. This was table to the Fall Meeting for Parker to come up with a more specific proposal.

15. K-8 State Dual weights. Why was 40 pounds dropped this year? Jeremy said it was dropped because only one team had a 40-pounder. Mike said we will list the National K-8 weight classes in the rule book so there is no question. Crain will send it to everyone.

16. Satellite Weigh-ins

a. Do we need to change this verbiage? There was some confusion a couple of years ago when a couple of regions wanted to do same day weigh ins. **Mike proposed to change the wording as follows, which passed by a vote of 8-0:**

E. SATELLITE WEIGH-INS FOR TOP 100 AND REGIONS 1. Satellite weigh-ins will be conducted on the night prior to the tournament, **in addition to possible same-day weigh-ins at the tournament location.** This will include region and top 100 tournaments.

b. Sites. Complaints when we have had to change satellite sites at the last minute. The Handbook wording is a little restrictive. 5a states no new sites within 14 days then 5b says we can change them no less than 72 hours. We post sites sooner than 14 days all the time and change them all the time at the last minute. We need to word all of this differently so we don't paint ourselves into a corner. The Board decided to remove all of number 5 except the first part of the first line and add "approved by the Region Director".

c. Check scales. Mike wanted to change verbiage "No check scales" to "No check scales once weigh-ins start." TNAAU does not permit weight cutting of any kind, so that is why check scales are not permitted. The Board agreed to make no change.

17. Scholarship Program

Discuss starting a scholarship program for kids that wrestle through TNAAU growing up. Mike would like to start at \$500. Sells suggested a one-tie award each year. We could get sponsors. The kid must be advancing their education and must have been in AAU (doesn't have to wrestle in college). Mike would like a place on the website for scholarship donations. Mike and Brian will talk about guidelines and procedures for submission and awarding of a scholarship to be discussed further at the Fall Meeting.

18. Fundraising. Can someone put together a nice digital flyer that we can send out to businesses for donations to purchase new computers/ clocks/scholarship fund? Alexy and Jeremy will look into this.

B. Tournament Schedule

Top 100: December 9-10 @Rocky Top (Top 100, then Beginner)
January 13 @Memphis Sports & Events Center (Top 100)
January 14 @Memphis TBA (State Duals – girls also)
January 27 @Chattanooga or Cleveland TBA
(FYI: Music City is January 6)

Regions: February 17 or 18 – All regions
State: March 2-3 @Lebanon Farm Bureau Expo Center

Spring Youth Nationals: March 16

C. Fall Meeting

The Fall Meeting will be set for Sunday, October 8 on Zoom at 12:00.

Parker made the motion to adjourn at 5:13pm. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

All contents of these minutes were recorded, reviewed, and typed by the Team TN Secretary, Brian Parker. This document is a legal and binding contract of information discussed by the Board of Directors of Team Tennessee. I hereby swear that the information listed in this document is true and accurate. A copy of the voice recordings for this document is on file and can be reviewed by anyone through formal request to the Director.

Brian Parker

Team TN Secretary