

WEVA Board of Director's Meeting Minutes

Date: January 14, 2013

Time: 6:00 PM at T.F. Browns in Batavia, NY

Present: C. D'Errico, J. Hughes, R. Lucci, R. Majeski, B. Page, S. Seabridge T. Weislo

Excused: F. Chase, C. Denk, J. Newland, M. Pentz

Unexcused: none

Guest: Sue Medley

High Performance (Sue Medley, High Performance coach from IREVA):

- Goal was to create a high level training experience
- Call Badger, Iowa and North Cal for more info on how they started
- Recommended running tryouts the night before the WEVA Bid Tournament
- Bring kids in for 4 day camp, send them home for a few days and then travel to the tournament (with no events or practices during the club season)
- Give kids a regional ranking and National Ranking
- Run squad like a college team on the road – No parent involvement
- Ask previous high profile WEVA players, Matt Anderson, Max Lipsitz, Alyssa D'Errico to be Assistant Coach. Get some good college assistant coaches to help with HP so they can recruit
- Pay the Coaches
- Playing against an International team is different than Junior Nationals or Qualifiers since the Olympic pipeline is different than USA College recruiting
- There will be a boys team this year (Weislo)

Called to Order (Lucci): 6:56 p.m.

Meeting Minutes (Lucci):

- November 2012 Meeting Minutes e-mailed to board on 11/25/2012 – **Approved via e-mail on 12/5/2012 with a vote of 8/0/0**

Registrars Report (Hughes):

- Surpassed last year's registration total (2677 to date this year vs. 2436 last year)
- 110 more Adult and Regular Junior members
- 23 less Adult Other members
- 129 more Junior Youth 11 & under members
- 93 more League members

Financial Report (Page):

- Assets \$265,304 + Store Inventory + 2 Sports Courts
- **Motion: Approve 2012-2013 Budget, 1st D'Errico / 2nd Seabridge / Passed (6/0/0)**

Action Item (AI) Review (Seabridge):

- AI 48: Rochester portion of facilities spreadsheet; Rocco working on the Buffalo portion
- AI 55: Owner changed from Rocco to Fred
- AI 59: Item closed; cannot add PVL donation to electronic registration page
- AIs 61-62: Latest version of job descriptions e-mailed to BOD; feedback requested within 2 weeks
- New:

- #69: Seabridge – change fiscal year in By-laws
- #70: D’Errico-Lucci – forward e-mail voting policy for addition to by-laws
- #71: Seabridge – add e-mail voting policy to by-laws
- #72: Hughes – gauge interest of IREVA & GEVA in a joint women’s PVL team

Tournament Report (Seabridge):

- 36 Junior tournaments have been sanctioned
 - 14 events for Boys to participate
 - 26 events for Girls to participate
- Tournament directors have been asked to update the status of their tournaments when they are full so that additional events could be sanctioned

Website Update (Seabridge):

- Event and Financial reports are now on-line on the web site. Seems to be working well

Junior Business (D’Errico, Weislo):

- Boy’s clubs need to remember that if they have been active greater than 1 year and they plan on participating in Region Championships, they need to host or co-sponsor an event
- WEVA Festival, Rally 1, & Rally 2 are almost full. WEVA Rally 3 is almost ½ full
- Education committee is looking to expand concussion awareness. There is a free on-line training course at http://www.cdc.gov/concussion/HeadsUp/online_training.html
- Looking to add a page on the website with the Junior committees and their membership
- Looking into developing a program to teach coaches new to the sport
- Girls clubs have been encouraged to submit their results on-line in order to have accurate rankings within the region. Cindy has requested everyone’s schedules (3 have replied) to ensure that all events are covered
- Event committee has reviewed all of the tournament rankings and has adjusted the formula so that tournaments with 8 or less teams (used to be 7 or less) has a lower ranking
- 128 Junior girls teams with rosters: 18-18, 20-17, 30-16, 16-15, 24-14, 8-13, 12-12. There are still clubs that need to populate their rosters
- 42 Junior boys with rosters: 5-18, 7-17, 10-16, 7-15, 8-14, 2-13, 3-12

Officials Report (Newland, Chase):

- No update

Election Report (Chase):

- No update

New Business:

- Need to change the fiscal year in the By-laws
- **Motion: Change the fiscal year to 9/1 to 8/31, 1st Page / 2nd Weislo / Passed (6/0/0)**
- Need to ensure that clubs are fully registered (paid) before practices & events are participated in. Original try-out dates are covered. Previous year’s membership expires 10/1 (1-month grace period)

- PVL update: Women's – 1 qualifier, 1 PVL event, or play 2 other PVL teams. If you qualify on Memorial Day, you are supposed to go to junior nationals (around 7/4 week). National sponsor of uniforms fell through. Initial feedback is it is costly and potentially 2 holiday weekends is prohibitive. Men's – there will probably be a team but in discussion with IREVA

Next BOD Meeting: March 11, 2013 6:00 p.m. at T.F. Browns

Motion: Adjourn Meeting, 1st Weislo / 2nd Majeski / Passed (6/0/0) 8:59 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Scott Seabridge for Meryll Pentz
Secretary, Western Empire Volleyball Association