

South Dakota USA Wrestling
Annual Board Meeting /10-4-2020

The required annual board meeting was held on Sunday, October 4, 2020 via Zoom meeting conference call. Meeting was called in order by Chairman Ringstmeyer at 3:10 MT.

Members in Attendance: Cory Neuharth, Sean Sailor, Tony Schunke, Mike Smit, Bradyn Neises, Ray Ringstmeyer, Beau Vogeli, Jared Webster Non-member call in: Chism and Rollie Fink

Financials: Cory went through QuickBooks financials from the operating year. Expenses from this year were attributed to purchase of two sets of singlets, awards, t-shirts and general expenses for Triple Crown weekend. Numerous refunds to wrestlers for Heartland duals (cancelled.) No other major tournaments were attended by SDUSAW this summer due to COVID-19. All financials WILL BE posted on the SDUSAW website for public review. Mike motions to accept financial report, Jared seconds.

By-law Amendment: Some discussion if SDUSAW would allow a member of the SDWCA a vote in the Fall/Spring meetings, as long as that SDWCA member was in good standing with USA wrestling. Bradyn motions, Mike seconds that SDUSAW would grant SDWCA a vote in the Spring/Fall meetings so long as they (SDWCA) grants SDUSAW a vote in their meetings. Ringstmeyer will follow-up with the proposal.

State Leaders Virtual Meeting: Ray and Sean sat in on a few of the breakouts, not much change at this point.

SafeSport Training: Discussed the new policy updates from USAW and SafeSport. Cory sat in on the last SafeSport coordinators meeting. There is a new director; Laura Peters. They talked about some changes to the (MAAPP) Minor Athlete Abuse Prevention Policy. Some discussions in that meeting from other states about how to exactly handle reports. Having an investigation protocol would be helpful. South Dakota USAW is fortunate that we don't have many reports of mis-conduct. There should be something in place of how to handle and evaluate mis-conduct shall it arise. Missouri USA wrestling has some nice templates on their website for reference. Cory mentioned that SD currently has 523 individuals with SafeSport training completed.

Membership Type Review:

- HS Team Membership
 - If you have MS or HS team membership then let USA wrestling know
 - Tiered
 - USA Leader members
 - Event Volunteer member

National Team Qualifying/Policy review: Some changes to the number of wrestlers you can have listed at a weight for team roster for Fargo.

2020-21 Schedule: Try to look at getting something going this Fall yet for the kids. Could depend on the High School season schedule.

SDWCA Regional and State Freestyle: Confirmed that we now have an agreement with SDWCA about SDUSAW being the main contact for regional and state freestyle for 16U and Juniors. Ray is still ironing out some of the details pertaining to officials, awards, and revenue split.

- Chism and Rollie Fink asked SDUSAW to revisit and discuss the proposal to SDWCA to make the switch from AAU to USA. Each discussed the benefits to SD youth wrestling in general by making the switch.

Zoom Meetings: Decided to keep monthly zoom meetings as is.

Election of Board Members

- Terry resigns his position as kids Director, Tony accepts his resignation. Tony nominates Mike Smit as candidate for kids Director, Bradyn seconds. Mike accepts his position as the new kids Director.
- Sean motions to nominate Beau Larson as NE representative, By a vote of 5-3 Beau Larson is suggested as a new rep for NE. Beau accepts the position as the new NE representative via phone call from Chairman Ringstmeyer.
- Mike Smit nominates Anthonie Linares as the new South Director- Tony seconds
- Beau Vogeli resigns his position as the West representative
 - Suggestions for West rep were: Jared Richter, Dustin Graff, William Morrison, Eddie Heisinger, and Will Williams.
 - Votes were taken by Zoom chat> Eddie Heisinger was voted as potential new West rep, pending contact and confirmation with Heisinger. Ray will contact Eddie to see if he would be interested as the new West rep.
- All board members in attendance accept new 1 year terms to their respective positions.
 - Officials- Bradyn Neisis
 - Junior/16U- Jared Webster
 - Sec/Treasurer- Cory Neuharth
 - Vice Chair- Tony Schunke
 - Chairman- Ray Ringstmeyer
 - Girls Director- Sean Sailor
 - South Director- Anthonie Linares (new)
 - North Director- Beau Larson (new)
 - West Director- (TBD/pending acceptance and voting)
 - Kids Director- Mike Smit (new)

Ray motions to adjourn annual board meeting at 4:30, Cory seconds.

Next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, November 3, 2020 @ 6:30 MT/ 7:30 CT