

MWSA February 2018 Minutes

Member's Present: Alexis Overbye, Shelly O'Callaghan, Jeremy (Welcome new member!), Steve Weber, Scott Gordon, Kate Knafla, Herb Schulte, Jenny Kaldor, Katie Knafla, Matthew Knafla, Mark Overbye, Kevin Witt, Dan Shuman, Maddy Wegleitner

Secretary's Report

- Motion to approve the minutes passes unanimously

Treasurer's Report

- Kate would like to make a motion to donate \$500 to the Midwest Junior Development Team. Scott seconds the motion.
 - Should we spend more money since we have a healthy junior development fund and we have 8 skiers on the team this year?
 - This donation helps pay for the week of ski school at Pickos
 - Should we donate some more money to sponsor our Minnesota
 - Motion passes unanimously.
- Maddy makes a motion to approve the treasurer's report. Katie seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Officials

Web/Media

- 7 members have paid their MWSA dues
- We are still waiting and hoping for people
- Newsletter: Maddy will send them out before the 15th of each month
 - Upcoming events
 - Fun tidbits
- Nobody has signed up for Ski Nights yet
 - The general public can see the dates for ski nights, but they cannot sign up unless they become members
- Junior Development: the registration page is ready to roll and go live on March 1st
- A huge thanks to Steve for all he has done to make the website as cool and up to date as it is!

Old Business

- Judging Clinic: Lunds & Byerlys has free conference rooms to use.
 - Sunday, April 8, 9:00am
 - We are hoping to book the St. Louis Park location as it is central
- Safety Clinic:
 - Sunday March 25 at Stout University in Menomonie
 - Saturday, April 14 in conjunction with the
 - If there is a need, we could do one on June 2 on Spring Lake
 - Look at your rating, if you have one, do you need a clinic? If so, let us know!
 - If you do not have a rating, this is a GREAT clinic, join us!

New Business

- Junior Development
 - Sites confirmed: New Germany, Center City, Quarry
 - Boats confirmed at: New Germany, Center City, hopefully Quarry
 - SafeSport: USA Waterski is recommending that board members and all interested parties take this online certification course. Coaches of Junior Development need to have this certification.
 - We need to make sure all of our officials ratings are up to date when sanctioning.
 - Instructors course requires a background check: the cost of this is \$22.50. Reminder, this cost can be covered by MWSA.
 - \$50 non-refundable deposit
 - In the past we have given sweatshirts, we are going to do some investigating in pricing on bibs, shirts, etc. other options
 - Two day junior development is working well
 - If we ever do a third day of junior development, it should be “Learn to Ski” and ONLY learn to ski. But let’s do it on a nice warm day, before a tournament to funnel people into the grassroots event.
 - Read [this article](#) about the importance of this event!
- We are going to add a poll on Facebook and the website to see who is interested in learning to ski. We are also going to send this to the email list we got from the boat show as well. This will help us decide what kind of clinic and when to put on.

Pro Skier Clinic

- More details to come!

National Updates

- USA Waterski is undergoing a name change, it will soon be USA Waterski & Wakesports (still www.usawaterski.org)
- Dues structures are changing: they will go up approximately \$5
 - Steve will put this update on the website
- If you renew prior to second quarter, your dues will not go up
- Regionals is at Waters Edge in Wilmington, IL
- Nationals will be at Mystic Lakes in KS, book your hotels now!

Next Meeting: March 20, 2018 at Park Tavern

Katie Knafla makes a motion to adjourn the meeting and Jenny seconds. Motion passes unanimously.