

Saturday, May 4th, 2024
Iowa USA Wrestling Federation
Southeast Polk High School

1. Meeting was called to order by Jason Christenson at 6:56 pm.
2. Persons present: Jason Christenson, Steve Mickelson, Cruse Aarhus, Brent Jennings, Dustin Roland, Mike Colleran, Charlotte Bailey, George Bailey, Alexis Slade, Brett Haas, Michael Doyle, Keith Donnelly, Brett Wheelan, Wil Kelly, Bill Reed and Brooks Vander Kopsa
3. Minutes were approved from previous meeting. Motion to approve: Charlotte Bailey seconded by: George Bailey.
4. Steve gave treasurer's report. Cash on hand is lower due to purchase of trailer and mats. Should recoup that with using those for future tournaments. Rooms have been secured for Fargo. Bus deposits have been made.
5. Steve gave a membership report. Membership is up as well as sanctions.
6. Brent Jennings gave the Junior report. Starting to put together team for duals. Fargo camp is at Central College July 5th-July 7th.
7. Dustin Roland gave the 16U report. Putting together dual teams, has a good group to choose from.
8. Brett Haas gave kid's report. Working on dual teams, looking forward to Nationals in Cedar Rapids.
9. Charlotte Bailey gave women's report. They had U20 and U15 World Team Trials champions. Still seeing an increase in participation. Working on dual teams as well.
10. Wil Kelly gave Open/UWW report. He talked about Loras Open tournament, the concept is good. The biggest challenge is finding a date that works. Jason mentioned every USAW event registration is through the membership site.
11. Alexis Slade gave the Kids Folkstyle Girl's report. She reported that the state tournament numbers were up again. The national participation was up as well.
12. Mike Colleran gave the Kids Folkstyle Boy's report. He talked about the importance at the duals/Future's tournament and growing it. Sent 3 middle school teams and 1 elementary to Heartland Duals. Looking to get more teams for next year. Promoting Future's tournament earlier would potentially increase participation.
13. Bill Reed gave official's report. 15 officials going to Northern Plains. Iowa will have nearly half of the officials at Kid's Nationals.

14. Michael Doyle gave coach's report. Working with directors to get dual coaches. Coaches pool is very large. 70 coaches helping out at State. There was talk about coaches doing the OEP before State.

15. Mike Colleran gave SafeSport report. There is now a waiver to have parents sign to work one-on-one with an athlete.

16. Brett Wheelan gave the scheduling report. There were 14 tournaments before State. Numbers were up in Freestyle and Women's divisions. He hopes to build a schedule earlier.

17. George Bailey gave the website report. He added new menus for Freestyle and Greco history. He added spring events and talked about updating the website draft.

18. Keith Donnelly gave the fundraising report. He made the decision to have raffle subsidize athletes to go to duals and Fargo. He worked with Catch Des Moines and Cedar Rapids to help with subsidizing the Future's tournament and Kid's Nationals. Looking for ideas and companies for sponsorships.

19. Reports of Committees:

-Clothing Committee report-Haas stated nothing new for report. Last year of contract with APS.

-Training Camp-Dates and location is set. Cruse plans to have a zoom meeting with coaches prior.

20. Old Business:

-Kid's Nationals-Jason talked about signing up to volunteer

-Policies and procedures: Jason talked about the updates. There was a discussion about fee for local tournaments per kid and a portion going back to Iowa USAW.

-Doyle made a motion for local tournament entry fee portion of \$4 per athlete per style goes to IAUSAW. Entry fee of \$20 per style if doing one style and \$30 entry fee if doing both styles. Bill Reed seconded the motion. Motion passed.

21. New Business:

-Board job descriptions: Jason talked about a working document for a guideline for job description.

-Preliminary proposed bylaw amendments. George made a motion to approve bylaw changes. Charlotte Bailey seconded the motion. Motion passed.

-Policy documents for kids and membership.

22. Bill Reed motioned to adjourn the meeting, Brent Jennings seconded the motion.

Meeting adjourned 8:30 pm