

## **SDUSAW ANNUAL BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

Date: September 10, 2017

Location: Chamberlain High School

Meeting was called to order by chairman Chism at 1:30 p.m

- Chism recognized the current board members for their duties throughout 2016-17 by presenting each present member a SDUSAW shirt.
- There were 16 voting individuals present or available by call in.

### **AGENDA TOPICS:**

- **Raffle tickets**....Discussion was, does the board still want to make it mandatory for clubs to sell raffle tickets to get their charter renewed? There was a lot of good discussion and feedback. After some lengthy discussion it was voted 9-7 AGAINST making it mandatory for clubs to sell raffle tickets for charter renewal.
- **Gear Packages**...The discussion on the table was what company should we go with for the travel and tournament teams? Discussion on the price variance and quality amongst all 3 vendors (Near Fall, My House, 3x Gear.) Chism mentioned he will gather information and costs from the vendors and get back to us during the next meeting. There was a motion to stay with the same vendor and design for the next 4 years. APPROVAL voting was unanimous. At this time no specific vendor has been determined...pending further information. It was also brought up to approach the National Guard and Marines for possible sponsorship/logo.
- **SDWCA Regionals & State Tournament**... There were many questions asked about what this tournament would be called, etc... This would effect the Cadets and Junior level at SDWCA regions and state tournaments. There were more questions than answers at this time. It was anticipated that SDWCA president Carpenter would be present to assist with discussion; he was not present. Chism has a list of questions that were brought up on the logistics and financials of how this would potentially operate; he will be in contact with the SDWCA and try to get those answered by the next board meeting.

- **Cadet National Duals bid....** Bid packets are due soon. There has been good discussion of this possibly being hosted in Sioux Falls! This would be BIG for SDUSAW. More to come.
- **Future World Team Trials bid....**At this time all we know is that the Sioux Falls Sports Authority is looking at trying to host this event!
- **Folkstyle/ Freestyle & Greco State....** Bid packets for hosting folkstyle state are due soon; none submitted at this time. It was offered up that it could probably be hosted again in Beresford if needed. Individuals on the western side of the state are looking into possible options for hosting. A motion on the floor to host a “beach” style type of tournament. Voting was 10-6 in FAVOR of this event. More information on time, location, and logistics will be gathered. There was a motion on the floor in regards to girls wrestling; this would be to adopt the “Iowa Rule.” This being where girls can wrestle in both the girls/boys divisions in all SDUSAW tournaments. The voting was 3-13 NOT IN FAVOR of this rule.
- **SDWCA-USA Relationship...** Brief discussion from the previous SDWCA coaches meeting in Mitchell. It was talked about how Tony Black gave a presentation how USA and SDWCA could work together and possibly transition to solely USA within the state. It was agreed that public education is a big driver for the SDUSAW program. Some additional discussion on getting flyers posted and some basic training videos for Freestyle/Greco scoring and rules. LOG mentioned they are working with USA wrestling on updating and/or creating some new Core Curriculum videos.
- **Heartland & Schoolboy Duals.....**Tony and Sean discussed how each team did and the opportunities and experiences they were given. They felt like all the kids had a great time and stressed that learning, bonding, and having fun are what it is about. Want to encourage ALL kids regardless of ability level.
- **Fargo/Junior Duals....** It was highly encouraged to try and get more kids to attend so there could be alternates for each weight class. Kids did great, but really need 24 wrestlers to participate in the Junior duals. A lot of kids are competitive and are on the cusp of placing in Fargo. Chism presented Nash Hutmacher with his framed 2017 Cadet Freestyle National Championship bracket.
- **Women’s Wrestling/Updates....** Mark Geary talked about the success and movement of the girls program in South Dakota. He discussed the different tournaments and camps (Missouri Valley) they attended. It was asked if funding would be available to assist in covering costs of camps or tournaments? Mark also mentioned trying to get a USA girls state sanctioned event.
- **Online voting....**Primary discussion was if an absent voter “vote” would still count? It was voted on by participating members; 13-3 PASS. The by-laws will

be amended to the effect that, “ an absent vote is not counted towards a member vote.

- **501c3...**Chism is working with Steve Sandvin, will hopefully have this done within the next few months.
- **Financial Report....**The financial report was given for the 2016-17 operating year. Breakdown of overall income and expenses were presented, along with a breakdown of each tournament attended, and SDUSAW Folkstyle & Freestyle/Greco state tournament. The budget for 2016-17 will be posted for public view on the website. It was decided to purchase Quick Books to help assist with a more detailed budget breakdown and tracking system.

### Additional Motions/Minutes

A motion was suggested that, “ any expenses over \$300 needs board approval, and any expenses under \$300 only needs Chairman approval.” The vote was UNANIMOUS-PASS

A motion was suggested to,” change from an active club needing to have 5 athlete members, to only needing to have 3 athlete members.” The vote was 6-11 DENIED.

A motion to pay \$250 USA Wrestling fee for Josh Nolan to attend the Silver coaches clinic in Colorado Springs on Oct. 12-14. Motion PASSED 5-0. (Only needed Chairman approval, but additional board members were included in this motion.)

Annual gun raffle fundraiser drawing was held. The two winners were: Ed Pellicoat (308 Rifle) Josh Hellickson (9 mm)

Motion to create a state sponsored Beach Wrestling Tournament to be held in the summer.

### **ANNUAL ELECTION OF OFFICERS**

Chairman: No new nominations, Chism Fink accepts new 1 year term.

Vice Chairman: Terry Pack declined his annual position as Vice Chairman. Two new nominations> Tony Schunke & Jared Webster. Voting was 9-3 to elect Tony Schunke as the new Vice Chairman. Tony accepted.

Secretary/Treasurer: No new nominations. Cory Neuharth accepts new 1 year term.

Cadet/Junior Director: No new nominations. Ray Ringstmeyer accepts new 1 year term.

Women's Director: No new nominations. Mark Geary accepts new 1 year term.

South Region Director: No new nominations. Josh Nolan accepts new 1 year term.

West Region Director: No new nominations. Sean Sailor accepts new 1 year term.

North Region Director: Rocky Burkett declined his annual position as North Region Director. One new nomination> Phil Downs. Voting was UNANIMOUS to elect Phil Downs as the new North Region Director. Phil accepted.

Kids Director: One new nominator> Terry Pack. Terry declined as a possible new Kids Director. William Morrison accepts new 1 year term.

Officials Director: Tony declined his annual position as Officials Director. One new nomination> Bradyn Neises. Voting was UNANIMOUS to elect Bradyn Neises as new Officials Director. Bradyn accepts.