

# 2019 Annual Board Meeting September 29, 2019

The annual meeting was called to order by Joe Stabilito Sr, State Chairman on Sunday September 29, 2019 at 1:34pm.

Board Members in Attendance (Bold/Italics denotes not on call or present)

Joe Stabilito Sr.	Chairman	Joe Stabilito Jr.	Coaches Director
Sam Julian	Vice Chairman	Tom Tomeo	Women's Director
Bill Stecklein	Senior Director	Will Betancourt	Kids Director
Audra Elfvin	Secretary	Brad Pataky	Junior Director
Rollie Stillings	Treasurer	Bill Rudick	Comm/Media Director
Chris Atkinson	Women's Director	Curt Krazer	Open Director
Toni Black	Pairing Director	Lewis Baker	Director at Large
Joe Silvestri	Officials Director	Kurt Weinberger	Director at Large
			Greco Dev. Head
Brian Martz	Folkstyle Director	Drew D'Agostino	Coach
			Freestyle Dev. Head
Kyle Martin	Cadet Director	Jody Strittmatter	Coach
	Fund Raising	 Joe Silvestri jr	Director at Large
Tim Rogers	Director		

Additional Attendees: Zane Black, Ryan Green, Brad Brosius, Diane, Brosius, Gino Frank, James Mangan, Micah Wagner

On Phone Call Attendees: Andrew McDowell, Caitlyn Baker, David James, Billy Evans

**2018 Minutes** from the September 23, 2018 Annual Meeting were read by Audra Elfvin. Moved to accept minutes-Chris Atkinson 2<sup>nd:</sup> Toni Black approved unanimously.

**Treasurer's Report** was prepared by Rollie Stillings and presented by Joe Stabilito Sr. When we started in March 2019, our balance was \$10,000 and as of today it is \$93,855.27 after all bills were paid including some 2018 outstanding bills.

A Budget of \$100,000 was presented and approved by the Board for the 2019-2020 term. Included in the budget are funds to offset the National Dual Team cost, Donations to HOF, BTS and a Kids Charity. Hope to send more to the Summit and to offer scholarship.

A fundraising goal of \$75,000 that's not in budget so we can add to programs A copy of the financials and budget are available.

Moved by Jim Managan 2<sup>nd:</sup> Brad Brosius approved unanimously.

**Directors Nominations** were announced with ballots presented for votes for the Director at large 3-positions and the Greco Development Coach position. It was decided who ever didn't get the Greco position would take the Open Director position since it was open. Results announced later in the meeting. Freestyle Director will remain open since no one was present for nomination.

**Chairman's Report** by Joe Stabilito Sr who thanked the board and all involved for helping us grow and making it a very successful season. Our efforts are being noticed at the National Level.

Joe Stabilito Sr announced that we will be having a Wrestler/Coach Advisory Committee to get feedback from the wrestlers and coaches on how we are doing and what they would like or need from us.

We need to get Corporate Sponsors to help defry some of the costs of the trips. We would like for it to be minimal to free for our wrestlers to compete on our National Teams.

**Events this year** besides our Freestyle/Greco qualifiers and States (schedule available soon):

**Folkstyle** Tournaments to be held in October 2019

**Tournament of America** is scheduled for 11/2-3/19 at F&M if USA wrestling approves the Budget.

**Mason Dixon Duals** are being handled by the ICWL and we are sponsoring the team with singlet, shirt, pants

**Last Chance WTT** to be held on 3/27-29/20. Waiting to hear back for bids from Millersville University or Valley Forge

**Olympic Trials** to be held on 4/4-5/20 at PSU we will be involved and need volunteers. **University Duals** 5/9-10/20 at Clarion University. Volunteers will be needed.

**Freestyle/Greco National Team Qualifier** will be 2 different weeks with the 1<sup>st</sup> place winner guaranteed a spot on our Schoolboy, Cadet and Junior National Dual Teams as long as locations can be secured – we want to send 2 teams

**U23/Cadet WTT** formerly held in Akron – looks like we aren't getting it at Pitt and it may be in Ohio haven't heard back from USA Wrestling yet

**NE Regional** to be held 5/1-3 in the Rutgers area

Cadet Duals we presented a bid to hold it in York, PA

We have an OPEN door policy that the board is here to help everyone and are looking to have a Wrestler/Coach Advisory Committee for open dialogue.

Joe Stabilito Sr and Sammy Julian attended the Summit and Safe Sport was the main topic. They were welcomed with open arms and asked for input. It is imperative that The Board, Coaches, Officials, Trainers and anyone over 18 be Safe Sport Certified including athletes. As of now, they are not requiring table workers to be. Next year,

they will be attending tournaments to make sure that we are following Safe Sport rules and that only those certified are on the mats. USA wants 50% of membership including athletes to be Safe Sport Certified.

Sammy Julian advised some Points of Interest:

Back Arch is now legal in Schoolboy and below

All National Tournaments will now have video review at all levels and all rounds

More information will be attached regarding Safe Sport.

# Coaches Director Report by Joe Stabilito Jr

The NCAA may pass that College coaches may not coach at National events because of recruiting. Club coaches will be needed. It was also passed by the Board that NO parents will be allowed to coach the Boys duals teams.

We will be fielding a Junior Olympic team in Virginia Beach the week of July 29<sup>th</sup> 2020. This is for the Developing our wrestlers so it will be open to the non-Fargo wrestlers.

Greco Director Report by Drew D'Agostino new coaches on the Western side of state

Folkstyle Director by Brian Martz 3 events coming up please get your kids signed up

**Communication Director** by Bill Ruddick nothing to report

**Kids Director** by Will Betancourt reported that we had a very successful season with 7 Greco National Champions, 37 Greco All Americans and 5 Freestyle National Champions and 31 Freestyle All Americans. The future looks bright in Pa. No Yellow cards were received by our coaches.

**Cadet Director** by Kyle Martin placed 3<sup>rd</sup> in Freestyle and placed 6<sup>th</sup> in Greco at Cadet Duals

Won Fargo Freestyle National Championship and had 12 Freestyle All Americans and 8 Greco All Americans. We are going in the right direction in team selection.

**Junior Director** by Brad Pataky we had 1 Greco National Champion, 8 Greco and 8 Freestyle All Americans.

**Officials Director** by Joe Silvestri Sr reported that the number of officials is growing. The Recruit process is on the job training. Have all prospects show up at the qualifier. Reminder that licensed officials who are part of a club who work 2 qualifiers earns \$75 rebate for their club towards your charter. We are moving people up the ladder and are giving some incentives to get officials to the National events.

**Open Director** no report

**Tournament Director** by Toni Black

With the increased number of tournaments, need people to travel to both parts of the state to run the tournaments. It is a paid position. Qualifiers are being set up so that they are East/Central or West/Central so that no one is expected to go across the state in the same weekend.

We will use Vertical Pairing for our National Dual Team qualifying tournaments. Will be setting up phone calls to learn track and the system with anyone interested. An email will be sent out announcing this.

# Women's Director report by Chris Atkinson

It is important to get info out to everyone especially getting the coaches to enter the girl's information into the OPC to get the numbers up so we can demonstrate growth to PIAA. It is important that the girls travel together to the same tournaments to get more experience instead of spreading out and going to different tournaments. PIAA says that they want 100 schools to sponsor girls wrestling team but won't say how many wrestlers constitute a team. We are going to try an email blast and newsletters to get information out. Paying attention to New Jersey's girls growth. We would like to organize Women Nationals formerly Body Bar into a formal PA team. Regional RTCs are having Girls training events at Columbia, Princeton, Drexel, Harvard, Wyoming Sem. Girls Escape the Rock Tournament to be held on 11/9/19.

Old business:

Official stipends same

Vertical Pairing will only be used for National Team Duals Qualifier

New:

Approved Budget of \$100,000

With the name change, we need a committee to review the By Laws that were used to set up the new group. Jim Mangan offered to help with this.

Folkstyle Season we are deferring on the Triple Crown for now.

Girls States will be in Gettysburg on March 10, 2020.

Freestyle and Greco States will be broken up for kids one weekend and cadets/Juniors another as long as locations can be secured.

Freestyle/Greco qualifier Schedule is almost done and we have sent out information to the sites. We have qualifier requirements that we send out that spells out who is responsible for what.

Freestyle/Greco National Team Qualifier will be 2 different weeks with the 1<sup>st</sup> place winner guaranteed a spot on our Schoolboy, Cadet and Junior National Dual Teams as long as locations can be secured – we want to send 2 teams

Volunteers needed for some of the USA events. More to follow.

PIAA Book Ad with schedule with why coaches recommend Freestyle/Greco. Costs: \$400/page. We also put our schedule in all the wrestler's packs.

Fundraising target of \$75,000 to offset the costs of the trips so that we can greatly reduce the cost of the trips to get more wrestlers on the teams.

PIAA Email blast...we want to blast them why Girl's wrestling is needed in PA. Next step will be to go to the legislators.

#### Comments:

Bill Stecklein wanted to let us know that now that he is retired from the National Level that he is here to help with whatever is need. Our reputation has improved on the national level.

All of our qualifiers grew despite the fact that we were told that we would fail.

#### **Election Results**

Cadet Director Kyle Martin accepted nomination. Motion by Lewis Baker and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Joe Stabilito Jr passed unanimously.

Coaches Director Joe Stabilito Jr accepted nomination. Motion by Sam Julian 2<sup>nd</sup> by Drew D'Agostino passed unanimously.

Officials Director Joe Silvestri accepted nomination. Motion by Kyle Matin 2<sup>nd</sup> by Gino Frank Passed unanimously

Communication Director Bill Ruddick accepted nomination. Motion by Lewis Baker 2<sup>nd</sup> by Will Betancort passed unanimously.

Fundraising Director Lewis Baker accepted nomination. Motion by Joe Stabilito Jr 2<sup>nd</sup> by Brian Martz Passed unanimously.

Kids Director: Billy Evans accepted nomination. Motion by Joe Stabilito Jr and 2nd by Toni Black passed unanimously.

Tournament Director Toni Black accepted nomination. Motion by Brad Pataky and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Drew D'Agostino passed unanimously

Safe Sport Andrew McDowell accepted nomination. Motion by Toni Black and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Brad Pataky Passed unanimously

Women's Director Chris Atkinson accepted nomination Motion by Drew D'Agostino and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Joe Stabilito Jr Passed unanimously

Women's Development Coach Caitlin Baker accepted nomination. Motion by Chris Atkinson and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Joe Stabilito Jr. Passed unanimously

Folkstyle Director Brian Martz accepted nomination. Motion by Kyle Martin 2<sup>nd</sup> by Drew D'Agostino Passed unanimously

Cadet Director Kyle Martin accepted nomination. Motion by Joe Stabilito Jr 2<sup>nd</sup> by Toni Black Passed unanimously

Junior Director Brad Pataky accepted nomination. Motion Joe Stabilito Jr 2<sup>nd</sup> by Brian Martz Passed unanimously

Freestyle Development Head Coach remains OPEN no one present nominated for position.

Greco Development Head Coach Drew D'Agostino won by ballot. Passed Unanimously

Open Director Gino Frank won by ballot. Passed unanimously.

Director at Large (3) the following won by ballot and accepted the position: Will Betancort, Zane Black and Ryan Green. Passed unanimously.

Motion to accept election results: Will Betancort 2<sup>nd</sup> Toni Black Passed unanimously

Joe Stabilito Sr asked Zane Black & Ryan Green to head the Wrestler Advisory Committee and Kyle Martin to head the Coaches Advisory Committee. What do the wrestlers/coaches need from us, do you want clinics, what kind of help, etc.

Sam Julian made a motion to adjourn and Will Betancort 2<sup>nd</sup> Meeting adjourned at 3:27

# Sunday September 29, 2019 PAUSA Annual Meeting

# Summary of Actions Taken:

A motion to accept a \$100,000 Budget to defray the cost of the Dual Teams with a target of fundraising \$75,000 by Rollie Stillings 2<sup>nd</sup> by Sam Julian Passed Unanimously.

A motion to use Officials who are both USA/PIAA certified for our Folkstyle Qualifiers with USA Officials being next in line to be assigned. Motion by Sam Julian 2<sup>nd</sup> by Lewis Baker Passed unanimously.

A motion to have PAUSA States split into 2 weekends if possible with the Kids and Schoolboys (8un, 10un, 12un) one weekend and the Cadets and Juniors (14un, 16un & Jrs) another weekend. Girls will be with their respective age group. Motion by Rollie Stillings 2<sup>nd</sup> by Joe Silvestri Passed unanimously.

A motion to have National Team Qualifying tournament to be a member of the Schoolboy, Cadet and Junior teams to be split up with Freestyle one week and Greco another week. Champion is guaranteed spot and Vertical Pairing will be used. Toni Black, Rollie Stillings and directors to come up with criteria. Motion by Joe Stabilito Jr 2<sup>nd</sup> Kyle Martin Passed unanimously.

A motion to have a Wrestler Advisory Committee and a Coaches Advisory Committee to bring information, ideas and to feed data to the Board as to what the wrestlers/coaches are interested in and what they need from PAUSAW. Motion by Rollie Stllings, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Toni Black Passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Joe Silvestri to reward/incentive the board or a club coach/official \$25.00 for coming to the annual meeting. The motion failed and was amended by Lewis Baker to give \$25.00 to any club that physically attends meeting starting with the 2020 Annual meeting, board members are not eligible, but another club member qualifies club for rebate. One reward/incentive per club. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Joe Silvestri passed unanimously.

Motion for give a \$50 stipend to National Team Duals Coaches in addition to their spending stipend by Joe Stabilito Sr 2<sup>nd</sup> by Bill Stecklein passed unanimously. Motion to send a team to the AAU Junior Duals in Virginia Beach by Joe Silvestri as a developmental team with the wrestlers being the 4-5<sup>th</sup> at states/National Team qualifier and not on the Fargo trip 2<sup>nd</sup> Rollie Stillings and passed unanimously.

Motion was made by Toni Black that No parent coaches on boys National Dual Teams 2<sup>nd</sup> by Drew D'Agostino passed unanimously.