

October 9, 2022 Annual General Meeting

Attendance: Joe Stabilito Sr, Toni Black, Audra Elfvin, Brian Martz, Brad Brousis, Chris Atkinson,

Chris Haines, Diane Brousis, Joe Silvestri. Joe Stabilito Jr, Kyle Martin, Pat Tocci,

Dave Foust, Will Betancourt, Sean Lees, Jim Beach, Hon Peter Wirs

Via Zoom: Brad Pataky, Drew D'Agostino, Micah Wagner, Billy Evans, Kerry McCoy, Kevin

Franklin, Susan Manville, Sam Julian, Daniel Heckert, Jake?

Absent: Gino Frank, Joe Erb, Stacy Barnowski, Sunny Abe, Tim O'toole

Resigned: Andrew McDowell, Bill Stecklein

Call to order/Welcome:

Meeting called to order at 1:08pm by Joe Stabilito Sr who welcomed everyone and thanked them for attending.

All voting will be done thru the USA Membership portal. Brian Martz will run the system it should be noted that only active members in the system can vote.

Reading and approval the 2021 Annual meeting minutes

As Audra Elfvin started to read the minutes. A motion was made by Hon Peter Wirs to suspend the reading of the minutes and approve them. Seconded by Toni Black. Voted and passed unanimously.

Treasurer Report

Joe Stabilito Sr read the report after announcing that Bill Stecklein resigned. Starting Balance as October 2021 was \$25,478.04 and the ending balance as of September 30, 2022 was \$134,135.81. Hon Peter Wirs asked if Bonded. Joe Stabilito Sr said he would check but was sure that they were through USA Wrestling Insurance. A motion was made by Hon Peter Wirs to approve the Treasurer's Report. Chris Atkinson seconded. Voted and passed unanimously.

Budget was tabled due to Stipend discussion.

Election of Executive Board

State Chairmen: Nominee Joe Stabilito Sr
Voted and passed unanimously.
Vice Chairmen: Nominee Toni Black
Secretary: Nominee Audra Elfvin
Voted and passed unanimously.

Safesport Director: No nominee and Andrew McDowell resigned. Will remain open

Membership Director: No nominee Pat Tocci accepted Senior Director. Will remain open.

Director's Report

Official's Director Joe Silvestri continuing to grow officials' numbers and networking without of state officials to fill in when needed. Recognized Sam Julian for winning the Gold Whistle award and being assigned to his second Olympics.

Coaches Director Joe Stabilito Jr said we had a good turn out of college and club coaches. There was an incident at a team event. He is working with Gino Frank, Will Betancourt and Sean Lees to get Greco training into more clubs.

Cadet Director Kyle Martin said that we won the Cadet Freestyle Championship and took 4th in Greco at Fargo and had 23 All Americans and 1 National Champion. Minor concern about getting kids level up to the cadet level to engage in Freestyle/Greco.

Womens Development Coach Chris Haines. Would like additional camps

Greco Development Coach Drew D'Agostino is putting something together to grow Greco

Junior Director Brad Pataky said we had a solid showing and communication with other coaches. He will not be able to attend Fargo next year since having a baby.

Club Liaison Director Micah Wagner communicated with coaches and the feedback about states was that younger kids had long waits between matches and they would like more clinics.

Women's Director Chris Atkinson said that numbers are up. There are over 33000 in nation. We had 15 schools committed to have teams for PIAA season. As of today, we have 68 and are expecting 2 more this week. We are hosting the Gia Montez tournament on 2/11/23 and we will took teams Women's Nationals in Texas, Won the 14un National Freestyle championship in Tulsa and the Junior womens dual team took 3rd place. In Fargo, we had 8 16un All Americans and 5 Junior All Americans. At the K-12 Indiana Pre-season tournament, we finished in 5th place. Montana Delawder, Vayle Baker and Amanda Walker have been very helpful in growing the sport and coaching. National Uniform change: compression shirt not required.
*Rule Change headgear is no longer required for 14un age group. We need to come up with requirements for the girls to qualify for Fargo and PA state tournament should be required.

Tournament Manager's report presented by Toni Black we had a good turn out for the qualifiers. Hopes to have the schedule done by November and we are going to reduce qualifiers to 1 a week from March-May and host clinics.

States will be at Alvernia again May 19-21, 2023.

We are hosting the 14under National Team tournament in June, 2023 at Oaks. We will need table workers, ticket takers and to hire security.

We are bidding on Women's Nationals (formerly in Texas). In bid, giving USA wrestling \$25,000. We are hosting 3 Girls Regional Tournaments on March 5, 2023 with My House and Sanction PA. This will be a qualifier for Girl's States on March 12, 2023 at Central Dauphin. **this may be the last year before PIAA takes over.

Northeast Regionals will be in Atlantic City May 2023 and goes out to bid next year. There were a lot of complaints about the location this year which they are addressing with the AC Business Bureau.

Kyle Martin will be heading up the committee to determine National Team criteria.

Coach selection for team duals/Fargo will be earlier this year to allow coaches to attend clinics and interact with wrestlers and get to know them.

Working on a Fargo plan

Survey

Joe Stabilito Sr took a survey after Fargo to get some feedback which had surprising results. There were 147 responses.

- 1. Take a Bus or Fly. Result was 55.8% said take a bus 44.2% said to fly.
- 2. Housing stay in Dorms with a meal plan or stay in hotel with no meal plan. Result was 79.6% stay in dorms with meal plan and 20.4% stay in hotel no meal plan.
- 3. Have a regional camp or a central all team camp. Result 57.8% regional camp 42.2% central camp

New Business

Hon Peter Wirs said that we can get specialized plates for PAUSAW. It is a 2 step process with Penndot and the Corrections Department. It costs \$500 to design and select number sequence. The plates cost \$28 and we can add a service fee as a fundraiser. It requires sending an email to have Penndot send the package and requires our Bylaws charter. He said he will get the package for us to determine if we want to do this.

Hon Peter Wirs questioned why PIAA requires 100 schools when it was ruled on in 1975 that it was unconstitutional both state and federally for the PIAA to impose limitations on women's wrestling. Pat Tocci explained that per the PIAA bylaws they require 100 schools to recognize by their school board/district. Discussion ensued and we determined that this did not pertain to PAUSAW and that there is somuch momentum right now that it could hinder the growth of womens wrestling. Peter said that at his expense he will look into it because he feels that it his

ethical responsibility under the Code of Conduct for U.S. Judges to assure that laws be faithfully enforced.

Hon Peter Wirs wanted to give us a "heads up" that Pennsylvania Wrestling Club will be filing a grievance with the US Olympic committee because Class F & G Masters was thrown out in 2016 because you cannot discriminate against based on age.

Chris Atkinson said that several wrestlers in Fargo were not in PA gear. We will make it clear that PA gear is required on the floor/podium not club gear.

Women's Nationals Bid is being submitted. It will be held in Collegeville area in April. It will be K-U23 including World team trials. Looking for sponsor.

Final X bid in to be held on the last day of the 14U.

Sean Lees asked if there was a contribution for coaching staff to off set costs being passed onto costs. Kyle Martin is working on it.

Hon Peter Wirs made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 2:27pm. Seconded by Audra Elfvin.