

**Kansas Kids Wrestling
State Body Meeting
November 2, 2008**

Call to Order: Executive Director Jeff Sheets called the meeting to order at 9:40am on Sunday November 2, 2008. Roll call was taken by signing in and picking up their packets (see end of minutes for those clubs in attendance). There were 187 clubs in 2008 147clubs registered this year at the meeting.

Contents of Packets: Jeff Sheets went over the contents of each packet that was picked up during registration. Information included in the packets were minutes of the previous state body meeting, a draft copy of the executive council minutes from the September 2008 meeting, financial information, rule book, modification of the rules, voting cards and new membership guidelines.

Reading of the Minutes: Tom Heald made a motion to accept the minutes as they were included in each of the club packets. Ed Edison second the motion. The motion passed.

Vendor Presentations:

Bob Gonzalas reported on the Kansas Chapter of the National Wrestling Hall of Fame

Gonz Medina presented Blue Chip Athletics

Officers Report:

Membership: **Mike Juby** went over new membership guidelines, mandatory coaches background checks, told about the excel spreadsheets.

Kathy Juby went over Club Spreadsheets everything will be emailed back and forth. Clubs will have to request the spreadsheets. Tournament Directors will need to put their Date of Birth on their tournament requests. Background checks need to be confirmed by clubs before requesting coaches card, clubs will need to keep confirmation in their files. All clubs will need to have an official email address. Make sure after requesting membership cards you send a check nothing will be done until Kathy gets a check.

Treasurer: Leanna Buckley reported that the financial statements are in the packets. We currently have \$65,870.13 in the Kids accounts thru checking, savings and CD's. Financially, we are still all right but because of some changes that are coming up with card moneys being moved out of the Kids accounts. There will need to be some changes to look at. We can't keep losing money(11,000) each year and still be able to stay where we are at. She said she would be glad to discuss any questions that you have. Tuff Hermreck moved to accept the Treasurers report, Charlie Knox second motion passed.

Officials: Loren Anthony reported that all the clinics were done he had about the same number of officials register as last year. We had 3 high school officials quit because of tournaments not following officials requests with coaches or parents.

He would like to start a New Officials Award , this award would recognize first time officials registering and performing well throughout the season. Every club would have a vote on a new official. Loren moved to create 4 First Year Official Awards one from each District each would get up to \$50.00 in merchandise. Doug Vander Linden second. 8 opposed motion passed. He went over Rules Modifications we changed the date on modifications everything else stayed the same. The new rule this year was in the Referee Position the wrestler on top must go knee, navel, elbow, start.

This will be Loren's last year he will be resigning after the State Tournament.

District Officers:

Each District Director told who their officers are for the upcoming year and who there people of the year were for the State Tournament.

District 1

Director: Tuff Hermreck

State Person: Will Cokeley

North Sub Director: Mark Stanley

District Person: Mark Stanley

South Sub Director: Kevin Son

Official: Josh Lattermer

Freestyle/GR Director: Tom Peterman and Russ Hermreck

Secretary: Will Cokeley

Treasurer: Barb Shields

District 2

Director: Jess Keith

State Person: Jennifer Edison

North Sub Director: Jim Barthel

District Person: Skip Herrington

South Sub Director: Scott Biddle

Official: Kenny Taylor Jr.

Freestyle/GR Director: Charlie Knox

Secretary: Lisa Zimmerman

Treasurer: Jennifer Edison

District 3

Director: Lance Engel

State Person: Jeff Sheets

West Sub Director: Darrell Loder

District Person: Jeff Sheets

East Sub Director: Tom Richards

Official: Reuben Montoy

Freestyle/GR Director: Mark Miller

Rules: Chad Harris/ Jeff Sheets

District 4

Director: Steve Woody

State Person: Steve Woody

South Sub Director: Scott Edwards

District Person: Scott Edwards

North Sub Director: Kyle Wright

Official: Lisa Woody

Freestyle/GR Director: Kyle Roberts and Kent Hahn

Secretary/Treasurer: Jeanie Dey

State Chairman: Mike Judy discussed the length of kids wrestling season. He has had several high school coaches ask him about maybe shortening the kids season. The KWCA is not taking an official stand on this it is just a suggestion.

The Freestyle/GR tournament was held earlier than usual. If you have any suggestion for the board meeting about his tournament you need to meet with Mike.

Financial Statement was included in packet. The Kids Division spent more than what the cards fee brought in. When kids buy cards \$20 go to USA Wrestling to help develop the best international team possible. The other \$10 stays in the state of Kansas. There are concerns about the decrease of card moneys from the Corporate Board. The Kids division has been running on a surplus this past year they did not. Corporate needs to take \$12,000 out of Kids.

501(c)(3): Mike looked into an umbrella clause, it was not possible at this time to do an umbrella for all of the clubs. We will be letting this drop.

Executive Director: Jeff Sheets is stepping down from Executive Director after 15 years of service. Due to a job related project he felt he could not give 100% to Kids Wrestling and there should be someone on the board that could give 100%. He will still be involved in wrestling just not on the board.

He thanked everyone for coming out today. This is the only time the State Body meets and this is the only time to vote on the issues in the state.

There have been several issues over the past year that Jeff would like the board to think about forming an ethics committee to help in solving these issues across the State.

State Tournament: Ned Price started out thanking Mark Stanley and Jim Lund for all their help and all the District Directors. The tournament went well there were only a few that didn't get weighed in.

Weigh-In change for next year. We will be adding a half hour Saturday Morning weigh-in. 6-6:30am. Liked Trackwrestling and how it was ran.

Expense we bought new printers for Trackwrestling.

Old Business:

Background checks: Went over what would be looking at during the background check.

Trackwrestling: The State will be using Trackwrestling again. The entry fee of .25 will again be used.

New Business:

Election of Officers:

Executive Director-Board recommendations Ned Price

Leanna Buckley moved nominations cease. Shawn McCarthy second motion. Motion passed Ned is Director.

Assistant Director: Board recommendation Jess Keith and Will Cokeley (Will pulled his name out) Tom Richards from Manhattan was nominated from the floor.

Nomination ceased. The Nominees or someone on their behalf were allowed to say a little about why they would be best suited for the job.

Jess Keith had 46 votes and Tom Richards had 93. Tom Richards is the new Assistant Director.

Treasurer: Leanna Buckley was recommended Doug Vander Linden moved nomination cease, Raymond Gray seconded. Leanna stays as Treasurer.

Parliamentarian: Richard Salyer was recommended. Dean Sheets moved nomination cease Charlie Knox second. Richard remains Parliamentarian.

Freestyle/GR Director: Kyle Roberts was recommended. Will Cokeley was nominated from the floor. It was moved nomination cease and second. Will had 63 and Kyle 74 votes. Kyle will remain Freestyle/GR Director.

Official Rep: Loren Anthony was appointed by Board until after State Tournament.

State Tournament Recommendations: Ned Price

Entry fee change from \$15 to \$20. Tuff Hermreck moved to change entry to fee to \$20 Michael Brownell second.

There was discussion and concerns about if the Kids division is losing money what will a \$5 increase do for us.

The Question was called and voted on. There were 125 for and 10 against. Motion was passed. Entry fees at State Tournament will be \$20.00.

Gate fee recommended to stay the same \$4 adults/\$2 kids. Michael Brownell moved to stay the same Ed Edison second. Motion passed to stay the same.

Officials pay: It was recommended to increase from \$280 to \$300 for the 2-day tournament, IRS rate for mileage or a motel room vs. mileage round trip. Tuff Hermreck moved to except recommendation Shawn Grey second. One opposed motion passed.

Coaches passes: Recommendation as long as a Coach has a Copper and/or Bronze card/certification, their USA Card, and are in Good standing with their Club, District and with the State they will receive a coaches pass that is not transferable.

John Peterson moved to except recommendation, Rich Sharp second. Much discussion. The vote was called. There were 49 for and 83 opposed recommendation. Vote defeated.

Michael Brownell moved the Coaches passes would be non-transferable, get 2 free, 1 for 5 wrestlers and sell others for \$50.00 each. Raymond Gray second. The motion was voted on and defeated.

Ed Edison moved to except Beason's idea.

A Coach has to have a Copper and/or Bronze card certification, their USA Card, and are in Good standing with their Club, District and with the State the will receive a coaches pass that is not transferable. **The Club Directors MUST submit a list of coaches names after Districts to the State Tournament Director by email on a Deadline(set by tournament director). Only these coaches can get passes.**

John Peterson second motion. The vote was called. 38 opposed and 90 approved motion passed.

Coaches passes are voted on EVERY year. Next year this motion could change.

Program Book:

Leanna Buckley needs pictures for program book by March 1st.

Moved for adjournment it was second and passed meeting was adjourned at 1:36pm

Executive Council Mini Meeting

Ned Called mini meeting to order.

Board appointed Kyle Roberts and Richard Saylor to the Corporate Board.

Stephanie McDonald was appointed Secretary

Meeting adjourned.