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Minutes of the
WOA Executive Board Meeting
August 1, 2024
Yakima, WA

In Attendance Thursday, August 1, 2024
President Dean Corcoran called the meeting to order at 3:21pm. The following Board Members were present:

Board Member	WOA Region
Dean Corcoran (President)	Region 1
Jeff Mattson	Region 1
John Lindsey	Region 2
Salima Kanji	Region 2
Terry Beckstead	Region 3
Dave Paul	Region 3
Bryan Keatley	Region 4
Tyler Trimble	Region 4
Steve Simonson (Vice President)	Region 5
Dave Van Laar	Region 5
Karl Johanson	Region 6
Heide Wehr	Region 6
Dani Yorkston	Spirit

WOA Staff Present: Todd Stordahl, WOA Executive Director and Kerri Stordahl, WOA Director of Operations.

Guests Present: Ken Koester, NASO Director of Business Development.

Approval of Agenda
Dave Paul/Dani Yorkston moved to approve the agenda as amended. **Motion Passed.**

Approval of Minutes
Jeff Mattson/Salima Kanji moved to approve the minutes as amended. **Motion Passed.**

Reports from Regions

Region 1: **Dean Corcoran/Jeff Mattson** no report.

Region 2: **John Lindsey/Salima Kanji** no report.

Region 3: **Terry Beckstead/Dave Paul** reported that the official's appreciation hosted by Bremerton HS went well and attendance continue to increase.

Region 4: **Bryan Keatley/Tyler Trimble** no report.

Region 5: **Steve Simonson**/**Dave Van Laar** no report.

Region 6: **Karl Johanson** reported they are planning on attending the first District 6 meeting.

Soccer: No report.

Spirit: **Dani Yorkston** reported that after years of remote state-wide training, cheer is moving back to primarily in person training with some remote elements. It will be interesting to see what is more effective. No update from Dance Drill.

Gymnastics: **Dean Ratliff** reported the season went well. We have a change of assigners in both Spokane and Vancouver for this next season. We are chronically short of officials, but we are encouraged with more new people showing interest.

WIAA Report

Todd Stordahl reported that on the amendments that passed/failed. CTE is moving forward with officiating class. One school district has already sent a check for the online training. Todd will go on Monday to the meeting for CTE Directors to talk about moving forward. Local groups can work with the schools for more training/students working games.

Spring Tournament Report

Todd Stordahl reported that tournaments went well except for a few issues. Ejection reports did not come into the office in a timely manner and there were some issues with fans at one of the softball sites.

NASO Update

Ken Koester reported that the Summit went well. Lots of initiatives are being talked about. Cameras were a huge hit. They will help behavior and sportsmanship if we can utilize them well. There is a lot of energy to get younger officials involved. Our partnership is going well, will be working towards more efficiency going forward. NASO has signed an agreement with NFHS, the official's manuals will be the mechanics books moving forward.

WOA Conference Report

Kerri Stordahl reported that we are all set and have great registration numbers, the schedule will be the same this year.

2023 – 24 Membership Breakdown

Todd Stordahl reported on the membership breakdown and answered questions. There is another column this time with new officials. (brand new to WOA) Also looking at groups that cannot cover the schools in their service area and what we can do to help them.

Executive Board Meeting Follow-up

Todd Stordahl reported on an email that was sent out to state tournament coordinators to survey what is done at their sites for officials. Looking at the idea of a small token of appreciation to officials that are assigned to the state tournaments. Body cams went well in basketball, a handful of officials responded to end of season survey. A key thing was how the officials felt – the temperature in the gym dropped and people did not escalate. Spring did not go as smoothly. The transition was difficult and tough to redistribute the cameras. Will work on better process for this year. Will get volleyball into the mix to some degree. Focus will be football/soccer for the fall. WIAA is happy with the results, would like us to get more areas involved.

Committee Reports

Sports Committees are meeting with Tim Lewis (Sports Committee Coordinator) and getting ready for this school year. Some will be revamped and/or reconfigure priorities for each sport.

Requests for Action

Allocations – Todd Stordahl spoke to the proposal to review and establish allocation distribution policy. **Karl Johanson/Jeff Mattson** moved that we base post season allocations on post season qualified officials. **Motion Passed.**

Academy – **Jeff Mattson** spoke to the proposal for further development of the WOA Academy. **Dave Van Laar/Tyler Trimble** moved to approve the allocation of $6,000 to further develop the WOA Academy. **Motion Passed.** (Jeff Mattson abstained)

Financials –

A. 2023-2024 Review – **Todd Stordahl** answered questions on review. **Dani Yorkston/Jeff Mattson** moved to reflect that report was received. **Motion Passed**.
B. 2024-25 Proposed Budget – **Todd Stordahl** reported on handout. **Terry Beckstead/Dani Yorkston** moved to reflect that report was received. **Motion Passed**.
C. Investment Report – **Todd Stordahl** spoke to current returns and consolidating accounts.

Executive Director's Report

Salima Kanji/Karl Johanson moved to go into Executive Session. **Motion Passed**.
Dave Paul/Bryan Keatley moved to go out of Executive Session. **Motion Passed.**

Legal Report – Todd Stordahl reported on pending litigation.

Online Clinics/Testing/Regional Meetings/Web Site/Newsletter – Fall clinics/test will be up next week. Please confirm with staff for regional meeting dates.

Election Results – **Jeff Mattson** was re-elected for Region 1.

Terry Beckstead/**Dave Paul** moved to suspend meeting until after the conference. **Motion Passed**.
Tyler Trimble/Bryan Keatley moved to resume meeting. **Motion Passed**.

John Lindsey/Terry Beckstead moved to nominate Dean Corcoran for President and Steve Simonson for Vice-President. **Motion Passed.**

Heide Wehr/Karl Johanson moved to approve the following sport appointments:
Soccer – Brian Armes
Spirit – Dani Yorkston
Gymnastics – Dean Ratliff
Motion Passed.

Dave Van Laar/Salima Kanji moved to adjourn meeting**. Motion Passed.**

Respectfully submitted,
Kerri Stordahl, WOA Director of Operations
Next Meeting Date – January 5-6, 2025, WIAA Office.