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Minutes of the
WOA Executive Board Meeting
May 5-6, 2024
WIAA Office

In Attendance Sunday/Monday, May 5-6, 2024
President Dean Corcoran called the meeting to order at 9:04am. The following Board Members were present:

Board Member	WOA Region
Dean Corcoran (President)	Region 1 Associations
Steve Simonson (Vice-President)	Region 5 Associations
Jeff Mattson	Region 1 Boards
John Lindsey	Region 2 Associations
Salima Kanji	Region 2 Boards
Terry Beckstead	Region 3 Associations
Dave Paul	Region 3 Boards
Bryan Keatley	Region 4 Associations
Tyler Trimble	Region 4 Boards
Dave Van Laar	Region 5 Boards
Karl Johanson	Region 6 Associations
Heide Wehr	Region 6 Boards
Brian Armes	Soccer
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
Steve Simonson/Dave Paul moved to approve the agenda as amended. **Motion Passed.**

Approval of Minutes
Tyler Trimble/Terry Beckstead moved to approve the minutes. **Motion Passed.**

Reports from Regions

Region 1: **Dean Corcoran -** no report.

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

Region 3: **Terry Beckstead/Dave Paul** reported that long time volleyball assigner Marc Blau is retiring as of June 30th. Bremerton HS will be holding their annual official's appreciation.

Region 4: **Bryan Keatley/Tyler Trimble** reported on an accident involving umpires and medical situation.

Region 5: **Steve Simonson**/**Dave Van Laar -** reported on a suggestion for the volleyball state tournament and using/getting newer officials involved in line judging.

Region 6: **Karl Johanson**/**Heide Wehr** reported that the formation of WIAA new District 6 is going smoothly. Soccer sportsmanship is much better this spring.

Soccer: **Brian Armes -** no report.

Spirit: **Dani Yorkston** reported that the conflict-of-interest process improved this year. State went smoothly and many new officials participated. Virtual coaches meeting is not being attended well, want to ensure that everyone has good information. Spoke at state cheer meeting and that went well. Have not heard back from Dance/Drill.

Gymnastics: No report.

WIAA Report

Mick Hoffman reported hearing from quite a few schools that are interested in starting officiating classes. They would like to work together with local associations to help as they can/offer input. They are looking at how to improve the experience at game sites. The Seattle Sports Commission is going to help with recruiting at local colleges. WIAA would love to hear feedback on schools that are doing things above/beyond so we can highlight and reinforce that behavior.

Sports Committee Report

Todd Stordahl reported that **Tim Lewis** will give an update as the new coordinator. Tim gave a quick background on himself and things he is working on for fall sports. He will be doing some video for training modules. Less test based, more video. He is planning a meeting with coordinators and will work with each sport. The committees will be tasked with coming up with some new ideas/processes.

Winter Tournament Report

Todd Stordahl reported that tournaments went smoothly. State Cheer judges rented an Airbnb and loved it. Some other sports have explored this as well. Wrestling was maxed out for officials working postseason. We were able to schedule tournaments on different days to help cover. Basketball had some concerns that we will address moving forward and improve the process.

NASO Update

Ken Koester reported they are planning for 2024 Atlanta Summit. Lots of new recruits, how do we get them onboarded and then keep them around?

WOA Conference Report

Kerri Stordahl reported that we will using Holiday Inn for our block/accommodations this year. Golf Registration is now available online. Officiate Washington Day schedule will remain the same.

2023 – 24 Membership Breakdown

Todd Stordahl reported on the membership breakdown and answered questions.

Executive Board Meeting Follow-up

Western WA Football was on probation, they completed that probation and Dean Corcoran received reports during that process. They are back in good standing.

Requests for Action

2023-2024 Financial Report – Todd Stordahl answered questions on handout. **Steve Simonson/Salima Kanji** moved to reflect that report was received. **Motion Passed**.

Background Checks – Todd Stordahl spoke to the proposal and the group discussed**. Dave VanLaar/Heide Wehr** made a motion to approve the new fee**. Motion Passed.**

Slowpitch / Flag Football – Todd Stordahl spoke to the proposal to treat these as separate sports. **Heide Wehr/ Karl Johanson** moved to approve. **Motion Passed**.

By-Laws – Karl Johanson/Dani Yorkston spoke to the proposal to edit the format of by-laws article V and board policy for misconduct. **Dani Yorkston/Karl Johanson** moved to approve as amended. **Motion Passed**. **Dani Yorkston/Steve Simonson** moved to approve. **Motion Passed.**

Awards – Kerri Stordahl proposed the following recipients.
WOA Scholarship:
Brian Armes/Steve Simonson moved to approve the nominations of Darci Dalziel, Nathan Elbracht, Matthew Meadows for the 2024 WOA Scholarship. **Motion Passed.**

WOA Hall of Fame:
Tyler Trimble/Terry Beckstead moved to approve nominations of Bob Rose and Steve Simonson for the 2024 WOA Hall of Fame. **Motion Passed**.

Dave Paul/Brian Armes moved to go into Executive Session. **Motion Passed.**
Brian Armes/Steve Simonson moved to go out of Executive Session**. Motion Passed.**

Personnel -
Terry Beckstead/Dave Van Laar moved to extend the Executive Director's and Director of Operations contract for one year with a 4% cost of living raise. **Motion Passed.**

Executive Director's Report-
Property Update/Region Meetings – House is still being rented. Region meetings are looking for more good participation about how to move WOA forward.

Terry Beckstead/Dave Van Laar moved to adjourn the meeting**. Motion Passed.**

Respectfully submitted,
Kerri Stordahl, WOA Director of Operations
Next Meeting Date – August 1, 2024, Yakima