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Minutes of the WOA Executive Board Meeting
January 12-13, 2020, WIAA Office

In Attendance January 12-13, 2020

President Dean Corcoran called the meeting to order at 7:53pm on January 12, 2020. The following Board Members were present:

Board Member	WOA Region
Dean Corcoran (President)	Region 1 Associations
Todd Weber	Region 1 Boards
Cindy C-Wilson	Region 2 Boards
Terry Beckstead	Region 3 Associations
Terry Simmonds	Region 4 Associations
Tyler Trimble	Region 4 Boards
Dave Van Laar	Region 5 Boards
Karl Johanson	Region 6 Associations
Bob Francis	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

Cindy C-Wilson/Bob Francis moved to approve the agenda as presented. **Motion Passed.**

Approval of Minutes

Karl Johanson/Cindy C-Wilson moved to approve the minutes as presented. **Motion Passed.**

Reports from Regions

Region 1: **Dean Corcoran/Todd Weber** reported Region 1 held its Regional meeting on Nov. 4 and was well attended. District Director Robert Polk was there to answer questions from the WIAA side. No major issues between officials and schools so far in Region 1. Snohomish County Basketball has piloted a new Observer Program this season. The goal is to align the observations/evaluations with the WOA and current points of emphasis. It has been a successful program so far.

Region 2: **Cindy C-Wilson** reported Region 2 held an Assigner and Athletic Director meeting in August and had a great dialogue about how to work collaboratively during the year. We agreed that if the assigners could get information ahead of time that would reduce confusion and perhaps help with training.

Region 3: **No Report**

Region 4: **Terry Simmonds/Tyler Trimble** reported that their regional meeting will be held in March.

Region 5: **Dave Van Laar** reported that he attended a league meeting and some AD's had some questions about baseball protocol. He will get back to them with answers.

Region 6: **Karl Johanson/Bob Francis** reported that Karl will be joining the District 7 as a "lay" member of their Eligibility Committee. They have been working on football scheduling issues in cooperation with other eastern WA Assigners.

Soccer: **Brian Armes** reported that the fall girls' soccer season and State Tournament went well. Of note is the average age of the officials who earned state games at the 3A/4A venue = 23 years old.

Spirit: **Dani Yorkston** reported that Cheer is down 4 officials from last year which caused a few staffing challenges, but they could also give more assignments to each judge, which is a plus. Since they take care of the full state, they would like to focus on having more judges in outlying regions to reduce travel costs and risk inclement weather. Dance/Drill gave a great report about the health of their organization. They are down 3 from last year, but everything is going well.

Gymnastics: **No Report**

WIAA Report

Mick Hoffman introduced himself as the new WIAA Executive Director. He gave a brief history of his past employment and work with the association. He reported on the new members of the WIAA team, talked through responsibilities. Their focus right now is on classifications as the system has changed a little bit to factor in free/reduced lunch numbers. They are reviewing basketball tournaments and how to elevate the experience for all involved. They will be making a decision at the June board meeting. Football tournament changes were met with positive comments. Eligibility issues are being looked at. They are addressing some loopholes through amendments.

Appeal Hearing

The board heard an appeal of a grievance between an official and a local association.

Bob Francis/Tyler Trimble moved to go into executive session. **Motion Passed.**
Cindy C-Wilson/Dani Yorkston moved to go out of executive session**. Motion Passed.**

Bob Francis/Todd Weber moved to deny the appeal to overturn the decision of the grievance committee based on lack of evidence. **Motion Passed**.

Fall State Tournament Report

Todd Stordahl reported that all tournaments seemed to go well. No major issues were brought to the attention of the WOA. An interesting highlight was Gerald Howard, Spokane Softball, singing the National Anthem at the Slowpitch Tournament. Football Finals were held outside for the first time. Weather cooperated and it seemed like the games were a success.

NASO Report

Ken Koester showed a video presentation that they used at parents/athlete's pre-season school meetings. Would share the information with WOA for local groups to use. He is looking forward to next year's NASO Summit which will be held in Montgomery, AL.

WOA Conference Report

Kerri Stordahl reported that the WOA Conference will be back in Yakima this year. The schedule will remain the same as it was this year. Golf Tournament/Dinner on Friday, conference and awards luncheon on Saturday.

2019 – 2020 Membership Breakdown

Todd Stordahl reported on the membership breakdown and answered questions.

Executive Board Meeting Follow-up

Todd Stordahl reported that Line judge videos were sent out to volleyball groups that requested.

RTO Update

With the change in personnel, the WIAA has not scheduled a meeting. We are planning to have a brief discussion at the WIAA meeting on January 23 to see how they want the committee to proceed. Volleyball made progress. Michal Ann Watts and Cindy C-Wilson co-coordinated. We will look to expand on the progress that was made.

Requests for Action

Baseball Camp – Terry Simmonds spoke to the proposal and answered questions. He amended the proposal to ask for $900.00. **Terry Beckstead/Karl Johanson** moved to direct Terry to go to the RTO baseball committee to discuss/present the proposal. **Motion Passed**.

Uniform Vendor – Dave Van Laar/Todd Weber moved to set-up an on-line store and sign a vendor agreement with Cliff Keen. **Motion Passed.**

Financials – Todd Stordahl provided the 2019-20 updated financials and answered questions on handout.

Executive Director's Report

Legal Issues – Todd Stordahl reported that the WOA in-house attorney, John Olson, accepted a judgeship, so will no longer be available to be the WOA attorney.

Online Clinics/Testing/Regional Meetings/Website/Newsletter – Please confirm dates with staff for regional meetings.

Terry Simmonds/Terry Beckstead moved to adjourn the meeting**. Motion Passed.**

Respectfully submitted,
Kerri Stordahl, WOA Director of Operations
Next Meeting Date – May 3-4, 2020, WIAA Office