



## 2016 WADA Conference, Kalahari Resort

### Opening General Session

### Meeting Minutes

#### **Call to order:**

The 2016 Opening General Session was called to order by President Jim McClowry at 3:36 PM.

#### **Past President and Retired Athletic Director Parade:**

All WADA Past-Presidents and retired Athletic Directors who were in attendance processed into the meeting and stood in front of the stage. Jim asked them to introduce themselves, what school they represented and what year they were President or retired. Jim made a special note that Dave Gunderson has attended all 50 Conferences.

#### **National Anthem:**

Melissa from Appleton West led us in the singing of the National Anthem.

#### **WADA Story #1:**

Jim showed a video clip of Past-Presidents talking about the profession and WADA as an organization.

#### **WIAA:**

Dave Anderson spoke on behalf of the WIAA and welcomed to the Conference.

#### **NIAAA:**

NIAAA Executive Director Mike Blackburn spoke on behalf of the NIAAA and congratulated WADA on behalf of the NIAAA on our 50th anniversary. He complimented us on our strong organization and that we have made it family friendly and that the NIAAA has also tried to do that. It will be the NIAAA's 40th anniversary and right now registration is the second highest in all time for this upcoming National Conference. He went on to talk about how Wisconsin has been involved in the NIAAA and have received 26 State Awards of Merit and 20 DSA's.

**Candidates for Vice-President:**

Nathan DeLany from Marshfield opened nominations for candidates for Vice President:

1. Joe Brandl from Berlin nominated Linda Olson from Freedom and Otis Chambers from Bay Port seconded the nomination.
2. Mark Kryka from Verona nominated Jeremy Schlitz and Todd Sobrilsky from Waukesha South seconded the nomination.

Linda Olson gave her candidate speech to those in attendance.

Jeremy Schlitz gave his candidate speech to those in attendance.

Nathan reminded everyone that voting would be open with the red ballot following dinner and would be open until 11:00 AM on Monday.

**Keynote Speaker:**

Jim introduced our keynote speaker - Jim Morris who spoke on the topic of "Remember Who You Are" and talked about "dream breakers" and "dream makers".

**Reminders:**

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**Adjourned:**

The meeting was adjourned at 5:23 PM Motion by Sandy Freres from The Prairie School and second by Ryan Anderson from Menomonee Falls

Minutes respectfully submitted by Peggy Seegers-Braun, CMAA Divine Savior Holy Angels WADA Vice-President