

Minutes of the 2017 Spring Meeting of TX-USA Wrestling, Inc.
March 11, 2017
Doubletree Hotel Love Field
Dallas, TX

Call to Order: 12:25pm

Agenda:

1. Roll Call, designation of club representatives
 - North - 17
 - Wolverine - 1
 - Winnsboro - 1
 - Stars - 2
 - Frisco Heritage - 1
 - Northwest HS - 1
 - Texan WC - 1
 - Punisher - 2
 - Dragon - 1
 - Carrollton Thunder - 0 (1 coach)
 - Coppell Stars - 1
 - Spartan - 1 (2 coaches)
 - Future Champs - 1
 - Trinity HS - 1
 - Azle - 1
 - Mile High - 1
 - Irving HS - 1
 - South - 2
 - Spring Klein - 2
 - Clear Creek HS
 - Taylor HS
 - Central - 7
 - Four Points - 1
 - Corespeed - 2
 - ATX - 1
 - Ohana - 2
 - NB Elite - 1
 - West - 1
 - West Amarillo - 1
 - Far West
 - TWOA - 3
 - Quorum established
2. Notice of Meeting
3. Approval of Minutes
 - http://assets.ngin.com/attachments/document/0108/5496/2016AnnualMeetingMinutes_Aug2016.pdf
 - **Motion to approve minutes as posted. Second. Passed by acclimation.**
4. State Chairman Report (see slides)
 - USAW mission statement
 - TX-USAW role

- TX-USAW history since 2009
- USAW Events we are hosting and/or bidding on
 - Women's Nationals (old Body Bar)
 - Bid to host U23 World Championship Qualifier (UWW JRs?)
 - "Fargo"
 - Southern Plains Regionals
- How do we grow AND improve
 - Age group events
 - Training opportunities
 - Opportunities for college and HS wrestlers
 - Coaches
 - Training opportunities
 - National Team Coordinators that move with age group
 - Silver certification - can travel with international teams
 - Officials
 - Coach/official interaction
 - Training
- Communication
 - NEED TO DO BETTER!!
- Discussion on growth ideas/issues

5. Region Reports

- North - Dan McCready
 - Balance up slightly after purchases
 - Purchased 2 mats, tables/chairs, replacement equipment
 - UIL owes us for equipment rental for State
 - Ft Worth facility was very expensive for Lonestar Natls
 - Had a few issues with hosts backing out of tournaments
 - Would help to have schedule much earlier
 - Lonestar Natls first weekend in February, 2018
- Central – Dan Cowan
 - Balance up slightly w/ strong Heart of Texas/Novice State
 - Brent Metcalf camp
 - Turnout Software
 - Did not offer Novice locally this year
 - All Sunday tournaments
 - Bought a second trailer and some practice mats
- South – Ryan Sheeren
 - Balance up significantly (?) after State
 - Looking at new venue (George Brown) for Houston Nationals
 - Would be 1 day with the larger facility
 - Membership numbers up but Houston Nationals and State down slightly
- West – Ryan Diaz
 - Ordered 2 mats from Tiffin before season but still don't have them
 - Canceled just now
 - Panhandle Natls
 - Will add girls division this year
 - FS/GR
 - Always low participation
 - 3 clubs said they will offer
 - Team TX contributions - ESD/MSD/Women's/Men

6. Treasurer's Report
 - John Clinton unable to attend
 - Brief summary report
7. Youth Folkstyle
 - 2016-2017 Season Re-cap
 - Girls division in North and South?
 - Had some issues where girls paid but didn't have anyone to wrestle or got left off brackets
 - Allow girls to wrestle in boys for free
 - Edge of TX participation
 - Go back to not having local region tournaments?
 - DanM: we can not have a North region event that weekend
 - Coach ID feedback
 - Plan to extend into FS/GR this year
 - NEED EMAIL FOR REGIONS TO GET TO HS COACHES
 - ESD/MSD Team TX update
 - Have nearly 3 full elementary teams
 - Tournament template on Track
 - Need to have a separate person running Track vs running the tournament
 - Recommendation is to do multiple tournaments at big events as separate Track tournaments
 - State tournament schedule
 - UIL is Feb 23-24
 - So state in March?
 - If it conflicts with a UIL weekend, Open could be on Sunday
 - Should state org run and determine split
 - Novice designation - consider OK rules
8. FS/GR Season Plans and Team TX (Men and Women)
 - Women's State and Men's Dual Team Qualifier
 - Men's and Kids State
 - Women's
 - Training camp at OKC university
 - Focus on getting state-wide wrestler participation
 - Coach application/selection
 - Need coaches to run "regional" practices (includes coast, valley, etc)
 - Team performance has gone down
 - Suggestion - Possibly have additional qualifier in El Paso?
 - Good idea; need to work with board on possible criteria
 - Could also have bus sponsored by state to bring girls/wrestlers from El Paso/Amarillo
 - Discussion on coaches
 - Will select best coaches and currently there are many male coaches with great credentials
 - They will not ride with or be housed in team facility
 - Men's
 - Dual Team qualifier
 - State tournament
 - Coaches applications
 - March 31 deadline
9. New Business Items for Discussion
 - Proposal to move Youth State to a fixed "central" location – Dan Cowan

- See Dan's proposal
 - 3 options for staffing/funding
 - Each region on their "turn" will have the option of providing the bulk of the manpower and therefore get the bulk of the profits
 - Dan: we are not going to sign-up to host and do all the lifting if the region is not getting compensated
 - Need to separate decision to end rotation from the funding options
 - Need feedback from regions!
 - Proposal to add Women's Middle School division to Youth State and as optional during the season
 - Sounds great. No downside really.
10. Website/Social Media
 11. Adjourn 4:50pm

Submitted by Jim Dorsey, TX-USAW Secretary