

M.M.W.A. MEMBERSHIP MEETING

MONDAY, October 12, 2020, 7:00 PM

AGENDA

- I. President's Welcome and Comments**
- II. Approval of the Agenda**
- III. Vice President's Comments**
- IV. Approval of September 21, 2020 Minutes**
- V. Committee Reports**
 - A. Pairing - Laretta Allen**
 - B. Rules / Referees - Harold Eastman**
 - C. Treasurer Report - Sara Allen**
- VI. Roll Call – Attendance will be taken automatically when signed in to zoom.**
- VII. Old Business**
 - A. Conduct of Tournaments**
 - B. Membership Dues**
 - C. Tournament Fees**
- VIII. New Business**
 - A. Kevin Pollins, RRT – Covid Questions & Answers**
- IX. Adjourn**

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Monday, October 12, 2020

Meeting Conducted Via Zoom

MINUTES

The meeting was called to order by President Greg Wojciechowski at 7:03 PM.

PRESIDENT COMMENTS

Greg welcomed everyone.

High schools have opened up in part so we are hopeful for a youth wrestling season. Currently indoor ruling is 20% of the gyms capacity can be used by spectators. Everything could change by December. Keep in contact with your school's AD for updates and keep us in the loop if your club is running a tournament.

Tammi Gilbert of Mt. Morris asked about capacity numbers. Need to speak to your AD for counts. We will also need to get clarification on where workers, referees, spectators, and pairing personnel fit into those numbers.

There will be no roll call this evening. Attendance will be automatically taken for those checked in to zoom.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Motion to approve the agenda Paul Naismith of Madison Rams and seconded by Chris Collins, Webmaster. Agenda approved.

VICE-PRESIDENT COMMENTS

Harold Eastman, Jr. was not in attendance. Laretta reiterated letting us know if you are a tournament hosting club to let us know if you hear anything from your school. Should start to get some updates when high school starts practicing. If we can find venues, we may be able to host two tournaments on Saturdays instead of one.

APPROVAL OF SEPTEMBER 21, 2020 MINUTES

Motion to approve the minutes by Ross Freeman of Bentley. Seconded by Paul Naismith of Madison Rams. Motion passed.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Treasurer's Report - Sara Allen

Current balance is \$64,336.25. Only output was \$5 monthly statement fee.

A Venmo account has been set up for clubs to pay. Currently only one club, North Branch, has paid their dues.

If you are using the Venmo account send to SaraBAllen – MMWA or Sara's cell, 810-275-5238. Include a note with your club's name so you are credited accordingly.

If there is no season for 2021, the following options would be available if clubs have paid dues:

1. Issue a check back to the club.
2. If Venmo was used for payment, refund dues via Venmo account.
3. Apply fee to the 2022 season.

Rules/Referees - Harold Eastman, Sr.

There has been no updates on wrestling from MHSAA. Still on hold. Keep in contact with your school.

Tammi Gilbert, Mt. Morris questioned use of masks by athletes. At this time masks need to be worn until athlete steps on the mat. Suggested that coaches hold the athlete's mask so as not to contaminate worker table. Also advised that clubs purchase some masks to be purchased by anyone who arrives at tournaments without one.

Pairing - Laretta Allen

Please, again, get your club registrations submitted so we have the information of the appropriate club representatives to send information. Laretta questioned Tony Black, USAW Director of State Services, who is in attendance, if there was a Covid tracking/waiver form available from USAW. Tony responded that it would work best if we used our current scanning system. Any parent, grandparent, or custodian, that would be accompanying the athlete to tournaments/practices, should set up a profile under USAW Membership. Clubs can use this system at practice to record who was in attendance as well as who attended tournaments. It will be the club's responsibility to see that all appropriate people have set up a profile. All tournament attendees, including workers, coaches, participants, spectators, referees, and pairing personnel, should have either a profile and/or USAW membership in place.

President Greg Wojciechowski asked if USAW insurance backed clubs in an instance where someone may sue if covid was contracted at the club level. Tony explained, as he did at the September 21 meeting, that as long as reasonable protocol is followed, it would be very difficult to prove negligence on the club's part. USAW insurance covers only general liability.

Tony has to leave the meeting but asked if there were any other questions for him. No one responded.

ROLL CALL

Zoom Attendance (List Available upon Request)

Clubs Present: 27 Clubs Absent: 38

Board Members Present: 6 Board Members Absent: 1

OLD BUSINESS

- A. Conduct of Tournaments - Clubs holding tournaments should begin to consider purchasing supplies that will be needed, i.e. thermometers, scanners, disinfectants, sanitizers, masks to sell, etc. The CDC has recommended two types of disinfectants (Lysol brand) that can be used to sanitize mats without using soap and water first. May want to look into this. Considering assigned times for wrestlers based on age and weight with down time in

between sessions to sanitize equipment. Splitting tournaments into several sessions may result in the elimination of the 15 minutes wait time between matches.

- B. Club Membership Dues – Covered by Sara earlier.
- C. Tournament Fees – At the September 21, 2020 meeting Jon Webb of Durand brought up the possibility of raising the athlete entry fee to compensate for club's loss of income. Jon was not signed in to tonight's zoom meeting however, discussion followed. Tammi Gilbert questioned if concessions are even being allowed now. In some areas yes, others no. Recommendation to raise the fee to \$20 was not favored. Too high, especially for parents of more than one athlete.

Motion by Ross Freeman of Bentley to raise athlete entry fee to \$15 for the 2021 season only to help compensate for loss of income from gate and concessions due to Covid. Motion seconded by Tammi Gilbert of Mt. Morris. Vote at December 14, 2020 meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

Kevin Pollins, RRT was introduced. Kevin was on the front lines at Detroit Sinai Grace Hospital during the period when that hospital was hit the hardest with Covid. He prepared a power point presentation that was sent out to club representatives on Sunday evening, October 11. Hope all had time to review the material. Kevin went over some of the statistics covered in his report. Bottom line is the severity of cases is way down. Children have fewer complications and symptoms. 188 children have died from influenza, less than 100 have died from Covid. In very rare cases a child has developed SIOD (A Multisystem Inflammatory Syndrome).

Kevin opened up the floor to questions and comments on the material he compiled.

Lauretta asked Kevin if we are on the right track with what we are proposing for the 2021 season. Kevin responded that he felt MMWA was doing a great job of covering all the possible pitfalls. Keeping the scanning record of all tournament attendees, taking temperatures, requiring masks, and disinfectant and sanitizing procedures.

Jeremy Clontz of Frankenmuth stated although at this time Frankenmuth is unable to hold practices and the scheduled tournament, he has spoken to the AD at his school regarding the purchase of a UV sterilizer similar to the one used at the MHSAA State Finals last year. Depending on model, price can range from \$900 to \$1600. Worth looking in to purchasing.

Since there were no other questions or comments, Kevin stated he is more than willing to make himself available to clubs to answer any additional questions or concerns. He can be reached at newfsar@hotmail.com

ADJOURN

Note: A portion of the meeting was recorded and will be posted on the webpage as soon as available.

Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Ross Freeman of Bentley and seconded by Jessica Gray of Grand Blanc. The meeting was adjourned at 7:50 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Donna P. Taylor

MMWA Secretary

Note: After the meeting was adjourned Jeremy Clontz of Frankenmuth asked about using alternative venues if schools were not available for tournaments. This has been discussed at the board meetings and Greg Wojciechowski has been in contact with Dort Federal Event Center to discuss this possibility. If anyone else has suggestions for alternative venues, please contact a board member with the information.