

# WRESTLING BC - ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Saturday May 29, 2010 - 8:00 am

Accent Inns - Burnaby

## Present: Voting Members

Larry Kliparchuk (President), Doug Corbett (VP Admin), David Hohl (Secretary/Treasurer), Selwyn Tam (Coaches Chair), Brian Dick (Zone 2), Jorge Knizek (Zone 3), Danny Einhorn (Zone 4) Chris Fuoco (Zone 5), Jason Kerluck (Zone 6 rep), Coralee Roy (Zone 8), Phil Cizmic (High School Rep), Jim Mitchell (Officials Chair) Sucha Mann (member at large),

## Regrets

Mike Jones (VP Admin), Ben Jolicour, , Mike Richey (Zone 7), Lhamsuren Naiden (FV Reg CO) Miranda Dick (Athletes Rep), Randeep Sodhi (Member at Large),

## Observers and Staff

MaryAnn DeCorby (Executive Director), Steve Rose (Bby/Coq.Reg. CO), Justin Abdou (Provincial Coach), Lyndsay Belisle (Women's Coach), Ed Sernoski (observer), Gianni Buono, Clayton Dyck, Gerry Badger

### 1. Call to Order 8:30am - Adoption of Agenda.

**Motion:** to adopt agenda as presented

**MOVED:** Doug Corbett

**SECONDED:** Jim Mitchell **CARRIED**

### 2. Adopt minutes from 2009 AGM

**Motion to adopt minutes**

**MOVED:** Phil Cizmic

**SECONDED:** Doug Corbett **CARRIED**

### 3. Business arising from minutes of 2009 AGM.

- Sanction fee issue needs to be addressed. Need to update sanction application to indicate that the tournament is not covered by liability. Some smaller groups do not have the funds until after the tournament to pay the sanction. Zone reps could assist in communicating to tournament hosts in their zone, that the sanction fees are due. Events will not get posted on the BCWA website until the sanction application and fee is submitted. Events that are sanctioned need to have at LEAST one BCWOA official.

**Motion: to accept the minutes**

**MOVED:** Coralee Roy

**SECONDED:** Phil Cizmic **CARRIED**

### 4. Executive Reports.

**Motion: To accept all reports at conclusion of all reports**

**MOVED:** Jim Mitchell

**SECONDED:** Doug Corbett **CARRIED**

#### Presidents Report – Larry Kliparchuk

a) Report presented & reviewed

b) Juvenile & Cadet National Committee would like to thank Ian McDonald for providing the singer for the National anthem and the three young interpreters, as well as Ray Munsie for announcing, Chris Wilson & Joe Smith transportation who assisted Eoin with the great job of transportation, Jim Mitchell and WJ Mouat who provided most of the signs that were required, and technical equipment.

c) Disappointed in lack of RCMP presence at the Nationals, as I had called to request a presence to ensure there would be no problems at. Justin and his security crew did a good job of keeping things in order.

d) There is a drop in female participants in all the zone reports, which is worrisome, and needs to be addressed.

e) More incidents than usual this year, concerning code of conduct/behaviour. We will work at further communicating the importance of the code of conduct.

f) The Board would like to thank Larry for his years served as President. Round of applause to Larry for all his work with BC Wrestling over the 48 years.

g) Clayton Dyck suggests he would work with incoming President on fundraising opportunities.

#### VP Administration – Doug Corbett

a) Report Presented and discussed.

b) No comments on updates to the presented Strategic Plan.

#### Secretary/Treasurer – David Hohl

- a) Report and Draft Financial Statements presented and discussed.
- b) Laliberte & Bianco funds are in bonds & equities with Wellington. Currently have been unable to separate these restricted funds. A lot of extra work for a brokerage house to manage this type of funds.
- c) Wellington suggests 3 options for investments; BCWA needs to decide if we want high or low risk investments. Higher risk with greater return?

**MOTION to accept the Draft Financial Statements as presented.**

**MOVED: Phil Cizmic**

**SECONDED: Doug Corbett**

**CARRIED**

**MOTION to have the President and Secretary/Treasurer able to solely act on behalf of the Association as it relates to the investments at Wellington West.**

**MOVED: Doug Corbett**

**SECONDED: Phil Cizmic**

**CARRIED**

**TABLE: resolution/motion for club criteria fee for resolutions at the end of the meeting.**

Vice President Technical - Mike Jones (absent)

- a) Report presented & discussed.
- b) Discussion on structure of program for H/P, Justin has been working with HP athletes at BMWC with the best results that we have had.
- c) We need to put plans into place to prepare to present to the government for the funding in order to continue with the successful programs.
- d) Discussion on the need for a high performance coach position, if the elite results have been good.
- e) Comments are that the coaches have done a great job of chipping in, participation development, running provincial programs.
- f) It was suggested that it is unknown if National coaching position will be terminated in November.
- g) Coaches present at the AGM, feel they have worked well together, and no athletes were left out.
- h) Jim provides follow up on the UFV communications, indicating that University of the Fraser Valley is very supportive of a wrestling program, but of course there are not funds, so BCWA would have to provide the funds and the coach.

i)

**MOTION: Executive committee to propose a plan and budget for approval with consultation from the board members of our association.**

**MOVED: Gianni Buono**

**SECONDED: Coralee Roy**

**CARRIED**

Officials Report – Jim Mitchell

- a) Report presented & discussed
- b) BCWOA AGM held on May 27. No VP Nationals (Pat McEvay resigned) or BCWOA recruiter.
- c) Larry to inquire with CAWA about the revision of the Computer Draw program. BCWOA needs to know when it will be available, so that they know what hardware/software will need to be purchased to accommodate.
- d) Pat McEvay did an excellent job in the position. VP National assigns the officials to attend any National event where officials are required.
- e) Need coaches help to identify athletes for officials.
- f) Clear communication will be circulated in the fall, as to how the tournament host will get officials for their tournaments. Hosts will contact their "regional officials rep" as the first step, then the VP Provincials.
- g) Process will be put into place to deal with concerns regarding officials at events. Letters must be written, or a process in place not to discourage the officials from participating. Be pro-active in communicating code of conduct to coaches and officials.
- h) Gianni Buono comments that the officials did a great job this year.

Coaches Association – Selwyn Tam

- a) Report presented & discussed.
- b) Coaches clinic to be held on Oct. Pro D day Oct. 23, and adding a social incentive to attract the coaches.
- c) Coaching positions for 2011 Western Canada Games needs to be posted and circulated.

**MOTION to recognize the award winners at Hargobind, and the provincial high school championships. Can be awarded at both venues. Consideration for accommodation to be paid only for the volunteer award winner**

**MOVED: Selwyn Tam**

**SECONDED: Doug Corbett**

**carried.**

Marketing/Promotion – Vacant

- a) No report .

Athletes Representative: Miranda Dick

- a) No report

BC HIGH SCHOOL Report – Phil Cizmic

- a) Report Presented & discussed
- b) Thank you to Jim for hosting 2010 Provincial Championships in Abbotsford.
- c) Pinetree has agreed to be the host VENUE (not the host). University of the Fraser Valley may also be interested in providing the venue for the Provincials.
- d) Tentative date is Feb. 25-26, 2011 tentative location at Pinetree

Member At Large – Randeep Sodhi

- a) No Report.

Member At Large – Sucha Mann

- a) Sunny Dhinsa, Jasmit Phulka good results.
- b) Issue regarding whether an official can coach at tournaments, or vice versa.

***MOTION to accept all executive reports as presented.***

**MOVED: Jim Mitchell**

**SECONDED: Coralee Roy**

**CARRIED.**

**5. Reports**

Zone 1- Ben Jolicoeur (Absent)

- a) No report
- b)

Zone 2 – Brian Dick

- a) Report presented & discussed
- b) Matt Marra is back. Logan Lake is back. Ray Munsie is in Salmon Arm, and is running PE programs. Athletic director is interested in running a program.
- c) Indian Band is back on board, and interested in running a program..
- d) 2011 Western Canada Games in Kamloops planning is taking place. Manitoba will be included. McCarther Island venue.

Zone 3 – Jorge Knizek

- a) No Report.
- b) Numbers are good. Mostly increased numbers due to middle school involvement, and club programs. Coquitlam coaches good at recruiting kids, but numbers drop at the high school level.

Zone 4 – Danny Einhorn

- a) Report presented & reviewed
- b) Danny stepping down as zone rep.
- c) Unless we have young teachers with wrestling experience to teach high school wrestlers, seems we need to move more to the Club system with paid coaches.

Zone 5 – Chris Fuoco

- a) Report presented & reviewed
- b) Windemere program is folding. Wrestling mats are a huge issue across the whole Vancouver district. All 18 high schools have issues with their mats.
- c) 3 schools in Vancouver proper, with solid programs.
- d) Lots of interest in the area about grappling and MMA programs.
- e) No large competition outside the zone championships. Hillcrest site may be able to accommodate a large tournament.
- f) Lots of elementary based teachers and high school athletes interested in community coaching certification
- g) Britannia program has potential. Stuart Sutherland is a candidate who is interested in starting a program at Britannia. Will send contact for Stuart to Chris to follow up on.
- h) Question of why the UBC Camp is scheduled at the same time as the long standing Alberni Summer Camp of the same date?.

- i) Our zone has received great support from BCWA in kid wrestling through mat moving, clinics, etc.

Zone 6 – Jason Kerluck

- a) Report presented & reviewed  
b) Goal to getting kids to next level. Getting kids to competitions.

Zone 7 – Mike Richey (absent – Coralee Roy representing)

- a) Report presented & reviewed  
b) Request for weigh in/medicals at Age Class. Motion to put forward in New Resolutions.

Zone 8 – Coralee Roy

- a) Report presented & reviewed  
b) McBride is the new program corrected from Valemont.  
c) North is hanging on with coaches, officials, athletes that we have. Request for officials clinics in the north for professional development, as the North has been self sufficient in officiating.

**MOTION to accept all zone reports as presented.**

**MOVED: Jim Mitchell**

**SECONDED: Doug Corbett**

**CARRIED**

**6. Provincial Staff Reports**

Provincial Coach – Justin Abdou

- a) Report presented & reviewed.  
b) Provincial coach contract indicated the position would be responsible for the high performance athletes, which is what was happening, regardless of the title indicated. Lots of many other individuals work cohesively in each of the areas, in a collective effort from all coaches involved.  
c) 5/7 athletes at Olympic trials in 2008, and overall results have been better than ever.  
d) Many BC athletes on National team, and not as many recruits from Ontario.  
e) John Pineda & Haislan Garcia have had excellent results with potential as Olympic contenders.  
f) Travis Cross retired 10 days before Nationals. Jenna McLatchy dislocated elbow, but still won the team titles.  
g) SFU athletes contribute to many of the provincial events, and the SFU athletes also contribute to the Coquitlam middle school tournaments (referee/draws, etc)  
h) Gianni suggests that the BMWC/SFU involvement in the Juvenile/Cadet nationals should share in the proceeds garnered from hosting the event.

Women's Coach - Lyndsay Belisle.

- a) Report presented & reviewed.  
b) Upcoming recruits for SFU is looking good.  
c) Women's team won the CIS.  
d) Working on developing a video with Shelley in promoting women's wrestling.  
e) It was noted at US camps/clinics that Lyndsay has worked at that "women's only", that girls had a different attitude, and seemed to enjoy not sharing the lime lite with the boys, and were more involved. May be something to consider with our provincial programs.

Regional Center Reports

- a) FRASER VALLEY Regional Coach -Lhamsuren Naidan (Absent)  
▪ No report
- b) COQUITLAM/BURNABY Regional Coach Steve Rose
- Report presented & reviewed
  - Gianni Buono saved the 2009 Canada Games program by utilizing the Junior Development funds that were raised from provincial development camps.
  - Justin and Lyndsay take on a huge amount of work with the high performance athletes. Justin has been leading the program, and our provincial success is greatly attributed to his guidance.
- c) HIGH COUNTRY Regional Coach Brian Dick
- Report presented & reviewed
  - As regional coach Brian coordinates all the teams to events (bus, registration, etc).
  - After high school season, the club hosts all the practices, and organizes teams to nationals.
  - Thompson River is struggling with getting existing programs on board, and not willing to put fund additional program. They will provide the space for a program. Seems we need to have the funding in place before the University/College will consider.
- d) ISLAND Regional Coach James Messenger

- Report presented & reviewed.
- 2010 BC Summer Games registration deadline – June 21. Working with zone reps to get coaches assigned and teams organized. Challenge this year, is the event is in Langley and is not much of an appeal to most athletes. All athletes must pay the \$150, to participate in an event that is hosted in their region.
- Would like to recommend future incentive like a Team BC trip to USA from athletes who participated at the BC Summer Games. Same incentive for the coaches. They must have participated in the BC Summer Games.
- Hosting the Annual Clinic on the Pro-D day to incorporate a social event (golf/spa) on the Saturday to provide an incentive for the coaches to attend. Ei) Friday: for PE teachers (Part A/Part B). Community Coaches on Sunday (repeat Friday's event for those unable to attend Friday)
- Recommend hosting on the Island again, either Parksville or Nanaimo.
- Development program. Group of athletes train year round, another group trains only with the school program. Ontario has Team Ontario, Junior development program year round. Perhaps incorporate training outside the high school season for Cadet/Juvenile. Set up in advance, 12 month program to hi-lite 3 or 4 weeks for training.

Junior Development Director – Gianni Buono

- a) Report attached & reviewed
- b) Indo-Canadian athletes are doing well - they train year round.
- c) We need athletes to attend the programs that exist, rather than adding additional programs. The same individuals are required to run the programs that we currently have, so adding new ones increases the workload.
- d) Comments that re-alignment of duties may be required, or more money to be added to the pot to administer the events.
- e) Concerns: spring break camp wasn't idea due to different spring breaks.
- f) Sanctioning of tournaments; Indo-Canadian option to not sanction tournaments, offering broad age groups, and weight classes.
- g) Coaching recruitment: better planning of the Annual Clinic, must be advertised early so coaches can access professional funds.
- h) Aggressive behaviour: many issues arose from members having conflict amongst themselves at tournaments, camps. It's an embarrassment to our sport, and is time consuming to resolve the issues that are unnecessary.
- i) Membership fees for Club athletes needs to be addressed to increase our funds for development programs.

Executive Director – MaryAnn DeCorby

- a) Report presented & discussed.
- b) Need to keep reminding teams what the membership fees cover.

**MOTION: to accept all staff reports as presented.**

**MOVED: Phil Cizmic**

**SECONDED: Doug Corbett** **CARRIED**

**7. 2010-2011 Proposed Budget Approval** **David Hohl**

- a) Proposed budget reviewed and discussed.
- b) Discussion to increase Executive Director salary

**MOTION:** "To raise the Executive Director's salary \$5,000 this year and a minimum 3,000 next year. There is also to be a review of the position with a comparison to similar positions in BC and Canada with the report to be presented to the board at the next AGM. A follow-up will be made to student co-ops/government placement agencies to assist the ED with administrative tasks."

**Moved: David Hohl**

**Seconded: Doug Corbett** **CARRIED**

**MOTION: to split existing C1 category into Cadet (C1) and Juvenile (J1). increase membership for J1 & C2 by \$5 each.**

**Moved: Brian Dick**

**Seconded: Jorge Knizek** **CARRIED**

**MOTION: BCWA registration fees must be paid by the Age Class tournament, or members from that program cannot participate in future events until those fees are paid.**

**Moved: James Messenger**

**Seconded: Coralee Roy** **CARRIED**

**MOTION: Clubs to pay a flat rate fee of \$100. to be a registered program with BC Wrestling.**

**Moved Brian Dick**

**Seconded: Coralee Roy**

**CARRIED**

**Table Motion to define criteria for Club status to the executive committee.**

**8. Award Nomination Selection:**

- **Review the criteria for nomination selections.**

School Boy: Jesse Wagner	University Men: Ali Al- Rekabki
School Girl: Rhea Wing	University/College Victoria Anthony *(add to roster)
Cadet Boy: Amrit Sund / Parm Dhese	Senior female: Amanda Gerhard
Cadet Girl: Marina Dykstra	Senior Male: Haislan Garcia
Juvenile Girl: Ashley Topnik	Coach: Selwyn Tam
Juvenile Boy Sunny Dhinsa / Fido Sahota	Jr Development Coach: Russ Bodnar
Junior Boy: Arjun Gill,	Official: Clayton Dyck
Junior Girl: Sydney Morrison (see results)	Volunteer : Marvin Declare, Sister JoAnn Sutherland & Jacqui Ferguson, Eoin White.

**9. Fixtures.**

- Proposed fixtures presented & Amended as per attached.

**10. New Resolutions:**

***MOTION: to Age Class to return to scratch weight with medical checks.***

**MOVED: Coralee Roy**

**SECONDED Brian Dick**

**CARRIED**

***MOTION. When funding is finalized, the BCWA executive explore a way to fund a trip for the BC Summer Games winners. This will provide incentive for coaches and athletes to participate in the BC Summer Games.***

**MOVED: James Messenger**

**SECONDED: Jim Mitchell**

**CARRIED**

**MOTION. When funding is secured that the BCWA executive review coaching duties & responsibilities. The intent would be to explore ways to share responsibilities for a 12 month Cadet/Juvenile development program**

**MOVED: James Messenger**

**SECONDED: Jim Mitchell**

**CARRIED**

**11. Executive Nominations.**

**Nomination: Doug Corbett as President .**

**MOTION: to accept nomination**

**MOVED: Phil Cizmic**

**SECONDED: Jim Mitchell**

**CARRIED**

**Nomination: Ed Sernoski as VP Administration**

**MOTION: to accept nomination**

**MOVED: Chris Fuoco**

**SECONDED: David Hohl**

**CARRIED**

**12. New Business**

- Strategic Plan review and ratification

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**Motion to adjourn meeting – 3:40 pm**

**Moved: Doug Corbett**

**Seconded: Jim Mitchell**

Next Executive Committee Meeting – September 15 , 2010