

DENMARK WRESTLING CLUB

Thursday, July 7, 2011
7:00 PM
21 Gun Saloon

Attendance

Board members in attendance: Chris Collin, President; Jenny Reetz, Vice President; Michelle Schmitz, Treasurer; Anne Bruss, Secretary; Jim Bergelin, board member

Club members in attendance: Kelly Ducat, Gary Anderson, Jeff Blohowiak, Matt Brantmeier, Faith Brantmeier, Kevin Shefchik

Agenda

- I. Call to order
- II. Approve meeting minutes from 05/09/2011 to be posted on the DWC website
 - Motion made by Michelle Schmitz and 2nd by Jenny Reetz Vote: 5-0
- III. Approve minutes from Executive session 5/9/2011 to be posted on the DWC website
 - Motion made by Jenny Reetz and 2nd by Michelle Schmitz Vote 5-0
- IV. Treasurer's report
 - The Treasurer's report was shared by Michelle Schmitz; treasurer. The report will be amended after the golf outing. To date, the club has approximately \$1800 to spend. The \$1800 does not reflect any fundraising money that may be deposited into the account in the future. The \$1800 is derived from the current balance in the account minus the listed known expenses of the club which include: the community sign, high school state tickets, scholarships, high school assistance coaches, DC Everett fan bus, youth team registration, website and fundraiser start-up money.
 - Recent activity since our last meeting was a deposit of \$827. Expenditures since our last meeting include \$2500 for the community sign. Another \$2500 will be paid at the completion of the community sign.
 - Motion to approve the treasure's report was made by Anne Bruss and 2nd by Jim Bergelin Vote: 5-0
- V. 501 C 7* and 501 C 3 Non Profit Designation Discussion- The DWC has out grown its original 501 C 7 nonprofit designation for the way we currently operate and we will need to spend the money to change our status.

- Our filing with the State Department of Financial Institutions was in Delinquent Status. We are not a federally recognized nonprofit corporation, either 501c3 or 501c7. Our Federal tax ID # with the IRS was inactivated since 1996. If a return is not filed for 3 consecutive years they inactivate it.
- There are two parts to get nonprofit recognition for your group
 1. Establish corporation with state
 2. Get nonprofit recognition with IRS
- \$1250 will be spend to get nonprofit recognition
 1. Amend Articles of Incorporation with the State from 501 C 7 to 501 C 3 at an approximate cost of \$75
 2. File the application with the IRS to get non-profit status for annual gross receipts averaging more than \$10,000 at an approximate cost \$1150
- A motion was made by Jenny Reetz and 2nd by Jim Bergelin Vote: 5-0

VI. Information was shared concerning the raffle ticket license application for the annual youth wrestling tournament. It will cost \$50 dollars a year to renew the application.

- Class A license for \$25 – to cover our main raffle tickets in which some or all of the tickets for that raffle are sold on days other than the day of the drawing.
- Class B license for \$25 – to cover raffles sold on the same day as the drawing (50/50, Kids, Bucket)
- Each license is good for 200 raffles and \$50,000 profit

VII. Obtaining the past DWC annual reports agenda item was tabled

- The annual reports can be obtained at a cost of \$5 per year. If we went back to the beginning of the club, it would cost \$80. This agenda item was tabled because it is not an immediate need of the club.
- Motion was made to table the item by Anne Bruss and 2nd by Michelle Schmitz Vote 5-0

VIII. WPS Energy Challenge \$1000 Grant was applied for and the winners will be notified by July 29, 2011

- Requirements for the grant, if chosen, as a recipient include (1) have a presenter from WPS come to a meeting and discuss energy conservation, (2) installation of 10 energy conservation kits in community homes and (3) 10 club members will pledge to conserve energy for 3 months
- Michelle Schmitz shared information regarding a non – profit youth sports grant from Liberty Mutual that offers a one-time reward of \$2500. This will be pursued at a later date

IX. Website Discussion - Follow up from 5/9/11 meeting

- More information is needed before any website decisions are made. The current website cost the club \$50 a month. The website can be cancelled

at any time without penalty. Jenny Reetz is working with an individual that can maintain our website for \$10 a month without technical support. That would be the club's responsibility if we purchased the adobe software at \$150.

- Questions that arose from the discussion:
 1. Does our website have enough "hits" or "traffic" to justified keeping it?
 2. What is the purpose of our website? Informational? Awareness? Or Both?
 3. Other means of communicating with club members that may be more efficient such as text blast.
 4. What are other venues for sharing information such as email, Facebook or twitter accounts?
 5. Cost of an alternative means of communication if it is not the website and who is responsible for disseminating the information or monitoring the activity on the accounts.

X. Bylaw Committee - The committee has been selected and we can now get started. We had to wait till we heard back from the State and Federal Government on what they had on file for the DWC before moving forward.

- Sunday appears to be the most popular night for a meeting and email will be sent to the committee members to set a date.
- 6 members shall constitute a quorum; more than 50% of the bylaw committee members. By definition a quorum is the minimum number of members that need to be present at the meetings of deliberative assembly for business to be legally transacted.
- A time limit will be enforced for each bylaw committee meeting; the meetings will be approximately 2 hours long.

XI. Youth Tournament Documentation of Tasks

- The project plan was reviewed by Jenny Reetz
- Board members will head the committees or areas for the upcoming youth tournament
- Jeff Blohowiak was asked to be the head referee and get high school wrestlers prepared for refereeing.

XII. Upcoming Fundraisers

- July 16, 2011 Golf Outing at The Woods - Jerry Blohowiak/Ann Potts/Gary Anderson
 1. At the time of the meeting, 18 or 19 4-somes were registered for the event. The committee would like to see 40 groups
 2. Chicken dinner at 5:30. \$15 a person or \$25 a couple
 3. Still seeking door prizes
 4. The date is reserved at The Woods for the next 40 years to continue with the golf outing but there has been some discussion if the event will continue

- August 20, 2011 Festival Foods Brat Fry from 9:00 to 6:00 – Brantmeier
 1. Seeking volunteers; need at least 5 people at all times
 2. Address: 1255 S. 42nd Street, Manitowoc
- XIII. Summer DWC Wrestling Practices scheduled by Quincy Koltz
- They will be held at the high school
 - Dates are as follows: 6/6, 6/13, 6/20, 6/27, 7/5, 7/18 and 7/25
 - Attendance has been about 10 – 12 kids per night
- XIV. Community Sign Update
- A check for \$2500 will be paid at the completion of the project
 - Jim Bergelin will seek information pertaining to the completion date, ribbon cutting ceremony and contact information
 - Major donors will take precedent when posting information on the sign
- XV. Set Date For The 2012 DWC Banquet
- The annual wrestling club banquet will be held at Eddie Whipps
 - 1st date of choice; March 18, 2012, which is the Sunday between youth regionals and youth state
 - 2nd date of choice; March 11, 2012, which is the Sunday following youth regionals
 - Michelle Schmitz will contact Eddie Whipps
 - Motion was made to approve the location and dates of the annual banquet by Jim Bergelin and 2nd by Chris Collin Vote: 5-0
- XVI. Stan Yazawa – National Hall of Fame
- Coach Yazawa will be honored on August 14, 2011 at The Oneida Resort and Casino in Green Bay
 - A motion was made by Jim Bergelin and 2nd by Michelle Schmitz to contribute UP to \$500 in Coach Yazawa's name after details of the event are obtained. After information is gathered and reviewed an email vote by the board members will be taken Vote 4-0 (Michelle Schmitz abstained)
- XVII. Open discussion
- T-Bucket (old Chubbies) will be serving breakfast from 7am – 11am on August 7, 2012. Proceeds will go to the wrestling club if club members volunteer. Chris Collin will follow up
 - Bowling fundraiser – will it continue?
 - Golf Outing – will it continue?
- XVIII. Adjourn

Respectfully submitted by Anne Bruss; secretary

