

WSO PA-WV MEETING

February 1, 2023

Meeting called to order by Jim Rutter, President at 7:34pm

In Attendance: Jim Rutter, Kyle Fields, Fred Dorman, Alfred Rizk, Tom Duer, Kristen Erickson, Michelle Picking

AGENDA ITEMS:

Old Business:

- 1. Receipt of payment to 1440 Collective from USA Weightlifting for all expenses incurred for the State Championships – Kyle and Fred both acknowledged payment.**
- 2. Jim notified members of board about previous balance but has not received an updated total for WSO from Alex – is currently working to get that information.**

New Business:

- 1. Allocation of funds to athletes?**
 - a. How much money will come from existing balance, if any, vs. how much will come from proceeds of championship.**
 - b. How will it be distributed? Tier system?**
 - c. Per our previous vote – distribution is to be 50% for participation/50% for high performance – Nationals for this year with additional funding allocated in the future based on revenue.**
 - d. Emails to be sent out to participants to see who is competing at Nationals so as to have the number of people who will see funds to help.**
 - e. Jim, Fred, Kyle and Tom to form a sub-committee to put together a proposal of distribution to bring in front of board members at next meeting.**

- f. Suggestion was made for it to be something age based for performance due to cost of Youth Nationals vs. Senior National entry fees being different.

2. WSO Championships 2023

- a. Question about \$1500 being paid to club hosting – is this enough? All said it's sufficient and they'd rather see additional funds being allocated to the possibility of holding the event in a venue vs. a gym for the following reasons;
 - i. Attract more participants
 - ii. More accommodations available
 - iii. Potentially a more lucrative event
 - iv. Will vote on capping the cost to be covered by the WSO for the venue
 - v. Once we have some approximate numbers from different locations.
- b. Top 3 teams will have the option to host 2023 event
 - i. Michelle will gather information from the results
 - ii. Question as to whether same team could host 2 years in a row – there has been nothing voted on or put into place which says it can't happen (I checked the vote and previous notes to be sure.)
- c. Potential dates for 2023 State Championships
 - i. September 23-24
 - ii. September 29-30
 - iii. October 7-8
- d. Jim to find out if a meet within the WSO could potentially be sanctioned and held the same weekend as states
- e. Hotel calls to be made
 - i. Tom will handle the Pittsburgh area
 - ii. Jim will handle the Philadelphia area
 - iii. Kyle will handle the Harrisburg area
 - iv. Michelle will handle Lancaster, Hershey and York areas

NEXT MEETING – March 8, 2023 at 7:30pm

Meeting called to end at 8:13pm by Jim Rutter, President