Mountain South WSO Board Meeting Minutes 12/19/2024 8pm PT on Google Meet

Present: Jesse Vezina, Natalie Vezina, Eric Bramwell, Joaquin Chavez, Jodi Stumbo, Ethan Baggaley, Amanda Cook

Not Present: Leanda Bevans, Morgan Huppenthal

Agenda:

- 1. 2025 Scholarship timeline
- 2. High Performance Athlete Funding
- 3. New Business

Meeting started at 8:02pm PT

Minutes:

- 1. Reviewed tentative timeline for 2025 Coaching Scholarships
 - Discussion time frame of opening/closing of applications and awarding of applications.
 - Group decided that applications would be open 1/3-3/2/2025 with goal to award scholarships on or before April 1.
 - Timeline to be updated by Leanda and sent out to group
 - Social media post and emails will be sent out advising members of application opening
- 2. Discussion on High Performance Athlete Funding
 - Further discussion on decreasing current funding due to new USAW national team program
 - Point was brought up that the WSO aimed at grassroots growth and there is a need to support athletes that have not yet reached international competition level
 - Various options brought up including scholarships for local and national level competitions, hardship scholarships, etc.
 - Some members feel that funding to international level competitors should not be decreased
 - No decisions made at this time, topic tabled until next meeting
 - Funding for 2025 remains on hold at this time
 - Eric to provide proposal with possible grassroots scholarship options
- 3. New Business
 - How to handle records with upcoming changes to weight classes. Discussion on updating new records based on absolute body weight at weigh-in vs. archiving current records and starting all new records. Topic tabled until next meeting
 - Possible year end recognition of WSO athletes (top ranked athletes, accomplishments, etc). Group agreed this was a good idea but concerns that it may

be difficult to get everything done with item brought up so close to end of the year. Will continue to discuss.

4. Next meeting scheduled for 1/23/2025 8pm PT

Meeting adjourned 9:16pm PT