

Florida WSO Minutes

2/7/24 Phone Meeting

Attendees

Daniel Camargo, Valentz Nicholas, Michael Ben-Hain, Carl Penney, Brian Secrest, Neil Kanterman, Zack Lebo

Agenda

Previous Business

1. Florida State Championships has 56 registrants so far, registration typically accelerates through the registration period. There is no schedule available at this early stage.
2. Girls varsity weightlifting states will have a Florida WSO booth to encourage USAW membership registration on-site.
3. The WSO intends to again be able to enter varsity athletes who express interest to have their results entered into BARS to make them usable for USAW meet qualifying like Florida State Championships or Youth Nationals.
4. Danny Camargo will be unavailable for Girls varsity states as he will be coaching at the European Championships. Valentz Nicholas will represent the Florida WSO
5. Discussion opened by Danny Camargo regarding a cap on athletes for the Florida State Championships increasing from 500 to 600. Valentz Nicholas recommended a 500 athlete cap, as this year's location may attract fewer athletes than prior years, as well that the state championships should be a lofty goal and remain prestigious. Michael Ben-Hain feels the cap should remain at 500. Neil Kanterman also thinks for the logistics of running the meet, to remain at 500. Camargo proposed keeping 500 cap, Kanterman seconded. All present (7) vote aye on keeping cap at 500. 0 Nay. 500 cap is approved.
6. Danny Camargo wishes to explore further on how our state WSO funds can be used to assist international athletes and their coaches in paying for unfunded trips.

New Business

1. Meet sanctioning numbers have increased this year compared to last year within the state.