

Meeting Minutes from Feb 15, 2024

Start: 8:00/9:00pm

In attendance: Jodi Stumbo, Joaquin Chavez, Natalie Vezina, Jesse Vezina, Ethan Baggaley, Morgan Huppenthal, Eric Bramwell, Amanda Cook

Absent: Leanda Bevans

Agenda sent out prior to meeting:

Topic 1: WSO Records

- Moving forward, how do we plan to keep records?
- Do we need to determine record reporting at the state level as well or leave to state reps?

Topic 2: Board Member Roles

- What roles does the board see needed
- Clarify roles and expectations surrounding roles
- Those willing to take on additional roles/responsibilities

Topic 3: Competition Platform

- WSO now in possession of competition platform from 1996 Olympics.
- Platform is currently in AZ stored in a gym that is closing
- What is our plan for the platform? Storage is the first hurdle, plan for use down the road

Topic 4: USAW Masters Nationals

- Can we put out through social media a request for volunteers to assist with Masters Nationals if they are in town?

Topic 5: Website

- Is the website ready to roll out?
- Can we get all of our social media linked to the website before roll out?

Topic 6: WSO Championships

- Do we plan to still hold Champs during the month of October?
- Is our goal to return to one regional Champ in each state with combined results?
- Bids for hosting Champs this year?

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Topic 1: group decided that moving forward all WSO records would be kept by pulling from official results loaded to BARS. At next record update, all records will be updated to highest lift recorded in BARS. WSO records no longer need to be reported to be updated.

- Eric plans to continue pulling AZ state records via BARS, no reporting required
- Eric to assist with NV state records via BARS, no reporting required
- Jodi and Joaquin will continue to require NM members to report records within 30 days
- Amanda to write up announcement post for social media, will send to group for approval prior to posting.

Topic 2: Morgan reporting that Leanda wished to be part of group reviewing BIPOC and female scholarship applications. Group agreed.

- Eric has form that was developed last year, can be used for applications this year
- Plan to get announcement on application process being open out in coming weeks

Topic 3: Jesse updated group that competition platform now absorbed into WSO possession after originally being bought by AZ LWC.

- Jesse believes there is room at his gym to store platform currently and will move to new location.
- Future need for plan to determine how WSO uses this platform as it is heavy and difficult to transport

Topic 4: Amanda asked group if it would be okay to put out through our WSO social media that volunteers needed to assist at Masters Nationals in Reno in March.

- Group agreed that this was not a conflict of interest, okay to post through social media
- Plan to do the same when AO Finals hosted in Tucson

Topic 5: Eric says website is ready to go, requested that board review website and send him any suggestions for changes. Address: mountainsouth.org.

- Group to send feedback and suggestions
- Natalie will help link social media to website. Eric and Amand to provide information needed to assist.

Topic 6: group spoke about different scenarios for how to host WSO Champs. Options: 4 state meets with combined results or one meet in a rotating location.

- Concerns: fairness of competition if multiple meets with combined results due to one lifter possibly knowing others lifts due to them competing earlier. Unsure if there will be people in each state willing to host, difficulty of board members hosting meets
- Initial plan to put out call for bids to host WSO Champs and make decision on number of events based on bids
- Group decided to ask for bids due to end of April
- Award event(s) by end of May
- Amanda to write up announcement for social media and sent to group for approval prior to posting

Other: Morgan speaking on behalf of Leanda, reports Leanda has figured out way to complete mass email list from BARS and Leanda is willing to help do this.

Meeting end 9:00/10:00