

Kindred Wrestling Club 3/7/24

Board Members present: Sam Heyen, Jace Carter, Justin Lehmann, Mike Rude, Steph Swanson, Easton Ogren
Missing: Jackie Johnson, Matt Myers

Also in attendance: Jeff & Sara Fitzpatrick

Meeting minutes from February read by Justin motioned to approve by Sam Heyen seconded by Easton Ogren

Treasurer Report: Given by Justin in Jackie's absence. With checks coming in and out the updated total will be approx. \$3150.53. Motion to approve by Justin, Seconded by Mike.

Coaches' reports:

Lehmann (High School) – Kindred Youth Tournament Update: Very positive feedback by many. Families from all over – Wisconsin family travelling through was super impressed and going to try to make it back annually. Concessions were awesome thanks to Angie Matthys. Add coffee next year.

7-12 practice has started – number of wrestlers vary day to day. Due to track and baseball the wrestlers attending are in grades 7-9.

Mike Rude (Middle School & Youth) – practices going well.

Jace Carter (KWC) – N. Cass Triangular cancelled due to Wahpeton not being able to attend. Lisbon Dual tournament Friday (check needed for team entry fee) – no wrestle offs needed for that. Try to get everyone a match, no guarantees. Casselton Quad next week, also no wrestle-offs.

Youth State team weights are full with a few wrestle-offs needed. Those will be done next week Monday, Tuesday if needed. The largest group is three wrestlers, a round robin will be done to determine top two to wrestle off, round robin match will count towards the 2 out of 3 needed. Parents will be notified and wrestle-off policy will be attached to those emails for complete understanding.

K-1 update given by Sam - Practices complete, Spencer and Denny did a nice job. Fun to see the littles in the room. Most shoes got turned back in. Some little sizes needed to be purchased. Next year someone will reach out to Tucker at Scheels prior to season starting of the shoe donation request.

501c3 update: tabled for next month due to Jackie's absence.

Old Business:

Possible changes between Elementary School and the youth wrestling program. Justin met with Ambro. Discussion on options of coaching staff. Decisions need to be made soon about KWC taking over completely with the youth or School paying for a 5/6th grade coach. A schedule for that coach would be made comparable to Elem basketball/volleyball coaches if possible. School will hire this position. This coach would have zero affiliation to the HS/JH/Girl's programs. They would be available for youth only. Mike made a motion to keep the Elementary School involved in youth wrestling, seconded by Stephanie. Vote was held with 6/6 yes votes.

Coaching changes at the high school level. Matt Myer has stepped down from Kindred Wrestling completely. Two assistant coach jobs will be posted soon. Hoping for a Trace Bakke hire for one.

Tyler will be back as the Head Greco/Freestyle coach for another season. The season will now have 9 practices due to the date change of the state tournament. Board discussed all the conflicts with other activities and voted to add a \$10/practice payment option for wrestlers who can only commit to a few practices during the G/F season. Motion was made by Stephanie, seconded by Justin. Vote was held. Justin will inform parents of the payment option via email. Sam will be at all G/F practices and will keep attendance for payment purposes. Sam made a motion to hire Mike as the asst G/F coach, his payment would be registration waved for his kids. Seconded by Jace.

Sam made a motion to remove Matt from the board based on his resignation. Seconded by Jace. In by-laws it states the President will find a replacement. Sam is on it.

New Business:

1. Budget Committee – tabled until next meeting when all members are present.
2. Summer camp Committee – Justin will be the chair of this committee. Mike will help.
3. Fundraiser Committee – tabled until next meeting.
4. Justin sent out a reminder to get all singlets and shoes back. Most are turned in.
5. Start conversations about next year's wrestling seasons in September. Coaches agreed Sept is a good month to get everything rolling.
6. Singlet order. Singlets were 6+ weeks out this year so an order was not placed. Club discussed ordering a few extra just to have when someone wants to buy. Jay Hesse asked about singlets with names on the back. Jace will talk to him. Order would need to be done in early October to get them by Christmas. This will be discussed in September.
7. Jace will add the KWC account to his personal Venmo account. Venmo will be available through the club soon. Motion was made by Justin for this to be done, seconded by Easton.

Motion to adjourn meeting by Jace Carter, seconded by Mike Rude. Next KWC meeting
? at 7:30pm