

Cumberland Wrestling Association
Minutes
April 2, 2008

Meeting was called to order by President Olson at 6:35 p.m.

Attendance: Chad Olson, Art Adams, Wes & Judy Lansin, Robin Arnold, Ken & Jackie Sparish, Jim Sparish, Sara Peterson, Kay Capra, Gina Simon, Cappy Capra, Ray Hatzenbeller, Jerry Lindfors, Tony Capra, Bob Cifaldi, and Jim Richie.

Approve Minutes of Previous Meeting

Ken Sparish made a motion to approve the minutes of the March 5 meeting. Art Adams seconded.

Treasurer's Report

Robin Arnold presented the treasurer's report. Current balance is \$10,330.15. Bills discussed for payment were: Skiddies Grill (high school banquet) - \$625.00; Art Adams (reimbursement for stop watches) - \$32.33; Printers Den (charts) - \$149.81; Ric Hensel (registration fee/web site) - \$96.00; Tony Capra (reimbursement for bus driver and bus for Gopher/Badger match) - \$234.00; Ken Sparish (reimbursement for batteries) - \$17.41; Chad Olson (reimbursement for bus driver costs for St. Croix Falls and Boyceville, and entry fees for Boyceville) - \$318.00. Ken Sparish made a motion to approve and Jim Richie seconded. Ray Hatzenbeller submitted a \$90.00 check for extra cookies, and 2 other checks submitted for shirt sales. The Association needs to touch base with the VanErps on their extra cookie dough and Harry Newville on the 5 boxes that he has.

Coach Updates

Jim Richie updated the Association on the Middle School program. Said there were about 21 kids out, and that surrounding coaches have said we have some strong wrestlers. He talked about the middle school conference tournament. Everything is lined up for Friday night. Jim will have a banquet at Skiddies for the kids on Monday. Jackie Sparish and Tony Capra thought it would be nice to have the parents attend. The Association left it up to Jim to decide if either the parents would just come for the awards at the end, or the meal as well. He will get something out. Jackie Sparish brought up the issue of the weight room – wondered if there should be lifting for the middle school wrestling program. Currently the children cannot use it until they are in the 7th grade. Ken Sparish indicated that he has been by there and seen younger kids in lifting. Jim suggested he talk with the Community Ed program on that.

Chad Olson updated the Association on the high school for Coach Erickson. Bob said that some kids are going to extra tournaments now, with a few more planned.

Old Business

The youth tournament was the main topic of discussion. Kay Capra indicated that she will help with registrations, along with Jill, Judy and Becky. Art Adams and Bob Cifaldi will help with weigh-ins. Alexa and Sophia will handle the computer entry. Kaitlyn Erickson and Sam Hammes will sing the National Anthem. Art will handle the PA. Chad has refs. Kay is getting table workers. Judy has contacted kitchen help, with Jim Sparish to handle the food. Wes and others will help with staging. Discussion was held on the start-up money. Friday night and Saturday will be kept separate, and the kitchen, registration and gate money will be kept separate as well. Chad will get start-up money. Art/Chad will get team sign-up sheets.

New Business

Kay Capra brought up the issue of repayment to Johnny Peterson for helping with the varsity this year. Bob Erickson indicated that Johnny was there about the same as Seth, and Seth was paid \$1,800 as assistant coach. Jackie Sparish made a motion to pay Johnny \$1,000, and Ken Sparish seconded.

Kay discussed the scholarships. Cody and Adam have their stuff turned in.

The Association discussed the Ben Biron scholarship request. It was determined that Ben had been given plenty of opportunity to respond to the Association and he had not. Therefore, Jerry Lindfors made a motion to deny his request, and Wes Lansin seconded.

Jerry Lindfors asked for an update on the disturbing e-mail discussed last month. Chad indicated that the letter from the coaches had been sent to the party involved.

Chad Olson indicated that Ken Sparish and Wes Lansin should be reimbursed \$25.00 for the USA Card for the youth regional tournament/state, and it was discussed that this tournament should be pushed next year.

The next scheduled meeting is May 7, 2008 @ 6:30 p.m. in the High School Library.

Ken Sparish made a motion to adjourn. Art Adams seconded. Meeting was adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Judy Lansin, Secretary