

GCWCOA Executive Committee Meeting 8/19/18
Lutheran West High School 12:00 pm

Members in Attendance: Dave Ressler, Jerry Des Forges, Pat Galbincea

Agenda

*Minutes from the meeting are in **RED** font.*

- A. Examine the By-Laws. Make necessary changes and updates.
 - a. **Change of Meeting Schedule:**
 - i. **General Membership October, December, March**
 - ii. **Executive Committee: September, November, Jan/ February, & April**
 - iii. **Awards Banquet: June**
 - b. **HOF: Louie Stanley**
 - c. **COY for OHSWCA: Does it need to be a member of the GCWCOA?**
- B. Update on Eagle Strategies options? Doug Thomas?
 - a. **Need to find something with a little more return on investment. We are not getting what we were 10 years ago.**
- C. Aaron Grossman (1:00 pm). Discussion on how the WIBN and the GCWCOA can work together to raise funds for scholarships, promote wrestling in the area and to expand the Wrestler's Appreciation Night and GCWCOA Awards Banquet with the Lake Erie Crushers.
 - a. **Expand Appreciation Night**
 - i. **Match on Field (Freestyle Rules?)**
 - ii. **Honor State Champs, Placers, College AA's, COY, HOF**
 - 1. **Connect with former winners (Lee Kemp, COY, etc)**
 - iii. **Partner with Beat the Streets Cleveland**
 - iv. **Fundraising**
 - 1. **WIBN- Why (What events, drum up stories & impact, past winners)**
 - 2. **State of NEO Wrestling Meeting**
 - a. **Keynote Speaker**
 - b. **Participation Info (Contact Josh Lowe?)**
 - c. **Buy In from Outside sources**
 - d. **What are we doing & Why is it important?**
 - e. **Why does wrestling matter?**
 - f. **Coaches Education (See Aaron's Email from 8.29.18)**
- D. Danny Song (1:30 pm). Discussion to work out the details of the GCWCOA Preview on Saturday November 3rd (11:00 am) at CWRU. **INFORMATION VIA EMAIL- DANNY WAS UNABLE TO ATTEND**
 - a. **There were some factors that will make this event not feasible this year:**
 - i. **Date moved to Oct 27 (Dave is out of town at a wedding, 2 it is Super 32 weekend, No Football game, Has to have a skills clinic with it (done by Danny).**

E. Membership/Fundraising/Website/Meetings/Anything Else?

- a. **Awards:** Wrestler of the Week/ Team of the Week, All GCWCOA 1st, 2nd, HM
- b. **Conference Liaison Position.** One Coach per conference.
- c. **Scholarship** (See email from Dave to Scholarship committees below:
 - i. Don Ferris (Winners: Breeding & Stanley- \$1,000.00 & Innot & Chrisman \$500.00)
 - ii. Al Carroll (Not distributed until after 1st semester.)
- d. Fundraising
 - i. Golf Outing
 - ii. Casino Night
 - iii. JV Tournament
 - iv. Stag Night
- e. Website:
 - i. Switch from WordPress to Weebly
 - 1. Contact Mark Hawald for information
- f. Increasing Membership
 - i. Mail Paper Membership forms to ALL schools in GCWCOA Area

Meeting adjourned at 2:15 PM

Sent: Friday, July 20, 2018 9:06 AM

Dave Ressler to the Al Carroll and Don Ferris Scholarship Committees.

SUBJECT: Scholarship Information

Scholarship Committee Members,

Last night the executive board of the GCWCOA met and one of the topics covered were our scholarships. Here is a recap of what has been decided.

For the 2017-18 season \$6000 has been set aside for the scholarships. \$3000 each for the Al Carroll and the Don Ferris. (Al Carroll has an additional \$500 due to a donor this year only).

According to the bylaws the executive committee decides the total dollars to be set aside for scholarships for the current year and how the money will be split based on the number of applicants. The committee's can decide to spend less than what has been set aside for them but cannot spend more.

Moving forward it is the responsibility of each of the scholarship committee chairmen and their committees to raise the money for the scholarships. The executive committee has put a goal of \$6000 each year to be raised for the scholarships. The amount of money raised will vary from year to year. The general association will also help with contributing to the fundraising efforts of the two scholarship committee's by for example running the Ron Alexander Memorial JV Tournament but it is the primary responsibility of the two scholarship committees to raise the funds to give out the scholarships. So if the scholarships want to be \$3000 again for this upcoming year (2018-19) a total of \$6000 must be raised. The original \$50,000 in the Eagle Strategies Fund will not be used to give out scholarships, only the interest from the investment may be used.

Another item regarding scholarships that was decided is that the award winners will be announced and recognized at the Awards banquet in June at the Crusher's/WIBN "Wrestling Appreciation Night". The committee chairmen will make the presentation and the award winners will be recognized on the field before the Crusher's game.

I know this is a lot to take in but the executive committee feels that this is the best way to 1. stay true to what is written in the bylaws and 2. continue to fund these scholarships for the long term.

Please email back any questions to either myself, Jerry, Adam or Pat.

Thank you,

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