

A board meeting was held at 111 Division Avenue, Levittown, NY on 6/24/2018.

The agenda for the meeting:

1. Call to order.
2. Introduction of LWC officers.
3. Consideration of nominee for Technology Chair – Frank Mintz.
4. Consideration of nominee for Bookkeeper – Andrew Vasilatos.
5. Review of the nominees and voting for outstanding athletes for 2017.
6. Review of LWC by-laws compliance issues.
7. Financial report.
8. Old Business.
9. New Business.
10. Close meeting.

The meeting was called to order by the President of the LWC at 12:14 P.M. The credentials report was rendered by the Secretary of the LWC immediately thereafter. The Board members in attendance were:

Christopher Smith, LWC President

Jeff Scott, LWC Secretary

Katie McDevitt, LWC Treasurer

Mihalis Alisandratos, Technology Chairman

Sara Soto, Athlete Rep

Frankie Mintz, Records Chairman

Joe Triolo, International Referee Category 1

JP Nicoletta, International Referee Category 2

Dena Smith, National Referee

Dan Boland, National Referee (non-voting)

Kurt Roderick, National referee (non-voting)

The nomination of Frank Mintz for Technology Chair was called for a vote. The nomination was unanimously approved and Frank Mintz was installed as Technology Chairman. Mihalis Alisandratos, outgoing Technology Chairman, was then excused from the meeting.

The nomination of Andrew Vasilatos for Bookkeeper was called for a vote. The nomination was unanimously approved.

There was a review of nominees for outstanding athlete awards for 2017. Some members felt that the nomination process, which was done by e-mail this year, did not elicit enough of a response from LWC members. JP Nicoletta made a motion to open the floor to additional nominations. The motion was seconded and the President called for a vote. A majority of the members were in favor of allowing additional nominees. The floor was opened for nominations and the award categories were reviewed one-by-one.

After careful consideration of each nominee's qualifications and achievements, the following award selections were made by vote of the board:

\*\*\* Outstanding Athletes for 2017 \*\*\*

Outstanding Junior Female: Ursula Podesenin

Outstanding Junior Male: Adam Bakatsias

Most Improved Female: Taylor Payne

Most Improved Male: Larry Mintz

Outstanding Senior Female: Rhiannon Reynolds

Outstanding Senior Male: John Aguinaldo

Outstanding Master Female: Stella Ladao

Outstanding Master Male: Mark Ongyberg

The next topic to be addressed was by-laws compliance issues. Because the discussions were quite lengthy, they will be presented in summary form.

Two event organizers failed to submit competition secretary reports as required by the by-laws. Each case was reviewed by the board. Records of e-mails between LWC officials and the organizers were presented as evidence. After careful review, the board voted on each case and decided to deny future sanctions, due to non compliance with established procedures, until such time as the violations are remedied.

The issue of competition secretary report contents was discussed. It was agreed that a standard format would be created for event organizers to use. The competition secretary submission must contain, as a minimum, the official results of the event and a list of officials and their roles at the event. The inclusion of a narrative regarding the event is optional. Submission of the report in a timely manner is mandatory for all event organizers.

The issue of officials at weigh-ins was discussed. The LWC will adhere to IWF rules. Two referees must be present at weigh-ins. The by-laws will be corrected to reflect this wording.

The outgoing bookkeeper, Jeff Scott, presented the financial report.

As of 5/31/2018 the fund balances are:

LLC-held funds = \$ 6,829.56

USAW held funds = \$ 9,632.00

Petty Cash funds = \$ 132.22

The report was accepted by the board by unanimous vote. The official records of the LWC including the LWC checking account journal, the petty cash journal and all the petty cash held by the LWC was transferred to the new bookkeeper, Andrew Vasilatos, with the LWC President as witness. USAW will continue to maintain the balance sheet for LWC funds held by USAW.

The floor was opened for the discussion of old business.

The division of the LWC into zones was discussed. It was agreed that the description of each zone in the by-laws would be updated to include a list of the counties included in the zone.

Joe Triolo announced that the Metropolitan championships would be conducted at LBH with the 20 new IWF weight categories. The event will be sanctioned for two days but the schedule will be determined by the number of entries received by the deadline and may be conducted over one or two days.

The floor was opened for new business.

The secretary presented three motions to the board for consideration. Each motion received a second. The motions are listed here below.

Motion: The appointed positions of the LWC will be as follows:

- Technology chair
- Treasurer / Records Chair
- Bookkeeper

The LWC President shall make these appointments. These appointed positions will have voting privileges. The appointees will be reviewed and approved for continued service by a roll-call vote of the elected board members on an annual basis. Appointees must be present at three of the four mandated LWC meetings during a calendar year. If they fail to meet this requirement, the President shall designate a new appointee.

Motion: The Technical Committee shall consist of three members who will be elected from among the referees of the LWC membership and who are to serve two-year terms. Members of the Technical Committee will have voting privileges and must be a National Referee or higher.

Motion: To eliminate the Finance Sub-Committee and the position of Advisor to the Finance Sub-Committee. The remaining committee officers will sit on the board in the appointed positions of Bookkeeper and Treasurer / Records Chair.

These motions will be brought to the floor for vote at the next board meeting.

Chris Smith announced that the Jerry Dunne Red Light Open will be held at Lake Sebago on September 8th. In conjunction with the event, there will be a barbecue during which the 2017 LWC outstanding athlete awards will be presented. The event will serve as a fund-raiser for the awards dinner to offset both the cost of the food and drinks at the barbecue and the awards presented to the award recipients. An entry form will be posted on the LWC website. A majority of the assembled members were in favor of the concept and it was agreed that the Jerry Dunne Red Light Open would be moved to the new date.

Having concluded all discussions, the meeting was closed by the President of the LWC at 2:59 P.M.

Jeff Scott

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