

Blaine Wrestling Takedown Club Meeting Minutes 8/17/09

Call to Order

President Ben called the meeting to order at 6:15pm. A motion was made to approve the minutes from the July meeting. Motion carried.

Board Members Present

Ben Moody-President
Jaymi Greseth-President-elect
Missy Meyers-Treasurer
Kari Muyres-Secretary
Pat Butnick-Youth Representative

Officer Reports

President Ben shared his personal information along with his duties and responsibilities as our president.

President-elect Jaymi reviewed her role and personal information. She briefly touched on the insurance information and 501C status information.

Secretary Kari shared that the meeting minutes will be posted on the Booster website and hard-copies will be shared at the monthly member meetings.

Treasurer Missy also shared her personal information and responsibilities. We currently have a balance of \$400.28. Contact her if you have any questions.

Youth representative Pat Butnick shared his personal information.

Middle school and high school reps were absent.

Committee Reports

Committees are just forming, so as a result we do not have a lot of information at this time. We've been forming bylaws to efficiently run our organization. We currently have a working document, but we have temporarily tabled this endeavor. Kim Ann is working on the revisions, and a current copy will be on the website (www.blainewrestling.org). If you have questions, please feel free to contact her.

Special Orders

None

Unfinished Business

None

New Business

Our goal is to get more families involved; we intend to form committees and build our program to create a more collaborative organization. Most of the committees have a chair assigned along with designated duties/responsibilities of each committee. The chairperson will be responsible for creating a binder for their respective committee. The current committees we have are as follows:

- Communication Committee chairs-Chris Gross and Kim Ann Butler. The responsibilities are: to maintain clear and accurate communication with families, keep an accurate email address list, and disseminate information about team activities, meets,etc.
- Equipment/clothing Committee, chair-Don Studer. Responsibilities include: to care and maintain all equipment for all levels of Blaine Wrestling, conduct inventories of all wrestling equipment along with the condition, and research/organize long-term planning for ordering needed gear for wrestlers.
- Fundraising Committee-Chair Laurie Studer. Responsibilities include brainstorming ideas for fundraising and implementation along with soliciting local businesses for sponsorship.
- Planning Committee-Chair Ben Moody. There are two sub-committees. The tournament sub-committee is responsible for planning tournaments, organizing the volunteers and concessions. Additionally, the Events planning subcommittee will work on planning banquets, youth night, hall of fame night, and social events.
- Finance Committee-chair Missy Meyers (always chaired by treasurer) Primary responsibility is to assist in book keeping/record keeping. Important to note that the immediate past treasurer will continue to serve on the committee after his/her expiration as board member. This committee needs three/four people to serve as participants. Our primary goal with this committee is to develop fiscal policies as a group.
- Freestyle Committee-no chair as of yet. Organize and implement freestyle program.
- Strategic Planning Committee-Closed Committee consisting of board members and coaches. The main responsibility is to determine long-range goals for the booster club.

President Ben then asked for open committee sign-ups including names and current email addresses.

Open Floor

President Ben opened the floor for open discussion.

Don asked if we are still having a beginning of year youth tournament. Ben commented that it depends on volunteers and date with gym space. Those two are our biggest obstacles. Perhaps event/fundraising can look into it.

Another member asked if we have enough volunteers for committee members, we could always use more. Perhaps we'll add a link to our website to "click and add yourself" to a committee. Ben urged the group to encourage other families to participate.

The question was raised if we are to host a free Wrestling clinic this year. President Ben commented that we should use the same format as youth season, informational meeting, two weeks of free clinics, break for Thanksgiving, and then start the regular season.

Our website is:

www.blainewrestling.org

Announcements

President Ben read the first announcement regarding tabling football games- we'll advertise Blaine wrestling with a bowl of candy and hand-out fliers-Sept. 11th, 25th, Oct. 9 and 14 are the proposed dates.

Next booster club meeting will be held Sept. 21st at 6:30pm at the VFW in Ham Lake. All are welcome to attend!

The Ham Lake VFW has graciously allowed us to use their facility free of charge for our meetings, please patronize them for a steak fry the second Thursday of each month.

Adjournment

A motion was made to adjourn to committee meetings at 6:50pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kari Muyres
Secretary
Blaine Wrestling Takedown Club