

Illinois Water Polo Meeting Minutes for 12-4-22 7:30pm

Attendance:

Kyle Perry - President
Elizabeth Timmons - Secretary
Carlos Ceja - BOD
Ed Prystalski - BOD
Rose Schiavone - BOD
Megan Brownley - Liaison
Christopher Cloy - Liaison
Timothy Daniel - Liaison
Everardo Leon - Liaison
Tom Musch - Liaison
Jesse Zein - Liaison
Jeff Plackett

1. Opening comments – Kyle Perry
 - Sorry this meeting got moved but we appreciate your patience and are glad you were able to make it.
2. IWP Sexual Harrassment training and Code of Conduct -Kyle & Jimmy Heard
 - This is going to be rolled out shortly.
 - Kyle, Jimmy and Heather have been working on this because our nonprofit status requires
3. Treasurer’s Report – Heather Serrano
 - Will have an update and end of the year report.
 - The board of directors will meet before our next meeting and create a budget for 2023.
4. Reports:
 - A. All State Banquet – Elizabeth Timmons
 - Elizabeth is planning to contact people in the new year to give them a heads up on the plan and get an idea of cost.
 - We need to decide on a date. Currently we are looking at Tuesday, 5/30, or Wednesday, 5/31. If you have a different date or any suggestions of other locations. We are planning to have it at the Diplomat West.
 - a. Banquet Booklet - Kyle Perry
 - Kyle is hoping to work with Steve and others who are willing to work on this to put out information at the beginning of the new year.
 - B. Photography – Tom Musch - <https://illinoiswaterpoloimages.wordpress.com/>
 - Tom will be out of town for Sectionals and State.
 - Jeff Plackett or Kelly Reif at Naperville schools might have parents that can help out in his absence.
 - Credentials - ask for media credentials from the Sectional host
 - Make sure whoever is going to do this can be there on the first days so that all teams can be represented since once teams lose, they are most likely not coming back.
 - C. Website – Jesse Zien
 - Is currently still functioning, but the old build is 6-8 years old and Jesse is doing a lot of work to keep it going.
 - Jimmy and Steve have been working on a redesign of the website and Jesse is currently waiting for a meeting with them to see where we are going with the redesign.
 - We are moving in the right direction, but we are moving at a slow pace to make sure that we are not going to run into trouble in a few years.
 - D. Player Recognition - Chris Cloy, Kyle Perry
 - We will keep doing the same thing we did last year.
 - If anyone is interested in helping, please let Chris know.

- E. Communications - Mike Cashman and Megan Brownley
 - IWP email is going again and sharing information about games, coaches and other water polo opportunities.
 - Future emails will include the information about these meetings to encourage people to attend. We already know the dates so we should be sharing this with anyone we can.
 - F. Hall of Fame - Jeff Wimer
 - Always looking for people for the running list of candidates.
 - A few more biographies have been added so if you know of anyone who is on there who doesn't have a bio yet, please encourage them to send something in.
 - G. Fundraising - Kyle Perry
 - a. Dave Perry College Scholarship
 - i. Money was raised through the Dave Perry Classic - thanks to the Beached Whales
5. Liaisons Report
- a. USWP Liaison – Midwest Board Members Present & ODP - Tim Daniel
 - Just elected 5 spots to the board - Tim, Ryan Castle, Sean Wimer and 2 people from St. Louis.
 - There is a lot that has gotten up and running but with the new make-up they need to figure out how to delegate tasks and who will be responsible for what.
 - If you want to contribute anything, please contact Tim.
 - For ODP, all groups are in action with training or games this weekend. Dallas is coming up in January and again in March.
 - b. Chicago Park District - Beto Garcia
 - Parks are slowly opening for water polo and they are moving to do more water polo than they have been in the past few years.
 - c. College Programs Liaison - Ryan Castle (Carthage)
 - d. League updates - Jesse Zien
 - Nothing really to report at this time.
 - They are working on a plan to bring the fall, winter and spring leagues back to IWP to increase incoming revenue.
 - Currently, IWP does get some money from the AWP run leagues, but it is not the same as the summer league run by IWP.
5. Old business:
- a. High School Coaching Directory updates
 - If you know of any position that is not updated, please let Chris Cloy know so we can keep this updated as possible.
 - b. Fall leagues wrap up
 - Winter leagues are just getting started up for high school girls and 14U.
 - c. Dave Perry Classic @ Palatine HS - November 19 & 20
 - 2 day event at Palatine that included many senior mens and womens teams.
 - This event has generated up to \$500 for the Dave Perry College Scholarship and we will have information about what IWP will get from them at the next meeting as they are still finalizing their finances.
6. New Business:
- a. 2022 Year in Review - Jimmy & Kyle - please send any notable information.
 - Please be sure to share any notable news for the 2022 year in review with Kyle or Jimmy.
 - The list will include all award winners from the IWP All-State Banquet and all sectional winners.
 - This could include any recognition from AWP or USAWP for Illinois water polo players.
 - Could also include interesting games and clinics that have been run.

- The hope is that this is as inclusive of as many recognitions of players, coaches and officials.
- Drew Schneider hit 500 wins this past year (2022).
- b. Board of Directors will meet in 2023 prior to the first IWP meeting.
 - Meeting will take place before the first meeting of IWP in January.
 - They are looking to make a budget.
 - Ed is wondering if we could fundraise for paying for evaluators of officials. The board can consider requests like this. This is the second year of a good evaluation program for officials.
 - Can we find a way to make this more transparent and share more information with the general public of those participating in water polo in Illinois (ex. players, parents, coaches, etc).
 - If you have a request for funds, put it in writing and send it to Kyle or anyone else on the Board of Directors. The Board will discuss whether or not it is a request that can be accommodated.
 - Is there a formal way to request funds? USAWP has started a process that is then formally reviewed and approved by the zone board. Kyle asked Tim to share the document with him so he could adapt it for our needs.
 (https://docs.google.com/document/d/1K1G_q8fM1nMsPcqZeU2s2Gkn5Qdhow86ih5nHRvqR-4/edit)
- c. NCAA Water Polo Championships - DI and DIII
 - This weekend was the men's NCAA championships.
 - There were several players from Illinois participating in both of these tournaments.
 - NCAA Championships DI: Pacific: ELI STERNWEILER (New Trier) and NOAH SCHOR (Lincoln-Way East). Fordham: Danny Lynch (Fenwick) DIII: Cal Lutheran: Jack Bradbury (Lyons), Aidan Allamian (St. Charles North), Redlands: Dan Bajda (Fenwick)
- d. Nominations for president and secretary.
 - Nominations were lacking so Kyle and Elizabeth will keep their positions for 2 more years.
 - We are actively seeking ideas to see who else would like to be involved so 2 years from now, we will hold elections for other people.
- e. Deep Dish Clinic is coming up 12/17 & 12/18
 - Elyssa and other coaches from the area who are putting this together.
 - There is a coaching component as well.

7. Next meeting will be on Google Meet (possibly more than usual): Schedule coming soon. Expect meetings in January, February, April, May, August, October, November. Specifics coming soon.

Next meeting will be on Google Meet, but we are hoping to be in person for some of the meetings for 2023. Next year, the vice president and treasurer are up for re-election. In order to be eligible to participate, you must be at least 3 meetings for the year so if you know of anyone interested in getting involved, please encourage them to come to the January meeting.

Tentative Schedule for 2023:

January 22nd
 March 5th
 April 2nd (TBD)
 May 7th
 August 27th
 October 15th
 December 3rd

8. Closing Comments & Adjournment