IWP Meeting Minutes 9-25-06:

Attendees: Pat, Perry, Chris T, Dave, Luke, Jeff, Chris P., Sall & Lois

Finances:

Apostles Water Polo Club Ad has not been paid for Banquet Ad.

ACTION: Please update Pat on the status of the \$75.00 payment

All-State Selection:

Garrin presented the new All-State Selection Process to the coaches at the Coaches meeting. A few comments were made and the committee made further suggestions: Expand Sectional representatives to 2 per girls/boys instead of one, and have no referee rep. Ask Aaron to join the selection committee. All suggestions and discussion was tabled for further meetings with the deadline of the January meeting having a final process in place to present at the mandatory meetings before the season starts in the spring.

Officiating:

A large part of the meeting was spent discussing officiating. Perry explained the process on becoming an official; the training necessary, membership to apply for, mandatory clinic for all officials, the review & suspension process, and scheduling. Perry will send Pat the IHSA/USWP Officiating Guidelines for distribution.

More officials are needed, people with playing experience at all levels, people with name recognition in the WP community, basically, more people willing to officiate. This will enable Perry to play an inexperienced official with an experienced one as a mentor at each game. Suggestions were made that Perry assign a senior official in each sectional or geographical area to take over the scheduling and reviewing for his/her area and would then act as a single source to Perry and the officiating community for that area. Weakness to this suggestion is there are not enough officials to do this. After discussion on this and other times, the following guidelines were set for discussion at further meetings.

- 1. Officials to be on the same page when refereeing, promote consistency across the officiating community. Ex: experienced ref to mentor inexperience ref
- 2. Impact players needed: Knowledgeable player with name recognition to officiant.
- 3. Close the gap from HS to College / Midwest to CA

After heated discussion, the issues were tabled for further discussion at the next meeting.

Summer Program:

Dave Perry has been working on a Summer program. He is hoping to set up summer games at schools to play. These nights would be open for anyone who wants to play, whether a coach brings an entire team, or athletes want to come for pick-up games. This would be for boys and girls at the Hs and 14u levels.

MWPAA Directors:

Scott and Louis will be replaced as directors of Midwest Water Polo and Aquatics Association (parent org for IWP) by Luke and Ivan.

Pat will check with the lawyer to find out what paperwork/information needs to be done in order to make the change. - Only need to make changes as paperwork is submitted to the State and on tax forms.

Lois will check with TCF bank on updating the signature cards and account information -I now have all the signatures and will be taking care of the bank this week. In addition to the new signers, I will change the statement address to Pat's instead of mine. Jeff's address will remain the official address for MWPAA and IWP

Kap-7:

Link will be put on the IWP site. Items will be available to purchase and IWP will receive a % of the sale for fundraising. Garrin will update at the next meeting.

Website:

IWP voted to go forward with the IWP website and Chris T will contact Mark about going forward. Also make sure that a few people have update access and also talk about acquiring the IWP site name and adding the Kap-7 link.

2007 Banquet:

The Banquet is set for the Diplomat West on May 31st.

Dates:

Here are some dates to keep in mind for 2006/07: State Championship - May 17-19, 2007 All-state Selection Meeting - 5/21 or 5/23/07 (if have on at all)

Banquet: 5/31/07

Next meeting:

Tuesday, 10/24, 7:00pm at the hotel

On a personal note: I would like to say Good-by to everyone and thank your or the opportunity to meet and work with people who have the WP communities best interests at heart and in mind. I believe that MWPAA and IWP can make a difference. Good Luck! Lois

Carol, it is all yours now:)

Meeting Minutes 10-24-06

Attendees:

Board-Pat, Chris T., Blake, Sally, Luke, Chris P., & Carol Guests- Tom Nickles & John Przekota

HS Directory:

Pat has the draft read for review and any corrections and additions. Email her with any updates. Pool and cell numbers are desired for the refs / visiting teams.

Website:

Chris T. will contact Kelly again. Desirable to get it up and running by December 1st, Jan 1st at the latest. Illinois Water Polo domain name courtesy of Joe Trickey.

Dates for Coaches:

Reviews. Inexperienced coach training dates needed from Mike G. Chris P. wants to also get less experienced officials involved on the 2nd day for more exposure, more visual explanation.

Officiating:

The need to standardize training for officials was discussed, with continuous evaluation and feedback need during the season by master officials. While FINA officials direct the Officials Clinics, they are not present for the season. Chris P. is to come up with a plan for presentation at the next meeting, determining what is missing in our current program and how to correct/adjust the officials training starting in 2008.

Kap-7:

Garrin is awaiting final details

Speedo Cup:

50/50 split the pot and Radar Gun shooting for Zone tournament. Chris T. will contact Jeff.

Finance:

We have \$6151.87. Website set up will cost \$2000 approximately— and then yearly costs.

New Program Development:

Blake has had little information from Beth Salser at IHSA. Resurrection HS will be starting up. Questions on Steinmetz, Warren, Oswego, Bennett. Also Wheeling/Prospect still a co-op, although IHSA indicated a co-op is to last for 2 years only.

Other:

Luke has 2 floating goals for sale.

Next meeting:

Tuesday, November 28th 7:00pm at hotel

All State Selection process will be finalized.