**WCWSA Winter Captains Meeting**

**Location: UNLV Student Union Room 205**

**Date and Time: 10 February 2018**

1. Call to order
   1. 9:24 am
2. Roll Call
   1. SDSU: Kari, Ben L.
   2. ASU: Dillon S. Ty J., Jackson
   3. CSC: Sydney, Colby
   4. UCD: Zane, Becca,
   5. SLO: Kyla, Nick
   6. UCLA: Maddie, Felicia
   7. WWU: Sammi, Scott, Mary
   8. SAC: Ciera
   9. Bakersfield: Shaun
   10. Jaye Morris Conference chair
   11. Adam National Secretary
   12. Jeff rush Chair
   13. Ty Vice Chair
3. Approval of Agenda
   1. Motion: Kari
   2. Unanimous
4. Approval of Previous Minutes:
   1. Motion:
   2. Change Ryan Maraks to Nick
      1. Motion Ty
      2. Second: Shaun
      3. Unanimous
5. Board Member Reports:
   1. Chairman (Jeff): Not much, a few new teams Sac UNR participating cool! University Washington staring up. Colorado teams wanting to participate. Usually Midwest but closer to us. Teams growing. SNC LB kind of gone. USD always up and down. Short Fall season, short, sweet, sad.
   2. Vice Chairman: Enjoyed first season as vc. Good alumni regionals. Anything I can do better?
   3. Treasure (Nicole): (Not present) Did fine with budget, were not running a deficit. Can increase travel stipends. Budget not actually officially closed yet.
   4. Alumni regionals: money goes back to the teams represented. $50 per team 7 teams.
      1. Ad in regional guide
      2. Probably September 8-9???
      3. Sundown loved having the tournament last year.
      4. Maybe labor day weekend
   5. Secretary (Kari): get emails to me to add to WCWSA email list
      1. Jeff: respond to emails more!
         1. Now Jeff doesn’t care, he has given up on expecting people to respond.
   6. Conference Chairmen
      1. Northwest: (Jaye) haven’t done much. Thinks position is unnecessary
         1. Kari didn’t know what this position was for.
            1. For sub leadership
            2. Conference chair becomes “regional chair” when we used to have to break up north and south for tournaments
         2. Jeff thinks we still needs this, the region is still growing
      2. Pacific: (Kirk not present)
   7. Webmaster: (Tabbie not present)
      1. Jeff: need new one as she studies abroad
6. Team Reports:
   1. Bakersfield: approved Tuesday!! Has questions for Jeff. Ski at ski west with Shaun’s boat
   2. UCD: bought new boat. Money tight, going well, struggling to retain people who want to consistently ski and stick around. Brought boat to campus. They found guys! (yay)
   3. ASU: accounts highest, trying to save for new boat. Boat finally running well. Working on building girls team
   4. WWU: not doing too much, real cold still. Been talking to Mat miles to start using new boat. May not be able to use borderline soon. Terry working so busy to help team out. Hard to recruit with late start and cold and running straight into regionals. Potential for skiers coming in.
   5. CSC: new grant agreement to buy a new boat. Grant from San Fran. Hoping new boat in a year. Lacking girls team members.
   6. SAC: started with 9 members and 7 committed. Couple more through recruiting. Numbers increasing. Adding another practice site to practice at.
   7. SLO: looking to upgrade boat. Women’s team problem to. Lots young inspired people. Hard to get people to commit. Promising future for the team
   8. UCLA: good with things. Good recruiting (spring). Bought a boat
   9. SDSU: Working on new boat deal. By 2019. New sport club deal, most team safety coordinators. Most team gone this semester. More work for recruiting needed.
7. Recruitment discussion:
   1. UCD asked how others recruit other than tabling
   2. Sammi (WWU): paid Instagram adds. They did for national’s photo
      1. Not that expensive
      2. Worth it
   3. Get boat on campus
   4. Bring dogs
   5. T-shirts that say “ask me about the ski team?”
   6. Wear team gear on campus
   7. Don’t drive the wakeboarders away
8. NCWSA Board Meeting: Chair and vice chair flew to Florida to go to meeting
   1. HQ:
      1. Name change
      2. USA water ski and wake sports (USAWSWS)
         1. Because show industry we are open to anything behind a boat
         2. Officially changed now
         3. Logo change (barely changed): added a 9th star to show all the events and added and wake sports. Made red brighter.
         4. Actually really cool things that help grow the sport
         5. New membership formula
            1. Auto renew $20 just to be part of USAWS

Pay more for competing/ judging/ hanging out

* + - * 1. New membership levels (like Costco memberships)
        2. Industry discounts
        3. By April 1st hopefully

Existing members just get transferred over

* + - * 1. Under 25 allowed to be in family
  1. New membership packages:
  2. Membership growth funding:
     1. HQ looks at growth over 5 years
     2. NCWSA only one to grow over the last 5 years
        1. Got $2,500 for growth (free money!)
        2. Our region down 9% membership wise, up 24% skier wise
  3. Safe Sport:
     1. Dealing with minors
     2. Certain groups within USAWS must be safe sport certified to be involved
        1. NCWSA not required
     3. Safe Sport government required
     4. Links will be sent out
     5. Everyone in this room it is “recommended” to do the Safe Sport stuff (not req. for background check
        1. Discussed that someone on the team must do it (not passed at national meeting)
     6. New family is the issue aka recruits/ new members
  4. Marketing and membership:
     1. Team pages on NCWSA
        1. Some already up there under “teams” tab
        2. Option to move to instead of updating exiting
        3. Molly Voskca/ Adam to get your team up there
           1. Only takes 30 min to make
     2. Marketing committee will be very active this year. Good
  5. National Events:
     1. All Stars 2018: Monroe in Monroe on their graduation weekend
        1. On campus
        2. No camping
        3. Feel like skiing as a pro athlete, not skiing with pros
           1. Shuttles, fed, big event, nicer hotels, potential single boat company event
        4. May 12-13
        5. More info to come
        6. Try to work out travel as a region
        7. Send one judge, must be named by March 1.
        8. Send chairman and judge
     2. Nationals 2018: San Marcos TX
        1. CA team issues
        2. Send 2 judges, a driver, and a scorer
           1. Travel stipends
           2. By Sept 1
           3. Regular or higher, preferred sr.
        3. Athlete advisor wants more volunteer announcer
           1. Send one from each region???
     3. All stars 2019: Perdue @ TN Swerve watersports center
     4. Nationals 2019: Bel Aqua
        1. Last time it was there 2006
        2. Lake 1 and 2, lake 3 dedicated practice
           1. Members ski on lake 3
        3. More details to come
        4. All 3 lakes separately owned. So no issues with legality of practicing during the events.
  6. Scholarships:
     1. AWSEF: $10k+
        1. Iffy on what region people are in
           1. Erika and Ellie eligible for 2 regions
        2. Due March 15th
     2. NCWSA Development/ Officials Incentive Program
        1. Deadline Feb 28
        2. Money for having officials on your teams
           1. Work at tournaments
           2. Increase tournament rating numbers
           3. 3 placing tiers
           4. turn in list of “my official’s ratings” on USAWS

email to Jeff

announced beginning of March

* + - * 1. potential change (brought up by Jeff): instead of 3 team competition, just split it evenly among the officials. Makes shares more evenly.

Or drop completely

Teams that didn’t qualify for Nationals, teams petition to get money for their team

Total travel fund for teams that have to travel very far (ex:WWU) Helps keeping people involved.

Open discussion:

Kari likes it because we are in need of officials cause the same people do all the work all of the time.

Ty: any way to put money towards dues? Lower team dues?

Jeff: Not possible. Earmarked to help team development.

Jaye: likes share idea. Just bringing in more people. Helps people stick around. More incentive because they get the money

Shares: Like small hourly pay for working

Point system to determine shares.

Motion to implement shares: Sydney Maybee

Seconded: Colby

Passed Unanimously

Would go in place next year.

Hashing out new point system for shares: Current:

New rating:

J: 3/event

Sc: 6/event

Dr: 6/event

Sf: 6/tournament

Events worked:

J: 1/event

Sc: 1/event

Dr: 1/ event

Sf: 3/event

Kari pointed out that we really need to focus on making sure ALL judges are fully competent in what they are doing so judging remains fair. This is currently an issue.

Proposed new system:

Slalom Judge:

New/upgraded: 2

Worked: 1

Trick Judge:

New/ upgraded: 6

Worked: 3

Jump Judge:

New/ upgraded: 4

Worked: 2

Driver (All 3 events):

New/upgraded: 10

Worked: 5

Scorers (All 3 events): made values more for this year so we get more scorers. Think of lessening values when we have more.

New/ upgraded: 7

Worked: 3

Safety:

New: 6

Work: 3

Motion to approve point system: Colby

Second Ciera

Unanimous

Jeff explained requirements to attain new ratings (requirements found on USAWS website)

Work on getting collegiate clinics set up. Make them convenient for college schedule.

Jaye: Make a clinic weekend

Post Nationals

* + 1. Equipment grant: what you want to buy for skiers
       1. Must be jr or sr and show involvement in NCWSA
       2. Fund you to buy new skis
       3. Deadline Feb 28
       4. Search NCWSA for this
    2. Free money
  1. Awards
     1. Jeff stepping down. Staying on as advisor.
     2. Annual stuff on website
     3. Video competition
     4. Money as awards chairman in form of travel
     5. Applications sent to Adam [info@ncwsa.com](mailto:info@ncwsa.com)
     6. Know someone who wants to be involved and continual connection with college skiing?
  2. NCWSA Budget:
     1. Team dues that go to NCWSA
     2. Last year we were profitable
        1. Signed with Connelly for nationals
        2. Selling more rights next year
     3. Influence growth with income
     4. Possible selling event to boat companies.
     5. This money funds the team development money
  3. AAC/ Operations/ Rules:
     1. AAC= athlete’s advisory committee
        1. Must be top half (elite)
     2. Discussed last year’s mini course rule again… Will hopefully be rules regulating the placement of the buoys in the future.
     3. Turn and burn: Temp allotment for East region. Not allowed to set records. Second round goes in the books. We don’t really utilize it, though we may eventually.
     4. Webcast rights: NCWSA owns rights to webcast to settle any disputes with hosts of event. Owners of all broadcast rights.
     5. Sunset Rule: Nationals how close to sunset before we start 4th round men’s slalom. Used to be 3 hours before sunset. Moved to 2.5 hours. Affects teams attending nationals.
     6. Online students: Nationals: big dispute over 2 students skiing and not attending campus at Monroe. Issue was Freddy joined between regionals and nationals. Was allowed because it was his graduating term. Best solution: teams who place in top 5 of previous nationals, all skiers must compete in regionals or previous tournament. Proves they were part of the team and participation prior to nationals. Prior spring tournament doesn’t count. Can’t bring on ringers.
     7. Scoring: Interesting one! Got accepted. In the past, if you get 0 team points if you don’t land a jump, fall on 1st buoy, 1st trick fall. Used to be considered ties for everyone getting 0 team points. Treating 0 as a tie. All placements worth points regardless of score. Incentivizes people skiing, and maintaining team points. Also good: a DQ’d skier is 0 points, not = to someone who didn’t land a jump.
     8. Big trick ski rule passed. Just width ratio now. Terry can stop bitching now.
     9. For nationals practice day before; protocol for how practice scheduled. Period for teams to book two 30 min slots if booked in first 4 days, then becomes first come first served.
     10. All written in the bylaws. On resources tab on ncwsa.com
  4. Alumni events: last year went great. Host again. Other regions looking to host alumni regionals. Talking about alumni nationals. All alumni’s allowed at other regions alumni regionals.

1. NCWSA All Stars 2018, Monroe. LA
   1. Team selection: last several years’ criteria has been top 10 in each event, no more than 3 people per school per event. (Each team can send 18 people, potentially) Single top score from the school year from rankings list. Being that its out of state, we will be doing letters of intent. Start booking travel early. Leaving selection up to Ty. Don’t want to hear about a skier indirectly, must hear if person is attending from the individual themselves. Must ski in 2 tournaments per season (fall and spring). In past have removed fall requirement because of lack of fall tournaments. Should we continue following the bylaws?
      1. Sydney says that would make a lot of people ineligible.
      2. Ty proposed: skied regionals, and 2 tournaments
      3. 1 tournament in the fall and 2 in spring, and appeals considered
      4. Motion 1 fall and 2 spring, and appeals considered as selection process.
         1. Second: Nick
         2. Unanimous
   2. Sponsors: on back of bibs. Look into companies. Discussed more as we approach the tournament.
2. NCWSA Nationals 2018. San Marcos River Ranch, TX
   1. Team Travel and CA Travel Ban
      1. Jan 1 law went into affect that CA state funds can’t travel to places with transgender bathroom laws. Important. Jeff discussed with lawyers. It is unconstitutional under commerce clause. Way to go around it make draft letter that all clubs will sign and take it to local state assemblymen to get rid of law that is unconstitutional. Money received from school if it comes from school or associated students? Definitely will be workarounds. Political game we will have to be apart of. The money is not university funds, only funneled through the university. It can be fought. Sports clubs is bluffing. Good because Olympics is happening right now, sport is supposed to transcend politics. Political enemies come together through sport. A letter will be drafted, get a larger group to open the eyes of the CA government. List of who to contact about this will be sent out. Jeff is going to be on the news!
3. Tournament Bids

Spring 2018:

* 1. Mar 24-25: ASU @ Sundown
  2. Apr 7-8: UCD @ Bell Acqua
  3. Apr 14-15: SDS @ Sundown
  4. Apr 21-22: UCLA @ Wet Set
  5. Apr 28-29: SLO @ Ski West
  6. May 5-6: WWU @ Borderline

Fall 2018:

* 1. Sep 16-17: SDS @ Ski West/ Sundown
  2. Sep 22-23: CSC @ Jovia’s
  3. Sep 29-30: Regionals- SLO & UCD @ Bell Acqua
  4. Post Nationals: Drivers clinic
  5. Motion to approve dates: Sammi
     1. Second: Colby
     2. Unanimous
  6. Sanction tournaments on USAWS before March 1 or else you wont be able to get a Natique at the tournament.

1. NCWSA Alumni Regionals
   1. Spoken all our stuff about this already. Start spreading the word. Weekend after labor day.
2. Approval of Budget
   1. See budget spreadsheet
   2. Money comes from regional dues
      1. New teams do not pay first year to help them establish
      2. Current 8 established teams
   3. $200 team dues proposed by Jeff.
   4. Tournament sanction fee $150 proposed by Jeff
   5. “Hopefully nobody pulls out last minute- that’s what she said” –Jeff
   6. Get a ton of people to alumni regionals to get money back.
   7. Motion to accept the budget: Colby
      1. Second: Zane
      2. Unanimous
   8. Read bylaws ncwsawest.com
   9. Proposal to make tournament section fee through USAWS by Jeff
      1. People liked it, Jeff will look into it.
3. Elections:
   1. National Committees
      1. Awards: Jaye Morris
         1. Motion to appoint Jaye to awards committee: Colby
            1. Second Shaun
            2. Majority
      2. Membership & Marketing:
         1. Motion to nominate Kari: Kari
            1. Second: Sammi
            2. Unanimous
      3. Operations: Mary Kienbaum
         1. Motion to appoint Mary to operations committee: Ciera
            1. Second: Colby
            2. Majority
      4. AAC: Kari nominated herself. Kyla Jo nominated herself. Curtis nominated by Jeff.
         1. Discussion and vote
         2. Curtis and Kyla are AAC
            1. Majority vote
      5. IAC: appointment extended
         1. If no one named deadline will be extended to March 1.
   2. WCWSA Board:
      1. Chairman:
         1. Motion for Jeff: Ty
            1. Second: Kari
            2. Unanimous
      2. Vice Chairman:
         1. Motion for Ty: Ty J.
            1. Second: Shaun
            2. Unanimous
      3. Treasurer:
         1. Motion for Nicole Jewell: Jeff
            1. Second: Ty
            2. Unanimous
      4. Secretary: Kari denies Ty’s nomination
         1. Jaye nominated Kyla
            1. Second: Ciera
            2. Unanimous
      5. Conference Chairmen:
         1. Northwest:
            1. Ciera nominated Sydney Maybee

Second: Colby

Unanimous

* + - 1. Pacific:
         1. Ty nominates Jaye

Second: Kyla

Unanimous

* + 1. Webmaster:
       1. Extended to March 1

1. Old Business:
   1. Any issues?
   2. Ty J. had question about GPA requirements
   3. Ciera: new members with not enough units, what are rules for skiing A team versus B team?
      1. Should ski B team
   4. Connelly Skis program. Any time you can email Connelly and get big discount. New person who runs this deal. Email will be sent out by Jeff. HO will be doing a deal bi annually as well.
2. New Business:
   1. Adam needs writers for tournament re-caps for the NCWSA website. Good way to keep alumni connected. Also good for recruitment.
   2. Driver clinic for collegiate development: get teammates to start filling out the application. Easy. All requirements on USAWS officials resource.
   3. For people with sanctioned practices, you need to get MVR review.
3. Adjourn
   1. Meeting adjourned at 2:32 PM