

EYWCA Board Meeting Minutes  
Tuesday, June 26, 2012

**Attending Board Members:**

Joseph Wright    Marla Walczak    Lynn Gitski  
Alicia Lenig    Tina Collura    Lisa Druckenmiller    Jay Gitski    Lee Miller    Jamy Ritter  
Nicole Velde    Roxanne Verrastro    Sal Verrastro    Christine Westerman

**Guests:**

Meeting called to order at 7:38 p.m. by Joe Wright.

**Minutes:**

The Board members read over the minutes presented from the meeting on Tuesday, May 22, 2012. Motion to approve the minutes was made by Sal V. and was seconded by Lee M. Voted and approved.

**Treasurer's Report:**

Marla W. reported that we have all bills from the season paid up, we are just waiting to receive the bill from the printing of the banquet program ( a few hundred dollars) she will look into it. Our current account balance is \$31,458.21. There was no real activity to our account and looking forward she feels we should be able to keep our registration fees the same. She is working on handing over the bank statements to Joe and Alicia for the internal audit. Joe and Marla mentioned that as an organization we made \$5355 last year, so they are trying to work on a spending plan ie: the cheer mat sections being purchased; cheer uniforms; wrestling singlets; mat replacement???

~Lee M. mentioned that maybe we should look into getting new exhibition singlets

Roxanne V. made a motion to accept the treasurer's report and Christine W. seconded. Voted and approved.

**Executive Board Report:**

Coordinator: will discuss By-Laws in "New Business."

President: Received Power Cards and contact information from Melanie M.

Vice President: Nothing to report

Secretary: Nothing to report

**Old Business:**

Last meeting, we discussed using LMMS as a practice space (we would purchase 3 mat strips and join them with LMMS's 2 and EHS's 2 strips to have a full competition mat(7 strips)(we are trying to get all of the strips in the same place) for each squad to rotate through for a practice once a week (ie: Tues - Pep @LMMS, Wed - JV @LMMS, Thurs - Varsity @ LMMS). The LMMS coach has agreed to allowing us to use the space, we just need to talk with Shawn Murray about using the storage space for the mat sections and allowing us to practice there.

**New Business:**

The schedule is out for the upcoming season. Emmaus Green is in the Northeast Division and Emmaus Gold is in the Southwest Division (so, we will not wrestle each other in the JV tourney). VEWL was discussing moving the Exhibition Tournament from Super Bowl Sunday, however they need to find a place to do it still...so no change as of yet. The dates for JV and Varsity Tourney are TBD. Our 1<sup>st</sup> match will be Dec. 2<sup>nd</sup>, first home match for Emmaus Gold (quad) will be 1/6 and we will have only 1 more home match 1/13 (both Green and Gold will be home for the duals). ~ Jay G. asked if we have ever thought about paying (a stipended set aside) for wrestlers to use to enter pre and post season tournaments. Joe W., Marla W. and Lee M. mentioned that we only charge \$50 for a registration fee and we do pay for the Holiday Tournament and for each wrestler to participate in the Exhibition, JV or Varsity Tournament. They did mention that we will try to help children who are unable to afford wrestling, but it may be dangerous to set up and maintain a tournament fund for wrestlers in need. It was discussed that we should better publicize tournaments for our wrestlers to get more experience. Jamy R. said he will

organize getting information out to our wrestling organization / families throughout the season for upcoming tourneys. ~ Nicole V. mentioned that the Takedown Club did a car wash fundraiser and it went really well, that's an idea that may help to raise more money for our organization. ~Joe W. mentioned that he needs to look into our limit for our surplus of our balance before we have to pay taxes on it. We currently have \$31K, Sal V. said he believes its 50K.

\*\* **The By-Laws** are ready to be presented to the Board. They were written in 2002 and modified in 2008 so they needed to be condensed and "firmed-up." Joe W. sent them out in an email and now tonight is considered the 1<sup>st</sup> reading (this is the ONLY time we can present / make changes to them) and the 2<sup>nd</sup> reading and **VOTING will be in AUGUST.** Sal V. asked how the voting is counted, according to the By-Laws they are voted and accepted by simple majority rule.

**One Proposal was made: Joe W. presented the idea and Jamy R. made a motion to change our organization name stated in Article 1 Line 1 from Emmaus Youth Wrestling and Cheer Association to East Penn Youth Wrestling and Cheer Association (but keep our initials the same EYWCA);**

Joe W. feels this will help to grow our organization. As an example, the youth football programs had a game, LMYA vs. Emmaus at EHS and we (EYWCA) had a registration table set up and people thought they were not able to sign up because they were part of LMYA. Being called East Penn as opposed to just Emmaus may help to attract more participants. Sal V. asked if we would need to change our uniforms, Joe mentioned that the Board can decide that later, but in his opinion, we do not need to do that now, just when we order new uniforms change it in them then . The Board voted, 9 members were in favor out of 13, so majority vote won. **So, at the next reading, in August the Board will vote to accept the By-Law changes with the name change or accept the By-Laws without the name change.** Joe W, stated that he will email the Board prior to the next meeting to let them know of the name change proposal.

~ Alicia L. asked when we will decide the coordinator positions via Article V. Lee M. stated once the By-Laws are passed we will look into that. ~Lee M. mentioned that he knows someone who just ran an "Under the Lights" wrestling tournament in Virginia. He stated it may be something fun to do next August and have the cheerleaders involved as well.

Motion to adjourn was made by Roxanne V. and seconded by Tina C.; Voted and Approved at 8:53p.m.

**The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, August 28<sup>th</sup> at 7:30p.m. at Citizen's Fire Co #2.**