

## **Call to Order**

A Board Meeting of NWOPPA was held on October 11-2020 at Napoleon American Legion. It began at 1:10 pm and was presided over by Char Hanenkratt (pioneer Vending Rep) with Jan Cannon as Secretary.

## **Attendees**

**Present:** Amy Schlegel, Dave Gambler (Aug Vly), Annie Justinger, Karen Armstrong (BC), Jeff Gee, Judy Widmer (Def Sun) Matt VanAtta (FFC) Jeff Harper, Mark Wiemken (MV) Jason Britenriker, Bill Stahler, Karen Armstrong (NWB) Jan Cannon (TWC)

**Absent:** Brent Ankney (Aug Vly) Larry Duke (BC) Vic Sanchez (Def Sun) Chad Stief, Gene Cook (FFC) Chad Betts (MV) Dean Ricker, Vic Sanchez (TWC)

## **Election of Officers**

Char offered up her position as meeting coordinator if anyone else was interested in the position, but there were no takers. Jan Cannon was asked if she would be interested in remaining as the NWOPPA Secretary of record, to which she responded yes. The position was offered to any other members, to which there no nominations. Vote was taken, unanimous vote for Jan Cannon to serve another term as Secretary of NWOPPA for the 2020-2021 year. Karen Armstrong was asked if she would be interested in remaining as the NWOPPA Treasurer of record, to which she responded yes. The position was offered to any other members, to which there no nominations. Vote was taken, unanimous vote for Karen Armstrong to serve another term as Treasurer of NWOPPA for the 2020-2021 year. A 2<sup>nd</sup> signature is required on all checks issued from the NWOPPA checking account, of which, Jason Britenriker is currently the second signature required. A vote was taken to have Jason remain as the 2<sup>nd</sup> signature, and the vote was unanimous.

## **Tournament Dates**

Several ideas were brought up concerning 2021 Tournament dates. It was suggested to move it out to Feb-Mar dates due to possible Covid restrictions, but that could interfere with State Tournaments. It was also brought up that Invitational not being on Valentines weekend was appreciated last year, even if it was not intended. It was agreed to have Women's weekend 1/8-10/2021, 1<sup>st</sup> Div 1/15-17/2021, 2<sup>nd</sup> Div 1/22-24/2021, 3<sup>rd</sup> Div 1/29-31/2021 and Invitational 2/5-7/2021. Char will secure these dates with the Napoleon American Legion.

## **Social Distancing During Tournaments**

Several points were brought up concerning how to comply with social distancing during Regional and Invitational Tournaments if still required at that time. The points addressed were: players only, no visitors?; Less tables to allow more space between them?; another possible location with more square footage?; players required to go off-site when not actively playing??? It was agreed that we need a Legion Rep at our next meeting so that these questions can be answered. Char will make sure that a Rep from the Legion is at the next meeting to answer these questions.

## **Divisions**

The topic of making a 4<sup>th</sup> division again arose. Several interesting ideas were brought forth. One proposal was to take the bottom 2 teams from each league to form a 4<sup>th</sup> division, which would play the same weekend as Women's Division. The remaining teams in each league would then be divided into each of the 3 remaining divisions. It was likewise brought up to take the top 2 teams from each

league to make a Masters Division that played on the Women's weekend and the remaining teams be split into the 3 divisions. These ideas were tabled until a later date and the Divisions will remain the same as before for the 2021 Regional Tournaments at this time.

### **2021 Tournament Officers**

The question was raised for candidates for statistician and Chairperson for the 2021 Regional Tournaments. Jan Cannon offered that Tori Johnson would again be interested in the position of Statistician, but not necessarily as Chairperson as she had done for the 2020 tournaments. The question was raised if a Chairperson was needed, as we have 2 leagues running the divisional tournaments each weekend anyway. It was agreed that a Chairperson was required for the 4 Regional weekends as per the previous rules, in the case of any extenuating circumstances or questions needed answering by the Directors of any particular weekend. No one had offered to be the Chairperson for the 4 Regional Tournament weekends at the meeting. Jan Cannon was asked if she would like to remain as Director of the Invitational Tournament, she agreed, vote was taken and was unanimous.

### **Regional Rankings due to Covid**

The question was raised concerning seasons ending early due to bars shutting down and leagues ending early due to Covid-19. It was voted upon that team standings at the end of each league's end of season would be the determination for league standings and Regional Tournament placement for the 2021 Regional Tournaments. The vote was unanimous.

### **Meeting Recording**

It was introduced by Char Hannenkratt that recording equipment had been previously purchased, but was not being used. Jan Cannon stated that it no longer was in working order. It was proposed that Jan purchase recording equipment, reimbursable by NWOPPA to be used at future meetings. Vote was unanimous.

### **Next Meeting**

The next NWOPPA Meeting will be Sunday 11/15/20 at 1:30 pm

### **Adjournment**

Amy Schlegel moved that the meeting be adjourned at 2:45 pm, was seconded by Judy Widmer.