

NWOPPA MEETING MINUTES 10/06/2024

CALL TO ORDER

A Board Meeting of the NWOPPA was held October 6, 2024 at the Napoleon American Legion. I was on time and it began at 1:03pm and was presided over by Char Hanenkratt (Pioneer Vending Rep) with Jan Cannon as Secretary.

ATTENDEES

Present: Jason Britenriker, Deb Jagers(NWB) Mike Hahn, Kiley Pelland (DS) Amy Schlegel (AV) Jim Van de Bussche, Mark Wiemken (MV) Courtney Irwin, Doug Northrup, Deb Jagers (BC) Gene Cook, Kevin Rogers (FFC) Dean Ricker, Jan Cannon (TWC) Dawn Boone (FC)

Absent: Paul Hawkins (NWB) Vic Sanchez (DS) Pam Lee, Brent Ankney (AV) Chad Betts (MV) Matt Van Atta (FFC) Vic Sanchez (TWC) Rick Bowling, Nick Reza (FC)

OCMA B DIVISION

OCMA has determined that qualifying for B Division for 2025 will no longer be a "2 and out" determinate from the previous year to qualify. For the 2025 Tournament the top 5 CSR rated players on a team must be a combined total of less than 8000. Char has not yet heard an "as of" date.

TOURNAMENT WEEKENDS/LEAGUE RESPONSIBILITY

Leagues are responsible for manning the the tournament each weekend, promoting fundraisers and keeping track of the money for fundraisers and payouts to staff and refs. This has become a bit lax in all respects. There needs to be a better accountability for fundrasier income each weekend for each raffle, and a more detailed account of expenses for staff and refs each weekend. One point brought up is that at one point we used to put all money and records in the Legion safe each night so that no money ever left left the property over the weekend which helped keep everything confined to each weekend. It was brought up to possibly buy a safe of our own to do likewise to keep everything contained. It was also addresssed that weekend workers are hard to find and fundraisers were not always promoted as they should be each weekend. WOW, like this is a new problem! Anyo ne who is interested in helping is welcome. We would love for anyone to help with selling tickets or helping in any way possible. Below are the Tournament dates and Leagues responsible for those weekends.

Jan 17-19/25	Ladies & Jr/Sr Scotch	Findlay Flag City/Thu WildCats
Jan 24-26/25	1 st Division	Aug Valley/Findlay Chalky's
Jan 31-Feb 2/25	2 nd Division	Bean Creek/NW Border
Feb 7-9/25	3 rd Division	Maumee Valley/Def Sunday
Feb 14-16/25	Invitational	Jan Cannon
Feb 21-23/25	Scotch Dbles	Dean Ricker/Amy Schlegel/Jason Britenriker

A Motion was made by Jason Britenriker to purchase a safe to put at Legion, seconded by Courtney Irwin. Vote was unanimous.

CUE BOOTH/MESSAGE PERSON

Dean Ricker spoke to Carl D'Agostino about manning the cue booth, and what weekends and hours he might be available. He is considering it, but no determination. Still no one committed to this responsibility. No one yet interested in massage position.

COMPUSPORT TOURNAMENT TEAM FEES

Last year the Association covered the Compusport fees for all team events. This fee is \$1/ player per event to a max of \$3 per person. It was discussed that this fee would no longer be absorbed by Association funds for the 2025 team tournaments. It was also decided that we would again use Compusport for the team events at our 2025 Tournaments, but take it back to leagues as to whether we would use Compusport for Singles events, a decision to be made at our November meeting. There were several suggestions made as to how to cover this team expense for Compusport; fundraisers to cover it, increase the weekly fee to the Association above the current .75 per player per week or to simply charge each player \$1.00 per event registered.

A motion was presented by Mark Weimken, seconded by Gene Cook, that each player must pay \$1 for Compusport fees for each team event that they are registered for on a team roster for Ladies, 1st Div, 2nd Div & 3rd Div teams. This must be turned in with the roster at the time of submission to their League officer. Vote was unanimous. Make sure which team your players are going with Folks.

AWARDS

We have done the engraved tumblers the last 2 years which went over well. Eric Evans did a great job at a reasonable price last year. There is a Lima company that does coasters that are being looked at. Need to see if Eric has that option. Seeing if Eric can be at November meeting with multiple options for awards. Last year we reinstated bar plaques for 1st & 2nd place finishers in Ladies, 1st, 2nd & 3rd Div finishes. It was brought up that bars pay \$30 per team to Pioneer, so they should get something back.

A motion was made by Jim Van de Bussche, seconded by Deb Jagers that we do bar plaques for Ladies, 1st, 2nd & 3rd Div; 1st, 2nd & 3rd place finishes for 2025. Vote was unanimous.

RAFFLES

Back to last month: Bottles of alcohol; still not sure of rules, buy from legion, can't open in building; gun raffle allowed, no gun on site, value stated on ticket, who is the vendor; purse raffle; how much, what color, what brand, what material, how many pockets, a phone pocket, card holder, change purse included (It's a purse, we need to know)

A motion was made by Gene Cook, seconded by Kiley Pelland to do a gun raffle with a prize valued at \$800 (equivalent of an AR-15) with a limit of 250 tickets at \$10 each to sell all Tournament weekends. We will purchase tickets for 2 raffles and see if it sells out in time to warrant a second raffle of equal value. Vote unanimous

A motion was made by Dawn Boone, seconded by Deb Jagers, to purchase 2 purses at a limit of \$300 each for raffle at Tournament weekends. We will sell 125 tickets at a cost of \$10 each per ticket. Vote was unanimous. Char and Deb are going to go crazy at the outlet stores next week.

REF/STAFF PAY

It was discussed whether we need to pay a head ref to schedule refs for each weekend for Regional Tournaments. Dean Ricker said he would schedule Refs for the Regional weekends as required. It was agreed that no Refs were required for Friday nights, 2 on Saturdays, and 1 on Sundays for final matches. The pay is \$20 per shift for Refs and \$10/shift for workers on the stage. Jan Cannon agreed that she would also schedule her Refs for the Invitational Tournament. As in the past, the pay would be \$15/hr in the main hall and \$12/hr for the annex as it was being used.

SPONSORS

It was brought up that we might approach sponsors to help donate to the fund. This might include food vendors, beer vendors or pool vendors that might benefit from advertising at our Tournaments. We sell a lot of their stuff over our 6 weekends at the Legion. Jason Britenriker stated that he would get with Chad Betts and see if this is an avenue we could pursue for further revenue to help our tournaments.

JR/SR SCOTCH

It was reiterated that the Jr player can be from anywhere, but the Sr Player must be a sanctioned player from NWOPPA since this is an in house tournament. It was also brought up if we should put restraints on the Jr eligibility so that no "ringers" were brought in. Tabled for the time being. No determination was brought up on any fundraisers for the Jr program at this time.

TEAM PLACEMENT

Char mentioned needing to update the 1st & 2nd Div player list, and Jan Cannon agreed to do so. Char then turned the meeting over to Jan that had all the prior year's stats for placement. Jan looked at the clock, saw that it was nearly 2:30 and decided we should dive into it at the November meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

At Jan's announcement, bodies dove for the nearest exits. See you on November 17th.

Respectfully submitted
Jan Cannon
Secretary

