

Meeting Agenda

Meeting called to order at 6:44 pm by Madame President

Roll Call

- Present
 - Steve Fuhrman
 - Lori Ellsworth
 - Michael Schroeder
 - George Schneider
 - Bill Reedy
 - Pete Sharbo
- Absent
 - Bob Gordon
 - Lynne Nelson
 - Scott Fuhrman

Pete read the meeting agenda (for meeting recording purposes)

Old Business (tasks that have been completed/updated since last meeting)

- Meeting minutes
 - Motion to approve (Steve)
 - 2nd (Michael)
 - Approved by all present

Unfinished Business (Committee reports or on-going projects)

- Certifications Test (Steve)
 - Referees (1)
 - Tournament Directors (6)
 - Instructors (1)
- Status of Corporation
 - Treasurer report (Mike) (t-shirts, tournaments, general expenses, etc.)
 - Motion to approve (Steve)
 - Second (Bill)
 - Approved by all present
 - Upcoming bills (Steve/Mike/Lori)
 - None
- Club database (Lori)
 - Still not completed yet
- Joining the Minnesota Council of Nonprofits (MCN) (Steve)
 - Decided at last meeting we were going to join
 - Cost \$50 (for <\$100,000)
 - Steve working on it
- Video/audio conferencing capability (Steve)
 - Who has what capability?
 - Bill has the video component
 - Costs to doing business this way?
- WallySpot Website
 - Program created by player in New York
 - Trying to accommodate it for our use in WIN!
 - Currently set up for Age and Height; want to add Skills
- Other old business
 - None

New Business

- Wallyball Season and Tournaments
 - WIN! Tournaments 2008 – 2009 tournaments (Steve)
 - Tournaments with complete dates (except for Masters at Lifetime in Eagan) are final

Oct - Nov, 2008

Top of the Heap Tournament - Open House

[Capital Racquet and Fitness Center](#)

December 6, 2008

Combined Age Triples Tournament

[White Bear Lake Sports Center and Armory - Minnesota](#)

January 10, 2009

2nd Annual Combined Age Triples Tournament

Eldridge Rec and Fitness Center - Iowa

February 2009

Triples FUN Tournament

[White Bear Lake Sports Center and Armory - Minnesota](#)

February 2009

Gladiator of the Coliseum

Coliseum Racquet Club - Michigan

March 6, 7, 8 2009

4th Annual Iowa State Tournament

Eldridge Rec and Fitness Center - Iowa

March 2009

3rd Annual Ohio Winter Bash

Genesis Lifestyle and Fitness Center - Ohio

March 27, 28, 29 2009

27th Annual Minnesota State Tournament

Central Courts - Minnesota

April 5, 2009

Masters Wallyball Tournament

(Location subject to confirmation)

April 2009

THE AMERICAN CUP WALLYBALL CHAMPIONSHIP

[Zodiac Health Club - Michigan](#)

May 2, 3 2009

1st Annual North Dakota State Tournament

[Capital Racquet and Fitness Center](#)

- Central Courts Wallyball league 2008 – 2009 (George)
 - Zoomerang survey conducted 9/22-9/30 - sent to almost 200 addresses
 - 36 visited survey; 24 completed it
 - Advertising as 'Flex League' to use advance sign-up (1+ day) in advanced
 - Teams chosen each week using Random Generator
 - No standings will be kept
 - Not enough signed up for any particular league/night:
 - Advanced
 - **Tuesday** = 9
 - Wednesday = 10
 - Thursday = 7

- Intermediate
 - Tuesday = 7
 - Wednesday = 9
 - **Thursday = 8**
- Recommended decision to pick 2 nights and leave the 3rd for regular open play
 - Advanced - Tuesday
 - Intermediate - Thursday
 - Open play - Wednesday
- George to send final sign-up survey (must provide contact info) to all 200 addresses
- Will use those responding as Flex League members
- IA Wallyball league 2008 – 2009 (Bill)
 - Tuesday & Friday leagues
 - 10 weeks (8 regular season; 2 tournament rounds)
 - Had 2 recent fun tournaments
 - Getting some new members (college students)
 - Eldridge Fitness Center hiring new program director (no one in place yet)
 - Could use some more of the latest WIN! t-shirts for awards
 - Steve & Lori to bring some later in October
- Wallyball Promotion (Steve)
 - Bismarck, ND - 10/25-26 - Steve & Lori
 - Nebraska
 - Iowa - Red Oak YMCA
 - Minnesota
 - Maplewood - 10/5 - Steve with about 30 players (intermediate/beginner)
 - Anyone have new ideas??
 - Missouri?
- New software purchases (Steve)
 - Bought Random Generator program
 - Combinations program to set up match play
- New player ranking for tournaments (Steve)
 - Concern from newer players looking for system to insure they won't be in league/tournament with players much better than them (dropping down level of play)
- Process for electing board members (George)
 - Have members to be part of our organization?
 - We were set up as organization "without members"
 - We can advertize our upcoming Board Meetings and see what interest it generates
- History timeline (George)
 - Continue maintaining for activities by WIN!
- New board members (George)
 - Pete Sharbo
 - Pete grew up in Fargo, ND before attending college in Grand Forks and law school in St. Paul. Upon graduation from William Mitchell College of Law in 1992, Pete married his wife, Lisa, and shortly thereafter, began his career at Thomson Reuters in Eagan. Pete has been with Thomson Reuters for sixteen years, working in the areas of new product development, competitive intelligence and editorial. Combining a long time passion for racquetball and a kindling interest in volleyball, Pete discovered wallyball in the 1990's at the now defunct Eagan Athletic Club. Pete continues to play wallyball on a regular basis at Lifetime Fitness in Eagan through the fall and winter months with the same group of friends that he began playing with at the Eagan Athletic Club. Although the group isn't getting any younger, their enthusiasm for the sport of wallyball hasn't waned, driven by the exercise, camaraderie, and competitive environment that wallyball offers.
 - Bob Gordon
 - My name is Bob Gordon. I have worked for the City of Mandan in North Dakota for 11 years (Four of those as a police officer and the last seven as a computer geek). Through my job, I have chaired or been a member of several different committees. I started playing volleyball in 1991 when I went to college at Moorhead State University (it will always be MSU for me). I started playing seriously in 1999 in Bismarck. I have played wallyball for about six years during the winter months. I would like to become part of the WIN Board because I love wallyball and would like to help promote it. Thank you for your consideration.

- New vice-president (George)
 - Bill Reedy
- Committee for requesting grant monies (Lori/Steve)
 - Still looking for volunteers to help find out how to get grants
 - Committee members - Lori
 - Pete Sharbo asked to be on committee to join Lori
- WIN! logo (Lori)
 - Should each state have their own logo?
 - We are using same WIN! logo for 2008-2009
 - Should states have it's own?
 - Think about it off-line and respond back to rest of board later
- Need to research copyrighting of WIN! material/logo
 - Logo that WIN! had used on USA Wallyball website
 - Pete to check into this
- WIN! t-shirts (Lori)
 - Melissa (Bob Gordon's wife) helping
 - Looking for ideas on back of t-shirt
 - Color t-shirt up for ideas
- Nominations for new board members (All)
 - Open to anyone
 - Nobody right now
- Other new business
 - Rulebook (Steve)
 - Forum set up for rule changes on internet set up by Steve
 - Compares current rule with proposed change and reasons why
 - Steve to send contact info around to Board
- Next meeting date
 - January 10-11 weekend in Eldridge, IA

Any other Business

- None

Adjourn Meeting

- Steve motioned
- Pete 2nd
- Approved by all
- Adjourned at 8:34 pm

Minutes taken by George Schneider (WIN! Secretary)