

Canadian Arm Wrestling Federation Annual General Meeting
May 16, 2014
Meeting called to order at 7:47 pm

Members Present:

Ryan Espey, *CAWF VP (MB)*
Lori Pow, *MAWA President (MB)*
Darrell Steffensen, *MAWA Communications Director (MB)*
Luc Faubert, *NB President (NB)*
Marc-Andre Campeau, *QC President (QC)*
Patrick Callan, *CAWF Referee in Chief (BC)*
Anthony Dall'Antonia, *CAWF Director (BC)*
Dave Hicks, *BC Rep for Keith Koenig (BC)*
Joey Costello, *CAWF Team Captain (ON)*
Gord Squire, *AB President (AB)*
Shawn Ross, *NS VP (NS)*
Brandon Olafson, *SAWA Rep for Kayne Hemsing (SK)*
Dave Campbell, *Ontario Rep (ON)*
Charlie McGeoghegan, *P.E.I. Rep (P.E.I)*
Rick Pinkney, *CAWF President (NS)*
Tracey Arnold, *CAWF Sec. /Tres. (SK)*

- Waiver of last year's minutes
- 2 weeks after this AGM President will contact reps by email and vote on changes and get feedback after 2014 Nationals
- Revisit all CAWF weight classes after World's 2014
- Ryan Espey to create a list, including expenses for hosting Nationals. He will add all updated changes and it will be made available for interested parties.
- Provincial Presidents compile a list of referees including levels to give to Patrick Callan, CAWF Head referee
- Allan Heinrich's owes CAWF money from last year at World's in Brazil. This needs to be researched and discussed with Allan

Old Business:

Creating a Director for women

Coaching Program – Director of Coaching

- How do we do this? Find out the steps and requirements.
- Look at someone who is not present at the AGM

Director of Junior Development

- Video for schools and developmental process

- Standards for junior tables (Joey Costello has template)
- 2 steps for progression of the tables
- Proposals and circulate

Motion from Patrick Callan to not use the new elbow foul rules, because of too many inconsistencies and discrepancies. Gord Squire seconds the motion

Be it resolved that CAWF does not pass the new elbow foul rules. CAWF will follow the previous rules

Vote: 8 in favor, 5 opposed, 1 abstained

Resolved: Motion carried

Motion from Rick Pinkney to use bracket system for draw sheets. Gord Squire seconds the motion.

Be it resolved that CAWF change the draw sheets using a bracket system. Use 2 pools if there are more than 16 competitors in a class.

Vote: 14 in favor, 0 opposed

Resolved: Motion carried

Motion from Gord Squire that we add back the classes that were eliminated from 2014 CAWF Nationals.

Lori Pow seconds the motion.

Be it resolved that CAWF re add back the 70 Kg Men's Master's left and right arm classes and all 3 classes for the Grand Master's right and left arms.

Vote: 14 in favor, 0 opposed

Resolved: Motion carried

Rick Pinkney made a motion to compensate Will Sarty and Glenn McDonald for their jackets.

Gord Squire seconds the motion.

Be it resolved that CAWF will compensate Will Sarty and Glenn McDonald based on the value of a new jacket.

Vote: 14 in favor, 0 opposed

Resolved: Motion carried

Motion from Gord Squire that Tracey Arnold be Head Score Keeper for CAWF. Ryan Espey seconds the motion.

Vote: 14 in favor, 0 opposed

Resolved: Motion carried

New Business:

Motion from Gord Squire to allow arm wrestlers to enter multiple classes. Ryan Espey seconds the motion.

Be it resolved that the CAWF allow competitors to enter multiple weight classes (heavier) for which they qualify effective 2015.

Vote: 13 in favor, 1 opposed

Resolved: Motion carried

Motion from Rick Pinkney to eliminate Arm Wrestler of the Year from the CAWF. Provinces can still do their own awards. There will be no more points. Gord Squire seconds the motion.

Be it resolved that the CAWF eliminate arm wrestler of the year award.

Vote: 14 in favor

Resolved: Motion carried

Motion from Rick Pinkney to move 2016 CAWF Nationals to July long weekend. Gord Squire seconds the motion.

Be it resolved that in 2016, CAWF Nationals be held July long weekend. If the long weekend falls on a Wed, Thurs. or Friday it will be the following weekend. If the long weekend falls on a Monday or Tuesday, it will be the preceding weekend.

Vote: 10 in favor, 3 opposed, 1 abstain

Resolved: Motion carried

Motion from Rick Pinkney that CAWF is not responsible for the financial cost to host Nationals. Joey Costello seconds the motion.

Be it resolved that the host Province or territory be responsible for the cost incurred to host Nationals.

Vote: 13 in favor, 1 abstain

Resolved: Motion carried

Motion from Rick Pinkney to allow Board of Director`s to weigh in 2 hrs. prior to the AGM. Dave Hicks seconds the motion.

Be it resolved that CAWF Board of Director`s will have the opportunity to weigh in 2 hours prior to the AGM.

Vote: 14 in favor

Resolved: Motion carried

Motion from Rick Pinkney to allow for a discount in entry fees when an arm wrestler enters multiple classes. Ryan Espey seconds the motion.

Be it resolved that CAWF allow a discounted entry fee to any arm wrestler who chooses to enter multiple weight classes. It will be left to the discretion of the host Province to decide

Vote: 14 opposed

Resolved: Motion defeated

Motion from Gord Squire to entertain bids for 2017 Nationals. Ryan Espey seconds the motion.

2015 Nationals – Vancouver, BC

2016 Nationals – Saskatoon, SK

2017 - ?

2018 – Quebec City, QC, tentatively

Be it resolved that at the 2015 CAWF Nationals, CAWF will entertain bids for the 2017 National host.

Joey Costello:

Proposing the CAWF boycott the 2015 WAF World Arm wrestling event if it is not in the U.S.A.

The new committee is not honoring the constitution.

Take it to the members of the Provinces and then report back.

Proposing a clear definition of qualifications for World's be updated on the website and explain the process to members.

July 1st deadline for competitors attending World's until the CAWF Nationals is moved to July long weekend.

Proposing a mandatory meeting and picture at World's 2014. There is sponsorship for team shirts for competitors. If they do not show up for the meeting and picture, the competitor will not be reimbursed for their team Canada shirt.

Registration for World's:

The 1st and 2nd place names will be on the CAWF message board for 2 weeks to register starting the Monday after Nationals.

Thereafter, every 3 days the next place finishers will be listed until the spots are filled.

\$50 deposit

Motion from Joey Costello to supply jackets for uniforms from CAWF. Mandatory black sport pants that are the responsibility of the competitor, and the contract for shirts can be bid on. Can only have one sponsor per team shirt. Rick Pinkney seconds the motion.

Be it resolved the CAWF will have jackets available for purchase for \$115 to competitors. Mandatory plain black sport pants are expected to be provided by the competitors and worn during competition and team shirts will be provided for purchase from the winning bidder that year.

Vote: 14 in favor

Resolved: Motion carried

Provincial Presidents and Reps provided their reports.

Reports from

Dave Campbell for Ontario

Shawn Ross for Nova Scotia

Dave Hicks for British Columbia

Gord Squire for Alberta

Marc-Andre Campeau for Quebec

Luc Faubert for New Brunswick

Lori Pow for Manitoba

Tracey Arnold for Saskatchewan

Follow up discussions on:

CAWF Logo

Standardized Provincial Reports

Registration for non profit

Gord Squire to review and update the CAWF constitution

Charlie recommended a plaque for service for Fred Roy and Lise Blanchard

2 week email follow up after 2014 Nationals

Motion by Dave Campbell to adjourn meeting. Rick Pinkney seconds this.

Meeting adjourned at 10:26 pm