

Meeting summary for 5/4/2025 12:00-5:00 WBCA Annual Meeting (05/04/2025)

Quick recap

The meeting focused on various aspects of the organization, including the growth of the tournament, the need for a new photographer, and the progress of the Bylaws revision process. The committee reports were presented, with a special emphasis on the sponsorship committee's efforts, and the need for a new website and a new way of asking for sponsorship was discussed. The meeting also involved discussions about the election process for the board of directors and members at large, the roles and responsibilities of various individuals within the organization, and the appointment of committee chairs and the approval of the annual budget.

Next steps

- Bylaws Committee: Distribute new bylaws draft alongside old bylaws to all Western BCA members for review and feedback
- Tammy: Send out committee charges to newly appointed committee chairs
- Communications & Tech Committee: Work with Deepak to establish priorities for website development, focusing on tournament entry system for October's event
- Tournament Committee: Address concerns about race shortening and referee communication for future tournaments
- Leadership Team: Prepare annual budget for 2026 to be presented at the November meeting
- Tammy & Leadership Team: Review and finalize contract with Deepak for website services

- Deepak: Implement service request system and continue website development with focus on database functionality
- Tournament Committee: Evaluate and develop plans to expand the ring game format at regional tournaments
- Bill Henderson: Lead the formation of a long-term goals committee for future planning
- Sponsorship Committee: Explore options for hiring a tournament photographer funded by sponsorship money
- League Operators & District Representatives: Submit sanction fees and forms in a timely manner to Sue
- Julie: Work with Deepak on updating player representative list and website content

Summary

Committee Reports and New Initiatives

The meeting focused on discussing various aspects of the organization, including the growth of the tournament, the need for a new photographer, and the progress of the Bylaws revision process. The committee reports were presented, with a special emphasis on the sponsorship committee's efforts. The meeting also discussed the need for a new website and a new way of asking for sponsorship. The old business was minimal, and the new business included the elections for various positions within the organization. The conversation ended with a discussion on the need for a spending committee and the decision to have the leadership decide on the fun day events.

The meeting focused on the election process for the board of directors and members at large. The election results were discussed, with Mike Deitchman, Mike Crystal, Carla Jean Beers, and Autumn Frampton being elected as members at large. The election process was clarified, with the winner being determined by the highest number of "yes" votes, regardless of the number of "no" votes. The meeting also discussed the voting process for the board of directors, with three positions up for election. The election results were not disclosed in the transcript.

Candidates Present Cases for Board

In the meeting, several candidates for the board of directors presented their cases and answered questions from the attendees. The main points of discussion were the candidates' experiences, their plans for the future, and their approaches to addressing challenges within the organization. The candidates emphasized the importance of communication and transparency in their roles. There were also discussions about the representation of different regions within the organization and the need for a more diverse board. Some attendees raised concerns about the handling of certain issues in the past, which led to a discussion about the importance of addressing these issues in a transparent and timely manner. The conversation ended with a call for more communication and transparency within the organization.

Roles and Responsibilities in Organization

The meeting involved discussions about the roles and responsibilities of various individuals within the organization. Tammy led the meeting, and several individuals shared their experiences and qualifications for the positions they were vying for. The meeting also touched on the importance of communication and leadership within the organization. The attendees discussed the need for growth and expansion, and how to manage this growth effectively. There were also discussions about the need for a more efficient system for tracking matches and the importance of having professional referees. The conversation ended with the announcement of the elected members for the board of directors (Jackson McDonald, Ed Slade, and Chris Nordling), the Secretary position (Julie Fraser), and the Treasurer position (Sue Leger).

Appointment of Committee Chairs and Budget Approval

The meeting focused on the appointment of committee chairs and the approval of the annual budget. The President proposed the appointment of committee chairs, which were then approved by the board. The President also presented the annual budget, which was discussed and approved. There were some questions about the budget, particularly regarding advertising expenses and the handling of green fees. The President clarified that the budget for advertising was not included as we do not have a lot of advertising. The handling of green fees was also discussed, with the President explaining that they do not keep any of the money collected from green fees. The conversation ended with a discussion about the expenses for the bank merchant changes and the new website person's charging structure.

Website Rebuild and Transition Discussion

The meeting involved discussions about the website's rebuild and the transition from the previous web service to a new one. The new web guy, Deepak, is working on the website without a contract currently and the Board of Directors is actively working on securing the contract. Deepak is also a pool player for the association and is familiar with the organization's needs. The website has and will be updated regularly, and the organization will have access to make changes. The immediate priority is to get the database workable for taking entries for the October event. The organization is also considering opening up a request for a quote to other service providers.

Ring Game and Tournament Committee

The meeting involved discussions about the proposed budget, the ring game, and the tournament committee's role. The members present discussed the contract with Bad Boys, which has two years left. They also discussed the ring game, with some members expressing concerns about its management and expansion. The team agreed to forward the request to the tournament committee for further discussion. The meeting also touched on the need for more people to participate in the ring game and the potential for a separate event for it. The team also discussed the need for better communication and promotion of the game. The conversation ended with a vote on the proposed budget and a discussion about the next quarterly meeting.