

Minutes
Wyoming Senior Olympics Board of Directors Meeting
Tuesday, October 17, 2007
Casper Senior Center

Call to Order: President Ken Konicek called the meeting to order a 10:57 pm at the Casper Senior Center meeting room.

Board Members Present: Ken Konicek, President, Della Works, Past President, Jim Eggenberger, State Coordinator, Everett McGlothlin, Treasurer, Roger Wilson, Secretary and Directors Gladys Sajwaj, Lonnie Harwood, Bill Stone and Paul Prevedel. Guests were Marty Conrad and Ken Miller.

Pledge of Allegiance: Lead by Pres. Ken Konicek, the Pledge of Allegiance was recited before the flag by the group.

Ken Konicek welcomed everyone to the WSO Board meeting. All members were present.

Minutes of the Previous Meeting: Everett McGlothlin moved that the minutes be approved as written. The motion was seconded by Jim Eggenberger. Motion approved.

Financial Report: Treasurer Everett McGlothlin distributed the *End of the Year Report* and *The Budget Summary*. He reported a balance as of 10-17-07 of \$11,403.29, plus the Certificate of Deposit valued at \$11,279.01. The CD is earning 5.21 % for 2007-08. As of 9-1-07, income for the WSO at Sheridan was \$46,507.98 and expenses were \$34,784.70. He anticipates spending less on the Olympics in 2008 because of maintenance completed and purchasing ahead for 2008. Everett reported that all 2007 sponsors have committed to the same amount for 2008. Due to the unexpected high number of participants, Sheridan was short by 200 gold medals. These have been ordered and will cost about \$1,000. Sheridan received \$13,000 from Gillette in 2006 and Sheridan expects to be able to pass about that amount on to Rock Springs in 2008.

Della Works asked if we had sent all of the sponsors our financial statement to show them where we spent the money. Everett stated that we would do so upon a request from a sponsor. To date, only Sheridan Travel and Tourism has requested expenditure information, and it was provided to them.

Jim Eggenberger moved that the Treasurer's Report be approved as presented. The motion was seconded by Lonnie Harwood and approved.

Wyoming Senior Winter Games Report: The Wyoming Senior Winter Games will be held in Pinedale and at the White Pine Ski Areas near Pinedale February 10 – 14. Ken Konicek distributed a packet of information describing registration, fees, events, the waiver form, volunteer form, motels, event schedule and described a state-wide advertizing plan. Supporters and sponsors for the event are coming in with a few more expected. These will be the first Senior Winter Games in Wyoming. The Missouri State Games are advertising the Wyoming Games and plan to participate. Following the WSWG, a hockey tournament will be held.

Jim Eggenberger offered the 2007 WSO participant's list. In a bulk mailing to the Winter Games, a reminder of the Summer Olympics could be included.

Sheridan's 2007-08 Reports: Jim Eggenberger distributed the *WSO 2007 Closing Report*. Included was a brief description of the Summer Olympics: 476 participants, 103 from out of state, 217 participants from Sheridan and 250 volunteers. Jim suggested that if Sheridan can get 217 participants, other towns, especially much larger ones, they can significantly increase the participation from their communities. He distributed a list of Wyoming communities and the number of participants from each. He and the Sheridan Host Committee are planning for 700 in 2008.

Jim also handed out the *Wyoming Senior Olympics Board Report, October 17, 2007* containing a summary of the major events in hosting the 2007 WSO. This included updating of the Records Book, 2007 photos on the web site, planning for 2008 Registration information to be available in late January, 40-50 % of the registration forms were printed from the web site, planning meetings held, Sheridan college and the motels filled the rooms set aside, mountain biking will be offered in 2008 and advertizing plans are being developed. Jim distributed small posters to the Board members advertising the 2008 WSO, July 24-26.

A discussion ensued with suggestions for improving 2008: (1) Use Senior Circles usually at hospitals to inform seniors of the Olympics, (2) Commissioners should have fruit available for participants at events such as track and field, 5K & 10K, tennis and others, (3) two serving lines at the BBQ to speed serving (4) the singing ladies waited too long in the hall before performing and (5) apply to the Daniel's Fund for funding, as one of their goals is fitness.

Correspondence:

1. Host City Bids: Secretary Roger Wilson reported that he had written letters to Evanston and Laramie thanking them for their bid to host the 2009-2010 WSO and also returned their bid packets with a copy of the Host City application requirements. They were encouraged to bid again for 2011 and 2012.
2. Director Tim Ernst: At the July meeting, the Secretary was directed to write to Board Member Tim Ernst, reminding him that he had missed three Board meetings and could be removed from the Board. Roger did so, encouraging Tim to commit to attending meetings or to suggest another from the Department of Health to serve on the Board. Tim consulted with the Director of the Division and sent an e-mail stating that his Division would not have a member on the WSO Board but that the Division supports the WSO and will consider annual grants from the Host City. Tim will be our contact for grant applications. He wishes the WSO well.
3. Table Tennis Tables: Jim Eggenberger received a letter from Carolyn Griffith, Casper Recreation Superintendent, stating the Casper Recreation Division has loaned the Stigga Table Tennis Tables to the Wyoming Senior Olympics to be moved from one host city to another. Further, that should the tables be needed in Casper, that the WSO shall receive a request in a timely manner and will deliver them to Casper for the event and then returned to the WSO host community. Mr. Fred Taylor of Casper had contacted several folks with the WSO, expressing the desire that the tables be returned to Casper after each summer Olympics. Everett McGlothlin moved that a copy of Ms. Griffith's letter be sent to Mr. Taylor with a cover letter. The motion was seconded by Lonnie Harwood and was approved.
4. Della Works Thank You Message: Roger read a message from Della thanking the Board for the wonderful experience she has had on the Board and for the table clock.

Unfinished Business:

1. New Board Member Recruitment: Jim Eggenberger introduced Marty Conrad of Lander. Jim described Marty's achievements as a teacher and coach and his participation in the WSO. Jim nominated Marty Conrad to the Board of Directors. The nomination was seconded by Everett McGlothlin. The Board voted unanimously for Marty Conrad and welcomed Marty to the Board.

At 12:05 pm, the meeting adjourned for lunch at the Senior Center and reconvened at 1:46 pm.

2. Board Vice President: Jim Eggenberger referred to the By-laws and the terms of office. He stated that we should elect a Vice-president in July, 2008.

New Business:

1. January Meeting: It was moved by Della Works, seconded by Lonnie Harwood that the Board would conduct the January 16, 2008 meeting by conference call from 11:00 to 12:00 noon, following a reduced agenda. Board members will call Sheridan College at 11:00 am to establish the conference call. Hand-outs will be sent to each Board member prior to the meeting. The motion passed. (The Sheridan College number will be distributed to the Board members, also).
2. Athletes of the Year Nomination Form: Everett McGlothlin moved that the revised Nomination Form presented by the Secretary be approved with the addition that it reference the web site for past Athlete of the Year recipients. The motion was seconded by Jim Eggenberger and was approved.
3. National Senior Games Association Annual Conference: Della Works moved that Ken Konicek and Jim Eggenberger attend the January 24-27 conference with Bill Stone as an alternate. The motion was seconded by Everett McGlothlin and approved. Jim and Ken will be responsible for putting together a Wyoming Basket to be auctioned at the meeting.
4. Major Sponsor Proposal: Jim Eggenberger reported that he had received a proposal from NSGA suggesting a major sponsor be acquired to help fund each state's Senior Olympics. After polling the Board, Jim responded to NSGA that we would want to approve the sponsor and to exceed current sponsors, we would need \$7,500-\$10,000. There has been no response from NSGA. It was moved by Everett McGlothlin and seconded by Della Works that Wyoming remain autonomous from a major sponsor. Motion was approved.

Announcements:

1. Jim Eggenberger displayed an article in the Cheyenne Tribune-Eagle about the introduction of Pickle ball to the Cheyenne YMCA. Bill Stone was instrumental in starting pickle ball there and was commended by Jim.
2. Lonnie Harwood reported assisting with articles in the Evanston paper.
3. Ken Konicek reported he had been interviewed about the Senior Olympics and Winter Games.

Next Meeting: January 16, 2008 by conference call to Sheridan College.

Adjourn: 1:24 pm

Minutes prepared by Roger Wilson, Secretary