

Minutes for 2024 WIBCA General Membership Meeting 10/27/24-ZOOM

Welcome Introduction by President Joe Harris

Special Guest Andy Barnes of the WIAA

- The State Basketball Tournaments are in place in Tacoma, Yakima and Spokane for the next four years. Barnes said the WIAA is talking with officials at the Tacoma Dome regarding replacement of the basketball floors.
- Cindy Adsit of the WIAA is managing the names for the seeding committee. A meeting will be held soon with committee members.
- Sportsmanship will again be stressed to players and coaches in Washington State.
- Barnes said the transfer committee is still meeting and will be presenting their recommendations by the end of the year.

WIBCA Finances

- Executive Director Nalin Sood reported that WIBCA has a current balance of \$31,578.84 in our account. Our CD has a balance of \$20,880.
- Sood showed members the updated Operations Manual which can be seen on the WIBCA website.
- Sood reported the Liability insurance for our directors is set for renewal.

WIBCA Board Update

- The Executive Board has made the decision to increase the monthly stipend for Nalin Sood and Joe Harris.
- Nalin Sood-increase to \$750 per month.
- Joe Harris-Pay of \$150 per month.
- The Executive Board created Associate Board Member positions. Associate Board Members will be non-voting group members.

WIBCA Website

- Sood showed members the new resource page on our website. Coaches can send information to be included on the page. Link: <https://wibca.com/resources/>
- He also showed us the Hall of Fame Directory on the Website. Link: <https://wibcahalloffame.com/>

NHSBCA

- Sood reported that Joe Harris, Gary Wusterbarth and Joe Harris along with himself attended the NHSBCA national meeting last summer. He said the group sits on multiple different committees with the NHSBCA and the initiative that is below.
- He reported a huge initiative for NHSBCA, “The Value of Scholastic Coaches.” A lot of the initiative comes from the book “Take Back The Game.”

Membership

- Membership Coordinator Kellen Drake reported our current membership is 421. The new WSCA dues are \$50.00 annually.

Awards

- John Wooden Award-NHSBCA-Previous Washington State winners of the Award are Gavin Cree (2024) Gary Wusterbarth, and Jo Jo Mesplie. February 9th for the 2025 award winner
- The 2025 NFHS Coach of the Year Award winner is retired Mountlake Terrace head basketball coach Nalin Sood.

Baden Scholarships

- We had two winners and scholarship winners.
 - Braeden Salme of Adna High School
 - Landon Evenson of Ephrata High School
- Each will receive a scholarship of \$750.
- The Board will present a new scholarship in addition to the scholarships we already offer.
- The Gary Wusterbarth Community Service Scholarship Award is the name of the new scholarship award.

Hall of Fame

- Hall of Fame Coordinator Bruce Siebol showed membership the criteria used for Head Coaches nominated to the Hall of Fame.
- Siebol presented the nominees for Head Coaches to membership.
- Steve Johnson of Jackson High School was voted into the Hall of Fame by membership.
- Scott Orness of North Kitsap High School was voted into the Hall of Fame by membership.
- Assistant Coaches, John Felton of Eisenhower; Dave Pickering, Lake Stevens; Kent Victor, Lynden; Johnny Phillips, Mt. Lake Terrace; were all voted into the Assistant Coaches Hall of Fame.
- The late Jim March will receive the “Ed & Shirley Pepple Award.”
- Meridian High School coach Shane Stacy will receive the “Pat Fitterer You Gotta Love It Award.”
- Siebol encouraged membership to attend the Hall of Fame ceremony on July 15, 2025, at the Nile Shrine Golf Course in Mt. Lake Terrace. The Banquet is free to membership. Please let Siebol know by July 5, 2025, if you plan to attend.

Podcasts

- Kellen Drake has had six podcasts on our website since mid-July. The goal is to have two or three a month. Drake said he would investigate putting the podcasts on X.

WIBCA Showcase

- Coordinator Time Gaebe said the 21st annual Showcase will be held on May 3 & 4 at Bellevue Community College. Coaches can contact any of the coordinators in your area if you would like one of your players in the event.

Capital Development

- Tim Gaebe gave membership updates on our sponsorships. He encouraged membership to continue to support our sponsors.

Northwest Shootout

- Coordinator Bill Bakamus told members the game will be played on April 13, 2025, at Portland Community College. He said he is working with Clark Chen in putting together the event. Bakamus reported Washington has won ten of the last eighteen games.

Spring Clinic

- Joe Harris reported that the Chelan Coaches clinic will be held on May 17, 2025.

D-1 Event

- Sood reported that seventy college coaches attended the event last summer. We did get mostly positive feedback from Coaches, players, and parents. Next year's event is scheduled to take place June 21 & 22.

Coaches vs. Cancer

- Coordinator Gary Wusterbarth recommended that coaches appoint a "go-getter" parent to help with your event. Wusterbarth said it is important to sign up on the Coaches vs Cancer website. Please let him know the amount of money your school raised during your event.

All State Games

- An online form can be used on our website to nominate a player for the All-State team. Coordinator Connie Richardson said it is important to get information on each player as quickly as possible for the program.
- Sood said the executive board decided that even though we should work hard in naming one player of the year per classification, when the majority agrees, there could be co-players of the year.

Gary Wusterbarth made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Connie Richardson seconded it. It passed on a vote.

Respectively submitted,
Bruce Siebol
WIBCA Secretary