**WIN! Meeting Minutes for December 6 2015 (draft)**

**Roll Call at 4:09 pm at Steve & Lori’s home**

* Present: Lori Ellsworth, Steve Fuhrman, Lynne Nelson, George Schneider, Bill Reedy (via conference call)
* Absent: none

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

* Meeting minutes (<http://www.wallyball-info.com/WIN_BOD_INFO_PAGE.html>)
  + Previously approved after last meeting via e-mail; approved again 5-0

**On-going Business (Committee reports or on-going projects)**

* Status of Corporation
  + Treasurer report (Lori)
    - Checkbook balance - $2,923.92 (as of 10/31/2015)
    - Credit Card Charges – Minor additional charges coming
  + Upcoming bills (Steve/Bill/Lori)
    - Nothing significant at this time

**Wallyball Season and Tournaments for 2015-2016 – With possible dates**

* Iowa (Bill)
  + 11th Annual State Tournament – 3/4, 3/5, 3/6 2016
    - These dates should work; more details later
  + 9th Annual Combined Age Tournament – 1/23/16
    - Need to confirm date; may not work (may change to 1/16 or 1/30)
  + Leagues
    - 1 net broke and need to get it repaired. Plan to get the club (Eldridge) to pay for it.
* Minnesota (Steve/George)
  + Turkey Tournament – 12/12/2015
    - Registration full. Will be hosted at Crowne Plaza in Plymouth
  + 16th Annual Combined Age Tournament – 2/20/16
    - George to check with Lifetime Fitness in Fridley to confirm they are open and can host.
  + 34th MN State Tournament – 3/25, 3/26, 3/27 2016
    - Date Change – Reschedule for the weekend after (April 1, 2, 3) since this weekend is Easter.
      * George to check with Lifetime Fitness in Fridley to confirm they are open and can host.
    - Possible New King/Queen Format
      * Steve mentioned possible change to accommodate age groups better, especially if minimum number not met for that group. More details coming later when Steve proofs these minutes and makes changes.
  + Lifetime Fitness in Fridley will be hosting the US National Racquetball tournaments (October) for the next 5 years, which is a good sign that their racquetball courts will remain and not be converted to other uses.

**History timeline (George)**

* (up-to-date as of last meeting)

**T-shirts (Lori)**

* Do we want to have the same person design the shirts?
  + T-Shirt Committee to decide, but preliminary responses were positive to continue with same provider
  + Committee will present their selections to board later

**Promotion Ideas (Steve/Lori)**

* Grocery Bag: There are bags left over.
* Sport Bottle: There are bottles left over.
  + Lori/Steve to mail some to Bill for the Eldridge league awards.
* Should we keep these for future tournaments or maybe promotional items for open houses?
  + Extras to be sent to locations who have leagues (Iowa and Illinois).
* Do we look into getting something for the upcoming state tournaments?
  + Media Committee can make that decision.

**Board**

* Any suggestions on who we should get to join the board? We don't have a treasurer and we only have 4 board members not including Executive Director.
  + No suggestions at this time, but Steve is working on some possibilities

**New Business**

* Equipment purchases?
  + Nets
    - MN is OK; IA is repairing their broken one
  + Balls
    - IA (Eldridge) needs more. Steve to bring extras to Iowa for their upcoming tournaments.
* Reinvestment in clubs **(**Bill/George)
  + MN – Wallyballs
    - Several were donated last year to Lifetime Fitness in Fridley
  + Iowa – Court Netting – Wallyballs
    - Balls used in Iowa 2016 tournaments will be donated to Eldridge after those events
* Testing equipment – Steve
  + Tachikara blue/black/white ball is the current standard. Others tested did not work out well.
* Open Houses
  + 2 or 3 to be conducted in Iowa in 2016
  + Fargo, ND will also be another 2016 opportunity
  + 4 may be done in Minnesota:
    - Fridley
    - Moorhead
    - Alexandria
    - Plymouth
* Explanations of different formats
  + ***I’m not sure what this was about. Does anyone else know? Buehler, Buehler…..***
* Wallyball on FaceBook
  + ***I believe there was discussion that this is being undertaken, but I didn’t capture any notes on it. Buehler, Buehler…***

**Next meeting date**

* Tentatively plan during Iowa State Tournament (3/4-6/2016)

**Any other Business**

* Rules Committee is working on some videos demonstrating various levels of user skills. Will consist of a ranking of these types of skills (serve, setting, dig and hit)

**Adjourn Meeting at 5:37 pm**