2013 USA Powerlifting Massachusetts General Meeting

Agenda

1) Elected Positions
All Positions will serve a two-year term. At the end of every term nominations will be made for the open positions. All incumbents must be re-elected to their positions at the end of their two-year term.

Position	Nominees
State Chair (2014)	Joe Wencus (Incumbent until 2014)
Technical Secretary (2015)	Michael Zawilinski
Drug Testing Officer (2014)	Liane Blyn
Secretary (2014)	Eric Cordeiro
Athletes Rep. (2) (2014, 2015)	Joe Cappellino Al Fornaro (2014)
High School (2015)	Steve Davis
College (2015)	Zac Cooper

2) Unelected position(s): Shall be appointed by the State Chair.
    a) Webmaster
    b) Recordkeeper:
Need more people to enter records. Joe W./ Cordeiro will help with record keeping. Target someone to help enter records on a regular basis.

3) Adoption of By-Laws
    a) Creation of By-Laws to create stronger organization
When should we have a meeting? Regular meeting date to be scheduled. Tabled for the creation by USAPL Massachusetts E Board.
    b) Adoption of Robert's Rule's for state meetings. (Moved to the beginning of the meeting and Carried: unanimous)

4) Creation of a Massachusetts High School Powerlifting Association
    a) Creation of committee for MHSPA (Insurance, Costs?)
    b) Establishment of high School rules
Schools: XBHS, St Johns, CM, CCHS, Brighton(?)
Possible: Algonquin Regional, Springfield Central, Putnam VTHS, Franklin, Brockton,

Gain corporate sponsors to help pay for insurance and meet costs.

MHSPA to be established a year from August 2, 2013. (Voted on and Carried)

December 14th High School Powerlifting Seminar at ABT in Holliston to recruit high school coaches and lifters.

5) Meets

a) Permanent Calendar for upcoming meets (HS 2nd weekend in March, Mass Open 1st Weekend in June (Tentative), New England Dec. 15th, Boston Open (August/September)

b) Alignment with national calendar

c) Expanding to new meet locations

Possible places: Cressy, Bett Street?, North Hampton?)

6) American Open in Boston December 2014 hosted by Robert Keller

Get attention/ publications for meet

USAPL Massachusetts By-Laws

State Chair
The Position of State chair in Massachusetts is responsible for overseeing the development and implementation of USA Powerlifting's local competitions, state championships and state records.

Technical Secretary
The Technical Secretary is responsible for attending the technical meeting prior to the competition. Technical Secretary will compile the Referee schedules from the names of those referees declared available for duty throughout the competition. He will complete the necessary "Duty Referees" lists for the competition and inform referees of categories to which they have been allocated. The Technical Secretary will be available to answer question of state members within and out of meets. The Technical Secretary must be a state referee.

Drug Testing Officer
The Drug testing officer will enforce all drug testing protocols within the state. They will be responsible to answering questions within and out of the meet.

Secretary
The state secretary will be responsible for recording all action taken within the state meeting. The secretary will be responsible for notifying the membership of events.

Athlete Representatives
There are two athlete representatives that have alternating terms. The athlete representatives will be the voice of the membership. The athlete representatives will be available within and out of meets to deal with issues that arise from lifters.

High School and College Chair
The High School and College Chair will be responsible for helping to create a stronger relationship with the state's academic institutes. The High School and College Chair will be responsible for working with schools to develop viable plans that will help with the benefit of the sport.