

NY WSO Board Meeting – Sunday, March 23rd, 2025.

Zoom Meeting

The meeting was called to order by WSO President, James McDermott, at 7:19 pm

Board members present: Brian DeGennaro, Chris Smith, Michelle Woogen, James McDermott, and Joe Rodriguez. **Absent with notice:** Julia Falamas, Alyssa Garrison, Erica Caso, and Frank Ford.

Agenda:

General Items:

- WSO Records & National Meets.
- 2025 Hall of Fame Inductions (Vote).
- NY WSO Hall of Fame Masters Wing.
- WSO Records.

2025 NYS Championships Items:

- Competition Secretary.
- Champion Invitation Letters.
- New Medal Design.
- Planet Fitness Sponsorship.
- Electronics Organization (Vote).

Meeting Minutes:

General Items:

WSO Records & National Meets: James updated the board on a new initiative USA Weightlifting is undertaking regarding local records. A spreadsheet was sent to WSO Presidents to submit local records. These records will display on meet software at National events and display when one has been broken. Update: James has submitted all records to USAW to be used at the National Masters Championships.

2025 Hall of Fame Inductions (Vote): Discussion was had on inducting Joe Triolo and Stan Bailey into the main NY WSO Hall of Fame as Significant Contributors. James made a motion for induction, Chris Smith seconded. **All in favor – motion passed.**

NY WSO Hall of Fame Masters Wing: Discussion was had on the Masters wing of the HOF. James pointed out that the previously voted on pathway into the wing no longer works due to the split in masters weightlifting. The board will continue to discuss a new way for members to be featured in the wing.

WSO Records: The board discussed the record changes happening later this year again. Record standards haven't been posted by USA Weightlifting, but are expected well before the new weight classes go into effect in June.

NYS Championships:

Competition Secretary: Sara Soto has agreed to take on the competition secretary role helping with the electronics set up and paperwork. Discussion was had on training Michelle and anyone else interested in learning how to perform this role.

Champion Invitation Letters: James informed the group that letters to last year's champions are ready and will be mailed out at the mid to end of April along with flyers.

New Medal Design: The board reviewed the new medal design again. A potential issue was pointed out and James will contact the medal company asking more about the printing process.

Planet Fitness Sponsorship: The event has its first sponsor in the local Planet Fitness. An invoice has been sent to the regional manager and the details of the sponsorship are being worked out by James.

Electronics Organization (Vote): James discussed an idea on organizing the wires, button systems, and all necessary electronics for each competition platform in their own carrying cases. Joe recommended heavy duty rolling carry-on cases sold at Harbor Freight. James motioned for a budget of up to \$300 to purchase two cases, wire ties, labels, and any other materials needed to organize all the electronics. He'll be reimbursed if able to make the purchases in person or request USAW staff use the WSO card to make the purchases. Joe Rodriguez seconded. **All in favor –motion passed.**

Meeting adjourned at 8:12 pm.

Next Meeting: The General Membership meeting will take place on Sunday, April 27th, 2025 at 7:00 PM via ZOOM. Meeting information will be emailed to the membership in the April newsletter.