

N. C. W. C. A.
MEETING - 4/22/09
MINUTES

CALENDAR

Ed Ramirez reviewed the 2009 - 10 calendar. The starting date of November 16th may be moved one week earlier to November 9th. pending Section 8 approval. The reason for moving starting date earlier ; (1) to allow more flexibility in scheduling since we are losing one week due to post season scheduling. (2) to decrease the number of appeals regarding weight certification.

Discussion of the scheduling of the Dual Meet Playoffs. Tim Godoy suggested that we consider condensing tournament into one day. Also, should the tournament be scheduled weekend of the 22nd & 23rd, the 29th & 30th or spread out over both weekends. Straw vote (32 - 2) to schedule playoffs weekend of the 29th & 30th. Coaches vote May 12th. NIT will be scheduled the week of Jan. 19 - 22nd.

Discussion of scheduling matches or tournaments after post season play. Ed will look into it. It has been past practice. County Tournament will be the weekend before vacation.

WEIGHT CERTIFICATION

Mike Leonard proposed one site for weight certification. This might help in equal and better assessments. Junior Varsity could be scheduled for Friday and Varsity for Saturday.

Question regarding status of certifying at a weight instead of a weight class; Ed stated that safety committee did not approve , however it will move on to the next level.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Tom Maddock discussed finances. This was our best year in fund raising. However, some schools still do not contribute or not entire amount. Suggestion made to increase amount required from each school. Coaches not in favor of idea. Dan Guido stated that it was decided that those schools should be penalized and should be enforced to the following year. No scholarships, voting privileges and parents of wrestlers of those schools would have to pay for jackets and trophies.

\$8,500 from fund raising went for scholarships along with donor scholarships. Dinner was a success financially, thank you to Chris Critchley for a great job.

Expenditures; program printing \$2,200, refreshments at county tournament \$3,500. Trophies \$2,000 and jackets .

Recommendations: to eliminate paying for lunch at the county tournament (just breakfast items - this means brown bagging it coaches). Suggested we get prices from other places to see if cheaper and still provide some food.

Consider eliminating additional trophy at County Dinner to save money.

Some of the monies we saved will be used for coaches membership in Friends of L I Wrestling and the L I Wrestling Assoc. , coaches agreed.

Clothing sales for NCWCA was successful. Recommended to continue and increase. Need to receive Bids for clothing items. Recommendation made to purchase jackets for the County Champions instead of sweatshirts, coaches agreed.

STATE NEWS

Changes in the State Seeding procedures are still pending. Wrestlers may wear their school singlet in the placing rounds of the state tournament.

OFFICIALS

Tim Godoy expressed concern regarding how officials are selected for the county tournament. Recommended that we have a representative/liaison regarding the process. Also, as coaches we should tally the officials evaluations and submit our tally to them. I guess we need a liaison; any volunteers ?

WEIGH - IN PROCEDURES

Discussion of weigh - in procedures at tournaments. Should we weigh - in as a team and no one leaves until weigh - in complete. Should be enforced by tournament director and officials. Question; regarding wrestlers weigh - in late due to Driver Ed. or SAT's ? Result; discuss at each tournament regarding how to handle.

Mike Leonard proposed that the wrestlers sign the morning weigh - in sheet (need to change the form). This to ensure that coaches are following proper weigh-in procedures. Vote on May 12th.

ADDITIONAL PROPOSALS

Ron Abatelli is recommending a number of proposals for consideration . They were explained and discussed. They will be voted on at the next meeting. Proposals being voted on are the following:

- #1. Add two (2) wild cards to each weight class in County Tournament. Put at the spots that have a non - champion getting bye.
- #2. Seeding: break tie at point it occurs. Then go on with seeding. Use commons to break tie.
- #3. No points for wins over an out of state wrestler.
- #4. Each school get four coaches passes @ County Tournament. Coaches must be board approved for that school.
- #5. If a coach leaves out a match on a wrestler's record or adds one that does not exist; coach should be penalized. A coach present at the tournament sits in stands for one full round. (This is not for a math error).
- #6. 5th and/or 6th place wrestlers would be the wild cards. Match would be important and avoid forfeits. Wrestler must be entered with a record sheet.

MISC. ITEMS

Doug Axman requested a verification of coaches directory information; (e-mail address, phone number etc.) This is needed for effective communication. Please verify your information with Doug.

Damien Garcia will be the 2nd Vice - President of the NCWCA. Congratulations Damien.

Doug Axman will be the Secretary of the NCWCA, along with coordinating the coaches web site.

Tim Godoy recommended that we include 285 as a weight class in dual meets. Will be voted on May 12th.

Joe Catalanotto recommended that we draw the byes in the Qualifying Tournament. Discussion; some positives but also some negatives. Vote May 12th.

Two schools are requesting to opt up from Division II to Division I. LOCUST VALLEY and SEAFORD. (Seaford enrollment has placed them back into Division II. Joe Enea spoke on why he would like to move up. Ed spoke on behalf of Sal LoStrappo. Some discussion occurred regarding the topic. Ed Ramirez said after discussion with Section 8 officials; the NCWCA should decide the outcome. Therefore, a vote will take place on May 12th. The vote needs to be unanimous.

Submitted by
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