

NASSAU COUNTY WRESTLING COACHES ASSOCIATION

MINUTES MEETING ~ 5/20/09

CALENDAR

Ed Ramirez explain status of starting date. A decision will not be made until the beginning of June. Either November 9th or November 16th. First day of competition is December 2nd. There will be a Division II (8 & 11) Long Island Dual Meet Championship Tournament. It will be held on Saturday February 6th; weekend of the Division I Qualifiers.

WEIGHT CERTIFICATION

If starting date is November 9th; Weight Certification will be November 21st.
If starting date is November 16th; Weight Certification will be November 28th.
No practice allowed on the day of Weight Certification. However, it does count as a practice. Hydrostatic Testing will be scheduled based upon starting date @ Adelphi University.
Weight Certification will be at one (1) site. This should eliminate concerns when at two sites. We would like to certify Junior Varsity wrestlers the day before (Friday), Varsity Wrestlers on Saturday. However, any wrestler may certify on Saturday. Using Friday will help decrease the numbers on Saturday.

SEEDING CRITERIA ~ STATE TOURNAMENT

Ed reviewed the changes to the State Seeding Criteria. It will soon be posted on the Coaches Web Site.

OPTING ~ UP

Ed announced that Seaford and Locust Valley have been granted permission to opt up from Division II to Division I. This will be a two (2) year commitment. Criteria has been established regarding future teams opting up as well as requirements to stay up after two years. Sal LoStrappo expressed concern regarding the criteria.
Criteria: 1) Must win Division II County Tournament. 2) To remain in Division I, must finish in "top ten" of the Division I Tournament.

VOTING AGENDA

1. Addition of two (2) wild cards to each weight class in Division I County Tournament. They would be placed against a non - champion getting a bye. PASSED : 34 - 0.
2. Seeding; to break a tie at the point it occurs, using commons. PASSED : 32 - 0.
* The Seeding Committee (Russ Cellan - Coord.) are to work out the specific language.
3. Granting NO QUALITY POINTS for an out of state wrestler. Strong discussion; 1) difficult to distinguish between quality wrestling states and weaker ones. 2) Schools should not be penalized for defeating a quality out of state wrestler. PASSED : 29 - 11 4.
4. Penalizing a Coach ("a penalty box" @ County Tournament) for incorrectly adding or leaving off a match on a wrestler's record sheet. DEFEATED: 10 - 32 - 3.
5. 5th & 6th Qualifying Place Winners would be the wild cards. Discussion for modification, Seeding Committee will work out the specific language. PASSED : 39 - 0.

