



Sports Advisory Committee

Wrestling

Minutes of March 9, 2016

Call to Order by Bryan Smith, Chair at 9:00 am

Roll Call: 1A Rocky Nelson
2A Neil Osterman
3A Justin Hartman
4A Ryan Ridenour
5A Chandler Evans
AIA Tournament Coordinator – Dean Visser
AIA Assistant Executive Director – David Hines

1A Digger O’Dell - Absent
2A OPEN
3A Tim Williams - Absent
4A Bryan Smith
5A Robert DeBerry

Guests: David Gonzalez, Corey Whitten, Brian Raper, Vidal Mejia, Michael Bostwick, Casey Woodall

Minutes of March 10, 2014; Motion by Ryan Ridenour to approve, seconded by Rocky Nelson, (7-0) approved

Discussion Items:

- State Tournament
 - Besides an initial hiccup with the internet connection at the PVEC the tournament went off without a hitch. Dean Visser thanked all those who helped make it a very special experience for all the wrestlers, coaches and fans.
 - It was recommended that the AIA should look into the four tier Trackwrestling score clocks and have back up table clocks as well.
- OPC format – selected locations
 - The committee likes the present system of how the weight certification is working and want to keep it in place but would like to see how other states administrate theirs and discuss it more detail at the next meeting. It may be a good idea to invite some key ATC’ from around the state for their input.
- NWCA AZ State exceptions
 - There’s a concern from the committee regarding how the actual weigh ins are recorded and who should be the final authority regarding the accuracy of the weigh ins (officials, AD’s or coaches). It was recommended that each couch take a photo of the other schools actual weights on their phone for documentation purposes.



- Trackwrestling and duplication of results
 - The coaches need to clean up the duplication of results. It is ultimately the responsibility of the coaches to manage their schools records. It is recommended that for seeding purposes that only the wrestlers records from a sectioned tournament be used and that the host/home school be responsible for inputting the results from duals or multiples.
- Scheduling of regular season matches
 - The members of the sports advisory committee have volunteered to assist in making the schedules for regulars season matches. It will include the Phoenix area Northern Arizona and the outlying small schools (excluding the Tucson and southern Arizona area).

Action Items:

- Sectional tournaments and format
 - A motion was made by Bryan Smith and seconded by Neil Osterman. (6 for 1 against)
 - For Division I only - the sectional alignment would be an average of three (3) years history of each schools State team tournament results (no matter the Division).
 - Each school would then be ranked from 1 to 12 grouping 1, 8, 9 – 2,7,10 – 3, 6, 11 and 4,5,12. The remanding schools would be placed in a section by their geographical location. The final sectional placement would be approved by the Wrestling SAC after AIA staff proposes a couple of options.
- Seeding Criteria for Sectional and State
 - A motion was made by Rocky Nelson and seconded by Justin Hartman. (7 for 0 against).
 - The motion is to keep the common opponent within the seeding criteria as it was for the past season, however a Head to Head win will jump to that wrestler's position. This situation can be manually over road within the TW system. A task force made up by Bryan Smith and Brian Raper will define in detail how this will look and have it ready for the September workshops held in Chandler, Tucson, Flagstaff and the AIA offices.



- Placement of wrestlers into the State bracket
 - A motion was made by Bryan Smith and Seconded by Neil Osterman. (6 for 1 abstained).
 - The motion is to have 1 vs 4 and 2 vs 3 with the separation of the section placement on the State bracket based off of the #1 sectional seeds. The 3 and 4 selection of a possible sixth match will be determined by the sectional seed going into the tournament unless the two wrestled in the Section and then it would revert back to who won the Head to Head.

- Number of Invitational tournaments allowed per season be increased to five (5)
 - A motion was made by Rocky Nelson and seconded by Bryan Smith (7 for 0 against)

 - The motion is to increase the allowable invitational tournaments that a school team can have to five (5) and the Blackford Duals will NOT be an extra tournament but will be treated just like any other invitational tournament. The maximum number of opportunities remain at 12 total, including five invitationals.

- The makeup of the wrestling sports advisory committee
 - A motion was made by Bryan Smith and seconded by Chandler Evans. (7 for 0 against).

 - The motion is to have twelve (12) wrestling sports advisory committee members. The makeup would be at least one AD from each of the Divisions (I – IV) and no more than two (2) coaches from each of the Divisions (I – IV) The present members would stay on for 2016-17 and the additional members would be added beginning with recommendations from the wrestling coaches association for the eight coaches and the conferences for the four AD's.

- The annual coaches/ATC workshops will again be schooled in late September at Chandler, Tucson, Flagstaff and the AIA. Dean will contact Mike Moyer – Executive Director from the NWCA to attend.

Next meeting TBD

Meeting Adjourned @ 12:12 pm