

Minutes of the IHSA Wrestling Advisory Committee Meeting

April 20, 2011

The IHSA Wrestling Advisory Committee met at the IHSA Office, Bloomington, Illinois, on Wednesday, April 20, 2011, beginning at 10:00a.m. Committee members present were ,Ray Hagerty Chicago (Gage Park); Dan Jones, DeKalb; Mark Hahn, Carol Stream (Glenbard North); Tom Chiles, Galesburg; Doug DeWald, Leroy; Jeff Hill, Petersburg (PORTA); Allen Kirgan, Granite City; Ray Winesburg, Elgin; Mike Manahan, Bloomington and Craig Anderson, IHSA.

The minutes from April 21, 2010 meeting were approved.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. Item VI.A: Individual Tournaments

Recommendation: The wrestling advisory committee would like to have Thursday as the start of the 3A Individual wrestling tournament. Wrestling would start at 5:00pm with preliminary matches followed by the wrestle backs in Class 3A only. This would allow for 1A -2A preliminary rounds to begin on Friday morning at 8:30am with the schedule of remaining wrestle to follow as attached.

Rationale: This schedule would now be much more conducive for spectators, coaches, and wrestlers. The schools would not have to stay an additional night as the majority of the schools are already down on Thursday. All 3A schools were in attendance at the weight checks on Thursday afternoon in previous years. By having the two rounds of the 3A tournament starting at 5:00pm Thursday, it allows all three classes to start at the same point on Friday morning. This will also allow the state tournament to become a true wrestle back opportunity for all wrestlers the same way the Regional and Sectional tournaments are currently conducted. The Thursday-Friday-Saturday format falls in line with other 3 class individual state championships.

Tabled

2. Item V.B.1 : Tournament Seeding

Recommendation: Change seed meeting of regionals to Thursday night prior to the Saturday of the regional meet or later with IHSA administrator approval.

Rationale: The closer the seed meeting is to the wrestling meet, the more accurate entries. Depending upon travel for teams to the regional site, a Friday night or Saturday morning regional seed meeting may be necessary.

Approved by consent

3. Item VII. A. Class 3A Sectional:

Recommendation: Allow the 1st Alternate to be the loser to the 3rd place winner and the 2nd alternate to be the other semi-finalist of the consolation bracket.

Rationale: This clarifies who will be the first alternate and second alternate for the state meet in class 3A.

Approved by consent

4. Item VII. A. Note 3 : Tournament Seeding

Recommendation: If the qualifying tournament alternates are not available or can't make weight for the sectional or state tournament, then the other alternates in attendance at that weight class would get the opportunity to take that spot by virtue of a blind draw.

Rationale: Allows for full brackets to be formed at the Sectional and State tournaments.

Approved by consent

5. Item VIII. D. 6: Weight Allowance

Recommendation: Move the 2 pound growth allowance to December 25.

Rationale: This is still close to the first of the year and allows those who have made their scratch weight previously to wrestle in a holiday tournament with the benefit of the growth allowance.

Approved by consent

6. Item V. B. Seeding

Recommendation: Seed Sectional Complexes in geographic areas where it is feasible prior to Individual Regional seeding. This would be done on-line following the same protocol of our current bracketed team sports. Top 16 seeds in the complex would be divided amongst the four regionals as close to seed as possible with the remaining teams assigned to regionals by geography.

Rationale: This would help balance the quality of teams in the regionals and provide equitable opportunities for teams advancing out of the regional to the team sectional.

Rejected

7. Item V. B. Seeding

Recommendation: Seed Team Sectional by the four head coaches in that sectional through an on-line process following the regional tournament.

Rationale: This would allow for an equitable opportunity for sectional teams to advance to the state finals. No longer would the qualifying of teams to state be left to chance.

Rejected

8. Item X. B Awards

Recommendation: Award team placers (1 – 4) at the individual state championship.

Rationale: It would more excitement, spectators, interest to the state tournament. Potentially would have more champions than the team tournament championships. No time added to the tournament, just trophies and recognition.

Rejected

WEIGHT CONTROL PLAN RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. Weigh in Documentation:

Recommendation: From the first day of practice until December 24 a wrestler may wrestle at any weight class above his weight class listed on his certification roster. During this time the wrestler may not drop more than one weight class in any one week (Sunday through Saturday). If a wrestler chooses to continue to follow his descent after December 24th, he must follow the descent plan and must make the weight on the specified plan date listed on his certification roster.

Rationale: This will allow wrestlers to wrestle during the early part of the season while they acclimate to their weight class in making a descent in body fat percentage less 1.5% per week. This would allow wrestlers to wrestle during the early part of the season when they couldn't make their descent dates according to their body fat roster early in the season.

Rejected

ADMINISTRATIVE RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. If Terms and Conditions recommendation 1 passes above, the Individual State Tournament should be conducted with a true wrestle back format.

ITEMS OF GENERAL DISCUSSION:

1. NFHS Rule changes update on potential new weight classes
2. Passes (General Admission ticket) for alternates not entered at the state tournament.
3. Recognized outgoing Advisory Committee members, Jeff Hill Petersburg (PORTA) and Tom Chiles, Galesburg
4. Meeting was adjourned at 1:55 pm.

State Tournament Schedule 2011-2012 with True Wrestle backs

Thursday, February 16, 2012

3A	• 03:00 pm	Weigh-in
	• 05:00 pm	3A • Round 01 • Preliminaries 112 matches / 06 mats / 19 matches per mat Time: 02.30 hours
	• 07:30 pm	3A • Round 02 • Wrestlebacks 56 matches / 06 mats / 10 matches per mat Time: 01.20 hours
	• 09:00 pm	Wrestling concluded Total time of round/s: 03.50 hours

Friday, February 17, 2012

1A, 2A, 3A	• 06:30 am	Weigh-in
1A followed by 2A	• 08:30 am	Round 03 • Preliminaries 112 matches / 06 mats / 19 matches per mat Time: 2.30 hours
3A followed by 1A followed by 2A	• 11:00 am	Round 04 • Championship Quarter-Finals 04 matches per weight-class 168 matches / 06 mats / 28 matches per mat Time: 04 hours
	• 03:00 pm	Wrestling Concluded / Lunch Break
3A followed by 1A followed by 2A	• 06:00 pm	Round 05 • Quarter-Final Wrestlebacks 168 matches / 06 mats / 28 matches per mat Time: 04 hours
	• 10:00 pm	Wrestling Concluded

Saturday, February 18, 2012

1A, 2A, 3A	• 06:30 am	Weigh-in
1A, 2A, 3A	• 08:30 am	Round 06 • Third Round of Wrestlebacks 28 matches per class

Time: 02 hours

1A, 2A, 3A • 10:30 am

Round 07 • Championship Semi-Finals

28 matches per class

Time: 02 hours

1A, 2A, 3A • 12:30 pm

Round 08 • Semi-Final Wrestlebacks

28 matches per class

Time: 02 hours

1A, 2A, 3A • 02:30 pm

Round 09 • All-State Medal Round

1A • Third and Fourth

2A • Third, Fourth, Fifth and Sixth

3A • Third, Fourth, Fifth and Sixth

Time: 01.30 hours

• 04:00 pm

Wrestling Concluded / Dinner Break / Mat/Table Set-Up for Finals

1A, 2A, 3A • 06:00 pm

March of Champions

1A, 2A, 3A • 06:30 pm

Round 10 • Individual State Championship Matches

• 09:30 pm

Wrestling Concluded