

Guys, Please forward to your coaches.

Coaches, below are the items we discussed and I presented to you at our coaches meeting.

1. Board makeup:

At Large member eliminated (all schools required to enter through a qualifying zone)

NJ: reelected Jeff Buxton to a term ending 2015

VA: John Gordon will replace Steve Castle and serve the remainder of the VA term

TX: Charles Ferguson elected to a term expiring 2015

2. Board met with Travis Spencer and discussed possible ways to raise revenue:

Ads in a program

rebates from hotels

tournament sponsorship

3. Team and individual rankings will continue next year

4. All schools must enter the preps through a qualifying tournament

5. Added to school qualification to enter: must be a recognized varsity sport, must have a schedule posted on the school website prior to Dec 1, and must have at least one competition before the qualifying tournament

6. Officials will continue to be evaluated at the tournament

7. Schools having a 5th year wrestler on their squad who is not a PG will be counted in the high school scoring category

8. Tournament protest committee formed to review misinterpretation of rules, correct time or scoring errors. Judgment calls are not open to, protest, videos not allowable in protest

9. NPWMP: A wrestler qualifies for a weight class by either making scratch weight one time prior to the qualifying tournament (must be allowable by descent plan that date) or can make the weight class with the growth allowance one time prior to the qualifying tournament (must be allowable by the descent plan that date) as long as his initial weight certification allowed him to make scratch weight. For example: wrestler is certified as a 126 lber he can wait until the class becomes 128 and then make 128 (when descent plan allows) one time before the qualifying tournament.

10. NWCA - At the request of some coaches I researched with the NWCA to see if any states had a weekly descent plan that allowed more than a 1.5% weekly drop - none did. One state had a variance of .99 lb which meant if the descent plan allowed a wrestler to weigh 126.1 - 126.99 he could wrestle 126 that day. No state with a season long descent plan allowed for a wrestler who, for example, was a 126 to move up, wrestle a 132, and then be able to immediately go back down to a 126 without following a 1.5% weekly descent plan. Obviously the 126 could wrestle up and still be a 126 the next match if they did not go up past the weekly (or daily) descent allowance.

11. The board agreed to pursue a National Prep Hall of Fame to honor wrestlers, coaches, contributors I will gather info and present a proposal to the board and then to the coaches. Hopefully this could be inaugurated at the 2014 tournament

12. Coaches/parents will not be allowed access to the medical people conducting the skin checks. We will instruct the medical people not to have wrestlers dropping their shorts for a skin check

13. All teams are expected to enter their results next season on scorebook

14. Students whose school does not have a team are not eligible to join a team at a school that does offer the sport

15. We will strive to have the semi finals on two mats only

16. All wrestlers are expected to be ready to weigh in at the BEGINNING weigh in time (7:30) and should proceed to weigh-ins with their weight class. Once the last 285 goes through the weigh-ins the scales are closed. Wrestlers do not have the option of working out at Stabler past 7:29

17. 2013 dates: Feb 21-23