

WRESTLING ADVISORY MEETING

3/9/10

Attending were: Shon Horgan, Cory Schall and Scott Knowlen

Recommended A & B items:

1. That the 2% form figures be calculated to the tenth of a pound.

Recommended B items:

1. Be allowed to experiment with the following 12 weight classes or those recommended by NFHS; 105, 112, 119, 126, 132, 138, 145, 155, 167, 185, 205 & 285
 - a. Declining enrollment in schools that participate in wrestling.
 - b. Negative impact of forfeits concerning:
 - i. Dual results
 - c.
 - i. Negative fan response from too many forfeits
 - ii. Easier to fill tournament brackets
 - iii. Loss of matches for competitors
 - d. Status of wrestling with other sports
 - e. 14 weight classes are eroding the quality of the wrestlers filling varsity weight classes.
 - f. The inability to fill 14 weight classes in the smaller schools is having a negative impact on the programs in those schools. (More difficult to recruit wrestlers into programs that are becoming less competitive)
 - g. The larger weight differences between weight classes will discourage wrestlers from using the appeal form to drop to a lower weight class.
 - h. The weight classes chosen reflect the weights of the current wrestlers in the programs in our state.
 - i. We will increase fan support with programs that are filling more weight classes and are more competitive with one another.

Recommended A items:

1. Use 4 mats & 5 officials at region tournaments
 - a. Coaches prefer a one-day region, but hope for a more time efficient tournament.
 - b. Start tournaments earlier (9:00 AM?)

Administrative:

1. Consider using "Tokbox" (invited people only) to facilitate the electronic seeding process. Shon Horgan has some experience with meetings

State Tournament:

1. Compliments to the Metro Area Tournament Committee for administering the tournament and noted the weigh-ins and skin checks were very good.