

2/28/18 Wrestling Advisory Meeting

Discussion

1. Parade of athletes.
 - a. Mix results on the parade of athletes not being held
 - b. Notification that this is not a wrestling regulation change and will not be reinstated
2. Advisory members were all in favor of the new schedule at the state wrestling tournament.
3. New out of bounds rule
 - a. Dislike the rule as it changes technique from inside the circle wrestling and edge wrestling
 - b. Contact Justin DeCoteau – ND wrestling advisory member on the NFHS wrestling committee
 - c. Dave Wolding will research and possibly submit an NFHS rules proposal form.
4. 17 event limit
 - a. Raise the event limit from 16-17
 - b. Would help facilitate more duals and more interest in wrestling as the more home events the more chances to promote the sport
 - c. Triangulars cost home matches every 3 years hurting revenue
 - d. Class A adding Watford City puts a strain on the schedule for Class A west schools
5. 6 match limit per day if athlete has wrestled under 30 combined minutes
 - a. SD utilizes this rule and it work well
 - b. Eliminate East Region and West Region issues at the regional tournament
 - c. NFHS rule – losing Justin off the NFHS wrestling committee would make the acceptance of this rule very unlikely
6. Secede from the NFHS and establish rules for the good of ND
 - a. NFHS rules don't always pertain to what is good for ND wrestling (see item #4)
 - b. Losing Justin DeCoteau off the NFHS wrestling committee would make the acceptance of this rule very unlikely
7. Officials Survey
 - a. Transparency – let the results be known
 - b. Would it be possible for results be sent to region reps in order to help with complaints about the survey
8. Evaluation of officials
 - a. Evaluation system for wrestling officials like MN
 - i. MN has 24 employees and 2 designated for officials – ND does not have man power for such a system
 - ii. Alternative – Retired officials and coaches willing to assist the evaluation and professional development. This may eliminate bias and emotion from evaluation

- iii. Coaches need to be more professional when addressing officials
 - iv. Officials need to be more accepting of feedback from coaches and be less defensive in regards to feedback.
9. Skin Lesion Form
- a. Adding only MD, DO, NP, and PA's only medical professionals that can sign the form.
10. NFHS rules discussion
- a. Allowing evening weigh out for multiple day events – approve only if it is an option and not a mandate
 - b. Start all dual matches at 106 – in favor
 - c. Require all member school to participate in 4 dual per season – not a ND issue
 - d. Reduce the number of weigh classes to an odd number and do away with most of the tie breaking procedures – in favor but would like to see what the new weight classes would look like
 - e. Re-align existing weight classes – not in favor if no reduction in weight classes
 - f. Set different weight classes for sub-varsity wrestling – prefer to utilize round robin type of format – mostly interested in getting as much mat time as possible at JV level
 - g. Reduce weight classes for dual teams but leave the individual weight classes alone – agree to the concept but need to see a specific example
 - h. Require rosters to be submitted prior to dual and not allowed to change the line-up – not in favor

Propose Regulation Changes

1. Increase the allowable number of events per season from 16-17.

Rationale: See discussion item #3