

GCWCOA Minutes December 6, 2011

President – Jerry DesForges

Vice President – Adam Hoon

Secretary – Jim Behrens

Senior OWCA District Rep – Todd Vennis

Junior OWCA District Rep – Tony DiGiovanni

Meeting called to order at 7:30 by Jerry DesForges

Members introduced themselves with 28 members in attendance.

Treasurer's Report

Dave said we currently have \$7549.26 in our account. We have 90 paid members

We also have gift cards to be given out by random draw during the meeting.

This month the cards are from Subway.

As the meeting progressed, the names drawn were:

Toby Dunlap, Greg Urbas, Dave Mariola Sr

Vice Presidents Report

Adam is working to develop an easy way for coaches to select a Top 25 list.

His idea is to keep it as simple as possible.

There are approximately 120 schools in the PD coverage area.

Secretary's Report

Jim reported the latest news he had on Santos Cageao. He is recovering very well and hopes to be on the mat soon.

Also we received an anonymous donation of \$500 for the Al Carroll Scholarship per John Duplay.

Official's Representative Report

Absent

District Rep's report

Todd Vennis told us that the State Duals are seeded on line.

The next meeting for the Representatives will be the night before the State tournament starts.

Any proposals will be discussed at the January meeting of the GCWCOA

Hall of Fame nominees will be selected at the last meeting of the year.

USA Wrestling

The FILA events are back in Akron.

They will be held on May 31, June 1, June 2.

Chris Kallai spoke of the raffle prize that USA Wrestling has. They are raffling off a 42x42 foot mat with the drawing at the state freestyle tournament to be held (if I understood the dates correctly) on May 12 and 13, 2012.

There will be a minimum of 100 tickets and a maximum of 250 tickets sold at \$100 per ticket.

See Chris if you are interested in buying a ticket.

Old Business

Ron Alexander JV Tournament---Todd Vennis

-We need workers for the tables

- Geneva and Perry (Lake County) will supply mats
- 12 teams are entered as of now
- Todd asked that each school donate one roll of mat tape
- Spire Institute requires that we be insured for the event so we are looking at several options including USA Wrestling.

Tony DiGiovanni spoke about some information that brings to light the fact that the data the NFHS used to formulate the new weight classes is flawed.

The question is, what do we do now?

He stated that the petition to go back to the old classes is available on line. If you feel that this is the best move, please sign it.

Dick Bliss said that Dr Ross (OHSAA) has stated that, under no circumstances will the OHSAA go against any NFHS rule. The only possible change will have to come from the NFHS.

Toby Dunlap pointed out that the members of the national rules committee are all pictured in the rule book.

The membership directed the Secretary to try and obtain contact info for the members of the committee so that they might be made aware of the groups thoughts and ideas.

Nominations for Vice President for 2012-14

None

Guest Speaker

Brian Malloy Kenston D2 Coach of the Year

Brian said that the greatest joy for him is in being able to work with the kids.

He said that receiving the award was a true surprise as 2010-11 was a very difficult year for him with the health issues he had.

He said that the award should be shared because his coaching staff deserved far more credit than they received.

He stated that it is his belief that good rivalries make for good friendships.

Rules Refresher

Toby Dunlap passed out a handout with the basics of the rules changes.

We have an entirely new rule, Rule 11, which deals with team duals competition.

The 2" line at the edge of the wrestling surface is now IN bounds.

Figure 11 on page 66 of the rule book shows some common in and out of bounds situations.

There are all new weight classes now starting at 106 pounds.

Per Rule 6-2-2, the wrestler who has choice in the second period MUST now report to the table first. Anything else is not reporting in the proper order.

The Figure 4 is now an illegal hold when applied around the head, body, or both legs.

The next meeting will be at Bedford on January 3.

Meeting adjourned at 8:19

Respectfully submitted

Jim Behrens
Secretary
GCWCOA