



**NEW YORK STATE PUBLIC HIGH SCHOOL  
ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION INC.  
WRESTLING COMMITTEE  
STATE WRESTLING COMMITTEE**



**MINUTES:**

**FALL MEETING- NYS PHSAA OFFICE**

**09/30/15**

In Attendance:

NYS Chairman	Marty Sherman	
Section 1 Chair	Jamie Block	Valhalla HS
Section 2 Chair	George Chickanis	
S2 Asst. Chair	John Vishneowski	Ravena/Coe/Sel.School
Section 3 Chair	Brad Hamer	
S3 Asst. Chair	Bill Kays	Mexico High School
Section 4 Chair	Rick Armstrong	
S4 Asst. Chair	Rick Gumble	Chenango Forks HS
Section 5 Chair	Bill Hadsell	Geneva High School
S6 Asst Chair	Israel Martinez	Niagara Falls HS
Section 7 Chair	Gary Edwards	Peru High School
S7 Asst Chair	Rob Witkiewicz	Elizabeth-Lewis School
Section 8 Chair	Ed Ramirez	Baldwin High School
Section 9 Chair	Jeff Cuiltly	Walkill High School
Section 10 Chair	Randy Morrison	Gouverneur High School
Section 11 Chair	Matt DiVincenzo	Comsewogue
S11 Asst Chair	Bob Panariello	Islip High School
CHSAA Asst	George Dlugolonski	Chaminade HS
PSAL Chair	Ken Bigley	
PSAL Ast Chair	Larry Cantor	PSAL Headquarters

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Guests:

NYS Exec Dir	Robert Zayas	
NYS Asst Dir	Todd Nelson	
NYS Asst Dir	Joe Altieri	
Director Commun	Joe Agostinelli	
NYSWOA	Frank Marotta	
NYSWOA Pres	David Essex-S2	
NYSWOA	Dick Meldrum	
NYSWOA	Fred Brown	
Past Chairman	Don DeBadts	
Spec Prog Coord	Kristen Jayden	
Intern	John Paulson	
Intern	Tyler Mochrie	
<u>Absent:</u>		
S5 Asst. Chair	Lou Lombardo	
Section 6 Chair	Mike DeBarbieri	
S8 Asst Chair	John Mankowich	Jericho HS
S9 Asst Chair	Lou Chartrand	Onteora HS
CHS Chair	Dave Ironman	Msgr Farrell
CHS Asst Chair	Mike Messore	St. Francis HS
PSAL Ast Chair	Lance Hermus	PSAL Headquarters

CC-Not in attendance (listened in on Conference Call)

**AGENDA: (Blue highlighted items= new information for 2015-16)**

**(Red highlighted items= action needed between now and next meeting)**

**I. Introductions**

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**II. Robert Zayas:**

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**III. Todd Nelson:**

- a. Jeff Cuiltly-S9 will email: Weight Certification Dates and Sectional Dates & Sites documents for completion and will forward to Todd when all sections reply.
- b. Regional Consultants will meet with TrackWrestling to review procedures.
- c. Parent Awareness Form (Form is online under: Sports..Winter..Wrestling..2015-16 Documents.. Weight Certification School Manual –page 5) As of 9/8 only the 2014-15 Manual was online. Document will be on NYS PHSAA site when it is updated. Approved Assessor list will be updated by Nov 1.
- d. TrackWrestling’s Weight Certification Program will be used again this season.

### **III. Todd Nelson (continued):**

- e. Revised Skin Form: Request to put the date of the current season in the main title of the form on the first page. **Current form on NYSPHSAA website is Oct 2014, once approved on October 22, it will read October 2015.**
- f. Championship programs (**requests for history book to go back to larger photos of champs**). If brackets are omitted, this saves pages. Brackets could be sold separately (updated by round).
- g. **Sportsmanship T-Shirts: Names and sizes need to be turned in at the State seeding meeting.**
- h. Wrestling Handbook-Once NYSWC approves final changes today (Item VIII below), Jeff Culty-S9 will send Todd the updated handbook to be posted online and sent out for statewide distribution to all coaches and Athletic Directors.

### **IV. Joe Altieri**

- a. Distributed the NYS 7-year calendar: Wrestling is week #34 each year
- b. Each sport is now to have a recording secretary: NYSWC will use: Jeff Culty-S9
- c. Encouraged more applications for NYSPHSAA Hall of Fame.
- d. Hotel assignments will be issued at the January 2016 meeting.  
**Sections requesting the same sites for next year are: Sections 1,2,3,4,5,7,8,9,10,11,CHS Sections 6 and PSAL would consider the new hotel.**  
Officials wish to remain at the Hampton and request no teams be lodged there.  
Price: Downtown Hilton is \$138 and the New hotel price is \$139
- e. CP Sportswear has current bid for event merchandise. Currently soliciting bids from vendors/sponsors for non-event equipment booth at NYS Tournament. Bids will be accepted up thru January 31, 2016. Worldwide Sports will be bidding again.
- f. EZ Flex will be mat sponsor again and will again have the mats at the state tournament available for sale. They will provide NYS with two brand new mats for the event.

### **V. Joe Agostinelli**

- a. **Updating NYS Wrestling Records on the NYSPHSAA website:**  
**Additions/changes must be done on the record reporting form and sent to Joe Agostinelli for updating on the database.**  
Go to NYSPHSAA.org and click on: Sports..Winter..Wrestling..Record Book  
(Form will be at top of page just before the actual records begin)
- b. Joe will handle all media requests for Times Union Center. **Online websites will no longer be granted passes.** Weekly or daily newspapers only.

### **VI. FRANK Marotta / Steve Dalberth - (NYS Officials)**

- a. 2016 State Tournament Officials Nomination Procedure: The official will still be required to submit the blue form to the Sectional Chairman. Upon receipt, chairmen should notify Frank immediately if there are any problems with any of the names being submitted from your section.  
**Recommendation that Chairmen submit official's evaluations from their Sectional offices to the officials screening committee. Chairmen would need to submit the 2014-15 ratings for the season just completed for evaluation of the 2015-16 tournament officials.**
- b. Process for Upstate Chapter of National Wrestling Hall of Fame nomination process (form **attached**). Nominations due by 12/1. Congratulations to Jeff Culty-S9 on this year's induction.
- c. David Essex: Comments on rule interpretations for upcoming season. October 17 is NYSWOA interpretations meeting in Syracuse. Chairmen are invited to attend. Folder from the meeting will be put on the NYS website.

## VII. TrackWrestling Reporting Updates:

- a. Jeff Cuiilty contacted Justin Tritz at TrackWrestling over the summer to address the following items that came up during the season, or were requested at the Spring meeting. Responses are show in blue as follows:
  1. How to enter a dual meet team score when an ineligible wrestler is used and a team must forfeit the meet. The "Legal" team will defeat the team with the ineligible wrestler by a score of 1-0 but the results of the individual matches that the ineligible wrestler did not compete in will stand and should be entered.  
"A coach can click on Edit Dual and select the winner and enter the final score so that would take care of this item."  
How to make sure that when wrestlers have the same name, that the correct wrestler is earning Competition and Placement points when the post season seeding reports are run. Also- will the point values in the system now (from last year) be automatically erased, so new values can be entered this year? Example: A wrestler who had points associated with them in 2014-15 does not qualify for states in 2015-16, but when someone beats him this year the wrestler who beat him will be earning last year's point values instead of earning zero points.  
"After we have updated the wrestlers with points based on the excel document you provide, you will be able to review them to ensure that everyone is listed correctly. Regarding last year's points, it is a clean slate this year. Nothing from last year will effect this year."
  2. For 2015-16 it is requested that all coaches can see the certified weights of all wrestlers in the state. (Skinfold measurements and body fat percentages should be kept private, but the certified weights need to be made available). "We will add this to our list of things to update for next season."
  3. A drop down list of tournaments is requested. During 2014-15 the same tournament was listed under different names which caused confusion for coaches attempting to enter data. "This is an education thing. When someone enters an event into the system, they are prompted to select the existing event based on dates and state, so that list has nothing to do with spellings. For whatever reason the coaches must be creating a new event rather than selecting the one that is available to them in that list. This should be communicated to them to be sure to check that list before creating a new event." **Chairmen should tell coaches in their section, who host a tournament that they are required to enter the exact name of their tournament into Trackwrestling. If you are not a host: YOU SHOULD NOT ENTER THE NAME OF THE TOURNAMENT. You should wait until the host school enters the event. Once done non-host schools will be able to select it from a drop-down menu.**
  4. In matches where a wrestler is injured, the match should be recorded as an injury default. If a wrestler cannot compete and does not take the mat, then the result is a forfeit. There are no Medical Forfeits in HS. The request is to see if the Medical Forfeit option can be removed from the drop down choices for NYS. "This would have to be another education thing. We cannot take it out of the list of win type options because those win types are used across the country and there are states that use it. We could treat a medical forfeit the same as a forfeit for seeding purposes in NY though."

## **VII. TrackWrestling Reporting Updates: (continued)**

5. State Wrestlebacks-Computer software does not seem to have the ability to keep two wrestlers from meeting twice before they meet in the medal round. We want the ability to manually move semifinal losers going into the consolation semifinals so they do not face someone they already wrestled before the final placement round. "This is easy to do. You can open a bracket, click a bout number, and use the drop box to change who is on a line on the bracket. This makes this kind of change easy."
  6. Request that TrackWrestling accept results from other software programs (such as EscapeSports). Coaches are spending considerable amounts of time having to enter tournament results, when software other than TrackWrestling is used. "The advantage to TrackWrestling is having everything on the same platform. We merged our platform with the NWCA weight management system because of the logistical nightmare of trying to manage all of the data on different platforms. This is not something we would want to go back to in any way."
- b. Chairmen should check the attached list of team names in the TrackWrestling and report back if any changes are requested for 2015-16. (TrackWrestlingNWCA-NYS-TeamNames-2015-16 list).
  - c. In the fall, coaches need to be told that the name they enter on the weight certification sheets will be the name that shows up for the entire season on the TrackWrestling database.
  - d. Jeff Culty-S9 will send the DataEntry Instructions manual for using TrackWrestling prior to the start of the season.

## **IX. Handbook Committee Report: (Marty Sherman / Jeff Culty-9, Frank Marotta)**

The Wrestling Handbook Committee did not need a Conference Call this year as only minor changes from last year were needed. The final wording for the proposed changes for this year. NYSPHSAA will again publish: The "2015-16 Program of Wrestling" guide book to include these changes. The new publication will be mailed to all Athletic Directors and coaches.

Minor changes were added to the handbook to reorganize and "clean-up" some of the language.

**All of the PENALTIES that could be invoked for rule infractions are now all together in the same section on Page 28. Chairmen must review Page 28 with their coaches at their fall meetings.**

New additions are as follows: Red= previously discussed and will be added this year  
**All the updates listed below will not be discussed at our meeting. Assume they will be added to the Handbook as is. We will only discuss concerns that Chairmen have about these items, so please review them ahead of time.**

Page 5: (re-worded)

### **WEIGHT CLASSES (continued)**

No wrestler may wrestle in a weight class that they are in excess of. The weight class may vary from day to day (due to additional pound allowances), but once the weight class for the day is established, no wrestler may wrestle at the weight class if they are in excess of it. Example: Wrestlers in excess of 285 lbs. are not eligible for exhibition bouts with other wrestlers in excess of 285. However: If due to an additional pound the weight class for the day was  $285+1=286$  and the wrestler in question weighed 285.5 that day, they would not be in excess of 286 and could wrestle that day.

## VIII. Handbook Committee Report: (continued)

Page 13: (Last minute addition for this year)

**Varsity Events following JV events (and vice-versa):** Varsity and JV events are to be treated as separate entities with respect to allowing additional pounds. Example: If a wrestler participates in a JV tournament on a Friday, then a Varsity Tournament or dual meet on Saturday, there should be no extra pound allowed for Saturday's Varsity event. Tournament directors need to clearly identify if the tournament is a JV or Varsity event prior to the event. Just because there may be some individual Varsity wrestler's entered in a JV event, it should not be labeled as A Varsity event so as to take advantage of getting an extra pound the next day, or for inflating W-L Varsity records for post-season. If it is a JV event, it should be labeled as such.

Page 16: (Possible change: to be determined at today's meeting)

### **Schools are cancelled:**

(Snow days are treated like competitions with respect to extra pounds)

Situation 3: Dual – Snow Day – Tournament

Thursday: Regularly scheduled Dual Meet: +0 for the dual meet.

Friday: Snow Day (No school)

Saturday: Tournament: All teams get +1 allowance (This should be +2)

Page 27: (new)

### **Forfeits effect on seeding:**

Wins and losses by forfeit count for seeding but wins and losses by forfeit do NOT count as head to head wins. However, a wrestler who wins by forfeit will earn any available Seeding Competition Points for the win. (The logic is that there should be some type of penalty to keep wrestlers from not wrestling).

Page 30: (new)

## **OFF-SEASON WRESTLING**

When wrestling in the off-season:

- 1- There can be no school affiliation. (No formal school name, no school uniform, no school transportation).
- 2- Participation cannot be mandated and no one can be excluded from participation.
- 3- Any coach can coach the off-season team.
- 4- If there are violations, the NYSPHSAA is not responsible for issuing penalties. Penalties are to be handled by the Sections and Leagues. Penalties could consist of sanctions, suspensions, etc.

## VIII. Handbook Committee Report: (continued)

### Page 28: (Penalties: To be reviewed will all coaches at the Fall meetings)

#### **PENALTIES FOR EXCEEDING MAXIMUM NUMBER OF POINTS:**

If a wrestler exceeds the maximum points **or tournaments** permitted (as explained on Page 7) at any time during the season, the wrestler will be ineligible for the remainder of the season. In addition, the coach of the wrestler who exceeded the maximum number of points or tournaments will be suspended from the team's next previously scheduled competition and could be subject to additional penalties by their Sections Athletic Council.

If the individual exceeds the maximum points in a dual meet competition, the team will forfeit the match, the individual will lose by forfeit, but the individual performances of all the other matches would stand. If the individual exceeds the maximum points in a tournament competition, the team will earn zero team points, the individual will lose all matches competed in by forfeit, but the individual performances of all the other matches would stand.  
NYSPPHSAA HANDBOOK.

#### **PENALTIES FOR ALLOWING UNAUTHORIZED ADDITIONAL POUNDS:**

Should a Sectional Chairman become aware of two teams allowing an extra weight allowance for any other reason, not specifically covered by the Additional Pound section above the following procedures will apply:

Dual Meet: The teams will both forfeit the dual meet. The weigh in sheet will be used to determine which individual wrestlers receive forfeit wins and losses. Each individual wrestler who accepted the extra pound will receive a loss on their individual records. Any individual wrestler who did not take the unauthorized extra pound will not be penalized and their individual match performance will stand.

Tournament: If a tournament allowed an unauthorized additional pound, all teams who had at least one wrestler accept the unauthorized pound will receive a team score of zero. The tournament weigh in sheets will determine which wrestlers accepted the unauthorized pound and their matches will be forfeited.

#### **PENALTIES FOR INELIGIBLE WEIGHT CLASS**

After a dual is wrestled, it is found out that a team used a wrestler at a weight lower than his/her certified weight (or at a weight above the State minimum weight: (Example: 8<sup>th</sup> grade 85 pounder wrestles at 99 and does not meet the 91 pound minimum), the team forfeits the dual meet and the wrestler takes a loss on his/her record. The won/loss records of the other wrestlers who wrestled in the dual meet are not affected and the results of their individual bouts stand. (NYSPPHSAA Handbook-Penalties). **If the ineligible wrestler was competing in a Dual Meet tournament, the team would forfeit all Dual meets that the ineligible wrestler participated in. The ineligible wrestler would take losses for every bout they wrestled that day which could result in a maximum penalty of going 0-5 if they had 5 matches.**

If, while a dual meet is in progress, it is discovered that an ineligible wrestler has competed, the dual meet becomes a forfeit. However, the meet will be wrestled to its conclusion so that the win/loss records of the other wrestlers who competed in the dual meet are not affected.



## VIII. Handbook Committee Report: (continued)

Page 31: (Modified Points)

### MODIFIED

**Game Conditions:** See chart p. 139, 2015-2016 NYSPHSAA Handbook.

1. A contestant (or team) may participate in competitions not to exceed **14** points during their season. Points assessed to competitions are as follows:
  - a) 1 Point Meets are any competitions where a wrestler or wrestlers compete in one or two bouts.
  - b) 2 Point Meets are any competitions where a wrestler or wrestlers compete in 3 bouts.
2. No contestant (or team) can accumulate more than **10** points out of the maximum **14** points allowed via 2 point contest, **so no contestant (or team) may have more than 5 of the 3 bouts in a day type of competitions.**
3. No contestant (or team) can accumulate more than 3 points per week.

**Examples of Points:**

# of contests	# matches at the contest	Total matches wrestled	Total points charged
5	3	15	5 x 2=10
4	2	8	4 x 1= 4
		<b>23</b>	<b>14</b>

**= Max pts allowed**

# of contests	# matches at the contest	Total matches wrestled	Total points charged
14	2	28	14 x 1=14
		<b>28</b>	<b>14</b>

**= Max pts allowed**

**IX. Seeding/Forfeit Committee Report: Jeff Culty, Ed Ramirez, Bill Kays, John Vishneowski**

- a. Seeding Mechanics document Draft for 2015-16 (**attached**).  
**Please review before the conference call.** Changes (in red)

**NYS COMPETITION POINTS TABLE  
 2015-16**

- A wrestler who defeats a NYS placewinner from either D1 or D2 last year will earn the points listed in the following table.
- A spreadsheet entitled: **Results-14-15-ALLSections** will be supplied to all Sectional Chairmen. This spreadsheet lists all Sectional and NYS Placewinners from last year, alphabetically by school. The points earned by beating one of them are shown.
- There is no cap on the maximum number of times you can earn Competition Points for beating the same wrestler. The Competition Points are earned every time that you beat them.
- The only exception to the cap is if you defeat a NYS Qualifier (Section Champ or At-Large winner) from the following Sections with less than 12 teams with rosters of 15 or less.  
**D1 Sections: 4,7, 10 and D2 Sections: 7,8,9,10,11, PSAL**
- A wrestler can only earn 5 points for defeating a NYS Qualifier (Section Champ or At- Large winner from these Sections. However if the wrestler from these Sections was a State Place winner they would earn the Competition Points listed in the chart for the appropriate State Place (every time they beat them) . If they defeated the same wrestler more than once, they only earn the 5 points for the first victory.
- Wrestlers earn Competition points for defeating a wrestler who placed at the State last year, or who has qualified to wrestle at the States this year.
- A wrestler who wins by forfeit does earn any available Competition Points for the win. (The logic is that there should be some type of penalty to keep wrestlers from not wrestling)
- No credit is given for defeating “Out of State” State placewinners as it was felt it would be too difficult to verify these points

Last years NYS Tournament	COMPETITION POINTS earned for current year
<b>1st Place</b>	<b>38</b>
<b>2nd Place</b>	<b>30</b>
<b>3rd Place</b>	<b>26</b>
<b>4th Place</b>	<b>22</b>
<b>5th Place</b>	<b>18</b>
<b>6th Place</b>	<b>14</b>
<b>7<sup>th</sup> or 8<sup>th</sup> Place*</b>	<b>10</b>
*This round is not always contested but a list of both wrestlers who reached the round will be supplied.	
Current years Sectional Tournament	COMPETITION POINTS earned for current year
<b>Section Champ</b>	<b>10 *</b>
<b>“At-Large” winner</b>	<b>6 *</b>
<b>D1: Sections: 4, 10</b> <b>D2: 7,8,9,10,11, PSAL</b>	<b>5 *</b> (can only earn this once)

**Prior to 2015-16:**  
 If Sec Champ and runner up met 3x and Champ won 2 of the 3:  
 When Sec runner up beat Sec Champ during the year- they got 10 pts  
 Yet when Sec champ beat runner up twice, they only got 5x2 = 10 pts

**From 2015-16 onward:**  
 Sec Champ now gets 6x2 = 12 pts for beating the runner up twice.

\*- Points for Section Champs and “At-Large” winners will not be know until all Sectional tournaments have been concluded and all “At-Large” Qualifiers have been announced.



## **IX. Seeding/Forfeit Committee Report: (continued)**

**Please review before the conference call.** Changes (in red)

### **NYS TOURNAMENT SEEDING CRITERIA**

#### **Procedure I: Initial Point Ranking**

- 1.-Returning state champs will automatically be placed as the first seed** and remain in the top position, unless another wrestler on the board can jump them with a Head to Head win.
- 2. Returning Place winners (top 3) will automatically be placed as next available seeds** and remain in the next position, unless another wrestler on the board can jump them with a Head to Head win. If the wrestler is jumped by a Head to Head loss, the wrestler loses their automatic placement and moves back to their original position based on their point value. **When listing the Returning Place winners (Top 3), Returning Champs are listed first, then the Returning 2nds and 3rds are listed by their Point totals.**
- 3. Protected Wrestlers:** Any wrestler who is undefeated and whose initial point value ranks them in the Top 8, will be considered protected wrestlers. They will keep their position on the board and they can only be jumped by another undefeated wrestler. (See Scenario #6, #7, and #8 below). **For an undefeated wrestler to be considered “Protected”, they must have wrestled 20 or more matches and the required 6 competitions on 6 separate dates. If they did not have the required 6 competitions on 6 dates, they may have received a waiver to compete in the post-season, but the waiver will not grant them criteria to earn “Protected” status.**

#### **Procedure II Head-To-Head Competition** (Common Opponents are not part of the criteria)

**The criteria for Head to Heads (as listed below) is first applied to the returning Place winners (top 3) and Protected wrestlers, that are listed at the top of the ranking order. They are seeded as their own group. However, if after applying the criteria to this group, if someone in this group can be jumped the wrestler who was jumped then moves to the Unprotected Pool in their rank order by points.**

1. Defaults and Disqualifications count.

**Forfeits do not count for Head-To-Head wins**

7. In head-to-head situations where opponents met an odd number of times, the wrestler with the best record in these matches will receive the higher seed. When the wrestlers met an even number of times the wrestler with the best record in these matches will receive the higher seed. If

**Jeff Culty will update document based on changes agreed upon at today's meeting and send to Chairmen for statewide distribution.**

**X. 2016 Tournament formula for “At Large” Qualifiers (Jeff Culty)**

At-Large Sub-Committee: Marty Sherman, John Vishneowski-2, Bill Kays-3, and Jeff Culty-9,

At-Large points still earned by the same 4 criteria as follows:

Changes to be approved are in red:

1. Current Season Record: The maximum point value that can be earned for the difference in wins and losses for the current season record will be **35 points**.

2. Placement Point & Levels: -

Proposal would be: (based on 2013-14 wrestling school enrollments)

**DIVISION 1:**

**Level A:** 16.00% & above of the Division’s total schools

**Level B:** 6.00% & above but below 16.00% of the Division’s total schools

**Level C:** 4.00% & above but below 6.00% of the Division’s total schools

**Level D:** Below 4.00% of the Division’s total schools

	<b><u>DIVISION 1</u></b>	<b><u>DIVISION 2</u></b>
<b>Level A</b>	<b>Sections: 8,11,P</b>	<b>Sections: 2,3,4,5,6</b>
<b>Level B</b>	<b>Sections: 1,2,3,5,6,9</b>	<b>Sections: None</b>
<b>Level C</b>	<b>Sections: 4,C</b>	<b>Sections: 1,9</b>
<b>Level D</b>	<b>Section: 10</b>	<b>Sections: 7,8,10,11,P</b>

“Premier” Wrestlers: from D2-Sections 7,8,10 or 11 will be identified as follows:

- 1-They placed 2<sup>nd</sup> in their Section for the current season.
- 2-They had 5 or less total losses on their final record (including post-season)
- 3-They had 25 or more wins than losses on their final record (including post-season)

Once identified the “Premier” wrestler will use this Level D Sectional Point Value Table for Premier Wrestlers. Federation wrestlers who meet all three criteria listed above for “Premier Wrestlers” can be included in the At-Large procedure. CHSAA Premier wrestler’s will use their normal LEVEL C chart, PSAL wrestlers will use their normal Level A chart for D1 and this Level D (chart above) for D2.

3. Update on Power Point tables for 2015-16:

Last years 2014-15 D1 results:

D1-Top: S#’s 11,8,2,1 Middle: S#’s 5,6,9,4 Bottom: S#’s C,3,P,10

**This years 2015-16 D1 results:**

**D1-Top: S#’s 11,8,1,5 Middle: S#’s 2,6,C,9 Bottom: S#’s 4,3, P,10**

**Changes between Ranges: None**

Changes within ranges as follows: Middle: CHSAA jumps ahead of S9

Last years 2014-15 D2 results:

D2-Top: S#’s 5,4,3,6 Middle: S#’s 2,1,7,10 Bottom: S#’s 11,8,P,9

**This years 2015-16 D2 results:**

**D2-Top: S#’s 5,3,4,6 Middle: S#’s 2,1,7,8 Bottom: S#’s 10,11,P,9**

**Changes between Ranges: S8 moves up to Middle, S10 moves down to Bottom.**

Changes within ranges as follows: Top: S3 jumps ahead of S4

4. Competition Points: Defeating a returning NYS Place winner from 2014-15: (6 pts for 1<sup>st</sup> place, 5 pts for 2<sup>nd</sup>, 4 pts for 3<sup>rd</sup>, 3 pts for 4<sup>th</sup>, 2 pts for 5<sup>th</sup>, and 1 pt for 6<sup>th</sup>)

## X. 2016 Tournament formula for “At Large” Qualifiers (continued)

### **5. Tie Breaking Criteria:**

In the possible event where **the #3 place-winner from a Section earns more points than the #2** place-winner from the same Section, the following procedure will apply:

**New for 2015-16:**

**# 3 will be able to go ahead of #2 unless:**

- **#2 has a win advantage over #3 (counting all the matches wrestled between them during the year and at Sectionals).**

**If #2 has a win advantage over #3, then #3 will not be able to go ahead of #2 (even though they have more points than #2).**

- **If #2 and #3 have split then the Sectional win by #2 over #3 will put #2 ahead of #3.**

- **Note: If #2 also happens to already have enough points to be one of the four “At Large’s” (as does #3) then they both can go.**

## **XI. Regionals and State Dual Meet Tournament:**

- A NYS Regional Committee Conference Call was held on 7/21/15. Based on that meeting:
- a. Jeff Culty-S9 has updated the # of schools currently in each section on the spreadsheet: Regionals-QualifierCounts so that it can be shared with the sections to get opinions: pro and con.
  - b. **A fact finding document: SectionalWorksheet-ForRegionalExploration-Fall2015 (attached)** has been developed for Chairmen to take back to their Sections for completion this fall, so that this committee has data to discuss at this year’s Winter meeting. Please share the questionnaire with your coaches as well as your Athletic Council. **Please return by December 1, 2015.**
  - c. Based on the data from the Regional Exploration questionnaires, that will be received back from the Sections, the NYSWC needs to make a determination at their winter meeting as to what direction the committee wants to take with respect to Regionals.
  - d. **Sub-Committee for Dual Meet Championships: Rick Gumble-4, Brad Hamer-3, Bill Kayes-3, Jeff Culty-9, Marty Sherman will develop a proposal for Championship Committee and Executive Committee as a discussion item for the summer 2016 meeting, for an approval vote at October 2016 Executive meeting for implementation in 2017-18 season.**

## **XII. Old Business-(Marty Sherman)-**

- a. Ken Bigley-PSAL- Girls Folkstyle State Tournament Committee  
California, Washington, Texas have state championships for girls.  
Since PSAL offered freestyle for girls in the spring, participants on boys teams over the past 3 year have gone from: 4% to 8% to 12%  
NYSPHSAA does not recognize a sport for girls wrestling.  
Six sections are required for state recognition of a new sport.

**XII. Old Business-(continued)**

b. Weight Classes. Analysis of the 99 pound weight class:

		WT	#	CERTIFIED
<b>99</b>	<b>+2</b>	<b>101</b>		
		<b>7<sup>th</sup> grade</b>	94	7%
		<b>8<sup>th</sup> grade</b>	182	14%
		<b>7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> combined</b>	<b>276</b>	<b>21%</b>
		<b>9<sup>th</sup> grade</b>	624	50%
		<b>10<sup>th</sup> grade</b>	213	17%
		<b>11<sup>th</sup> grade</b>	101	8%
		<b>12<sup>th</sup> grade</b>	44	4%
		<b>9-12 combined</b>	<b>982</b>	<b>79%</b>
		<b>7-12 combined</b>	<b>1,258</b>	<b>100%</b>
<b>99</b>	<b>+2</b>	<b>101</b>	1,258	<b>8%</b>
<b>106</b>	<b>+2</b>	<b>108</b>	901	6%
<b>113</b>	<b>+2</b>	<b>115</b>	1,200	7%
<b>120</b>	<b>+2</b>	<b>122</b>	1,672	11%
<b>126</b>	<b>+2</b>	<b>128</b>	1,564	10%
<b>132</b>	<b>+2</b>	<b>134</b>	1,621	10%
<b>138</b>	<b>+2</b>	<b>140</b>	1,498	10%
<b>145</b>	<b>+2</b>	<b>147</b>	1,468	9%
<b>152</b>	<b>+2</b>	<b>154</b>	1,184	8%
<b>160</b>	<b>+2</b>	<b>162</b>	993	6%
<b>170</b>	<b>+2</b>	<b>172</b>	808	5%
<b>182</b>	<b>+2</b>	<b>184</b>	631	4%
<b>195</b>	<b>+2</b>	<b>197</b>	361	2%
<b>220</b>	<b>+2</b>	<b>222</b>	402	3%
<b>285</b>	<b>+2</b>	<b>287</b>	137	1%
			<b>15,698</b>	<b>100%</b>

From 5/4/15 Spring Meeting: Discussion-Why are forfeits occurring? Is it because kids don't weigh the correct weights or are there less kids going out for the sport? There were 1,258 kids at 99 (8% of the total of all wt. classes), of which 79% of the 99 lbs were 9-12<sup>th</sup> graders. Just because it is an optional weight in NYS, do those numbers justify getting rid of it? If the most kids in the state were certified at 122 (1,672 or 11%), how could teams possibly forfeit at 122? Should the fact that teams are forfeiting a weight be enough reason to remove the weight class? Should long-term concerns deal not so much with what the weight classes are, but how to increase enrollments on Modified teams and how to get those kids to move on to the high school level? [After discussion it was agreed to keep the 99 wt class for NYS.](#)

**XII. Old Business-(continued)**

- c. Annual Examination of the 600 cutoff number for D1-D2  
 Jeff Culty-9 sent all Chairmen the annual BEDS update spreadsheet for (2015-16) which was completed and returned.  
 Based on the 2015-16 data for Sections 1-11 (not including CHSAA or PSAL) the following breakdown will take place for the current season. (actual data available upon request)

<b>For 2015-16: Not including CHSAA &amp; PSAL</b>	<b># schools D1`</b>	<b># schools D2</b>	<b>Change</b>
Keep the existing 600 cutoff	<b>226</b>	<b>242</b>	D2 has <b>+16</b> more schools than D1
Equalization number: Change cutoff to <b>573</b>	<b>234</b>	<b>234</b>	D2 and D1 have and even amount of schools

<b>If the change to 573 was made the following: 8 schools would move up from D2 to D1</b>		
<b>Sec</b>	<b>School</b>	<b>BEDS</b>
<b>6</b>	AMHERST	597
<b>11</b>	BAYPORT-BLUE POINT	591
<b>1</b>	PEARL RIVER	590
<b>1</b>	HENDRICK HUDSON	588
<b>4</b>	MAINE ENDWELL	582
<b>8</b>	MINEOLA	580
<b>9</b>	NEW PALTZ	574
<b>10</b>	MALONE	573

When CHSAA and PSAL schools are included with the current 600 cutoff number:

<b>For 2015-16: Including CHSAA &amp; PSAL</b>	<b># schools D1`</b>	<b># schools D2</b>	<b>Change</b>
Keep the existing 600 cutoff	<b>315</b>	<b>253</b>	D1 has <b>+62</b> more schools than D2

-An equalization of schools that would include CHSAA and PSAL would require **31** schools (Currently in D1 to drop to D2).

Any proposed changes to the cutoff number have to be approved for the following year. Based on the above the NYSWC does not recommend any changes to the 600 cutoff number for 2016-17.

### **XIII. 2016 Tournament: Times-Union Center**

- a. 2016 Tournament will be: **Fri/Sat: Feb 26 & Feb 27, 2016**  
Sectional Tournaments should be completed the weekend of Fri/Sat//Sun 2/12,13,14  
**Seeding Meeting will be Saturday 2/20/16**
- b. Awards ceremony was successful at the end of the finals and will continue this year.

### **XIV. Modified Committee:**

- a. Modified is now under a 14 point system. Request to increase the total from 12 to 14 has been approved.
- b. Request being made 10/2 to Modified and Executive Committee to increase # of matches in a day from 3 to 4.
- c. Request that each Section supply a name for a Modified Rep.
- d. NYWAY Report: John Richard (Modified Chairman) met with Clint Wattenburg (NYWAY) to discuss options to increase participation and number of matches. Where a Modified Sectional Championship will probably not be approved, each Section can develop and host a Modified tournament where they could invite all the Modified teams in their section to participate (so long as the tournament format follows the existing rules for Modified Wrestling in NYS).
- e. **Changes to OT for Modified should be made to John Richard.**

### **XV. New Business:**

- a. Marty Sherman- NYSWC has no objection for a Sectional Chairmen to work as official for NYS Tournament, if they are selected by their section.
- b. Rick Gumble-S4:
  - 1) What schools still have Wrestling in their Physical Education Curriculum?
  - 2) We need to get more students both male and females involved in our sport. How can we increase wrestling numbers as schools drop the sport or combine programs with other schools? Promote what our sport does best, excellence, life skills etc.
- c. NYSWC wants to publically thank retiring NYSPHSAA Asst Director: Bob Stulmaker for all he has done for our committee and our sport.

### **AJOURNMENT**

-Today's Meeting: Start time: 10:00 a.m. End Time: 1:00 p.m. (3 hrs 00 minutes)

### **Next meeting(s):**

**Winter Meeting Conference Call: Tuesday, January 12, 2016 at 9:00 am**



## FALL MEETING

09/30/15

Summary of (Red) Action Items that need to be taken care of before September meeting:

### Chairmen need to:

- Jeff Cuiity-S9 will email: Weight Certification Dates and Sectional Dates & Sites documents for completion and will forward to Todd when all sections reply.
- Recommendation that Chairmen submit official's evaluations from their Sectional offices to the officials screening committee. Chairmen would need to submit the 2014-15 ratings for the season just completed for evaluation of the 2015-16 tournament officials.
- Chairmen should tell coaches in their section, who host a tournament that they are required to enter the exact name of their tournament into Trackwrestling. If you are not a host: **YOU SHOULD NOT ENTER THE NAME OF THE TOURNAMENT**. You should wait until the host school enters the event. Once done non-host schools will be able to select it from a drop-down menu.
- Chairmen should check the attached list of team names in the TrackWrestling and report back if any changes are requested for 2015-16. (TrackWrestlingNWCA-NYS-TeamNames-2015-16)).
- Coaches need to be told that the name they enter on the weight certification sheets will be the name that shows up for the entire season on the TrackWrestling database.
- Review page 28 of handbook: (Penalties: To be reviewed will all coaches at the Fall meetings)
- A fact finding document: SectionalWorksheet-ForRegionalExploration-Fall2015 (**attached**) has been developed for Chairmen to take back to their Sections for completion this fall, so that this committee has data to discuss at this year's Winter meeting. Please share the questionnaire with your coaches as well as your Athletic Council. **Please return by December 1, 2015.**
- Changes to OT for Modified should be made to John Richard.

### Marty Sherman needs to:

- Sportsmanship T-Shirts: Names and sizes need to be turned in at the State seeding meeting.
- Sub-Committee for Dual Meet Championships: Rick Gumble-4, Brad Hamer-3, Bill Kayes-3, Jeff Cuiity-9, Marty Sherman will develop a proposal for Championship Committee and Executive Committee as a discussion item for the summer 2016 meeting, for an approval vote at October 2016 Executive meeting for implementation in 2017-18 season.

### NYSPPHSAA office needs to:

#### Todd Nelson:

- Weight Certification School Manual -As of 9/8 only the 2014-15 Manual was online. **Document will be on NYSPHSAA site when it is updated. Approved Assessor list will be updated by Nov 1.**
- Draft of Revised Skin Form (**attached**): Request to put the date of the current season in the main title of the form on the first page. **Current form on NYSPHSAA website is Oct 2014, once approved on October 22, it will read October 2015.**
- Championship programs (**requests for history book to go back to larger photos of champs**). If brackets are omitted, this saves pages. Brackets could be sold separately (updated by round).