

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



# MINUTES: WINTER MEETING- NYSPHSAA OFFICE 01/10/17

In Attendance:

NYS Chairman Marty Sherman Section 1 Chair Jamie Block Valhalla HS Ravena/Coe/Sel.School Section 2 Chair John Vishneowski Mohonasen HS S2 Asst. Chair Matt Stein Section 3 Chair **Brad Hamer** S3 Asst. Chair Bill Kays Mexico High School Section 4 Chair Rick Armstrong Section 5 Chair Geneva High School Bill Hadsell Section 6 Chair Mike DeBarbieri Niagara Falls HS S6 Asst Chair Israel Martinez Peru High School Section 7 Chair Gary Edwards Section 8 Chair **Ed Ramirez** Baldwin High School Section 9 Chair Jeff Cuilty Wallkill High School Gouverneur High School Section 10 Chair Randy Morrison Comsewoque Section 11 Chair Matt DeVincenzo Islip High School S11 Asst Chair Bob Panariello Msgr Farrell CHS Chair Dave Ironman

# Guests: NYS Exec Dir

NYS Asst Dir	Todd Nelson
NYS Asst Dir	Joe Altieri
Director Commun	Chris Watson
Director Sales/Mkt	Chris Joyce
NYS Sp Prog Coor	Kristen Jayden
NYSWOA	Frank Marotta
NYSWOA Past Pres	David Essex-S2
NYSWOA Pres	Len Barone
NYSWOA	Fred Brown

Robert Zavas

#### Absent:

S4 Asst. Chair	Rick Gumble	Chenango Forks HS
S5 Asst. Chair	Lou Lombardo	
S7 Asst Chair	Rob Witkiewicz	
S8 Asst Chair	John Mankowich	Jericho HS
S9 Asst Chair	Lou Chartrand	Onteora HS
CHS Asst Chair	Mike Messore	St. Francis HS
CHSAA Asst	George Dlugolonski	
PSAL Chair	Ken Bigley	
PSAL Ast Chair	Lance Hermus	PSAL Headquarters
PSAL Ast Chair	Larry Cantor	PSAL Headquarters

CC-Participated via conference call

AGENDA: (Blue highlighted items= new information for 2016-17) (Red highlighted items= future action is needed)

# I. <u>Introductions</u>

II. Joe Altieri:

a. State Championship T-shirts will now be awarded to all NYS Champs in all sports.

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- b. Nomination forms for NYSPHSAA HOF due by January 27.
- c. Tickets are now on sale for NYS Tournament. at the Times Union Center Box Office, charge-by-phone at 1-800-745-3000, or online at <a href="https://www.ticketmaster.com">www.ticketmaster.com</a>
- d. Tournament sponsors update: **CP Sportswear has current bid for event merchandise**. (3<sup>rd</sup> year of 3 year deal) Currently soliciting bids from vendors/sponsors for non-event equipment booth at NYS Tournament. Bids will be accepted up thru January 31, 2017. Worldwide Sports will be in attendance again).
- c. Time Warner Cable Sportschannel will broadcast the semifinals and finals.

d. Hotel Assignments for 2017 from Fall meeting:

Price: Downtown Hilton is \$135

Hilton Downtown:

S# 1-40, 2-40, 4-41, 5-47, 8-1, 10-18, 11-46, PSAL-13 Marty Sherman-1, NYSPHSAA-3 Hilton Albany Med:

S# 3-55

Holiday Inn Express:

S# 7-16, 8-49, CHS-25

Marriott (Wolf Road):

S# 9-40

Renaissance:

S# 6-48 PSAL-20

**Towne Place Suites:** 

S# 1-7, 4-4, 5-3, 11-4

Hampton Inn:

Officials-50

- e. Sections <u>not</u> staying in downtown Albany should submit to Joe Altieri the number of parking passes needed for the Thursday and Friday prior to the tournament
- f. Press Releases: Website: <a href="mailto:nysphsaa.org">nysphsaa.org</a> has all tournament info as well as directions to all motels as does: <a href="http://www.albany.org/nysphsaa.aspx">http://www.albany.org/nysphsaa.aspx</a>

#### III. Robert Zayas:

a. If a separate NYSPHSAA Championship and a separate Federation Championship is something our committee want to take a look at, it is suggested that all sports considering the change move to it the same year. It would take a lot of planning and tentative date might be 2019-20.

# IV. Todd Nelson-

- a. Championship programs (requests for history book to go back to larger photos of champs is not cost effective). Brackets will still be printed in advance. Coupons for update brackets are included. Brackets are be sold separately (updated by round).
- b. Reminder: Sportsmanship T-Shirts: Names, School, Grade and sizes need to be reported to Marty on or before the day of the State seeding meeting on 2/18. Reporting form: NYSWC-SportsmanshipAwardWinnersReportingForm is attached.
- c. Brad Hamer-S3-Discussion of change to weight assessment appeals. If there is no school because of weather, should that day be counted as the 3<sup>rd</sup> day in the appeal process? Example: Original assessment on Friday. Three days for appeal would mean it would have to be done by: (Sat, Sun, Monday) Monday. If Monday is a snow day, can appeal be extended to Tuesday? Motion that if a school cancels after school activities on the 3<sup>rd</sup> day, the appeal can occur on the 4<sup>th</sup> day.-needs to go to Safety committee

# V. Chris Watson / Chris Joyce -

- a. Update: Status of: "Live Scoring" options for the State tournament. Jeff Howard will continue to work with Chris W to allow "Live Scoring" options for the State tournament. Chris will use twitter and live videos to assist in getting results out.
- b. Chris W will handle all media requests for Times Union Center. Weekly or daily newspapers only. Only Online websites approved by Marty Sherman will be granted passes.
- c. Contact Chris J with anyone interested in sponsorship info

## VI. Frank Marotta / - (NYS Officials)

- a. Presentation of officials for 2017 NYS Tournament.
   Chairmen were emailed the list of officials that were chosen for the tournament just prior to the conference call. Frank Marotta presented the list to the committee.
  - Mike Debarbieri-6 and Bill Kays-3 were observers from the NYSWC at the selection meeting. **Motion to accept slate of officials approved unanimously**.
- b. The optional rating form will be used again: NYSPHSAA-OfficialsEvaluationForm (attached) Any head coach at the state tournament can complete and turned in to their sectional Chairmen who will in turn submit to Frank Marotta for input for next season. If a coach would like to attach a video of the incident when they submit the evaluation form they may do so. Forms will be available at the head table.

# VII. TrackWrestling Reporting Updates:

- a. The document: TrackWrestling-DataEntry-16 was emailed for state distribution. It contained detailed instructions on how to use the TrackWrestling site for setting up your team. A follow-up document that will include sections for entering results and printing out post-season forms will be sent prior to the start of post-season.
- b. Justin Tritz (justin@trackwrestling.com) can assist with any specific questions. He will need to be contacted by Jeff Cuilty-9 and Marty Sherman to make sure the post-season forms will be able to be printed for NYS seeding meeting.
- c. Remind coaches that results need to be entered within a week of each event.
- d. Jamie Block S1-Track no longer allows Chairmen to see coach's usernames and passwords, can this be changed for next year?.
- e. Jamie Block S1-Common Language on Track for post season events. As the Charimen are actually the hosts, they should enter the tournament in at pre-season so the teams participating can select it: Examples: Section X-Division1 Wrestling Championships Section X-Division2 Wrestling Championships

NYS Governing Body has already entered:

NYSPHSAA Division 1 Wrestling Championships NYSPHSAA Division 2 Wrestling Championships

Suggestion that NYS Governing Body enter the names for all the Post season tournaments to make the list consistent.

f. Can Track publish the Teams W-L records somewhere?

# VIII. Handbook Committee Report: (Marty Sherman / Jeff Cuilty-9, Frank Marotta)

As situations not currently addressed in the handbook arise throughout the season they are being collected and written up for inclusion in next year's handbook. Please forward any items for consideration to Marty Sherman or Jeff Cuilty as they come up.

#### For Discussion for additions to Handbook for 2017-18:

- a. <u>Round robin Individual Tournament</u>: If there are only 2 wrestlers entered at a weight class they allowed to wrestle best 2 out of 3 and record all matches wrestled in Track.
- b. Wrestling Forfeitures:

Note: Beginning with the 2013-14 Season: A forfeit will no longer be counted in the count of tournament matches wrestled in a day. In an individually bracketed tournament, a wrestler can compete in a 6<sup>th</sup> bout in a day if one of the previous bouts was a forfeit.

If the forfeit was received in a dual meet tournament and an exhibition bout is set up as the  $6^{th}$  bout of the day, then no additional points will be charged to wrestlers who compete in exhibition matches

In a round robin tournament if a wrestler has 1 forfeit, they could wrestle a 6<sup>th</sup> bout. Is it assumed that if they have 2 forfeits, they can wrestle 2 additional matches? 3 forfeits = 3 additional matches?

Recording results: You are only allowed to record 5 matches in a day as wins/losses? The wins by forfeit are the matches that should be recorded in Track and the total matches should not exceed 5. The additional matches (which could have been at one weight above the weigh-in weight class) should <u>not</u> be recorded in Track as Varsity matches for either participant. They could be entered as JV or Exhibition but they cannot appear on the Varsity record.

- c. Wrestling Forfeitures effect on points in a Dual Meet Tournament: Even though it states above that "no additional points will be charged to wrestlers who compete in exhibition matches". This refers to wrestlers already competing in the tournament. If an "extra wrestler" is weighed in on a dual meet roster and they participate in just one exhibition match, they are charged 2 points and charged for a tournament.
- d. <u>Multi Team Meets</u>: Even though, currently the Mutli Team meets are listed under the Dual Meet section of the handbook and not the tournament section: "A <u>Multi Team meet does not count as a tournament</u>." will be added to the handbook for clarification. In addition since these are a form of a dual meet, an honor weigh-in can be done when they occur on a school day.
- e. Weight allowances could prohibit a wrestler from being able to go up one weight class from the weigh-in weight: Example: Due to the growth allowance and back to back matches, a weight class is at +4 (145+4=149). If a wrestler is certified at a weight (148) in between the Growth Allowance weight (145+2=147) and the weight class that day due to the additional pounds (149) and they actually weigh 148.5, (which is less than the weight class that day 149), they are actually weighing in at the 147 wt class, (which is a weight they are not certified to wrestle at). Therefore, they must go up one weight to 152+4=159. They cannot move up to 160+4=164 as that would be going up to weight classes from where they weighed in at. If they were to wrestle at either 145+4=149, or if they were to wrestle up two weight classes at 160+4=164, they would be considered ineligible. Discussion for spring meeting: If back to back tournaments (which basically can only take place over Christmas break) are disallowed that might eliminate the situation above. Yet after Christmas, a team could possibly have a dual meet on a Wednesday (+2) and a Thursday (+3), and then enter a 2-day dual meet tournament on Friday and Saturday, which would present the same problem as the dual meet tournament would be at +4 both days.

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

- a. Seeding Mechanics document for 2016-17 has been sent for statewide distribution.
- b. Seeding meeting will be: Saturday, February 18, 2017 at 10:00 a.m. at Albany office.
- c. Seeding committee consists of: John Vishneowski-2, Bill Kays-3, Ed Ramirez-8, Jeff Cuilty-9, Russ Cellan

(All Sectional Chairman or their designee must be present)

# X. 2017 Tournament formula for "At Large" Qualifiers (Jeff Cuilty)

- a. Sectional Tournament Dates 2016-17 document is attached.
- b. **AtLargeInfo-16-17 document** is attached. Changes for this year are in red and were discussed at the Fall meeting. Document was previously sent for statewide distribution.

c. The following Levels will apply:

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

- d. Please remind coaches of the procedures for recording forfeits.
- e. NYSResults15-16-AllSections spreadsheet will be re-sent out for statewide distribution. It has been reconciled to the TrackWrestling data base and includes new schools of wrestlers who transferred (as they are reported). On this spreadsheet:

At-Large Competition Points have been allocated to returning wrestlers: Column Q NYS Seeding Competition Points have been allocated to returning wrestlers: Column R NYS Seeding Placement Points have been allocated to returning wrestlers in Column T These point values will be forwarded to Trackwrestling for calculations needed for printing out the Post-Season roster sheets seeding meetings for entry into all post-season tournaments.

f. DueDatesForChairmen-17 document is attached.

Data are due to Jeff Cuilty by Sunday Feb 14, 2016.

(ASAP Monday AM 2/13: for S: 1,8,9,11,C, and P who are competing on Sunday 2/12) The Monday following Sectional tournaments is <u>not</u> a school holiday this year, the snow dates planned for Sections hosting Sunday tournament are

Sections	· ·
Hosting on Sunday	Snow Date
1	Monday, February 15
8	Monday, February 15
9	Monday, February 15
11	Monday, February 15
C	Monday, February 15
P	Monday, February 15

Jeff Cuilty will send to Bill Kays to verify Tuesday night 2/14 "At Large" winners will be announced to Chairman by: Wed 2/15

- g. As per Sept 2014 "Premier" wrestlers from CHSAA, PSAL and D2-Sections 7,8,or 10 can apply for At-Large berths and 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 postseason)

## 2017 Tournament formula for "At Large" Qualifiers (Jeff Cuilty)-continued

h. Chairmen will receive their Sectional At-Large Reporting forms for At-Large qualifiers within the next few weeks.

Reminder: 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:

- 1- If the #3 wrestler, did not lose to the #2 wrestler at the Sectional Tournament, no changes are needed and #3 earns the "At Large" ahead of #2.(unless they met during the season where Item #3 below will then apply)
- 2- If the #3 wrestler, lost to the #2 wrestler at the Sectional Tournament, they will not be able to go ahead of #2 (even though they have more points than #2) unless #2 "carries #3 along with them: In this situation, if #2 happens to already have enough points to be one of the four "At Large's" (as does #3) then they both can go.
  If #2 did not accumulate enough points to be one of the four "At Large's", then #3 will be removed from consideration (even though they have enough points). The next highest point earner will take the spot of the #3 wrestler just removed.
- 3- If #2 and #3 met at the Sectional tournament, then Item 2 above applies. But <u>if #2 did not face #3 at the Sectional tournament</u>, but #2 did have a head to head advantage over #3 (from matches during the season), than this head to head advantage blocks #3 from going ahead of #2 for an At-Large berth, (even though #3 may have had more points than #2).

To help track the data needed for Tie-breaker #3- The following columns appear on the Sectional At-Large reporting form:

ANSWER Y/N: DID #2 BEAT #3 AT SECTIONALS?

and:

ANSWER Y/N: DOES #2 HAVE H2H ADV OVER #3 FROM IN-SEASON?

The person in charge of completing the Sections At-Large report form will need to get this info from the coaches of all the Sectional runner ups before submitting their forms.

i. NYSPoints andWeightTrackingForm-16-17 spreadsheet was distributed previously and is re-attached. Some sections mandate that this form is completed and turned in prior to post-season seeding meetings to verify that no wrestler exceeded the 20 point limit and as proof that all wrestlers entered have met the 50% rule.

# XI. <u>Future Events: State Dual Meet Championship, Independent Schools, Regionals:</u> <u>State Dual Meet Tournament-</u>

The NYS State Dual Meet Tournament was approved by the Executive Committee in October 2016 for implementation in 2017-18 season. This tournament will become a state sponsored tournament to determine an official NYS team dual meet champion. This would be considered a post-season event, so that it would not count for points or weighin's. Individual wins and losses will count on individual records and for seeding.

#### Date for the tournament:

NYS Week #30 is the week selected to run the tournament. (With Snow date of Sunday).

#### Number of Divisions for the Tournament:

A separate bracket will be run for D1 and D2

#### Number of teams:

Each Division will be of a 12-team event with 4 pools of 3 teams (with each team being guaranteed two duals in their pools), with the pool champs advancing to a Championship Semifinal &,Final (possible 2 more duals)

#### Number of days for the tournament:

The tournament will a one-day event.

#### Selection of the 12 Teams:

The Federation teams will not be included in the tournament. Each Section has the right to determine their team representative in whatever manner they deem acceptable. (Most will run Sectional Dual meet tournaments, while some will just select a team in each division to represent them). Sections do not have to enter a team if they choose not to.

2-At-Large entries in D1 and 1-At-Large Entry in D2. Additional At-Large entries could be possible if a Section does not want to send a representative.

Division One: One entry per section: Sections 1,2,3,4,5,6,8,9,10,11, and 2 At-Large entries Division Two: One entry per section: Sections 1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9,10,11, and 1 At-Large entry

#### Deadline for entry:

The Saturday of Week #29 is the last day that a Section can enter a team into the tournament. At-Large's will be selected and seeding will be done the Sunday of Week #30.

#### The criteria for selecting At-Large teams:

As the NYSWC has the ability to use the criteria (below) as a trial run this year and apply it to teams who placed 2<sup>nd</sup> at their Sectional dual meet tournaments to see if the criteria will yield the desired results.

Once Sections who host dual meet tournaments have completed their tournament, Chairmen should complete the NYS Dual Meet At-Large Entry Form (attached) and submit to Jeff Cuilty-S9. Once calculated the NYSWC can finalize criteria at the Spring meeting.

- -Proposed point system for ranking At-Large teams
- -Teams enter the roster they used in the Sectional Dual Meet tournament.
- -The wrestler listed at each weight is assigned a point value based on the following from the prior season:
- 6 points: Returning State Place winner (Top 8)
- 5 points: Returning Section Place winner (Top 3)
- 4 points: Returning Section Place winner (4th, 5th, or 6th)
- 1 point: Wrestler competed in their Sectional tournament but did not place and had a 20+ win season
- 0 points: Wrestler did not compete in their Sectional tournament
- -Teams with the highest point values (as determined from the above criteria) will be the first ones selected if At-Large entries are needed.

#### Site for the tournament:

- -One of main criteria should be to find a site that will draw highest attendance.
- -A College Fieldhouse is preferred as they can get chairs on the floor in between the mats (for teams competing) vs an ice rink which cannot.

Joe Altieri-RFP's (Request For Proposals) were submitted as follows:

#### Sealed bids were received from:

**Section 2 – Times Union Center, Albany** 

Section 3- SRC Arena, Syracuse

**Section 5- SUNY Brockport** 

Committee reviewed pros and cons of each site and completed Site Evaluating Rating Sheets

Sec	First Choice	General Comments
1	SRC Arena	Albany is great facility
2	SRC Arena	but too large and too
3	SRC Arena	expensive for this event.
4	SRC Arena	SRC arena and
5	<b>SUNY Brockport</b>	Brockport were good
6	SRC Arena	size and both would be
7	SRC Arena	reasonable. SRC better
8	SRC Arena	seating layout and all
9	SRC Arena	things being equal
10	SRC Arena	location is a factor for
11	SRC Arena	many sections

NYSWC and NYSPHAA office both recommend SRC Arena. Bid still needs final approval.

#### Officials for the tournament:

The host Section and neighboring Sections should supply the officials.

Mat assistants to be used for Semi's and Finals only.

30 Dual meets total will be wrestled.

CAC will have the final say on rate of pay

#### Cost of running the tournament:

NYSPHSAA will only reimburse attending schools for mileage.

Sections need to be aware that if their section earns an At-Large berth it is possible to have 4 teams from the same section competing (possibly two teams from D1 and two teams from D2). If a section or a school feels that they do not have the funding to send a representative or additional teams who may have earned At-Large bids, they should inform the NYSWC so that their teams are not included in the selection process

Once the number of officials are determined, the cost per dual meet can be calculated. CAC takes an average of what the 11 Sections would pay their officials for this type of event.

Admission fees would be set by NYSPHSAA based on facility fee.

Corporate sponsorships will help but can't be include in proposed budget.

Once facility rental/cleaning fees, security fees, officials fees, entry fees and spectator fees are known, an analysis can be done to determine how many "fannies are needed in the seats" for the event to breakeven. NYSWC and NYSPHSAA will then need to determine if that is a realistic number so as to assure the event does not lose money

#### Seeding:

Eight schools in each Division will be seeded with- possible random draw of the non-seeded schools into each pool. (see tournament format and seeding code -last page) Criteria for seeding still needs to be developed. Criteria to be considered might be: number of returning states and sectional place winners, number of dual meet wins over high winning % teams.

<u>Tie Breaking Criteria within pools (Ex: all 3 teams in Pool go 1-1):</u> Still needs to be developed.

#### **Individual Eligibility:**

As per Executive Committee: A team and each individual participant must compete in at least six contests to be eligible for their sectional dual meet tournament. Teams orwrestlers who were not eligible for the sectional dual meet tournament cannot wrestle in the state dual meet tournament. If because of the date a section runs their dual meet tournament, a team or individual won't have the required six contests, then that section has to make a request to lower their number of required contests to Executive Committee prior to the October meeting.

Teams and Individuals from Sections who select a team for the tournament that do not host a dual meet tournament, must have six contests completed by Week #30. Waivers from Sectional Athletic councils for medical reasons for individuals will be accepted.

Will there be a maximum number of participants allowed per team?

#### Independent Schools (AIS)-

Short term: As per fall meeting: Procedures for allowing Independent Schools to join the NYS tournament for 2017-18 would be that a Pigtail will be added to each weight class in the D2 tournament on Friday night. The pigtail could be randomly assigned to non-seeded wrestlers. The loser would still have the chance to wrestle back. This will add 15 additional matches to the winner's bracket and 15 matches to the loser's bracket in D2 on the Friday night of the State tournament. which would add approximately 45 minutes to the ending time. As the D1 tournament should finish first (as they have 30 less bouts), the 4 mats from the D1 tournament would also open up and D2 could use all 8 mats to finish their tournament. This should help reduce the extra 45 minutes needed for D2. Marty Sherman-Discussion on Friday start times for 2017-18 tournament when Independents join D2. Ending times for both D1 and D2 need to be noted for this year's tournament.

#### Long Term:

#### From Fall 2016 meeting:

Would there be enough interest in a Federation Tournament to follow the NYS Championships? For Example:

The NYS tournament would be held without including the PSAL, CHSAA or Independents. One possibility would be that additional At-Large berths could be awarded to fill the spots taken by PSAL and CHSAA who are no longer in the tournament. A NYS Champ would still be crowned for both D1 and D2. The awards ceremony would no longer need to award separate NYS and Federation medals and place winners would no longer have to be removed from the podium.

The following week, a possible 8 man bracket could be created using place winners from both the D1 and D2 NYS Championships from the week prior, along with place winners from the PSAL, CHSAA and Independent School Championships. These wrestlers could then wrestle to determine the Federation Champion at each weight class. Under this system the "true" NYS champion would be crowned. In addition team scoring might be kept for: NYS-D1, NYS-D2, PSAL, CHSAA, and Independents to determine a team champion.

#### For future discussion:

- -Who would actually be responsible for organizing and running the event?
- -What role would the NYSWC have?
- -The facility for this event would have to be determined.
- -Would it draw enough interest to be housed at a venue like the Times Union Center?
- -Would participating schools be willing to fund and additional week of wrestling for their champs (transportation, motel, meals, etc.)?
- -Would the four groups participating: NYS, PSAL, CHSAA and Independents be able to split the expenses of facility rental and running the event, as well as the gate collected evenly at 25% each?

#### Regional Committee:

NYSWC prioritized the State Dual Meet Championship as we did not want to have two proposals to NYS running simultaneously. Regional concept is on hold until the State Dual Meet Tournament is up and running. If there is still interest at that time, the committee will re-visit it.

## XII. The 2017 NYS Tournament: Times-Union Center Old Business-(Marty Sherman)-

- a. The 2017 Tournament will be: Fri/Sat: Feb 24 & Feb 25, 2017.
- b. A team trophy for Championship Team (not section) will be donated.
- c. The following Sections will be sending a trainer: Sections: 5,6,8(2),9,11,C,P
- d. Attire of coaches for finals-Recommendation is to not wear shorts, hats etc. Chairmen are asked to impress upon coaches to wear at least: long pants and school or section shirt if they don't want to wear a full suit or shirt and tie.
- e. Dress code for Top 6 place winners; No Hats, in uniform, etc. Chairmen will need to get this info to competitors prior to start of the tournament.
- f. Sectional uniforms are still optional (but were worn by all sections last year). Medal round can wrestle in school uniforms.
- g. Weigh-in Procedures:
  - Beginning weigh-in's will run for an hour and a half from their starting time. This year's start time will be 7:30. Each Section will have their own scale: Division 1 (odd years) will weigh in followed by Division 2 (even years). Official will note the starting time each section steps on the scale. Chairmen coverage is needed for each scale.
- h. Awards ceremony was successful at the end of the finals and will continue this year. The medals will now be put around the necks of the wrestlers as they get on the award stand vs having them already around their neck when they step onto the podium.

  All awards will again be given at the conclusion of wrestling.
- i. NYSWC will now post updated brackets in hallways after each round. Updated brackets need to be sent directly to the printer so brackets can be printed. Printer email needs to be supplied to Jeff Howard.
- j. Catering: Lunch both days for Chairmen with passes.
- k. Track Wrestling Live Scoring at State Tournament can be run by Jeff Howard at no cost. Laptops at each table would need to be supplied. Times Union center has ability to broadcast the names/sections/mat #'s of matches currently being wrestler as well as ondeck matches on the main scoreboard above the mats.
- Request by officials to Jeff Howard that lists can be generated that shows: the Section as well as the name of the wrestlers be generated for both the semi's and medal rounds.
- m. Hall of Fame ceremony will be shortened.
- n. Hotel report is on forms page. Code of Conducts are no longer the responsibility of the Sectional Chairmen.
- o. Future Dates:

2017-18	2/23-2/24	Times Union Center
2018-19	2/22-2/23	TBA
2019-20	2/28-2/29	TBA
2020-21	2/26-2/27	TBA
2021-22	2/25-2/26	TBA
2022-23	2/24-2/25	TBA

# XIII. Modified Committee:

- a. John Richard
- b. X

# XIV. Old Business:

a. EZFlex mats from NYS tournament (42x40) \$6,500 are SOLD OUT Contact: Jeremy Rockwell-Acct Manager at: <a href="mailto:jeremy@ezflexmats.com">jeremy@ezflexmats.com</a> (877)-404-2405

b. <u>Tabled to Spring meeting:</u> Izzy Martinez-S6-Should committee consider reducing # of tournaments or Maximum # points available for At-Larges (currently 35) to free up weekends during the season for wrestlers and coaches.Reduce to 5 tournaments: Input from Sections needed as follows: In Favor of reduction Against reduction

# XV. New Business:

- a. Jamie Block-S1-Wrestlng Scrimmages: If there is a ref then the event is not a scrimmage and should be considered a match
- b. <u>Tabled to Spring Meeting</u>-S8-Eliminating Honor weigh ins and using Scales for Wt Certs

#### **AJOURNMENT**

-Today's Meeting: Start time: 10:00 a.m. End Time: 2:30 p.m. (4 hrs 30 minutes)

**Next meeting(s):** 

NYS Tournament Seeding Meeting: Saturday, February 18, 2017 at 10:00 am

**Latham Office** 

Pre-Tournament Meeting: Thursday, February 23, 2017 at 4:00 pm

**Times Union Center:** 

Spring Conference Call: T.B.A.

Spring break is 4/07-4/16

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

#### Chairmen need to

Sections <u>not</u> staying in downtown Albany should submit to Joe Altieri the number of parking passes needed for the Thursday and Friday prior to the tournament.

Reminder: Sportsmanship T-Shirts: Names, School, Grade and sizes need to be reported to Marty on or before the day of the State seeding meeting on 2/18.

Reporting form: NYSWC-SportsmanshipAwardWinnersReportingForm is attached

#### ANSWER Y/N: DOES #2 HAVE H2H ADV OVER #3 FROM IN-SEASON?

The person in charge of completing the Sections At-Large report form will need to get this info from the coaches of all the Sectional runner ups before submitting their forms

#### The criteria for selecting At-Large teams for State Dual Meet Tournament:

As the NYSWC has the ability to use the criteria (below) as a trial run this year and apply it to teams who placed 2<sup>nd</sup> at their Sectional dual meet tournaments to see if the criteria will yield the desired results.

Once Sections who host dual meet tournaments have completed their tournament, Chairmen should complete the NYS Dual Meet At-Large Entry Form (attached) and submit to Jeff Cuilty-S9. Once calculated the NYSWC can finalize criteria at the Spring meeting

Hotel report is on forms page. Code of Conducts are no longer the responsibility of the Sectional Chairmen.

#### Chairmen need to inform Coaches of the following:

Remind coaches that TrackWrestling results need to be entered within a week of each event.

#### **Marty Sherman needs to:**

Ending times for both D1 and D2 need to be noted for this year's tournament.

**Schedule Spring Conf call for NYS DUAL Meet Tournament.** 

#### **Jeff Cuilty needs to:**

A follow-up TrackWrestling instruction document that will include sections for entering results and printing out post-season forms will be sent prior to the start of post-season.

Suggestion that NYS Governing Body enter the names for all the Post season tournaments on TrackWrestling to make the list consistent.

#### **Contact TrackWrestling for next year:**

As they no longer allow Chairmen to see coach's usernames and passwords, can this be changed for next year.

Can Track publish the Teams W-L records somewhere?

#### Jeff Howard needs to:

Request by officials to Jeff Howard that lists can be generated that shows: the Section as well as the name of the wrestlers be generated for both the semi's and medal rounds.

#### NYSPHSAA office needs to:

Motion that if a school cancels after school activities on the 3<sup>rd</sup> day, the appeal can occur on the 4<sup>th</sup> day.-needs to go to Safety committee

NYSWC and NYSPHAA office both recommend SRC Arena for NYS Dual Meet Tournament. Bid still needs final approval.

#### Tabled until spring meeting:

If a separate NYSPHSAA Championship and a separate Federation Championship is something our committee want to take a look at, it is suggested that all sports considering the change move to it the same year. It would take a lot of planning and tentative date might be 2019-20.

<u>Tabled to Spring meeting:</u> Izzy Martinez-S6-Should committee consider reducing # of tournaments or Maximum # points available for At-Larges (currently 35) to free up weekends during the season for wrestlers and coaches.Reduce to 5 tournaments: Input from Sections needed as follows: In Favor of reduction

Against reduction

**Tabled to Spring Meeting-S8-Eliminating Honor weigh ins and using Scales for Wt Certs** 

# Format: One Day – 2 Divisions – 12 Teams

DIVISION ONE	DIVISION TWO

Teams 1,2,3	Teams 4,5,6	Teams 1,2,3	Teams 4,5,6
MAT #1	MAT #2	MAT #5	MAT #6
MAT #3	MAT #4	MAT #7	MAT #8
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Teams 7,8,9	Teams 10,11,12	Teams 7,8,9	Teams 10,11,12

Weigh In's	Home Team in bold			
7:00- 8:00 am				
First Round	Team 1 vs 2	Team 4 vs 5	Team <b>7</b> vs 8	Team <b>10</b> vs 11
9:00-10:30 am	Team 3 Bye	Team 6 Bye	Team 9 Bye	Team 12 Bye
8 Mats	-			
Second Round	Team 1 vs 3	Team 4 vs 6	Team 7 vs <b>9</b>	Team 10 vs <b>12</b>
10:30-12:00 noon	Team 2 Bye	Team 5 Bye	Team 8 Bye	Team 11 Bye
8 Mats				
Third Round	Team <b>2</b> vs 3	Team <b>5</b> vs 6	Team <b>8</b> vs 9	Team <b>11</b> vs 12
12:00- 1:30 pm	Team 1 Bye	Team 4 Bye	Team 7 Bye	Team 10 Bye
8 Mats				

	MAT #1	MAT #2	MAT #5	MAT #6
Semifinal Round	Pool Winner of	Pool Winner of	Pool Winner of	Pool Winner of
2:30- 4:00 pm	Teams 1,2,3	Teams 7,8,9	Teams 1,2,3	Teams 7,8,9
4 Mats	VS	VS	VS	VS
	Pool Winner of	Pool Winner of	Pool Winner of	Pool Winner of
	Teams 4,5,6	Teams 10,11,12	Teams 4,5,6	Teams 10,11,12

	MAT #1	MAT #5
<u>Finals</u>	Mat 1 Semi	Mat 5 Semi
6:00- 730 pm	Winner	Winner
2 Mats	VS	VS
	Mat 2 Semi	Mat 6 Semi
	Winner	Winner

<b>SEEDING CODE</b>		
Team 1 = 1st seed	Team 7 = 3rd seed	
Team 2 = 8th seed	Team 8 = 6th seed	
Team 3 = unseeded team	Team 9 = unseeded team	
Team 4 = 4th seed	Team 10 = 2nd seed	
Team 5 = 5th seed	Team 11 = 7th seed	
Team 6 = unseeded team	Team 12 = unseeded team	