GDWOA MINUTES – 10/22/18

Stebbins High School

The first meeting of the 2018-19 wrestling season was called to order at 7pm by Pres. DeShayes, welcoming everyone to the first meeting of our second year as an association. There were 22 in attendance at our first meeting.

Treasurers Report – Pat announced that we had $5491.00 in our account at the present time. This amount would be climbing as dues are paid and more monies from the golf outing are paid. Pat also encouraged everyone to attend the OWOA Clinic, being held at the State Fire Academy on Nov. 10th.

Secretaries Report – Tony mentioned the need for all to sign in for attendance; that minutes would be posted on line before the next meeting and that those needing upgrades should get forms from the secretary and return them once the candidate has 2 observations.

New Officials Class – Stapleton raved about the success of this years’ officials’ class. 13 new officials, made up of coaches and former wrestlers, have decided to join our ranks. Three days of intense study, presentations from a variety of teachers and the opportunity to do some officiating on Sunday afternoon. Tony also took the opportunity to speak on the golf outing; encouraging members to get involved by their participation or in the gathering of sponsors. More association members need to be involved.

MVKWA – Chaz spoke to the new federal law requiring background checks for all who participate in the kid’s wrestling program. This includes coaches and officials. He, along with Matt, schedule officials for the kids’ meets.

Mentoring – New this year will be the opportunity for veteran officials to take junior officials with them to Var/JV matches. Contracts offered, money to be paid, 2 man mechanics will be employed allowing more “up and coming” officials the opportunity to work matches. Of course, the “old” method of mentoring still exists. Contact Glowik, Trent or Turton, if you would like for someone to come and evaluate you during one of your matches.

Questionaire – This has been sent out to eligible officials for post season tournaments. Only those who have made “the pool” have this opportunity. Filling it out in a timely manner indicates your desire to be considered . . . not filling it out shows that you are not interested and most definitely would not be receiving an assignment.

Presentation – Rules Changes. Joe Hobbs, with an assist from Matt, discussed the many changes we can expect for the season. Joe elab orated on the various changes while Matt, Tony and Gerry assisted in demonstrating the various changes for visual learners. Matt indicated that he needed to check the Jim Vreeland regarding various interpretations. He will bring that to our attention at the next meeting under old business.

Next meeting will be Monday, October 29th at Centerville High School in the Central Unit Theater. Meeting begins at 7 pm. You must be there and signed in by 7:10 in order for your attendance to count.

Tony Trent

Secretary - GDWOA