Wrestling Advisory 3-10-21

Class A

- 1. Hall of Fame
 - a. Over the next two season there will be 12 inductees into the wrestling HOF
 - 1. 2022 Class B 8 inductees, Class A 4 inductees
 - 2. 2023 Class B 4 inductees, Class A 8 inductees
- 2. Dual Roster
 - a. Increase the roster size of the state qualifying dual teams from 17 to 20.
- 3. State tournament scoring
 - a. Class A allow coaches to choose any of their 14 wrestlers as individuals being able to score point in the individual state tournament. Even if they have two scorers in a weigh class. In the event, a team does not have a full roster, they may have two scorers in a weight class as well.
- 4. Seed state tournament
 - a. Class A will seed the state tournament having the #1 wrestler from one region, wrestle the #8 wrestler from the other regions and so on.

Class B

- 1. Two region format
 - A. Discussion only on two region format. Request from advisory that the NDHSAA realignment committee look at a potential realignment with four regions.
- 2. Extra coaches pass (3)
 - a. Would like to add an extra coaches pass from the allotted two passes to three passes.

Overall

- 1. Girl's wrestling
 - a. Implementation
 - 1. If the NDSHAA board of director's sanctions girls wrestling a committee will need to be formed to answer several questions for the upcoming season.
- 2. state tournament format
 - a. The new format with duals on a separate day was generally favorable by most. One concern was the possible lack of attendance. There was no consensus among advisory members to change the format nor keep it the same.
- 3. NFHS rules change proposal review
 - a. Review of changes and input given.

Proposed Regulation changes

1. Increase the size of the state dual roster from 17 to 20 participants

Rationale

- 1. Promoting wrestling by more opportunities for kids able to be a part of the state tournament
- 2. Far less chance of forfeits in state duals (South Border lost state championship to Lisbon this year 2021 on the forfeit criteria)
- 3. More wrestlers at state = more parents and fans = gate, parking, concessions, hotel and restaurant revenue
- 2. Class A Allow coaches to determine which athletes on the state tournament roster that will be considered scorers for the individual tournament championship. Any wrestler, up to a maximum of 14, could be considered a scoring wrestler even if two wrestlers were in the same weight class from the same team.

Requests from Advisory to the NDHSAA board and committees

- 1. Realignment of Class B wrestling schools utilizing 4 divisions.
- 2. Consider an extra coaches pass for the state tournament. This would increase the allotted tournament passes from two to three.