

PIERCE COUNTY JR. WRESTLING MEETING MINUTES

Meeting August 27,2020

Minutes submitted by: Steve Losee, PCJWL Information Director

The meeting, held on Zoom, was called to order at 6:30pm by League President Darrel Spivey.

Teams in attendance at Roll Call: Orting, Montesano, Puyallup, Enumclaw, Sumner, Olympia, Yelm, Auburn, Eatonville, Kent, White River, Fife, Tahoma, Univ Place, Fed Way, Gig Harbor, Bethel

Teams not present at Roll Call: Twin City Wrestling Club, Rainier Wrestling Club, Franklin Pierce

Motion to accept January 2, 2020 meeting minutes by Gig Harbor, 2nd by Univ. Place

– No Opposition

Recap of 2019/20 season Results and congratulations to team and individual champions

Current board members and positions were brought up by Darrel Spivey and discussed. It was unanimous to forgo elections and leave current board members in place for the 2020/21 term.

No Old Business

New Business:

President Darrel Spivey gave his “State of the League” and shared his thoughts and observations on possibility of a season based on other meetings with WIAA and WOA. Options were presented to

- Cancel 2020/21 season and focus on next year
- Proceed with planning for a truncated and rescheduled 20/21 season

Motion by Eatonville to Proceed with planning for 20/21 season – 2nd by Univ.Place

In Favor – 16 Opposed – 1 Motion passes

Proposed tentative schedule beginning Dec 14, 2020 and running through Mar 6, 2021 was shared by Steve Losee and discussed. This schedule will be predicated by the WIAA and the availability of facilities when the time comes. It was discussed to move forward with this schedule and cross the obstacles when they arise.

- Motion by Univ. Place to accept schedule – 2nd by Kent

In Favor – 17 Opposed – 0 Motion Passes

Weigh in requirements for post season, were brought up. It was discussed and decided by consensus, that there would be no weigh in requirement, however for an athlete to be eligible for post season, they must have competed in at least ONE (1) prior PCJWL event. There will be six (6) opportunities prior to post season to accomplish this.

Growth Allowance was discussed and decided by consensus, that or this season, there will be NO growth allowance and we will adhere to the posted weight classes as “Scratch weight” for the entire season.

Officials were discussed and it was mentioned that it would be difficult to obtain officials. Because of this, it makes sense to officiate our own events this year. Each team MUST have one adult that is willing to officiate at events.

League fees for this modified season were brought up and Steve Losee will discuss with Shuney Martin to determine a feasible operating budget to determine from the treasury, what makes sense as a league fee and return to next meeting with that information. Tabled for time being.

Post-season seeding was discussed. Group discussion resulted in the removal of seeding and consideration of a True 2nd and a True 4th at Sub-divisional Tournament to allow the deserving wrestlers through to divisional. No opposition.

Because of the outlook for middle school wrestling this season, it was brought up by Auburn and discussed to adjust divisions to allow 13 year olds to compete this season. This topic was tabled for further discussion. Tabled for next meeting.

PCJWL "Return to Wrestling Guidelines" were presented by Steve Losee to all club directors in attendance. If we are going to have a season, this document will be followed. There will be no exceptions. All directors were encouraged to share this with their coaches, volunteers, parents and wrestlers. The league has asked clubs to enforce these guidelines internally and bring issues to the board when necessary. No opposition.

PCJWL "Tournament Guidelines" were presented by Steve Losee to all in attendance. These are the guidelines that must be followed and enforced at all PCJWL events. This format has proven to be successful at numerous USAWrestling events that have taken place in the midst of COVID-19. Along with these guidelines, preferred facility setup and management was discussed. No opposition.

It was stated that all teams must complete and return a new Team Registration Form with a signed and initialed agreement to comply with the new "Return to Wrestling" and Tournament Guidelines"

It was discussed that all participants (athletes, coaches, volunteers...) will need to complete a self-screening form prior to the season and at checkpoints throughout the season. This form will be in the registration packet and available on the website.

Steve Losee shared that all information from this meeting will be sent out via email to Team Directors within 24 hours of this meeting and posted to the pcjwl website under "forms".

Our next meeting will be on Zoom on 9/24/20 at 6:30pm

Motion to close at 7:41 by Montesano – 2nd by Enumclaw