

**OHIO WRESTLING OFFICIALS ASSOCIATION
BOARD OF GOVERNORS MEETING
MARCH 6, 2010
SCHOTTENSTEIN CENTER, OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY**

The meeting was called to order by President Dick Loewenstine @ 2:15 PM
President Loewenstine introduced the OWOA officers and all members representing their respective Associations

Officers Present: Dick Loewenstine, President; Ron Tschantz, Vice President; Dan Cutcher, Treasurer; Jim Vreeland, Education Chairman; Jack Kruse, Web Master and Communication Director. Not present, Ralph Farmer, Secretary.

A sign in sheet was presented for signatures, **Associations Represented:**

Jack Regis, **Ohio Valley**; Jim Vreeland, **South Shore**; Dave Detec, **Steel Valley**; Dick Loewenstine, **Greater Cincinnati**; Scott Morgan, **N.O.W.O.A.**; Ron Tschantz, **Eastern District**; Rich Carpenter, **Western Reserve**; Larry Saxton, **North West Fifth District**; Nevin Taylor, Jack Kruse, Dan Cutcher, Rick Baker **Central District**; Bruce Doll, **South Eastern**; Dan Jaksetic, **Greater Toledo**. Also in attendance: Vince Matteucci (OHSAA Rules Interpreter-Emeritus (representing **North East**); Ray Anthony OHSAA Rules Interpreter (representing **Greater Cleveland**); Lyle Smith OHSAA Rules Interpreter; OHSAA State Rule Interpreters.

Associations not represented: Ohio-West Virginia, Lima-Findlay, Southwestern, West Central, Southeastern, Wayne County, Green County and Mad River.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Dan Cutcher, (no information was presented... Dan to fill out).

Dues are \$1.00 per member in each respective association. Dues are to be paid by/before December 1, 2010.

SECRETARY'S REPORT:

Ralph Farmer (absent, no report presented)

Minutes of the Nov 6, 2009 meeting were not read or approved.

OWOA BUSINESS:

- 1) Dick Loewenstine expressed the pleasure of OHSAA and Dr Maurer on the professional appearance of officials wearing the OWOA jacket and their eagerness to work with OWOA. Jackets are mandatory as part of the OHSAA official's uniform. Jacket Specifications: Logo stitch count, etc. is trademarked of OWOA.
- 2) Dave Detec, **Steel Valley** presented potential changes for amendment of the OWOA Constitution. Changes will be addressed at the Fall Meeting in November.

- 3) OWOA Fall Clinic will be held on Sat. Nov 20, 2010 at 9:00AM (same location at Golf Course as last year). Board of Governors meeting will be held @ Davis Middle School on November 12, 2010, Friday evening. Attending OWOA Clinic counts for one of the four required official (local) meetings or last (State required) meeting.
Cost is \$25. and that includes lunch.
Large screen available for 3:00 OSU vs Iowa football game.
THIS IS THE LAST CHANCE TO GET IN THE STATE REQUIRED CLINIC.
- 4) Dick asked for input to the clinic that any person or association to contact him accordingly to help in organizing agenda for OWOA clinic, this year clinic will be focused on details of tough calls and interpretation of latest National rule changes. Discussion on class for getting matches, contacting schools, contract returns, etc.
– get new guys involved.
- 5) Discussion on what the OWOA does... focus on training new officials.

NEW BUSINESS:

Jim Vreeland discussed education and what is going to be done for assisting rules interpreters' for classes. Video taping was performed at the 2009 State Tournament of wrestling official's mechanics that will be edited and provided to each association for an interactive "making the call".

There were over 100 new wrestling officials this past year. Discussion on importance of getting contracts and returning on website and mailed copy (return contracts consistent).

Henry Zaborniak, OHSAA Assistant Commissioner (responsible for wrestling) made comment of his appreciation and positive support of the OWOA, professionalism, willingness and satisfaction to work with OWOA on the training issues that is being implemented by the use of video training. In closing, the OWOA is the only organization of its kind in Ohio in any sport. The OWOA web site was previously sanctioned by the OHSAA and will be made more-user friendly for question and answer for casebook updates.

Adjournment, Meeting adjourned at 3:25 PM.