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Wrestling Sports Committee

Notice of Meeting

DATE: November 19, 2024

TIME: 3:00 p.m.

PLACE: Zoom

Minutes

Chairman: Jason Chen (ROYAL)

Nominated: Peter Montour (HSBHS) Seconded: Spencer Griffin (SELW) Unan.

100 Additions to and approval of agenda

604 Exhibition and middle school meets

605 Google Doc for weight classes

Motion to approve: Peter Montour (HSBHS) Seconded: Noel Tremblay (LCC) Unan.

200 Approval of last year's minutes

Motion to approve: Christopher Kinsella (JRHS) Seconded: Peter Montour (HSBHS) Unan.

201 Business arising from the minutes

202 Summary of 2023-2024

The 2023-2024 season had 13 schools participated with a total of 247 wrestlers registered. With the increased number of schools, it was voted on at the pre-season meeting to divide the league into two sections. On-Island and Off-Island teams wrestled everyone in their section once.

The off-island section hosted their season as 1 large tournament (2 matts) and had planned to host a 2nd exhibition tournament to make it more of a season, this was scheduled but did not take place.

The on-Island section hosted their season in a variety of meets (dual meets, tri and quad meets)

Tony Ronci and Sophie Leboeuf were the referee assignors

JRHS hosted the all-star and HSBHS the championship meet.

300 Registrations and Invoices

Team registrations were due Monday, November 11th through S1. This year every school will receive an invoice following the season, (Team fees: 325\$ + 26.00\$ per athlete, non-members: an additional 120.00\$). This covers all fixed costs, in addition, schools will be charged their portion of the refereeing cost depending on the number of tournaments they attend. In years past the season comes to around 700\$

Player Registrations must be completed, through S1, prior to your first meet. Students who are not part of the original registration may be registered through S1 at any time. To be eligible for the Individual Championship a wrestler must have wrestled in at least one (1) meet.

400 GMAA League

401 League Format (tournaments, dual meets, tri-meets, team standings)

Similar to past years, there was a lengthy discussion about the pros and cons of different league



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formats. The general theme being that in a classic dual meet format wrestlers are not guaranteed to meet up with wrestlers from their weight class. Often attending and not wrestling.

Three proposal we're voted on:

1 - A hybrid tournament style, where you keep the dual meet format but host in 2-4 tournaments over the season. (weekends – 2mat – pairing master)

Received 4/12 votes

2- - 2 Sections (on-island 9 teams & off-island 5 teams) in a Dual meet format

Received 6/12 votes

3- 1 section in a dual meet format (14 teams)

Received 2/12 votes

This year's league format will remain the same as 2023-2024. Two sections, playing in a dual meet format.

It was proposed that there be a postseason meeting to discuss options for next year.

402 League Rules

The GMAA handbook will be adjusted to indicate we follow the WCL (Wrestling Canada Lutte) rules with the following exceptions...

It was also voted on to add a rule around weight Challenges. A coach may challenge a wrestler's weight, once challenged the wrestler must weigh within 2.2lbs (1kg) of their weight class. If a coach's challenge is correct, they retain challenging rights for that meet. If the challenge is incorrect, they may not challenge another weight at that meet.

Points for the championships will be awarded at the end of the season to both sections, at the end of the regular season points will be awarded to 1-2-3-4-5 from Section A and the same from Section B.

403 Weigh In System (red dot system)

The red dot system will be in place for the championship. We will ask the pairing master to randomly implement the red dot system for the championships. As stated in the GMAA handbook "At weigh in the wrestler may be challenged during the season. When challenged, the wrestler must weigh within 2.2lbs, 1kg. of the weight class."

404 Score Sheet

Score sheets are downloaded off the website and completed by the coaches.

500 Season Calendar

501 Scheduling Meeting 14, Boys teams & 13 Girls Teams:

BA - Beurling Academy



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ESPGO - ES Paul-Germain-Ostiguy

HRHS – Heritage Regional HS

HSBHS – Howard S. Billings

JRHS – John Rennie High School

KSS - Kahnawake Survival School

LCC – Lower Canada College – New 2024-25

LOY - Loyola High School

MVHS- Massey Vanier High School

PCHS – Pierrefonds Community High School

ROYAL- Royal West Academy

RVALE – Royal Vale

*SELW - Selwyn House School

STT – St. Thomas HS – New 2024-25

2 sections, wrestle everyone in your section once:

On Island**Off Island**

BA

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STT

502 Season starts November 25th, 2024 – season ends February 4th, 2025**503 All-Star Meet** – The all-star Thursday, Feb. 6th at 1:30pm / 2:00pm. The All-Star meet moves on a rotation, allowing all schools the opportunity to highlight the sport at their school. Last year was hosted at JRHS.There we're no schools interested in hosting. John Rennie will host the all-star meet for a 2nd year.

Peter Montour will organize the off-island all-stars and Christopher Kinsella will organize the on-island all-stars

504 Team Weigh in: Tuesday, Feb 11th

Schools will conduct the weigh ins at their school, they must have either their athletic director or a member of their administration present. We will ask the pairing master to randomly implement the red dot system for the championships. As stated in the GMAA handbook "At weigh in the wrestler may be challenged during the season. When challenged, the wrestler must weigh within 1kg or 2.2lbs. of the weight class."

505 Seeding meeting – 4:00pm - on zoomThe seeding meeting is set for Tuesday, Feb 11th at 4:00pm. Attendance by all coaches is mandatory, it was agreed upon that zoom is best option.

All game sheets will be available on S1 to help with seeding.

Trackwrestling will be used again this year: <https://www.trackwrestling.com/opentournaments>



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506 Championship

The Championships are scheduled for Thursday, Feb. 13th at 9:00am 2025. Loyola has first choice at hosting as last year's champions. Loyola is not able to host, Peter at HSBHS will host again, to help with the speed of the day there will not be a clinic prior to the championships and Peter has acquired a 4th mat for the day.

600 New Business

601 S1 and website

The host school must enter the final score from each meet on S1 the night of the meet (even if they are not participating in the matches.) The scoresheet(s) must be uploaded onto S1 the next day. For the score sheets you will be able to generate the list of participants off S1 prior to the meet, but we will continue to use our score sheets. They are available on the GMAA website.

602 Officials – Tony Ronci

Tony will be our assignor this season. His contact information will be sent out to all the coaches on the coaches list. If an official does not show up to a scheduled meet there are two options. Option 1 is that the coaches' referee or find someone present to referee the matches. Option 2 is to reschedule the meet to a later date. If one/both coaches referee the matches, please send the information in writing to the GMAA so that payment can be sent to the appropriate individuals.

Asked for pairing to be done prior to the meet – especially all-star meet, complete a draw sheet

603 Handbook Revision and Governing Rules

Please make sure to register your coach on S1, ensure their contact information is up to date (email and cell phone number), this will be where we get the contact information to share all league updates. If you do not have a coach registered with the team on S1 prior to your first game, the school will receive a \$100 fine.

604 Additions to the Agenda

604 Exhibition meets

The league will share all school contact info to help set up exhibition meets.

605 Google Doc for weight classes

Schools are reminded to complete the google doc indicating which wrestlers you have per weight class