Section V Chairman's Meeting Minutes – June 12, 2005

Present: Mark Hoyt, Don DeBadts, Frank Marotta, Jim Sauberan, Lynn Tewksbury, Bill Hadsell, Ted Woods, Lonnie Gunsalus, Vince Bobin

- 1. Mark announced that he is stepping down from the Monroe County and Section V Chairmanship positions. He indicated that Jason Bovenzi will be assuming the role of Monroe County Chairman. Mark has contacted Chuck Partridge and Chris Bourne to take over the Section V Chairman's role.
- 2. Mark brought up an e-mail he received from Jason Bovenzi suggesting a change of location for the SuperSectional Tournament. Some in attendance felt the Brockport State site has been a good one for many reasons but welcomed a discussion. It was hoped that Jason could address/present this proposal personally but, since he was not present, the discussion of this proposal was shelved until a later meeting.
- 3. There was to be a vote at this meeting on whether there would be 3 sites (two classifications per site) or 6 sites for this season's Sectional Tournaments. Since there were only 5 of 13 voting members present, this agenda item was postponed until the next Section V Chairmen's Meeting.
- 4. Tournament dates for the 2005-2006 season were announced:
 - a) Monroe County Varsity: January 27 28, 2006
 - b) Monroe County JV: February 3 4, 2006
 - c) Sectional Classes: February 10 11, 2006
 - d) SuperSectionals: February 17 18, 2006
 - e) New York State: February 24 25, 2006
- 5. The Varsity Wrestling Coaching position at Brighton High School is now open. Interested applicants are encouraged to contact the BHS Athletic Director.
- 6. Mark shared that Mr. McGillivray, the Father of a Genesee Valley wrestler, is still pursuing the possibility that his son attend tournaments separate from his school schedule and not have these count against GV's 22 allotted points. He has been turned down on this request at all levels.

- 7. To date, only two schools have submitted applications to be a Sectional Classification Tournament site for the coming season: Bath and Alfred-Almond.
- 8. Some comments on the minutes from the Spring NYS Wrestling Chairmen Committee Meeting were offered.
 - a) Frank stated that the Section V contingent was solidly behind the 24-man bracket proposal (a multiple-entry concept to reflect equity and proportionality among Sections). He indicated that the proposal received little support. Instead, a 16 man bracket, with "at-large" entries was voted on. A meeting of the Executive Council is to take place later this month to decide the criteria for these "at-large" spots.
 - b) The Chairmen passed the "33 1/3% Rule" for 2006. Six weigh-in competitions have to be at the weight you will wrestle for the post season. Bill asked if this would apply if a wrestler wanted to move up a weight class. Don indicated that the rule in intended only for the wrestlers moving "down" in weight. He would have the wording of the rule redone.
 - c) It is suggested that certifications be done at "regional" sites this year, on a trial basis. Next year, this will be a requirement across the State. Mark will keep coaches posted as specifics become available over the summer.
- 9. The State Tournament for 2006 will be in Nassau. Mark was informed that expenses for Section V will increase because of this. For example, a hotel room is expected to be \$137 in Nassau, when it was \$99 in Albany. Mark has looked into airfare rates and has found a \$49 flight that will land at LaGuardia. There would then be a need to find transportation to LI.
- 10. The Fall Meeting for the State Chairmen's Committee is slated for Monday October 3, 2005 in Delmar, NY.

11. More discussion took place concerning the criteria that will be in place for the "at-large" bids in the 16-man brackets at the State Tournament. Frank offered a "starting list": State play finisher, not more than 1 weight class above previous year, and a 2nd or 3rd place finish at their SuperSectional Tournament. Debate over these criteria followed and no consensus was reached. All present agreed that Don would have his hands full trying to get the Executive Committee to agree on a set of criteria.