Members Present: Steve Croucher, Mike Baker, Peter Maneen, Geoff Lyons, Brian Coon, Larry Davignon, Scott Shaddock, Bob Johnson

Minutes:

- Geoff Lyons selected as Committee Chair by consensus.

- Motion by Mike, second by Peter to approve minutes of 10/16. Vote – approved.

- Correspondence – review of NE proposal for increased number of entries for larger states in order to fill out the brackets. This did occur last year. Bob was concerned about the late notice of this proposal. Rationale is fine, but does it give larger states or teams from larger states an advantage by having an additional wrestler. Plan is to continue this at the NE meet this year.

  Brief discussion on number of officials. It continues to be an issue and ends up with teams seeing the same official(s) multiple times in a year. This could be problematic. Wrestling was at the officials recruitment fair, but saw few people.

- Review of 16/17. Schools are still concerned about the cost of officials. This has been an ongoing issue. Many dual/tri meets are small in numbers, but full coasts are being paid even though the meet may be done quickly.

  Status of Independent wrestlers may become an issue. Schools such as Springfield a having good size teams, but because the school will not sanction them as a team, this is creating multiple Independents from one school. Nothing can really be done.

  Recent e-mail from an individual concerning behavior at the states in regards to an Incident at the states in regards to possible taunting of an injured wrestler. No one at the meet was aware of any comments being made. Bob J. did review video from the match and also did not observe or hear any comments. AD’s from both schools have been involved and neither reported any complaints being presented to them from their coaches. It was also noted that the e-mail was not sent until months after the state championship. At this point, no further action will be taken unless new information is presented.

- 2017-18 season. Championships will be at Otter Valley on February 20/21, 2018. New England championships will be on March 2/3, 2018 at Providence.
Brief discussion on weigh-in procedures as it surrounds girls weighing in and appropriate dress. No specific action taken.

- Updated Wrestling Guide.

- Other business – wrestling meeting 10/26/17 @ Castleton University.

- Adjourned.