

**OWOA BOARD OF GOVERNOR'S MEETING
FRIDAY, MARCH 9, 2018 at 3:30 p.m.
OHIO STATE SCHOTTENSTEIN CENTER
COLUMBUS, OHIO**

I. CALL TO ORDER:

President, Nevin Taylor, called the meeting to order at approximately 3:30 p.m. and thanked everyone in attendance.

II. ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS (REPRESENTATIVES) PRESENT:

1. **David Detec, Secretary of OWOA and member of the Steel Valley Wrestling Officials' Association.**
2. **Nevin Taylor, President of the OWOA and member of the Central District Wrestling Officials' Association.**
3. **Richard Loewenstine, Vice President of the OWOA, State Rules Interpreter and member of the Greater Cincinnati Wrestling Officials' Association.**
4. **Richard Carpenter, Treasurer of the OWOA and secretary of the Western Reserve Wrestling Officials' Association.**
5. **Dan Cutcher, historian of the OWOA and member of the Central District Wrestling Officials' Association.**
6. **Jack Kruse, OWOA webmaster and member of Central District Wrestling Officials' Association**
7. **Jim Vreeland – OHSAA and OWOA Director of Development and Education and member of the South Shore Wrestling Officials' Association.**
8. **Ray Anthony, Sr., State Wrestling Rules Interpreter and member of the Greater Cleveland Wrestling Officials' Association.**
9. **Larry Saxton, member of the Northwest District 5 Wrestling Officials' Association.**
10. **Dino Sevastos, member of the Greater Cleveland Wrestling Officials' Association.**

11. **Guy Trinetti, Sr., member of the Northeast Ohio Wrestling Officials' Association.**
12. **John Pugh, member of the Southeast Ohio Wrestling Officials' Association.**
13. **Gerry Glowik, Greater Dayton Wrestling Officials' Association**
14. **Dan Jaksetic, member of the Greater Toledo Wrestling Officials' Association.**
15. **Ron Tschantz, member of the Eastern District Wrestling Officials' Association.**
16. **Charlie Hardman, member of the Wayne County Wrestling Officials' Association.**
17. **Russ Brode, member of the Western Reserve Wrestling Officials' Association.**
18. **Toby Dunlap, member of the Northeast Ohio Wrestling Officials' Association.**
19. **Tony Trent, member of the Greater Dayton Wrestling Officials' Association.**
20. **Dan Sayers, member of the Mad River Wrestling Officials' Association**
21. **David Friend, member of the Southwest Wrestling Officials' Association.**
22. **Chaz DeShayes, member of the Greater Dayton Wrestling Officials' Association.**
23. **Matthew Turton, member of the Greater Dayton Wrestling Officials' Association, member of the Greater Dayton Wrestling Officials' Association.**
24. **Kevin Cwynar, member of the Greater Cleveland Wrestling Officials' Association.**
25. **Gary Ricard, member of the Central District Wrestling Officials' Association.**
26. **Morgan Stanley, member of the South Shore Wrestling Officials' Association.**

27. **Michael Diglia, member of the Lima-Findlay Wrestling Officials' Association.**
28. **Larren Wikel, member of the South Shore Wrestling Officials' Association.**
29. **Brian Siler, member of the Northwest District 5 Wrestling Officials' Association.**
30. **Jeff Lorence, member of the Northeast Ohio Wrestling Officials' Association.**
31. **Chris Logan, member of the Western Reserve Wrestling Officials' Association.**
32. **Jim Cherichello, member of the Central District Wrestling Officials' Association.**
33. **Jack Regis, member of the Ohio Valley Wrestling Officials' Association.**

Therefore, the Wrestling Officials' Associations (the actual members) represented and present at the meeting are:

1. **Steel Valley Wrestling Officials' Association.**
2. **Greater Cleveland Wrestling Officials' Association.**
3. **Central District Wrestling Officials' Association.**
4. **Greater Cincinnati Wrestling Officials' Association.**
5. **South Shore Wrestling Officials' Association.**
6. **Wayne County Wrestling Officials' Association**
7. **Greater Toledo Wrestling Officials' Association.**
8. **Lima-Findlay Wrestling Officials' Association.**
9. **Western Reserve Wrestling Officials' Association.**
10. **Southwest Wrestling Officials' Association.**
11. **Northeast Ohio Wrestling Officials' Association.**

12. **Northwest District 5 Wrestling Officials' Association.**
13. **Eastern District Wrestling Officials' Association.**
14. **Mad River Wrestling Officials' Association.**
15. **Southeast Wrestling Officials' Association.**
16. **Greater Dayton Wrestling Officials' Association**
17. **Ohio Valley Wrestling Officials' Association**

There are now 18 Association members presently of the OWOA and the Secretary noted that 17 of the 18 Association members are present, and therefore, more than one-half of the members of the OWOA are present at this meeting and there is a legal quorum.

The only Association not represented was the North Central Wrestling Officials' Association.

III. READING AND APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING:

The minutes of the November 3, 2017, OWOA Board of Governors' meeting held at the Marysville Elks Lodge #1130, Marysville, Ohio, were circulated, read and unanimously approved after proper motion and second.

IV. FINANCIAL REPORT:

Rich Carpenter then gave his Treasurer's report which included a report on the OWOA dues paid by Associations, a report on the OWOA checking account and a report on the banner fund donations. A motion was then made and seconded to file the Treasurer's reports for review and audit, which motion was properly seconded and unanimously approved.

V. OFFICERS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS.

1. Hall of Fame Report. Dan Cutcher gave a short report as to the Hall of Fame induction ceremony held today. Those inducted at today's ceremonies were: Steve Zarlengo, Wayne County Officials' Association and Western Reserve Wrestling Officials' Association; Scott Myers, Member of the Mad River Wrestling Officials' Association; and Craig Heiding, a member of the Greater Cleveland Wrestling Officials' Association.

2. OHSAA Director of Education Report. Jim Vreeland gave a report that the State has approximately 750 officials, but noted that OHSAA was expecting a number of spring classes. Jim Vreeland requested all present to continue to try to recruit new officials.

3. Report of Webmaster. Jack Kruse reported that he believed that our website was current. He stated that if you want to post something on the website, he requires that you obtain the President's approval, or if it deals with educational material, that you obtain the OHSAA Director of Development and OWOA Director of Education, Jim Vreeland's approval. Nevin Taylor stated that if anyone knows of a serious sickness of an Association member, a member receiving an award or public recognition, or similar matter, please contact an Officer of the OWOA so such information can be considered for publication on our website. Dan Cutcher took this opportunity to discuss the Ohio high school's big loss as a result of the death of Lyle Smith. Nevin Taylor requested a moment of silence and prayer for Lyle. Nevin further stated that the OWOA should think about establishing a procedure for having memorial services for long-time officials that die.

4. Report of Vince Matteucci Wrestling Person of the Year Committee. Ray Anthony, Sr. gave a report as to the Vince Matteucci Award. He reported that this award went this year to Paul Basinger. Ray reported that since we were not able to present the award at the OHSAA Individual State Tournament this year, the award was presented to Paul by Vince Matteucci, Ray and Jim Vreeland at the Northwest Sectional Tournament. Ray then reminded everyone to make nominations for next year by the end of December, 2018. Ray reported further that the Committee decided to keep all nominations on record for consideration for a three (3) year period. Nevin and Ray stated that they will continue to work on obtaining a time slot to present the award at the Individual OHSAA State Tournament.

5. Report of the Rules Interpreters. Ray Anthony, Sr. reminded everyone that it is our responsibility to enforce the rules as written, even if you personally do not agree with a rule. Jim and Ray reported that this year forty-four (44) rule changes have been submitted to the NFHS. Dick Loewenstine requested all present to take back to their associations the information discussed at the Board of Governor's Meeting and at the OWOA Annual Clinic. Dick further requested that it be stressed to Association members that they should do more than just attend the minimum four (4) Association meetings and the required state rules meeting.

6. OHSAA Individual State Tournament Banner Report. Ray Anthony, Sr. gave a short report on the status of the banners. Discussed was the anticipated cost, who was paying – OHSAA, the coaches, the officials – the content of the banners, what the banners will depict, and where the banners will be located.

7. Report on the OWOA Clinic to be Held November 10, 2018. Nevin Taylor gave a short report as to the agenda and intended presenters at this year's OWOA Clinic. Ray Anthony, Sr. then gave a report as to the new location for the clinic which is the State Fire Marshall's Academy facility in Reynoldsburg, Ohio. Ray reported that there will be no charge for use of the facility both for Friday's Board of Governor's meeting and the Saturday OWOA clinic. Ray reported that there are hotels and food establishments nearby. Ray reported that we will try to obtain a group rate discount at one or more of the hotels. Nevin then reminded everyone that if they have any suggestions for the Clinic, especially topics for presentation, to please contact him or any other OWOA Officer.

VI. NEW BUSINESS / GOOD OF THE ORDER:

It was discussed that since we take a group picture of all officials at the State Wrestling Tournaments and present each official with a copy on behalf of the OWOA that we should do the same for the State Scorers and Timers. After a short discussion, a Motion was made to have the OWOA take, pay for and present to the Scorers and Timers at both of the State OHSAA Tournaments a group picture. The Motion was properly seconded, and the Motion was unanimously passed.

Next, Nevin Taylor reminded everyone that election of officers is to be held at next year's meeting in March. Nominations should be made at the November Board of Governor's meeting.

Next, at the suggestion of Dan Sayers, Nevin discussed that idea of also presenting a ring to Hall of Fame members. This idea will be further discussed.

Dino Sevastos reported that the officials raised a total of approximately \$7,000 to help with the costs incurred by Kelly Stillman's family as his son fights cancer. Dino thanked everyone on behalf of the Stillman family.

Jack Kruse reported that long time State Timer and Scorer, Fred Nemaicol, passed away – a moment of silence and prayer was conducted for him.

John Pugh briefly discussed the issue of inexperienced table workers at tournaments and dual meets. He also briefly mentioned the issue of the District Boards not being uniform in the way sectional and district tournaments are setup, staffed, and operated. It was noted by many that this issue has been discussed many times and the District Boards know our position which is that all tournaments should be uniform in operation.

VII. ADJOURNMENT:

A motion was then properly made and seconded and unanimously passed to adjourn the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,



David A. Detec, Secretary OWOA