

OWOA Board of Governors Meeting
Nov. 12, 2004
Davis Middle School
Dublin, OH

Call to order – President Dick Loewenstine called meeting to order at 7:40 PM.

Welcome & introductions (Board officers, appointees, Association Reps)

President, Dick Loewenstine

Vice President, Ron Tschantz

Education Director, Jim Vreeland

Treasurer, Dan Cutcher

Acting Secretary, Ralph Farmer (delayed arrival due to involvement in car crash)

Attendance – Ralph Farmer (Representative, Officials Association)

Vince Matteucci, Interpreter Emeritus; Ray Anthony, State Interpreter; Lyle Smith, State Interpreter; Ted Nugent, Toledo; Paul Basinger, Lima-Findlay; Don Godenschwager, Southeast; Bruce Doll, Southwest Ohio; Daniel Sablosky, Central; Scott Morgan, Northern Ohio; Gary Offerdahl, Steel Valley; Steve Kish, Ohio Valley; Russ Brode, Western Reserve; Ron Tschantz, Eastern; Jim Vreeland, South Shore; Steve Long, Greater Cincinnati. (Associations Represented - 12)

Please forward any information changes to Gary Berkowitz at matref@hotmail.com at your earliest convenience.

Financial Report – Dan Cutcher

Current balance: \$717.90

Outstanding expenses: \$126.50 - Postage

State tournament expenses:

Tickets & expense - \$60/recipient, Officials gifts & pictures on plaques
~\$600-700 + Tickets

Hall of Fame Honorees get 2 tickets & plaque

This year the nominating association is asked to pay for the tickets for honorees. (Smaller

associations OWOA will pay.) Ticket cost is \$7.50/ticket for the finals.

Reminder, The Clinic & Dues pay for all OWOA expenses.

Current Association membership dues are \$1 per member.

Reminder: Dues payment to be received by December 1, 2004

Motion by Ray Anthony to accept the Financial Report, as presented. Motion seconded by Vince Matteucci. Motion passed unanimously.

Old Business

Current Total of Official by District and Class: - Jim Vreeland (Class 1/Class 2)
Northeast 153/38, Northwest 117/44, Southwest 110/29, Central 61/14, and
East/Southeast 33/9.

Totals for the entire State - Class 1 = 474, Class 2 = 134, Total = 608

New Officials Training Program - Jim Vreeland

16 Adult Education Classes this season with 153 request to OHSAA for material.

Note, this count is

usually slightly higher than the number actually taking the class.

Mentoring Program - Jim Vreeland

The Adult Education Classes have resulted in greater confidence and has helped to accelerate the development of new Officials. The Mentoring Program is a logical next step in addition to the existing training. The purpose of a Mentoring Program is to help retain new officials by supporting them to become proficient and comfortable on the mat and to further the good officiating through out the state of Ohio. Six (of 19) Associations currently have some type of Mentoring Program. Some current practices include:

1) Assigning a Senior Official for each new Class 2 Official (years 1 & 2). Contact is made weekly by phone or in person. The Class 2 Official may be used as an Assistant Official by the Mentor.

2) Meeting with Class 2 Officials (years 1 & 2) 30 minutes prior to the Local Meeting. This allows them to ask questions without embarrassment.

The Education Committee will formalize the Mentoring Program for use next season and present it at a later meeting.

Approval of Minutes – Ralph Farmer

Minutes of July 16, 2004 meeting have been posted on the web site. Any corrections should be submitted to Ralph Farmer (farmerrw@netzero.net). Motion by Paul Basinger to accept the Minutes as posted, Seconded by Jim Vreeland. Motion passed unanimously.