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Wrestling Contingency Group Meeting Thursday, Sept 23 Zoom Meeting - 6:30 – 8p

Meeting Notes:

Brad reviewed surround states.

Idaho – controlled my local health authority. Could be different by each local.

Nevada – regionalizing the activity even more than normal.

Utah – dual only is the thought.

Montana – Board looking to move Wrestling back in their calendar potentially

Wyoming – restricted to duals only. Four teams max, two teams at a time maximum.

JD had the question on the maximum gathering limitations of the surrounding states.

Advocating to Legislature:

Alley – Wrestling is unique in the sense we are always putting groups in cohorts because of size and talent. Already cohorting in the game. Practice those groups we can maintain distances.

McNulty – following after events. Questionnaires afterward, sanitation after contests. Banding, fogging athletes, masks etc.

Thorpe – Preventative measures has been incredible in USA Wrestling. What's the data – statistics that had 719 wrestling over 3 days, survey's and phone calls. 9 people had symptoms present but no positive tests from the survey (1250 people). North and South Dakota are wrestling, need to use how they're doing it and the following their procedure. People not following protocols are having issues.

Doman – do we anticipate getting an audience? We will probably have to be an advocate moving forward, we will need to know in December.

Adjustments to regular season:

Stanley – 6A/5A chairs met. Seemed to be the consensus (minus Mountain Valley) they wanted to maintain league schedule with duals. Remaining non-league contests/opportunities schedule those regionally. 3 or 4 way meets but meet gathering requirements. Do we allow out of state travel? Do we grant that type of exception (is that within OSAA's wheelhouse?)

Kroll – Culminating event in a dual meet state tourney format (JD's info). Discussion beginning. If we are looking at a certain number indoors that may be the only option.

Holyoak – Duel meet may be the best bet. Only way to make it work – can host in high schools, no big venue needed. Don't see an individual tourney.

Thorpe – Culminating event, look at all levels with 1A/2A/3A duals would be tough. Wyoming – 3 teams could come together (Co-ops) for a dual meet championship to fill the weight classes. Could be a regional and then to a USA tourney vs. OSAA tourney? Not sure what he is talking about...

Henry – we can make it work – we had had league dual schedules in small schools. Small school dual meet – Dayton is great because they can fill but don't see that being very good across the board.

Toelle – doesn't really want to do the dual meet. But if its what we have to do its what we have to do.

Simons – kids came in – didn't get his comments. Gotta start with the Governor – can we do COVID testing?

Russo – frustrating that we are trying to come up with a solution to a situation is / parameters are? Protocol / system with guidelines. If we knew that we could have 'x' at this point, travel, then we could start looking to like a season. He is willing to do whatever it takes to get people wrestling – everyone the same in this meeting. Would give up a regular season to have a post season but is that shared by everyone?

Stauffer – lockdown in east county pretty much and we will be like this for a long time. We just want to get on a kids on the mat. Make a decision to run with it and go.

McNulty – rule out having any fans – use technology to our advantage. Eagle Point has some advantages to facilities, band tourneys and he feels like we need to have those events.

Alley – Don't have to have a cookie cutter format for each classification. He can see that if the smaller schools could have individual while 6A/5A could be dual meet. Would the OSAA allow that? If it gets worse, we aren't wrestling. Going to HS's reduces cost vs. VMC. Consider splitting stuff up / discussions.

Thorpe – We need to think beyond duals. We can't band duals. Bracket can be banded by weight. Culminating event – keeping that integrity of the OSAA can be done in a bracketed format. M/T, W/R

Board – travelling restrictions? Not allow cross border restrictions minus those who have to go (i.e. Vale / Nyssa).

Brads summation – what we talked about of different strategies for regular season.

General consensus is that we can keep under the 100 person maximum. Dual vs. individual that we can put this under operations. Fact is that we all agree that we aren't at VMC. Looking at multiple high school sites if at all.

Alley – looking at NFHS together – 45 minute rule. Does Brad have that authority, can he get that answer. Koester – he will ask SMAC. Drumm is bring into match recovery time would look like.

Thorpe – OWA/USAW/OSAA need to work together.

Henry – 20/30 min break (Alley).

Simon – how do we get contact, how do we get contact.

Kroll – dual would be cool.