

**OWA Meeting**  
September 6, 2014

Executive Board In attendance: Les Combs, Cleve Thompson, Tony Jones, Roy Pitman, Scott Shannon (for Bobo Umamoto), Mike Simons, Rex Metcalfe, Trent Kroll, Steve Thorpe, Rudy Soliz, John Rich

1. Welcome, Introduction, Announcements (Steve Thorpe)
  - ❖ continue growth in memberships
  
2. National Policies/ State Leaders Summit (Steve Thorpe)
  - ❖ Everything is a line bracket now
    - Easier for parents to read
  - ❖ Women's singlets are mandatory for women (no men's cut singlets)
  - ❖ Top 4 placing at Regional tournaments are automatic qualifier for the National Tournament
  - ❖ Las Vegas Royal Crush tournament held on Oct. 24-26
  - ❖ New insurance policy for USAW
    - Secondary goes down to \$100,000, liability stays the same at \$1 million
  
3. Chairman's Report (Steve Thorpe)
  - ❖ High School memberships
    - Deadline in December
    - Promote in women's wrestling and stat keepers
  - ❖ \$1 per entry fee to host a tournament – Don't pay = will not host
  - ❖ Be prepared to start your tournament at 9 a.m.
    - If you start at a different time, publish and promote it
  - ❖ Mandatory pre-registration at 4 tournaments
    - saves time
    - suggestion to raise penalty for failing to pre-register to \$20
    - Kathy Peters suggests same colored paper for age groups at all tournaments
    - mandatory *means* mandatory
  
4. Special Awards (Steve Thorpe)
  - ❖ Nominees for Rollin Schimmel Award:
    - Chuck Holiday
    - Tony Jones
    - Bobo Umamoto
  - ❖ Tony Jones receives Rollin Schimmel Award
  
5. John Rich
  - ❖ Making a Difference Day – November 23, 2014
    - ASU @ Oregon State on the 24th
    - Mandatory preregistration with scheduled start times
  - ❖ Poster – Need head shots of AA
  - ❖ Draft of schedule
    - Several schools have not paid \$1 per entry & will not be on the poster
  - ❖ High School Freestyle/ Greco State to be held at Crescent Valley

- FS Sat. May 2, 2015 and GR Sun. May 3, 2015
  - ❖ Suggestion putting how to register on Track Wrestling, and which tournaments are mandatory register on the poster
  - ❖ Web site will be switched to new site next week. Draft schedule to be published and available for comment.
6. Kid's Division Report (Rex Metcalfe)
- ❖ Western Regional is back in Pocatello
  - ❖ Kid's Nationals moving to Wisconsin
  - ❖ Team Oregon BBQ
    - fed over 350 people
  - ❖ OR was the largest state at regionals with 225 kids in folkstyle, 215 in greco, and 252 in freestyle.
  - ❖ Tour of Oregon Schedule
    - not able to have Rock of Redmond host a tournament
    - looking for another central OR location
    - 2 tours collegiate 2 tours greco/ freestyle
  - ❖ Middle School duals
  - ❖ Steve Schilling:
    - 38 kids, \$500 per kid in Wyoming
    - Oregon was the leader of the tournament
    - going to try to go to Wyoming again this year to cut costs (instead of Illinois)
  - ❖ Kid's Folkstyle State to be held in Parkrose
    - smaller mats, more seating
    - trying to find a place big enough to run the tournament in 1 day
  - ❖ Vote: Do we want Peewees at the State Tournament? for: 15 against: 15
    - Peewees would have to be in 4-man brackets
    - vote goes to kids council due to a tie
  - ❖ Freestyle/ Greco Cadet and Junior State to be held at Mountain View High School on April 25-26
7. Elections (Steve Thorpe)
- ❖ Rex Metcalfe re-elected as Kid's Director
  - ❖ Kid's Council nominees
    - Dave Kerr
    - Kyle Temple
    - Lisa King
    - Santos Kantu
    - Greg Newport
    - Ben Coulter
  - ❖ Dave Kerr, Lisa King, Greg Coulter voted onto Kid's Council
8. Cultural Exchange (Mike Simons)
- ❖ Hosting a New Zealand team in April
  - ❖ Possibly hosting a Sweden team
  - ❖ Taking a team to South Africa
  - ❖ Next year hosting a Japan team, traveling to Japan

9. Officials (Roy Pitman)
  - ❖ harassment and abuse of officials will not be tolerated
  - ❖ every club should have 2 officials (minimum) officiate 10 matches at 10 tournaments
    - will have an OSAA official to shadow them
  - ❖ young officials can get 60 hours of job experience for college credit
10. Restore College Wrestling (Trent Kroll)
  - ❖ Presenting to Salem & Bend area community colleges
11. Beach Wrestling (Trent Kroll)
  - ❖ Warm-Up meet and State Championships in May
12. Cadet Division Report (Rudy Soliz)
  - ❖ OR took 7th in the country in Greco at Fargo, 8th in Freestyle at Fargo
  - ❖ 2 open positions on the Cadet council
    - Nominees:
    - Mike Day, Alvin Riggs
    - Both on Cadet Council
13. Junior Division Report (Cleve Thompson)
  - ❖ 4 greco all-americans at Fargo
  - ❖ 2 freestyle all-americans at Fargo
  - ❖ 3 Junior council vacancies
  - ❖ nominees for Junior council:
    - Pat Driscoll, Kyle Temple, Matt Memnick
    - All 3 nominees voted onto the Junior council
14. Oregon Wrestling Classic committee requests to become a non-voting, non-revenue division of the OWA.
  - ❖ Vote on it will take place at next year's meeting.
15. Women's Wrestling (Scott Shannon)
  - ❖ 1 women's all american at Fargo
  - ❖ 2 open positions in womens council
    - ❖ Trent Kroll and Scott Shannon voted onto womens council
16. Ginger Lile re-elected on Pairings' Division
17. Coaches Division Report (Les Combs)
  - ❖ Oregon Wrestling Convention to be held at McNary High School on Oct. 11
  - ❖ Les Combs Re-elected on Coaches Division
18. State Treasurer Report (Tony Jones)
  - ❖ Up in all numbers, including coaches, tournaments, clubs, etc.
  - ❖ Clubs that are under OWA tax ID number and fundraise over \$1,000 per year must file an expense report
19. Suggestions (Steve Thorpe)
  - ❖ Steve Thorpe suggests that top 4 placers from Freestyle State are separated from each other on day 2 at Greco state.

20. John Rich re-elected as Vice-Chairman