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Greetings USA Oklahoma Membership,

I know it is a very confusing time for our families, but hopefully things will continue to improve and we will move out of this unfortunate Covid-19 situation.

Our board will continue to provide you with updates on issues pertaining to USA Oklahoma Wrestling Events, as well as any National Events organized through USA Oklahoma Wrestling.

USA Wrestling currently, with the recommendation of federal and state authorities, has still decided to postpone all USA Wrestling events until July 1, 2020. This includes all events except Fargo. As information becomes available about the postponed events or Fargo, we will inform you and post on our social media platforms.

Unfortunately, contrary to many social media postings, we have no exciting or new information coming concerning any upcoming USA Oklahoma Wrestling Events and/or National Events organized through USA Oklahoma Wrestling.

In my weekly state leadership calls with USA Wrestling Leadership, I have been very impressed with how USA Wrestling leadership has been working so hard to help support wrestling during this difficult time. The weekly encouragement we get from Rich Bender, Bruce Baumgartner, and their excellent staff has been inspiring. Pete Isais and Tony Black seem to be working as hard as they can to get us back into wrestling events again as soon as possible. Equally, the USA Oklahoma Wrestling Board has been trying their best behind the scenes to improve things for our organization. I really appreciate all their volunteer work. Everyone in our sport, at a national and local level, seem to be doing everything they can to move us forward.

We will wrestle again! However, there is a strong possibility that it may be in the fall before any events are able to be held. As far as wrestling activities, especially practices with your clubs, we strongly recommend you follow state and federal plans for contact and distancing.

Wrestling in some ways has a fragile relationship with school systems, universities, and other public and government entities. Moving forward with club activities and events before you have the support and permission of these institutions could have a negative effect on your club, but also could negatively impact the whole sport of wrestling. Therefore, again, please continue to follow state and federal plans on restarting any activities with your clubs.

During this time, the board and I will continue to work as hard as we can to improve our organization. Our board thanks you for all your support. Please reach out to me or any board members with any questions, needs, or concerns.

We will do our best to keep you posted with the correct information about how we can best move USA Oklahoma Wrestling forward into its bright future!

Sincerely,

Zachory Randall

State Chairman

USA Oklahoma Wrestling