IESA WRESTLING ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES & RECOMMENDATIONS April 11, 2013

The following members were present for the meeting: Coaches Mike Jensen, Daniel Levy, Tom Unruh, Joe Cliffe, and Kevin Hinkle; Administrator, Darryl Hogue; and IHSA Official Ray Winesburg.

The IESA Wrestling Advisory Committee, in its meeting of April 11, 2013, make the following <u>recommendations</u> to the Board of Directors for their June 14, 2013, meeting:

- 1. That only one wrestler per weight class counts toward team points at the regional level. Should a team advance two wrestlers to the sectional and/or state, both wrestlers points would count toward team points at the sectional and state level. Rationale: Schools with smaller enrollments (and therefore probably fewer wrestlers in the school program) cannot fill 38 regional positions--2 wrestlers at each of the 19 weight classes. Therefore, only the larger schools who can consistently fill two wrestlers in each weight class realistically compete for team awards which simply doesn't give the smaller enrollment schools an opportunity to compete for a 1st or 2nd place regional team finish. By allowing only one of the two wrestlers to score team points, it gives all schools assigned to a regional an equal chance to win team awards.
- 2. To change By-Laws 4.058 and 4.059 so that the top eight (8) wrestlers in each weight class are scored and receive medals at the state final wrestling meet. Rationale: Currently six of the 24 wrestlers in each weight class receive medals. The addition of a 7th-8th place match at the state level will not add any additional time to the state meet weekend. No wrestler would exceed the five match a day limitation. The additional place match will give two additional wrestlers in each weight class an additional match and would then have 33% of the competing wrestlers in each weight class receive an individual award.

Several items were discussed that either had no committee recommendation, were for information only, or did not need IESA Board of Directors action. This included; a.) A new skin condition form will be available starting with the 2013-14 season that eliminates the question where the physician estimates when a given skin condition will no longer be communicable; b.) review of proper regional and sectional weigh-in procedures--all teams do not need to be in attendance when weigh-ins begin; once a school arrives on-site, there can be no weight reduction activities; only the IESA assigned head official can weigh-in wrestlers during the state series; the committee would like to see the team scores posted at the state meet each after each round.

Dan Levy and Mike Jensen were recognized for their service to the committee.

The next meeting of the committee was set for Thursday, April 17, 2014.