

SOUTHWEST DISTRICT ATHLETIC BOARD MEETING
WRESTLING REPRESENTATIVES
April 12, 2014

Coaches' Representatives in attendance: Gary Wise, Beaver Creek (OHSWCA President); AJ Bey, Versailles (OHSWCA Southwest Rep 1); Chris Switzer, Loveland (OHSWCA Southwest Rep 2)

- I. District / Sectional Tournaments
 - A. Division I
 1. Centerville (2 sectionals) and Fairmont (district) ran excellent tournaments.
 2. Balance of Division I sectional teams in Southwest District
 - B. Division II
 1. Tournaments ran smoothly.
 - C. Division III
 1. Tournaments ran smoothly.
 2. Clinton-Massie to Blanchester rather than Milton-Union
 - D. All divisions
 1. Ability to seed up to 6 wrestlers per weight class for the sectional tournament was a good change. One complaint from tournament manager.
 2. Media coverage problems at state tournament.
 3. Problems with unsportsmanlike situations around athletes shaking hands with coaches (discussed at the state coaches meeting). There seems to be an uptick with problems in this area.
 4. Concern regarding long breaks at tournaments.
- II. General Concerns / Suggestions / Noteworthy Items
 - A. OHSAA State Team Tournament. Reducing three Wednesdays to two, a great idea. Great excitement at preliminary round.
 - B. Officials. The way that state officials are chosen should be reviewed. Coaches feel like input is minimal.
 - C. Officiating professionalism: "Winner, winner, chicken dinner". Excessive talking by officials during match to coaches.
 - D. Recruiting
 - E. 2014 Southwest District NCAA / NAIA wrestling accomplishments (Q=Qualifier)
 - Archbishop Moeller High School
D1: 165 – Pierce Harger (Jr.), Northwestern, **All-American 8th**

 - Elder High School
NAIA: Sam Conners, Campbellsville

 - Graham High School
D1: 165 – David Taylor (Sr.), Penn State, **2X National Champion & Outstanding Wrestler**
D1: 157 – Isaac Jordan (Fr.), Wisconsin, **All-American 7th**
D1: 141 – Zach Neibert (Sr.) Virginia Tech Q
D1: 174 – Max Thomusseit (Jr.), Pittsburgh Q
D1: 125 – Ryan Taylor (Fr.), Wisconsin Q

 - Harrison High School
NAIA: 165 – Jacob Shirley, Cumberland College, TN Q

 - Norwood High School
NAIA: Tyler Alsip, Campbellsville Q

 - Troy Christian High School
D2: 125 – Ben Sergent (Sr.), Findlay, **All-American, National Champion**
D1: 165 – Zach Toal (Sr.), Missouri Q

 - Versailles High School
D2: 197 – Joseph Brandt (Jr.), Ashland, **All-American 5th**

 - Reading High School
NAIA: 125 – Andrew Clark, Grand View, **All American 7th**