Wayne-Finger Lakes Track & Field Post- Season Meeting Minutes June 5, 2017 @ Midlakes 4:30pm

Schools in Attendance: Clyde-Savannah, Dundee, East Rochester, Gananda, Geneva, HAC, Lyons, Marcus Whitman, Marion, Midlakes, Mynderse, NR-W, Pal-Mac, Penn Yan, Red Jacket, Romulus, Sodus, South Seneca, Waterloo, Williamson

Absent: Bloomfield-Honeoye, Newark, Red Creek, Wayne

I. All League Awards Presented

II. Approved 2018 Schedules

- Went over approved 2018 Varsity and JV/Modified schedules with the coaches.
- If site changes are needed please make best effort to do them by March meeting.
 - Any changes need to be sent to Bob Goodell

III. 2017 Season Review

A. Senior Recognition Ceremonies

- It was agreed upon that these ceremonies should happen prior to the start of meets and be set up to not delay the 4:30 start time.

B. Alternating Varsity High Jump and Pole Vault Heights

- It was agreed upon that this method would help our athletes break ties on leaderboard and possibly give them a better chance to qualify for post season meets.
- Meets 1,3,5 would have one set of heights and 2,4,6 would have another. This is an example:
 - 1. GHJ 3'9,4'0,4'2,4'4...then 3'10,4'1,4'3,4'5
 - 2. BHJ -4'6,4'9,5'0,5'2...then 4'7,4'10,5'1,5'3
 - 3. GPV 5'6,6'0,6'6,7'0.....then 5'9,6'3,6'9,7'3
 - 4. BPV 7'0,7'6,8'0,8'6.....then 7'3,7'9,8'3,8'9

C. Meet cancelation procedures and rescheduling of meets

- Do to the logistics of the schedules the league coordinators will assist with and recommend make up dates to coaches and AD's if cancelations or site changes need to be made. This process will help keep the entire league on the same make-up dates and avoid conflicts with rescheduling.

D. JV/Modified Meets

1. Reviewed the intent of these meets

a. This format allows all 24 schools in the league an equal opportunity to offer JV/Modified track to their athletes.

2. Length of Meets – Depending on site meets ranged from 2-3 hours

a. Most issues can be fixed with better meet management

- i. Finish line issues Coaches timing their own athletes is a faster method. Coach can then write times on the master sheets throughout the course of the meet when they have time. Calling athletes back to line after races and recording times can slow a meet down.
- ii. Field Event issues these will be controlled next year with new league guidelines.
- b. League Procedures not being followed in the LJ/TJ
 - i. Modified always gets 3 attempts, JV gets 2 if time is short.
- c. Open pit in the jumps / flights in the throws
 - i. These methods will be revised and clearly stated in the meet management guide next year.
- d. We need to establish warm up time limits
 - i. It was decided to give 10 minute warm-up for flights and 15 minutes for open pits.
- e. Review what events are eligible to combine both divisions at these meets.
 - i. Long Jump, Triple Jump, High Jump, 1500/1600 if low numbers.
- f. Do we further limit entries or schools at these meets.
 - i. Entries will stay at 6 mod and 4 JV for next year
 - ii. We will stay with 8 schools per site for now. Cutting to 6 schools also cuts our officials to 6.
- g. Officials are a concern. Should they be pre-assigned based on their strengths?
 - i. Assignor does not like this idea because these officials need to have experience with different event areas. JV/Mod meets is a good place for them to practice do to non-scoring format.

3. Steeplechase @ JV/Mod Meets

a. Needs to be 1st in order of events when contested at JV meets due to teams traveling just for that event.

4. Number of sprint events offered to JV athletes at each meet.

a. It was suggested to offer 2 sprint events at each JV meet. We will offer 100/200 one week then 100/400 the next week starting in 2018.

5. Field event check out time at Modified Invitational.

a. Modified coaches asked to extend the 10 minute check out rule for field athletes at the invitational. Next year we will extend the time to 15 minutes.

IV. Other League Issues / Section V Issues / Open Discussion

A. Meet Management Guide for coaches and officials

- **a.** After much discussion regarding repeated issues with meet management from coaches and officials it was decided that a meet management guide will be created for next season. This will help both coaches and officials stay on the same page when running both Varsity and JV/Modified meets.
 - i. Guide will include warm-up times, field event formats, time lines for running open pits.

B. Qualifying procedures for the Meet of Champions/State Qualifier

a. Coaches would like to see the automatic qualification be removed from the process. Auto's are bumping out top 8 athletes in some cases. Coordinators will bring it up at next Section V meeting.