GDWOA Minutes

10/29/18 @ Centerville High School

Meeting called to order at 7 pm by Chaz who welcomed all in attendance. There were 24 attending the meeting.

Treasurer’s Report - $5,629.77 in the account.

Secretaries Report – reminder given to sign in for attendance, fill out the green application sheet to update your membership, upgrade forms are available. Jeremiah Forsythe turned his in to take the upgrade test.

New Officials report – 6 persons have passed their test to date.

Presentation for the evening – Scotty Myers. For those who do not know Scotty; he gave us some insight as to how he became an official and how he has been able to achieve the success he has thus far. He spoke on the importance of “mentorship” and gave us his 10 “Points of Light” to getting to that next level.

1. Read the book; know the rules.
2. Personal appearance @ meets; being in mental/physical condition.
3. Mentorship – Learning to do the job the right way
4. Confidence; not belligerent or cocky, “swagger”
5. Mat time, mat time, mat time. Do wrestle-offs, scrimmages; take any opportunity to get on the mat.
6. Go to as many meetings as possible, be a sponge, seek out senior officials to learn from.
7. Have a goal in mind!
8. Talk officiating with Senior officials after the match/tournaments. Socialize together and talk wrestling.
9. Video yourself; see what you look like, what you are doing or have someone else do it. Great learning tool.
10. Be your own advocate. Call Athletic Directors, Assigners and actively seek out opportunities to get matches.

Closing – Introduction of those in attendance. We all had the opportunity to introduce ourselves and tell something about us as it relates to our experience, career in officiating.

Roger Hartmann announced that this would be his last year as an official. He is going to retire to Lake Norris in Tennessee and be a fisherman. This will be his 25th season as an official.

Golf Outing – Continuing to stress to the membership to get involved in some way or form.

Respectfully submitted,

Tony Trent

Secretary - GDWOA