

19 November 2006
Sunday Briefing

HOTELS FOR STATE CHAMPIONSHIP:

Believe it or not, we have almost all the commitments we need for hotel rooms for State. Holiday Inn Express is the only hotel that cannot commit right now as there is a change in management going on. Please note that the current hotel list is attached to the e-mail carrying this briefing.

Our briefing this week is a little late due to the continued work on the rulebook, the raffle and getting ready for the Open meeting. Here are the latest developments:

- A. The district chairs met and have agreed that OHSET needs to be proactive about the rising costs of our State Championship, Insurance rates and other necessities that go with running this size organization. After going over the figures, it is clear that our fees need to be raised about \$40 per member. Each district will receive an invoice to reflect this on January 16th.
- B. The State has presented an opportunity to take the burden from the family and bring new money into the OHSET by putting together an attractive package for a raffle. Everyone agreed that with little effort, the districts can do this one fundraiser and be done with earning the money to cover the additional expenses with little or no impact on the actual membership. By selling these \$2.00 tickets, we can accomplish this without one cent coming from our OHSET members!!
- C. Our vehicle to accomplishment this year will be a "DREAM VACATION"! Just think of it, anywhere you want to go up to \$5,000! What a great stocking stuffer, small thank you gift or just something to put on a wish list!! Our audience is just about anyone And we are just the group to get out there and give these people an opportunity to win this trip. It will be awarded at our State Championship meet in Redmond.....Tickets will be distributed at the Open Meeting.
- D. Item D is the most exciting. We have successfully entertained 4 businesses to sponsor our rulebook. They are:

Morgan Built Trailers
The Grange Co-op
The Horse Blanket
Donna Espelien's awesome sweats, shirts, hats printing

We were able to defray \$1,200 of our printing expenses through the support of these businesses. Please remember this when you shop. Spread the word about our great sponsors.

OPEN MEETING:

Because of the distance of some attendees, the State Board Meeting will be rescheduled for 9:30 and the Open Meeting will begin promptly at 11:00 a.m. We will have our committee reports and then break for lunch at 12:30 and reconvene at 1:30 for pattern discussion.

We want to watch the weather and be sure that we have someone at the meeting to pick up the rulebooks that each district ordered. Remember, one district check for the full amount to Mike Ballini. Diana VanOrman will be working closely with Mike to make sure that the correct amount of books gets to each district. I know we can hardly wait to see them!!

To say that we have been busy is an understatement. Bill reports that his co-op committee has been working hard for us in the matters that bring teams together and that the way we do this is correct. You will notice that I have also attached his latest report to this briefing. Co-ops are not automatic from year to year.....please read the following carefully.

Subject: Co-Op review for the upcoming season

District Chairs -

Please review the list below for your district's Co-Ops from last year, to ensure that one of the following is happening:

- 1 - The Co-Op school will have their own team this season
- 2 - The Co-Op school has no athletes wanting to participate this season
- 3 - There is a Co-Op application form pending at your district for approval

A reminder that Co-Ops are not automatically renewed, and that athletes from a Co-Op school may not practice with the team until the Co-Op is approved. Approvals are from the Co-Op committee (for standard Co-Ops) or the State Board (for Non-Standard Co-Ops). Also, please note that there are only two more opportunities to gain approval for Non-Standard Co-Ops - the State Board meeting before the General Meeting on Dec 2d, and the January State Board Meeting.

Thanks,

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Last Season Co-Ops (2005-2006)		
Host School	Co-Op School	District
Dufur	Goldendale (WA)	CO
Dufur	Maupin	CO
Madras	Culver	CO
Gervais	Wood burn	NV
McMinnville	Dayton	NV
Perrydale	Sheridan	NV
Perrydale	Willamina	NV
Tualatin	Tigard	NV
Valley Catholic	Aloha	NW
Valley Catholic	Century	NW
Bonanza	Lost River	SO
Eagle Point	Prospect	SO
Klamath Union	Mazama	SO
Junction City	Monroe	SV
Gladstone	North Clackamas Christian	TRV
Corvallis	Crescent Valley	WI

Keep warm and have a good week