Bowling Post Season Meeting Notes
February 22, 2018

1. Welcome and introductions.
   - Present: Tony Maselli, Al Stumpf, Tracie Smith, John Canova, Mark Klimek, Howie Conklin, Tony Palombo, Tony Bilello, David Clampffer, Pete Meehan, Mike Mitchell, Tara Burniston, Newt Schoener

2. Review of 2017 Post Season Minutes.
   - 2017 Minutes approved with no changes.

3. Review of the regular season
   - Regular season went well.
   - Unified bowling was a big hit.

4. Review of the post-season
   - Committee agreed to change the minimum number of events to qualify for the state tournament to 6 events. Events can either be matches or tournaments. Tournaments regardless of the number of games bowled is considered on event.
   - Committee would like to add a late fee for state tournament entry forms. NJSIAA approved fines are, $50 for entries passed the deadline and $150 for entries after the tournament is seeded.
   - Dates need to rotate (boys/girls).
   - Some problems noted by the committee during this year’s tournament.
     a. T-shirt vendors need to find a better location.
     b. Need to see if the internet access can be improved.
     c. Need American flag for national anthem.
     d. Concession was very expensive especially the bottled water. Not sure if the NJSIAA can do anything about that.

5. Review of dates for next season.
   - Committee would like to move the start date to Nov 12 and opening date to Nov 24 because of facility constraints. This will need to be a proposal for the Program Review Committee that will be presented in May.
   - Committee would like to look at having the Individual state championships last, after the team finals. NJSIAA will confirm with bowling alleys and make switch if it can be done.
   - Sectional directors were asked to look at possible snow dates to be published so schools can prepare.
   - Tentative dates for next year are attached.

6. Review of current regulations and proposed regulations for next season.
   - Coaches must show picture ID when checking in. Put in regulations as it may prevent non-coaches (parents) from supervising the athletes.
   - Change regulations to reflect entry form change.
   - Make entry deadline more prevalent on the entry form and regulations.
   - Have entry form tell the coaches or AD’s not to hold entry for payment. Get entry form in on time, the NJSIAA will invoice you if a check does not accompany the entry form.
7. New Business:
   - NJSIAA will now collect all entry forms & fees.
   - NJSIAA will set up the sectional divisions.
   - NJSIAA will look at having a meeting at the NJSIAA office with the sectional directors to be part of the division process.
   - Divisions for next year will be divided based on the classification rules for other sports or classified by the northering number (geography) to create balanced divisions. See notes under correspondence below.
   - The NJSIAA will also look at the number of individual bowlers that qualify on a percentage basis compared to the total number of bowlers.

8. Old Business
   - None

9. Correspondence
   - Change the number of bowlers permitted in the pit area from 5 to 6 bowlers in the state tournament. Committee approved, need to change regs.
   - Rotate Lanes during the state sectional tournament. There was a lengthy discussion regarding this topic. The committee ultimately agreed this would be best for the tournament the possibility of lengthening the time of the matches and the complexity of making it happen smoothly. The committee decided to approve the lane rotation at all sectional sites on a one year trial period and it will be reviewed at next years post season meeting.
   - Committee denied the request to advance the 18th and 19th bowlers in the case of a tie. A roll-off will stay in place to break the tie.
   - The minimum games rule as it pertains to bowlers who’s school does not have a bowling team need to be spelled out better in the regulations.
   - Can other lanes be looked at. The committee is open to any lanes. The NJSIAA will look at other available lanes (Laurel Lanes), however the tournament directors have not reported any issues with the current lanes.
   - T-shirt vendors prices were to high. NJSIAA does not set the vendors prices.
   - There was a lengthy discussion regarding the make up of the divisions based on the county the school is located in. Many people felt it was unfair that the number of bowlers qualifying was not equal to the number of bowlers per section. It was decided to look at other options like dividing the total number of teams entering the state tournament equally by the northering number. The NJSIAA will provide some scenarios based on classification rules that are used for other sports. If the divisions are equal, then the percentages of bowlers that qualify will be fairer.

10. Good of the order.
    - None