

NDOA Winter Meeting - Minutes

Wednesday April 19, 2023

2:00 pm – Mandan – FUI

Members present – Dean Klier, Jeremy Mehlhoff, Whitney Aberle, Todd Fisher, Perry Smith, Chad Palmer, Kayle Hamre, Wade Zahn. Guest Kevin Morast.

1. Call to order
2. Approval of agenda – Motion to approve by Hamre, seconded by Smith. Motion carries.
3. Approval of Fall 2022 minutes – Motion to approve by Mehlhoff, seconded by Fisher. Motion carries.
4. Review 2022 NDHSAA Board of Directors action – No action items.
5. Nomination committee report
 - a. Adjustment to nomination process to include other sports. Discussion on requirements set by the NDOA Constitution. Outgoing members will work with the secretary on final ballot this summer.
 - b. Klier, Mehlhoff final meeting. Fisher up for re-election.
 - c. Nominations from NW and NE – Palmer and Aberle will help to seek out candidates.

Name	Term 1	Term 2	Geography
Whitney Aberle	22 - 25		Northwest
Mehlhoff, Jeremy	16 - 19	20 - 23	Northwest
Smith, Perry	21 - 24		Southwest
Fisher, Todd	20 - 23		Southwest
Chad Palmer	22 - 25		Northeast
Kayl Hamre	22 - 25		Southeast
Zahn, Wade	21 - 24		Southeast
Klier, Dean	16 - 19	20 - 23	Northeast

6. Agenda items
 - a. Role of NDOA Board is an advisory role. The purpose of the board is to make suggestions and requests to the NDHSAA Board concerning fees, number of state officials, etc. It is also to secure due recognition of officials to the public and through the NDHSAA.
 - b. Letters of reprimand for current registered officials. The board discussed a letter of reprimand sent out to an official.
 - c. Recruitment and evaluation of officials – Smith shared his evaluation tools his organization used for his officiating group. Each board member shared what they do in their area regarding evaluating their officials.
 - d. Selection of officials – Discussion of how region and state officials are selected in each sport.

- e. BB Officials pre-game jackets – NDOA Board recommends all wear the high school jacket.
 - f. Mileage is not part of the game fee and should not be included in any W-2's received from Schools. It is not income.
- 7. Officials pay committee report – eliminate 9th grade bb from fee. NDOA wants to enact new fee schedule for the next three years. Present to NDHSAA Officials Committee at June NDHSAA Board Meeting. Smith motion, seconded by Hamre. Motion carries.
- 8. 3 Division Basketball – Region and State Officials
 - a. NDOA Board suggests 12 State Tournament Officials with no sit out rule and 2 Tournament max. NDHSAA office has discretion to make adjustments if needed. Motion by Mehlhoff, seconded by Hamre. Motion carries.
- 9. Secretary Report
 - a. 2022-23 official registration numbers. Overall official numbers up.
 - b. NDHSAA system – The NDHSAA looking for input on what permission assignors should have in our system.
 - c. Number of wrestling officials at State may be adjusted with a change in the number of mats.
 - d. Number of hockey officials at State may need to change due to boys and girls possibly being combined again in 20223-24.
- 10. Select next year's officers – Motion to move to September meeting. Board felt officers should be selected after an election, not before it. Motion by Hamre, 2nd by Mehlhoff. Motion carries.
- 11. Heartfelt thanks and congrats to our outgoing board members.
- 12. Schedule next year's meeting – Conference Call – September 20, 2023 – 7:00
- 13. Adjourn