

NDOA Board Meeting – March 27, 2019

NDOA Board of Directors Winter 2019 meeting called to order by President Mickey Jordan. Other board members present – Kevin Sundre, Mark Ukestad, Paul Mellum, Dean Klier, Jeremy Mehlhoff.

Approval of agenda – Motion to approve by Ukestad, second by Sundre. Motion carries.

Approval of winter 2018 minutes – Motion to approve by Klier, second by Ukestad, Motion carries.

Review of November 2018 NDHSAA Board of Directors action, all were approved.

- a. Increase maximum fee schedule 4% in 2019-20 with the same fees in 2020-21.
- b. For swimming and diving, amend language to “Meet Referee and/or Dive Referee”.
- c. Hire two additional turn officials for the boys and girls state swim and dive meets.
- d. Use four umpires for all championship bracket games in the State Class A Baseball Tournament and two umpires in all consolation games.
- e. Remove high school students from the officials’ full registration (high school students are unable to officiate varsity games) and require all high school students to register as local officials.

Review the nomination committee report. Three board spots will be up for re-election: Jeremy Mehlhoff in the northwest, Dean Klier in the northeast, and Mickey Jordan has completed his 2nd term in the southwest. The only people interested in running so far are Jason Dutke, Calvin Dean, and Todd Fisher in the southwest. Justin will send out a sample ballot as this summer’s election draws closer.

Distinguished Service award nominations were reviewed. Awards will be presented in the fall of 2019.

The Board reviewed the 20 and 25 year recognition lists. Congrats and thank you to all who are being recognized. 20 year plaque recipients: Brian Beehler, Nathan Berseth, Jeff Bjugstad, Diane Burr, Luke Carney, Paul Dahlberg, Justin DeCoteau, Donald Doyle, Dale Elfman, Brent Engebretson, Elliot Gerhardt, Lynn Gress, Wayne Gripentrog, Maureen Groth, Craig Hahn, Loy Ham, Paul Hanson, Tara Hofmann, Reggie Jackson, Darrin Johnson, Charles Johnson, Terry Kapella, Charles Krebs, David Maier, Lance Makeef, Wayne Mastel, Ron Nudell, Dennis Roberts, Yahya, Sabree, Jason Scharpe, Jay Schneider, Darwin Wray. 25 year NDOA watch recipients: Lonnie Erbes, Robert Goll, Jim Kindschi, Trevor Kittelson, Scott Privratsky, Jerome Slag, Matthew Spivey, Wendy Stittsworth (Apserheim), Irene Wrenn.

The Board reviewed seven NDOA Hall Of Fame Nominations. After discussion, the Board moved to induct the following into the NDOA HOF: Tammy Coleman (gymnastics) of Jamestown, Jim Ladbury (wrestling) of Dickinson, Randy Meyer (wrestling) of Minot.

The Board followed up on past discussions of behavioral issues that occurred by registered officials across the state. There were no issues reported this winter.

The Board discussed adding a basketball workshop in Edgeley with Mark Ukestad running both that one and the Jamestown workshop. Due to the growth of the number of officials in that area, the Board agreed to add the workshop.

The Board discussed the in-season basketball video that was produced by the NDOA and NDHSAA Office. Very positive feedback, we will try and do it again for next winter.

Selection of next year's officers. Motion to nominate Mark Ukestad as President by Mellum, 2nd by Sundre. Motion passes by unanimous ballot. Motion to nominate Kevin Sundre for Vice President by Mellum, 2nd by Mehlhoff. Motion passes.

Secretary's Report

- a. Emailed Officials Contracts – Feedback overwhelmingly positive.
- b. Discussion of the elimination of sit years? NDOA Board members were split in their opinions. Sit years will continue as is with NDHSAA flexibility to adjust in years where we have need to adjust.
- c. Officials Fees Review – Send out fee schedule prior to September meeting to review.
- d. Video Review at State Basketball – review has been in place for two years at all televised state bb games, it was used twice this winter. Overwhelming support for this from coaches and officials. NFHS Football Rules Committee has approved it for this fall, NDHSAA office will look at viability for Dakota Bowl only.

Next year's meeting dates were set. The Fall NDOA Meeting will be in Mandan on September 11, 2019 at 3:00 pm. The Winter NDOA Meeting will be March 25, 2020 at 7:00 pm.

Motion to adjourn by Sundre, second by Ukestad. Motion carries.

Respectfully submitted,
Justin Fletschock