

MINUTES**North Dakota High School Activities Association
August 13, 2014, Valley City, ND**

The Board of Directors of the North Dakota High School Activities Association held their meeting on August 13, 2014 in Valley City. President Hall called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

Members present: Hall, Roaldson, Bertsch, Brannan, Martin, Wiberg, Rinas, Dahlen, Manley, Stedman

Members absent: Baesler

Other's Present: Harold Rotunda, Stacey Anderson

Upon additions to the agenda, motion by Wiberg to approve the agenda. Second by Martin. Motion carried unanimously.

The Board was previously supplied minutes of the June 23, 2014 meeting for review. Motion by Brannan to approve minutes as read. Second by Bertsch. Motion carried unanimously.

Executive Director Fetsch presented the financial report beginning with the 2013-2014 year-end balance sheet, detailed budget and investment report which was made available prior to the meeting for review. Motion by Martin to approve the financial report. Second by Manley. Motion carried unanimously. Fetsch also presented the spring sports and fine arts financial reports for review.

Internal Revenue Service Form 990 was presented for approval by the Executive Director. Motion by Wiberg to approve the IRS Form 990 as presented. Second by Rinas. Motion carried unanimously.

The Board reviewed cooperative sponsorship dissolution requests:

- a. Northern Cass and West Fargo in girls' hockey, 9-12, 2014-15
Motion by Roaldson to approve. Second by Dahlen. Motion carried unanimously.
- b. Tioga and Ray in football, 7-8, 2014-15
Motion by Brannan to approve. Second by Roaldson. Motion carried unanimously.
- c. St. Joseph's (MN) and Shanley/Sullivan in baseball, 7-8, 2014-15
Motion by Roaldson to approve. Second by Wiberg. Motion carried unanimously.
- d. St. Joseph's (MN) and Shanley/Sullivan in girls' golf, 7-8, 2014-15
Motion by Roaldson to approve. Second by Wiberg. Motion carried unanimously.
- e. St. Joseph's (MN) and Shanley/Sullivan in boys' soccer, 7-8, 2014-15
Motion by Roaldson to approve. Second by Wiberg. Motion carried unanimously.
- f. St. Joseph's (MN) and Shanley/Sullivan in girls' soccer, 7-8, 2014-15
Motion by Roaldson to approve. Second by Wiberg. Motion carried unanimously.
- g. St. Joseph's (MN) and Shanley/Sullivan in softball, 7-8, 2014-15
Motion by Roaldson to approve. Second by Wiberg. Motion carried unanimously.
- h. St. Joseph's (MN) and Shanley/Sullivan in girls' swimming and diving, 7-8, 2014-15
Motion by Roaldson to approve. Second by Wiberg. Motion carried unanimously.
- i. St. Joseph's (MN) and Shanley/Sullivan in boys' tennis, 7-8, 2014-15
Motion by Roaldson to approve. Second by Wiberg. Motion carried unanimously.
- j. St. Joseph's (MN) and Shanley/Sullivan in girls' tennis, 7-8, 2014-15
Motion by Roaldson to approve. Second by Wiberg. Motion carried unanimously.
- k. St. Joseph's (MN) and Shanley/Sullivan in speech, 7-8, 2014-15
Motion by Roaldson to approve. Second by Wiberg. Motion carried unanimously.
- l. Trenton and Williston in boys' hockey, 7-12, 2014-15
Motion by Wiberg to approve. Second by Rinas. Motion carried unanimously.
- m. Trenton and Williston in girls' hockey, 7-12, 2014-15
Motion by Wiberg to approve. Second by Rinas. Motion carried unanimously.
- n. Trenton and Williston in boys' swimming and diving, 7-12, 2014-15
Motion by Wiberg to approve. Second by Rinas. Motion carried unanimously.

- o. Trenton and Williston in girls' swimming and diving, 7-12, 2014-15
Motion by Wiberg to approve. Second by Rinas. Motion carried unanimously.
- p. Hatton and May-Port-CG in wrestling, 7-12, 2014-15
Motion by Martin to approve. Second by Manley. Motion carried unanimously.
- q. Northwood and May-Port-CG in wrestling, 7-12, 2014-15
Motion by Roaldson to approve. Second by Martin. Motion carried unanimously.
- r. Northwood and Grand Forks Red River in girls' swimming, 9-12, 2014-15
Motion by Rinas to approve. Second by Bertsch. Motion carried unanimously.
- s. St. Thomas and Drayton in Speech, 2014-15
Motion by Manley to approve. Second by Martin. Motion carried unanimously.
- t. St. Thomas and Drayton in One Act Play, 2014-15
Motion by Manley to approve. Second by Martin. Motion carried unanimously.

The Board reviewed cooperative sponsorship applications:

- a. Grand Forks Central and East Grand Forks Sacred Heart (MN) in girls' tennis, 7-12, 2014-15, no fee
Motion by Bertsch to approve. Second by Rinas. Motion carried unanimously.
- b. Valley Middle School and East Grand Forks Sacred Heart (MN) in girls' soccer, 7-8, 2014-15, no fee
Motion by Wiberg to approve. Second by Martin. Motion carried unanimously.
- c. Dickinson and Richardton-Taylor in boys' hockey, 7-12, 2014-15, no fee
Motion by Roaldson to approve. Second by Dahlen. Motion carried unanimously.

Harold Rotunda, NDHSAA auditor, provided the Board with a 2013-14 fiscal year audit report. Motion by Rinas to approve. Second by Brannan. Motion carried unanimously.

The Executive Board reviewed cooperative sponsorship applications received after deadlines, and did not forward the coop applications to the full board for approval.

Brad Rinas, realignment committee chair, provided the Board with a report on the formation of a Class B basketball and volleyball ad-hoc committee and made a recommendation for the 2015-16 district/region placement of South Prairie in volleyball and basketball. The committee recommended placing South Prairie in Region 6 and District 12 for volleyball and basketball. President Hall requested ad-hoc committee names be submitted and approved by Executive Director Fetsch. Motion by Brannan to approve realignment committee report. Second by Wiberg. Motion carried unanimously.

Steve Brannan, fine arts committee chair, provided the Board with a report regarding fine arts season dates. Department of Public Instruction Baesler requested the committee discuss the loss of school time for spring fine arts and the possibility of restructuring fine arts seasons. The committee discussed season dates and potential date changes. They will review these dates in September. Staff member Bubach was directed to get input from C STAND. A survey will be sent to administrators and coaches in October for additional input. The timeframe was discussed and additional information will be posted on the NDHSAA website.

Current Fine Arts Seasons are listed below:

Activity	Max # of Regular Season Tournaments	1st Competition Date	State Contest Date
Congress	6	September 1st	1st weekend of November (Th-Fri)
Debate	12	Fri of 2nd weekend of November	1st weekend of February (Fri-Sat)
Speech	12	1st Sat of January	3rd weekend of April-Adjusts for Easter (A); 4th weekend of April (B)
Music	0	No Regular Season	Last Fri of April-Adjusts for Easter (A) First Sat of May (B)
Play	0	No Regular Season	M-T Thanksgiving Week (B) First M-T of April-Adjusts for Easter (A)

Motion by Roaldson to approve. Second by Manley. Motion carried unanimously.

Steve Hall, Constitution & By-Law's committee chair, provided the Board with a report on the proposed academic eligibility By-Law change. The academic eligibility amendment was presented at all fall administrative meetings. The amendment will be discussed with administrators at the administrator conference in October with a potential vote in January. Motion by Rinas to approve Constitution & By-Laws report. Second by Stedman. Motion carried unanimously.

Jason Wiberg, media committee chair, provided the Board with a report from the media committee. The committee discussed the ability for schools to broadcast post-season events owned by the NFHS Network. The NFHS Network does not plan to broadcast all post-season tournaments. NDHSAA will receive a list of events declined by the NFHS Network. If an event is declined, the NDHSAA has the ability to sell the tournaments. As per NFHS Network contract, all declined events must be sold based on the established rate card. The committee recommends all entities be charged as per the rate card. If schools choose to broadcast district tournaments, they must pay the broadcast fee. NDHSAA will reimburse schools the broadcast fees. Motion by Brannan to approve the media committee report including charging the prices on the media rate card fee for all post season events. Second by Manley. Roll Call vote: Roaldson - yes, Bertsch – yes, Brannan – yes. Martin - yes, Wiberg - yes, Rinas - yes, Dahlen - yes, Manley - yes, Stedman – yes, Hall – yes. Motion carried unanimously.

A request was received from the Eastern Dakota Conference to change the date of the 2014 East Region volleyball tournament from Tuesday, November 11, 2014 to Monday, November 10, 2014 due to Veteran's Day. Motion by Roaldson to approve. Second by Dahlen. Motion carried unanimously.

Ray High School requested the Board allow 2014-15 freshmen to declare junior high or high school status for football. Ray & Tioga are cooped in football grades 9-12 and the coop has been dissolved beginning with the 2014-15 school year. Each school will field their own team in 2014-15. There is a provision in the Constitution, which allows a 7-8-9 grade team to compete as a junior high team. Ray plans to have their 7-8-9 grade football team compete as a junior high team. Ray would like to allow 2014-15 freshman students the ability to choose to play for the Ray 7-8-9 grade or the Tioga 9-12 grade football team in 2014-15. Motion by Rinas to allow 9th grade students to declare which team they will play for in 2014/15. Second by Martin. Motion carried.

Brad Rinas, Committee Chair, provided a list of recommended golf and track region sites for 2014-15 spring tournaments for Board approval.

<u>RECOMMENDATIONS</u>		<u>DATE</u>
		<u>2014-2015</u>
GOLF Boys & Girls B		
Regions		
Region 1 Girls	Ashley (South Border)	Deadline May 16, 2015
Region 1 Boys	Edgeley	Deadline May 16, 2015
Region 2 Girls	Mayville	Deadline May 16, 2015
Region 2 Boys	Carrington	Deadline May 16, 2015
Region 3 Girls	Cando	Deadline May 16, 2015
Region 3 Boys	Larimore	Deadline May 16, 2015
Region 4 Girls	Rugby	Deadline May 16, 2015
Region 4 Boys	Souris Valley(Our Redeemer's)	Deadline May 16, 2015
Region 5 Girls	South Heart	Deadline May 16, 2015
Region 5 Boys	South Heart	Deadline May 16, 2015
Region 6 Girls	Watford City	Deadline May 16, 2015
Region 6 Boys	Burlington (DLB)	Deadline May 16, 2015
TRACK		
Region - Class B		
Northwest	Watford City	May 16, 2015
North Central	Rugby	May 16, 2015

Northeast	Larimore	May 16, 2015
Southwest	Bowman County	May 16, 2015
South Central	Bismarck	May 16, 2015
Southeast	Lisbon	May 16, 2015

Motion by Wiberg to approve spring golf and track region sites. Second by Martin. Motion carried unanimously.

NDHSAA staff proposed a change to the coop guidelines for application and guidelines for naming of coops. Staff member Bubach explained the proposed changes. Motion by Stedman to table coop guidelines for application and naming of coops for further study. Second by Dahlen. Motion carried unanimously.

The Board discussed the process and timeline for selecting a firm/individual for NDHSAA legal retainer services. The finance committee was directed to narrow the search to two finalists at the September meeting and bring the two finalists to the October board meeting.

Staff member Brenda Schell provided the Board with a Strategic Plan status update.

Fetsch provided the Executive Director's report.

- Fetsch explained status of minor office renovations.
- Fall administrator meetings were completed on August 12th. Five meetings were presented at various sites around the state. The presentations went well. Administrators were asked for input on academic eligibility.
- Fetsch will be attending the NFHS Section 5 meeting in Des Moines, Iowa September 2-5, 2014
- Staff member Fletschock is now the NDOA representative and they have a meeting September 9th in the Valley City office.
- Stacey Anderson with Forum Communications addressed the Board concerning the completion of the first year of the television contract. WDAY feels it was a successful first year. WDAY provided added coverage including the Class A basketball and state hockey quarter final games. They indicated plans to provide even more expanded coverage for the 2014-15 year using a sub-carrier, 6-3. WDAY would like to make 6-3 a sports channel. All coverage on 6-3 is also available via web-stream on the WDAY site. They are also working on televising consolation rounds for 2014-15. In 2013-14, WDAY provided pre-season, pre-tournament promotions to highlight coming tournaments. There are plans to continue this practice. They are open to conversation if there is anything NDHSAA would like covered differently. WDAY would like to keep the lines of communication open and are very interested in feedback.

The next NDHSAA Board meeting will be held September 16, 2014 in Valley City.

President Hall declared the meeting adjourned at 3:18 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Brenda Schell
Assistant Director

Signed: _____ Approved Date: ____/____/____