

North Dakota High School Activities Association

Board of Directors Minutes

August 28, 2025 – Conference Call

Call Meeting to Order

Aanenson called the meeting to order at 9:08 am CDT on August 28, 2025.

Members present: Aanenson, Lunde, Bakke, Berger, Berseth, Derr, Hanson, Jung, Simpfenderfer, Tescher.

Members absent: Christensen, Fox.

Approval of Agenda

Aanenson called for a motion to approve the agenda.

Motion by Simpfenderfer to approve the agenda as presented.

Seconded by Tescher.

Motion carried unanimously.

Approval of Consent Agenda

Coop Dissolutions

1. Shanley and Central Cass in boys soccer, 7-12, 2026-27
2. Shanley and Central Cass in girls soccer, 7-12, 2026-27
3. Dickinson Trinity and New England in boys golf, 7-12, 2025-26
4. Pingree-Buchanan and Jamestown in boys golf, 7-12, 2025-26
5. Four Winds and Minnewaukan in boys cross country, 7-12, 2026-27
6. Four Winds and Minnewaukan in girls cross country, 7-12, 2026-27
7. Four Winds and Minnewaukan in volleyball, 7-12, 2026-27
8. Four Winds and Minnewaukan in boys basketball, 7-12, 2026-27
9. Four Winds and Minnewaukan in girls basketball, 7-12, 2026-27

Coop Applications

1. West Fargo and Central Cass in boys soccer, 7-12, 2026-27, no fee
2. West Fargo and Central Cass in girls soccer, 7-12, 2026-27, no fee
3. Shanley and Capstone in softball, 7-12, 2025-26, no fee
4. Shanley and Capstone in girls soccer, 7-12, 2025-26, no fee
5. Minot Public Schools and South Prairie in boys tennis, 7-12, 2026-27, no fee
6. Williston and St. Joseph's in boys wrestling, 7-12, 2025-26, no fee
7. Williston and St. Joseph's in girls wrestling, 7-12, 2025-26, no fee
8. West Fargo and Kindred in boys hockey, 7-12, 2025-26, no fee
9. Dickinson and Hope Christian in girls hockey, 7-12, 2025-26, no fee
10. May-Port-CG and Northwood in boys wrestling, 7-12, 2025-26, late fee
11. May-Port-CG and Northwood in girls wrestling, 7-12, 2025-26 late fee

Aanenson requested to remove coop applications 10 and 11 from the consent agenda for additional discussion.

Motion by Hanson to approve the consent agenda sans coop applications 10 and 11.

Seconded by Bakke.

Motion carried unanimously.

Motion to approve coop applications 10 and 11 Lunde.

Seconded by Jung.

Motion carried 9 – 1. Aanenson voted no.

Executive Board Report

Aanenson presented the Executive Board report.

Wayne Fox resigned from his position at White Shield High School, thus vacating his position on the NDHSAA Board of Directors. Executive Board recommends appointing Dr. Shane Martin, Superintendent and Athletic Director at Turtle Mountain Community High School, for the 2025-26 school year. Representatives will be nominated at the General Assembly in March to fill the remaining two years of Fox's term.

Motion by Berger to appoint Dr. Shane Martin to a one-year term on the Board of Directors.

Seconded by Berseth.

Motion carried unanimously.

The Executive Board reviewed the NDHSAA policy manual and recommended adding Volleyball State Qualifier manager fee of \$300.00 and Volleyball State Qualifier rate card fees of Division A or B live \$1,500.00 or delayed at \$750.00 or Per Match fees of \$500.00 for live or \$250.00 for a delayed broadcast.

Motion by Hanson to approve the Volleyball State Qualifier manager and rate card fees as presented.

Seconded by Bakke.

Motion carried unanimously.

Dickinson High School self-reported a violation for playing an ineligible player from Hope Christian Academy on their JV girls hockey team. The Executive Board recommended applying the prescribed penalty of forfeiture of all contests the ineligible player participated in as well as applying a \$500.00 fee to the coop application between Dickinson and Hope Christian Academy.

Motion by Simpfenderfer to approve the Executive Board recommendation to apply the prescribed penalty and applying a \$500.00 fee to Dickinson and Hope Christian Academy's coop application as presented.

Seconded by Hanson.

Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Lunde to approve the Executive Board report as presented.

Seconded by Berseth.

Motion carried unanimously.

Committee Reports

Sportsmanship & Citizenship

Bakke presented the Sportsmanship & Citizenship Committee report.

The Sportsmanship and Citizenship Committee met online Thursday, August 21 at 10:00 a.m. The committee reviewed the Spectator Ejection Policy penalty, which has changed to a two-week penalty for better consistency across activities. The committee reviewed 2024-25 infractions which had a total of 33 ejections, including 24 adults and 9 students. The committee will remain a standing group to help address any future concerns.

Motion by Tescher to approve the Sportsmanship & Citizenship Committee report.

Seconded by Jung.

Motion carried unanimously.

Next Meetings – Location, Date & Time

- Thursday, September 25, 2025 – 10:00 am CDT – Valley City – NDHSAA Office

Adjourn

Aanenson adjourned the meeting at 9:33 am CDT.

Respectfully submitted,
Nick Walton
Assistant Director

Signed: _____ Approved Date: _____