

**Combined Tournament Committee
April 7, 2014
Fargo, North Dakota**

The Tournament Committee met on April 7, 2014 in Fargo, Steve Hall, Chairperson presiding. Members present were Todd Olson, Fargo; Curt Jones, West Fargo; Jim Roaldson, Jamestown; Mark Rerick, Grand Forks; Lorell Jungling, Mandan; Mitch Lunde, Minot; Jim Haussler, Bismarck. Also present were NDHSAA Executive Secretary, Sherm Sylling and staff members, Matthew Fetsch, Justin Fletschock and Brenda Schell.

December meeting notes were reviewed with no corrections or additions.

Ticket prices for 2014/15 were discussed. Haussler recommended implementing reserved seating for the state swimming & diving tournament. Recommend adult tournament reserved 2-day ticket for \$26 and student tournament ticket for \$8.00. Adult general admission would \$10 per day with student general admission \$5. Olson requested the committee look at ticket prices for volleyball and basketball region and play-in games. The committee advised changing adult one game region play-in tickets to \$7 with student tickets at \$5 daily and two game play-in tickets at \$8 for adults and \$5 for students daily.

The 7-year site rotation was discussed. Roaldson brought up the fact Minot is now removed from the gymnastics rotation and would like to be brought in. Roaldson also received a request from another school to switch years. The committee recommended moving the 2014-15 gymnastics meet from Jamestown to Minot.

Jones recommended moving the state cross country meet from Fargo to Minot in 2019/20.

An NFHS Network update was provided to the committee. The feedback for volleyball, swimming & diving and wrestling was positive. State track & field set up will be discussed in advance of the state track meet. WDAY streaming was discussed. The online stream of the Dakota Bowl on the WDAY website was viewed by 11,000 viewers.

General tournament discussion: There were no negative comments on the State Class A Combined Basketball Tournament in Minot. Many positive comments were received concerning moving the fans between the Minot State Dome and the Minot Municipal Auditorium. Future discussion should include the issue of fans storming the floor at the end of the tournament. Class B schools should be reminded to have an administrator supervising students at all tournaments.

Matt Fetsch recommended using iWanamaker golf scoring for live scoring of the state tournaments this year. He would like the committee's opinion on testing this with the 3 golf tournaments this spring. There would be no cost for set up and fans would be charged \$4.99 per person per day. Iwanamaker will split the profits 50/50 with NDHSAA.

Reviewed and approved the proposed 2018/19 sites.

Future Meetings:

December 3, 2014 – 10:00 am Carrington

March 30, 2015 – 1:00 pm – Fargo - Doublewood

Hall thanked the Combined Tournament Committee for their work and declared the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,
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