

MINUTES
North Dakota High School Activities Association
Board of Directors
March 13, 2009, Fargo, ND

The Board of Directors of the North Dakota High School Activities Association met on March 13, 2009 at the Fargo Radisson Inn. President Lyson called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m. with all members present except Ranum.

Upon review, motion by Eastgate to approve the agenda. Second by Looyesen and carried unanimously.

The minutes of the January 24th and February 13th meeting were included in the Board packet. Motion by Sanstead to approve the minutes as written. Second by Jacobson. A roll call was taken with the following results:

Swiontek – yes; Moe – yes; Maus – yes; Sanstead – yes; Schatz – yes;
Looyesen – yes; Knodle – yes; Jacobson – yes; Eastgate – yes; Lyson – yes.

Motion passed unanimously.

The Executive Secretary presented the balance sheet, budget and savings/investment reports. Motion by Moe to approve the report. Second by Knodle. A roll call vote was taken: Moe – yes; Looyesen – yes; Jacobson – yes; Eastgate – yes; Maus – yes; Schatz – yes; Swiontek – yes; Sanstead – yes; Knodle – yes; Lyson – yes. Motion carried unanimously.

The Board reviewed a finance report covering income and expenses for basketball and volleyball from 2000-2001 to present.

The Board reviewed the following requests for dissolution of cooperative sponsorship programs:

- a. Adams-Edmore and Edinburg in baseball, 7-12, 2008-2009.

Motion by Maus to approve. Second by Jacobson. A roll call vote was taken: Moe – yes; Looyesen – yes; Jacobson – yes; Eastgate – yes; Maus – yes; Schatz – yes; Swiontek – yes; Sanstead – yes; Knodle – yes; Lyson – yes. Motion carried unanimously.

- b. McClusky and Goodrich in boys' basketball, 7-12, 2009-2010.

Discussion took place. Motion by Maus to approve. Second by Sanstead. A roll call vote was taken: Moe – yes; Looyesen – yes; Jacobson – yes; Eastgate – yes; Maus – yes; Schatz – yes; Swiontek – yes; Sanstead – yes; Knodle – yes; Lyson – yes. Motion carried unanimously.

The Board reviewed requests for approval of cooperative sponsorship programs:

- a. Grafton, Drayton, St. Thomas in softball, 7-12, 2008-2009.

Motion by Maus to approve. Second by Moe. A roll call vote was taken: Moe – yes; Looyesen – yes; Jacobson – yes; Eastgate – yes; Maus – yes; Schatz – yes; Swiontek – yes; Sanstead – yes; Knodle – yes; Lyson – yes. Motion carried unanimously.

- b. Dickinson and Richardton-Taylor for softball, 7-12, 2008-2009.

Motion by Looysen to approve. Second by Eastgate. A roll call vote was taken: Moe – yes; Looysen – yes; Jacobson – yes; Eastgate – yes; Maus – yes; Schatz – yes; Swiontek – yes; Sanstead – yes; Knodle – yes; Lyson – yes. Motion carried unanimously.

c. Wyndmere and Lidgerwood for girls' basketball, 7-12, 2009-2010.

Motion by Eastgate to approve. Second by Knodle. A roll call vote was taken: Moe – yes; Looysen – yes; Jacobson – yes; Eastgate – yes; Maus – yes; Schatz – yes; Swiontek – yes; Sanstead – yes; Knodle – yes; Lyson – yes. Motion carried unanimously.

d. Wyndmere and Lidgerood for boys' basketball, 7-12, 2009-2010.

Motion by Moe to approve. Second by Sanstead. A roll call vote was taken: Moe – yes; Looysen – yes; Jacobson – yes; Eastgate – yes; Maus – yes; Schatz – yes; Swiontek – yes; Sanstead – yes; Knodle – yes; Lyson – yes. Motion carried unanimously.

e. Goodrich, McClusky and Turtle Lake-Mercer for boys' and girls' cross country, 7-12, 2009-2010.

Motion by Jacobson to approve. Second by Moe. A roll call vote was taken: Moe – yes; Looysen – yes; Jacobson – yes; Eastgate – yes; Maus – yes; Schatz – yes; Swiontek – yes; Sanstead – yes; Knodle – yes; Lyson – yes. Motion carried unanimously.

f. Bottineau and Rolette for boys' hockey, 9-12, 2009-2010.

Motion by Looysen to approve. Second by Eastgate. A roll call vote was taken: Moe – yes; Looysen – yes; Jacobson – yes; Eastgate – yes; Maus – yes; Schatz – yes; Swiontek – yes; Sanstead – yes; Knodle – yes; Lyson – yes. Motion carried unanimously.

g. Lakota and Adams-Edmore for baseball, 7-12, 2008-2009, late fee.

Motion by Maus to approve. Second by Eastgate. A roll call vote was taken: Moe – yes; Looysen – yes; Jacobson – yes; Eastgate – yes; Maus – yes; Schatz – yes; Swiontek – no; Sanstead – no; Knodle – yes; Lyson – no. Motion carried, 7-3.

h. Turtle Lake-Mercer and McClusky for boys' basketball, 7-12, 2009-2010.

Motion by Eastgate to approve. Second by Jacobson. A roll call vote was taken: Moe – yes; Looysen – yes; Jacobson – yes; Eastgate – yes; Maus – yes; Schatz – yes; Swiontek – yes; Sanstead – yes; Knodle – yes; Lyson – yes. Motion carried unanimously.

i. Wilton and Wing for girls' basketball, 9-12, 2009-2010.

Motion by Maus to approve the application and assign them to District 10. Second by Moe. A roll call vote was taken: Moe – yes; Looysen – yes; Jacobson – yes; Eastgate – yes; Maus – yes; Schatz – yes; Swiontek – yes; Sanstead – yes; Knodle – yes; Lyson – yes. Motion carried unanimously.

The Board reviewed the Class A Review recommendations:

a. Organize the boys' state soccer tournament to be an eight team bracketed tournament.

Motion by Swiontek to approve. Second by Maus. A roll call vote was taken: Moe – yes; Looysen – yes; Jacobson – yes; Eastgate – yes; Maus – yes; Schatz – yes; Swiontek – yes; Sanstead – yes; Knodle – yes; Lyson – yes. Motion carried unanimously.

b. Charge schools that qualify for the Dakota Bowl the student rate for extra student passes requested over the current allotment, rather than the adult rate.

Motion by Swiontek to deny. Second by Jacobson. Extensive discussion followed concerning how teams attending tournaments are abusing passes as well as those individuals that are in charge of taking tickets at the door. A roll call vote was taken: Moe – yes; Looyesen – yes; Jacobson – yes; Eastgate – no; Maus – yes; Schatz – yes; Swiontek – yes; Sanstead – yes; Knodle – yes; Lyson – yes. Motion to deny the recommendation carried, 9-1.

The recommendations from the November, 2008 District Chairperson's meeting were reviewed with the following results:

Recommendation X:made recommendation, Y:Yes, N: No (yes-no vote)	Dist.	NDHSAA
NDHSAA Board of Directors will A: approve or D: deny	<u>Chair</u>	<u>Board</u>
		3/13/2008
District Chair Recommendations--November 21, 2009		
1. Do not require the home school to supply a libero tracker unless the home team uses a libero.	16-0	Y(10-0)
2. Do not count the region wrestling dual matches as any of the 40 allowable matches.	12-4	Y(9-1)
3. Cross Bracket first round of Division A 11-man playoffs	16-0	Y(9-1)
4. Apply the two school night contest rule to all sports	12-4	tabled
5. Continue with the two-day Dakota Bowl for football finals	15-1	previously passed
6. Use the following Saturday rather than a Tuesday for 9-man football playoffs beginning with the 2010-11 season (Amendment to begin 2009 failed by vote of Board)	16-0	Y(9-0)
7. Propose a recommendation to the National Federation concerning the use of armbands in volleyball	15-0	Y(9-0)

The recommendations from the various sports advisory committee meetings were reviewed with the following results:

Recommendation - Y:Yes, N: No (yes-no vote)	Athletic	NDHSAA
NDHSAA Board of Directors will Y: approve or N: deny	<u>Review</u>	<u>Board</u>
Cross Country:	1/24/2009	3/13/2008
1. Conduct mandatory rules meetings for all head coaches.	Y(9-0)	Y(9-0)
Boys Soccer:		
1. Continue the Boys' State Tournament pool format, but delete overtimes in pool play	N(0-9)	denied A Review
2. Allow high school assistant and volunteer coaches (not head coaches) the ability to coach "Out of Season"	N(0-9)	N(0-10)
3. Qualify State Tournament as follows:	N(0-9)	N(1-9)
a. 1st and 2nd place finishers in the two respective conferences would qualify		
b. Utilize a central location for the 3rd, 4th, 5th and 6th place seeds from the EDC to play the same WDA seeds in a 1 day State Qualifying Tournament to qualify six.		
Football:		
9-Man		
1. Play semi-finals of the post season in the Alerus Center, Bismarck Bowl and Fargo Dome	N(1-8)	N(0-10)
2. Beginning in the 2009 season, the regular season shall end a Tuesday with the first round of playoffs beginning the following Saturday.	Y(9-0)	
3. Use the college overtime rule as written in the advisory minutes.	Y(9-0)	Y(9-1)
A Division		

1. Play the first round of play-offs inter region	Y(5-4)	Y(9-1)
AA Division		
none		
AAA Division		
none		
All Football Divisions		
1. Delete the regulation that restricts the number of players dressed for the play-offs	N(0-9)	N(0-10)
Athletic Review Recommendation: Request 11-man divisions to recommend a		
reasonable number of players to be dressed in jerseys during post season	Y(9-0)	Y(10-0)
Class A Girls' Golf		
1. Non-designated coaches violating the coaching rule will be asked to leave the golf course	Y(8-1)	N(0-10)
2. To pair first and second place teams from east and west in foursomes the first day of tournament		
3rd and 4th place and 5th and 6th place teams would be aligned the same	Y(9-0)	Y(10-0)
3. Day two players will be paired by scores in threesomes	Y(9-0)	Y(10-0)
4. Access to driving range and putting green shall be limited to players and coaches only	Y(9-0)	Y(10-0)
Boys' Tennis		
1. Shorten the time from one hour to 30 to 45 minutes between singles matches during individual		
play during state tennis if athletes and coaches are present and agreeable.	Y(7-2)	N(5-5)
Volleyball, Class A and B Recommendations		
1. Pursue State Volleyball to be included in the television contract	Y(8-1)	Y(10-0)
2a. Require the host school to provide table officials for the following specific duties:		
a. scorekeeper, timer and libero tracker	Y(9-0)	Y(10-0)
2b. If the host school does not use a libero player, they must notify to visiting school to		
provide a libero tracker.	Y(9-0)	Y(10-0)
3. For Class B Region Tournaments, first place teams from each district will play the first		
and third match of the opening round.	Y(9-0)	Y(9-1)
4. For the semis and final day of the Regional tournament play shall begin at 5:00 p.m.	N(0-9)	N(0-9)
5. When teams play two regular season matches on one day, individuals may participate		
in two matches. No further participation is allowed on that day.	N(0-9)	N(0-9)
Athletic Review Recommendation: In event a team schedules two opponents in one		
day, individuals may participate in a maximum of 6 games per common opponent.	Y(9-0)	Y(9-0)

The Board read a letter from David Hoff, Bottineau hockey coach requesting the Board to give an exemption to allow coaches contact with members of the 2009 Team North Dakota boys' hockey program. Motion by Swiontek to approve the request. Second by Moe. A roll call vote was taken: Moe – yes; Looyesen – yes; Jacobson – yes; Eastgate – yes; Maus – yes; Schatz – yes; Swiontek – yes; Sanstead – yes; Knodle – yes; Lyson – yes. Motion carried unanimously.

A letter of request was received from Litchville-Marion to assign their speech team to Region V. Motion by Schatz to approve. Second Sanstead. A roll call vote was taken: Moe – yes; Looyesen – absent; Jacobson – yes; Eastgate – yes; Maus – yes; Schatz – yes; Swiontek – yes; Sanstead – yes; Knodle – yes; Lyson – yes. Motion carried, 9-0.

The Board reviewed a letter from Fessenden-Bowdon requesting a waiver of the late fee for their previously approved cooperative sponsorship application. Motion by Maus to deny. Second by Schatz. A roll call vote was taken: Moe – yes; Looyesen – absent; Jacobson – no; Eastgate – no; Maus – yes; Schatz – yes; Swiontek – yes; Sanstead – yes; Knodle – yes; Lyson – no. Motion to deny the request carried 6-3.

President Lyson reported on the Executive Board meeting concerning a student wrestler from Killdeer who was disqualified from a tournament but returned to continue wrestling. This was done with the knowledge of the school representative. The Committee determined a \$500 fine would be assessed the school which must be paid prior to any participation in post season activity. A letter was sent notifying the administration the school is on probation for all sports and if there are future violations in any NDHSAA sponsored activity for one calendar year, that activity will be declared ineligible for post-season participation during that year. The year for penalty purposes shall conclude January 28, 2010.

The Executive Secretary informed the board the Association has received a three-year extension of the current calendar contract from Rick Westra of School Pride for the same price. Motion by Knodle to accept the extension. Second by Sanstead. A roll call vote was taken: Moe – yes; Looyesen – yes; Jacobson – yes; Eastgate – yes; Maus – yes; Schatz – yes; Swiontek – yes; Sanstead – yes; Knodle – yes; Lyson – yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Looyesen reported on behalf of the Finance Committee

- a. Previously offered salary adjustments have been accepted by the staff.
- b. Negotiations with the North Dakota National Guard is currently underway. The current year's agreement of \$27,000 has been prorated to \$24,000 because of a delay in getting the agreement off the ground. The future recommendation for contract negotiations will be \$30,000 for the 2009-2010 year and \$32,000 the following year.
- c. The Committee discussed the newly purchased building with a recommendation to hire an attorney to get title opinion and quotes for the sale of the existing association building. The Executive Secretary was also instructed to begin action for preparation of the new building prior to occupying the new office.

Motion by Looyesen to accept the report. Second by Jacobson. A roll call vote was taken: Moe – yes; Looyesen – yes; Jacobson – yes; Eastgate – yes; Maus – yes; Schatz – yes; Swiontek – yes; Sanstead – yes; Knodle – yes; Lyson – yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Moe reported on behalf of the Realignment Committee meeting on February 20th to create the survey of member schools on the 3-division plan survey.

Maus reported on the Re-alignment Committee meeting on March 7th. With the study of the survey, the recommendation of the committee was to drop the 3-division proposal. Extensive discussion followed concerning the previously proposed timeline. Motion by Maus to accept the recommendation. Second by Schatz. A roll call vote was taken: Moe – no; Looyesen – yes; Jacobson – no; Eastgate – no; Maus – yes; Schatz – yes; Swiontek – yes; Sanstead – no; Knodle – no; Lyson – no.

Motion defeated 4-6.

The Committee will meet after the District Chairperson's meeting at a date to be determined for a recommendation to the Board at the April 15th regular meeting.

Because of the numerous concerns expressed by schools about the deadline for placing information for track & field on the website, the Board was asked to revise the deadline date. Motion by Looyesen to set the deadline for track and field information to be placed on the website for April 15th. Second by Moe. A roll call vote was taken: Moe – yes; Looyesen – yes; Jacobson – yes; Eastgate – yes; Maus – yes; Schatz – yes; Swiontek – yes; Sanstead – yes; Knodle – yes; Lyson – yes. Motion carried unanimously.

A letter from New Town concerning their action with a student involved in an unsportsmanlike situation in which an official was physically contacted in relation to a basketball game. The Board was asked if they felt the action of the school was sufficient for the violation. Motion by Swiontek to table this until the letter of apology from the student is supplied to the Board. Second by Sanstead. A roll call vote was taken: Moe – yes; Looyesen – yes; Jacobson – yes; Eastgate – yes; Maus – yes; Schatz – absent; Swiontek – yes; Sanstead – yes; Knodle – yes; Lyson – yes. Motion carried, 9-0.

Staff member, Schell presented the technology report:

- a. The Board agenda for an upcoming meeting has been placed on the website with a link sent to the Board. The Board was asked if they wished this to continue.
- b. The Association has received many positive comments concerning the web streaming of tournaments.
- c. We are still in the process of finalizing the website and are currently working on the fine arts portion.
- d. Within MVP is a messaging system which is now in place and has been valuable for the postponements that we have experienced recently.
- e. Technology in the new building will be studied via a walk-through of the facility. The main study will be the existing wiring of the computer system and the telephone system.

Planning for the April 15th meeting in Valley City was discussed. Committee meetings will be set for the evening of April 14th and continue April 15th. The Tournament Committee will meet April 14th at 2:00 p.m.

The Board read correspondence from football coaches Gibson of Bismarck and Feeney of Fargo South concerning exceeding the maximum number dressed on the sidelines at the Dakota Bowl.

Looyesen presented a report:

- a. He is being asked why hockey is being held only in Grand Forks.
- b. The Minot School District goes on record as not being in favor of the way the State Basketball tournament is scheduled with girls' and boys' teams from the same school playing at the same time.

The Executive Secretary Report was presented:

- a. A hardship application from TMCHS was denied.
- b. Attendance figures for state hockey finals - 4662 for boys and 1976 for girls.
- c. There will be a conference call in the near future to address coop applications.
- d. A phone call was received thanking the Board for allowing a swimmer to attend a competition stating it was a good experience.
- e. There was an issue at State Wrestling. Carlsrud shared there was an error in scoring and the time allowed to correct this type of error is ½ hour following the conclusion of the tournament but no definition of conclusion. It was determined when the final scores were uploaded. Upon further review the time to make corrections had expired and no change was made in team score.
- f. Four Winds has self reported as playing boys' basketball with an ineligible student and has withdrawn from post-season play.
- g. An incident report has been filed with the North Dakota Insurance Reserve in connection with a student that was injured at the Class B Girls' State Tournament.

The next meeting is scheduled for March 20th in Minot.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Sheryl Solberg
Asst. to the Exec. Sec.

Signed: _____ Approved Date: ____ / ____ / ____