

**North Dakota High School Activities Association
Board of Directors-Special Meeting
April 28, 2009**

The Board of Directors of the North Dakota High School Activities Association held a special meeting on April 28, 2009. President Lyson called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. with all members present except Schatz, Sanstead and Swiontek.

The purpose of the meeting was to hear a request from Max High School to reconsider the Board's April 21st denial of a baseball cooperative application between Max and Sawyer High Schools.

Supt. Jim Blomberg was present representing Max to answer questions concerning their application for a cooperative sponsorship application. Blomberg shared the history of the Max/Garrison baseball coop which had been dissolved by Garrison. With the upkeep and renovation of the baseball field in Max, their wish was to continue to host a program. In order to have the numbers for the program, they approached Sawyer to join them. With the coop, Max has in place approximately 20 students to play junior high and JV teams. They have also secured coaches and are working toward building their program. In response to Moe's question concerning numbers of students available, Supt. Blomberg indicated when the coop was dissolved in May of 2008, Max had very few high school students but a large 6th grade. Thus they feel they have numbers for a JV and junior high program. Sawyer also has younger baseball athletes with whom they wish to coop. Moe asked if they needed to coop in order to have a team, why did this application come at a late date? Supt. Blomberg clarified issues at the Max Public School District not associated with athletics contributed to the delay. He also clarified if the coop is approved, they will play mainly JV and junior high but may also play some varsity teams. Eastgate asked the Board if this coop, if approved, could be strictly junior high and JV. The Executive Secretary indicated this would be difficult but the fact Max does not currently have a schedule, they will be forced to play mostly sub-varsity. Maus indicated coops should be done prior to the season and to approve in the middle of a season is difficult. The Executive Secretary pointed out this program would be assigned to a region and would have the opportunity to compete at that tournament. Supt. Blomberg indicated they would not be entering the region tournament. Motion by Looyesen to approve the coop. Second by Eastgate. A roll call vote was taken: Jacobson – yes; Moe – yes; Eastgate – yes; Looyesen – yes; Knodle – yes; Ranum – yes; Maus – yes; Lyson – yes. Motion carried, unanimously.

The Executive Secretary informed the Board of postseason golf tournament sites needing to be moved because of flood waters. Alternative sites are currently being pursued. Motion by Looyesen to allow the Executive Secretary to approve the change of sites for post-season golf tournaments. Second by Knodle. A roll call vote was taken: Jacobson – yes; Moe – yes; Eastgate – yes; Looyesen – yes; Knodle – yes; Ranum – yes; Maus – yes; Lyson – yes. Motion carried, unanimously.

The staff is also dealing with Jamestown not able to host the State Class A Boys' Golf Tournament at the Jamestown Country Club and is working with Wahpeton or Grand Forks to possibly host. The Board will be informed when the decisions have been made.

With no further business President Lyson declared the meeting adjourned.

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

Signed: _____ Approved Date: ____/____/____