

MINUTES
North Dakota High School Activities Association
Board of Directors
June 15-16, 2009 – Minot, ND

The Board of Directors of the North Dakota High School Activities Association met June 15&16, 2009 at the Minot Magic City High School Technology Center. President Lyson called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m. with all members present.

Following additions, motion by Looyesen to approve the agenda. Second by Eastgate and carried.

With a correction of the vote count on page 11, motion by Sanstead to approve the minutes of the April 21, 2009 regular meeting. Second by Jacobson and carried. With motion by Sanstead and second by Knodle, the Board approved the April 23, 2009 special meeting. Motion by Swiontek to approve the April 28, 2009 special meeting. Second by Sanstead and carried.

The Executive Secretary reviewed with the Board the balance sheet, year to date detailed budget through the month of May, savings report and investment report. Motion by Looyesen to approve the financial report. Second by Eastgate. A roll call vote was taken: Swiontek – yes, Looyesen – yes, Ranum – yes, Knodle – yes, Schatz – yes, Jacobson – yes, Maus – yes, Eastgate – yes, Sanstead – yes; Moe – yes; Lyson – yes. Motion passed unanimously.

The Board examined the Winter Sports financial reports which had been sent to the Board earlier for review. Motion by Swiontek to approve these reports. Second by Sanstead. A roll call vote was taken: Swiontek – yes, Looyesen – yes, Ranum – yes, Knodle – yes, Schatz – yes, Jacobson – yes, Maus – yes, Eastgate – yes, Sanstead – yes; Moe – yes; Lyson – yes. Motion passed unanimously.

The Executive Secretary informed the Board the Spring Sports financial report is incomplete due to some of the tournament financial reports yet to be returned to the office. A brief discussion took place as to the difficult timeline placed upon the NDHSAA to finish the fiscal year due to the lateness of the submission of some tournament finance reports.

The Board reviewed the requests for cooperative sponsorship program dissolutions along with the year the dissolution will go into effect:

- a. Scranton and Dickinson in baseball, 2009-2010.

Motion by Jacobson to approve the dissolution application. Second by Ranum. A roll call vote was taken: Swiontek – yes, Looyesen – yes, Ranum – yes, Knodle – yes, Schatz – yes, Jacobson – yes, Maus – yes, Eastgate – yes, Sanstead – yes; Moe – yes; Lyson – yes. Motion passed unanimously.

- b. McClusky and Goodrich in junior high girls' basketball, 2009-2010.

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

- c. Garrison and Velva in wrestling, 2009-2010.

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

The Board reviewed the following requests for cooperative sponsorship programs along with the year the application will go into effect:

- a. Grafton and Park River in softball, 7-12, 2009-2010 (no fee.).

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

b. McClusky, Turtle Lake-Mercer and Underwood in junior high girls' basketball, 2009-2010 (late fee).

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

c. McClusky, Turtle Lake-Mercer and Underwood in boys' and girls' track, 7-12, 2009-2010 (no fee).

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

d. Harvey and Goodrich in boys' and girls' track, 7-12, 2009-2010 (no fee).

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

e. Bismarck and Dickinson in boys' soccer, 9-12, 2009-2010 (no fee).

Motion by Eastgate to approve. Second by Sanstead. A roll call vote was taken: Swiontek – yes, Looyesen – yes, Ranum – yes, Knodle – no, Schatz – no, Jacobson – no, Maus – no, Eastgate – yes, Sanstead – yes; Moe – yes; Lyson – no. Motion passed, 6-5.

Swiontek presented the report on behalf of the Fine Arts Committee with recommendation to approve the following committee actions:

Reformatted Hand Books

1. Approve Re-Formatted Hand Books with proposed rules changes below.
2. Listing of clinics, dates, managers, forms, and sites on web instead of regulations book
3. Handbooks will be sent to schools for 2009-10. Starting 2010-11, Fine Arts handbooks will be published online only.

New Rules

General

1. **Judge Certification for all Fine Arts Activities-Approve**
Judges hired must be North Dakota Certified for events to qualify for State or Invitationals/Regions
Waiver allowances for situations where certified judges cannot be hired.
2. **Deadlines for all Fine Arts Activities-Approve**
Absolute registration date.

Student Congress

1. **Clerk Medals-Approve**
Clerks will receive medals at state contest
2. **Resolution Sign-Off-Approve**
Resolutions will have a coach's signature or will not be accepted into committee
3. **Base Tabulation System-Fail, Leave as is**
Proposal to use Base System Tabulation
4. **Rubric Evaluation Ballot-Approve**
Rubric Evaluation Ballot will be used starting 2009

Plays

1. **Class A Play Festival Schedule-Approve**
Start 9:30a Day 1.
2. **Length of A Plays-Approve**
Change 45 to 50 minutes.
3. **Class A Outstanding Performer Plaques-Approve**
Award up to 2 per school

Debate

1. **Remand Re-Format to Coaches Meeting and Advisory**
Needs peer review.
2. **Preliminary Rounds at State-Fail**
Proposed: 5 prelim rounds. Will remain at 4 prelim Rounds.
3. **Flow Management-Approve**

Flow Management: If a student brings in a flow from a previous round that is not their own work, they will be disqualified, at the tournament manager's discretion.

Music

1. Entry Allotments—Fail, Leave current numbers as is
Proposed 50% increase in entry numbers.
2. Class B Regional Ratings-Approve
Current 20% system with removal of ties. Judges may award up to 2 (max) additional stars at the end of their judging day.
3. Ensemble Limitations-Approve
Students may participate in up to 7 vocal entries and 8 instrumental entries (No Change). Proposed rule allows directors more flexibility in types of ensembles.
4. Accompanist Copies-Approve
An accompanist using a large book of selections, may use photocopies from that book in lieu of a page turner within current copyright laws.
5. Region/State Contest Payments
NDHSAA will reimburse Region/State Class A Instrumental contest expenses to \$1750 if criteria/fees structure are met. NDHSAA Staff to develop fee structure by Sept. 1, 2009.

Online Certification

1. Play Clinic-Move to On-Site
Online vs. on-site. Onsite w/breakouts
2. Judge Certification-Move all judge certification to online testing
Past Practice: Speech and Debate judges had certified using an online test. Music Judges certified through on-site meeting. Congress and Play judges certified by submitting outline of experience.

Site/Contest Managers-Approve as proposed

Propose that fine arts event management be broken into 3 categories:

- Contest Manager
- Site Manager
- NDHSAA

Fall Speech Season Consideration Request-Fail, Request Mandan to provide more detailed plan, rationale.

At the State A Speech Coaches' meeting, Mandan H.S. requested NDHSAA, NDHSAA Speech Advisory, and CSTAND study feasibility of moving the Speech season to the fall (starting in September and ending October/mid-November).

Swiontek complimented Bubach in the working with the Fine Arts. Much of the information will be brought forward at the mandatory regional meetings to inform school administrators of the changes. Motion by Looyesen to approve the actions of the Fine Arts Committee. Second by Jacobson. A roll call vote was taken: Swiontek – yes, Looyesen – yes, Ranum – yes, Knodle – yes, Schatz – yes, Jacobson – yes, Maus – yes, Eastgate – yes, Sanstead – yes; Moe – yes; Lyson – yes. Motion passed unanimously. President Lyson thanked Bubach for all the hard work put into the year.

Bubach gave a report concerning the middle school participation via allowance to send a full delegation of students to regional contests. Following discussion, it was determined participation will be established as currently defined in the rule book.

The Board reviewed the recommendations from the Class A Review:

1. Recommend - Yes
- . A date will be determined for this summer.
2. Establish deadline dates for member schools to become involved in a new activity – Schatz
3. Allow girls from the U14 Hockey Club team to be allowed to move to the high school team without penalty during the high school season.

Motion by Schatz to deny. Second by Eastgate. Motion and second withdrawn and the Board was recommended to vote on the original recommendation. Sanstead to approve the 1-3 action of the committee reaction. Second by Looyesen. 0-11. All motions, seconds and votes were

withdrawn from the Athletic Review. The process was followed to vote on each recommendation with the following results:

Recommendations from Class A Review Committee		
	Committee	Board
	Action:	Action:
West/East Region Recommendations: Spring 2009	5/13/2009	6/15/2009
GENERAL		
1. Recommend NDHSAA provide representation in a meeting having the purpose of the recruitment and retention of officials. Other organizations invited will be NDOA, NDIAAA and NDHSCA	Y(4-0)	Y(11-0)
2. Recommend NDHSAA establish deadline dates for member schools to become involved in a new activity.	Y(4-0)	Y(11-0)
HOCKEY		
1. Allow girls from the U14 Hockey Club team to be allowed to move to the high school team without penalty during the high school season.	N(1-3)	N(0-11)

Maus and Moe were appointed by President Lyson to serve on the Officials Recruitment Committee.

The recommendations from the District Chair and Athletic Advisory Committees were reviewed with the following results:

2008-09 Winter/Spring Recommendations for NDHSAA Board Consideration			
The following are recommendations with actions posted.		06/10/09	06/15/09
Recommendation X:made recommendation, Y:Yes, N: No, (yes-no vote)	Adv.	Athletic	NDHSAA
NDHSAA Board of Directors will Y: approve or N: deny (y-n)	Com	Review	Board
District Chair Recommendations			
1. In 2009-10, change the deadline for completion of the Class B region baseball tournament to Saturday prior to the state tournament.	Y (16-0)		Y(10-1)
2. Reduce the number weight classes in wrestling from 14 to 12.	Y(11-5)		N(1-10)
3. Develop a mercy rule for basketball.	Y(10-6)		N(4-7)
4. Develop an appeal process for body fat assessment in wrestling.	Y(12-3)		Y(10-1)
5. Continue the 8-team regional tournament for basketball	Y(14-1)		Y(7-4)
Wrestling			
"A" and "B" Items			
1. Approve the Body Fat Assessment Appeal Process as explained in the advisory minutes.	x	Y(10-0)	Y(11-0)
2. Reinstate 4% form, but do not allow any wrestler to move more than one weight class lower.	x	N(0-9)	N(0-11)

3. Require a dermatologist to be present during skin checks at the state tournament.	x	N(2-8)	N(0-11)
4. Schools shall be fined \$250 if all regular season results are not recorded in the NWCAOPC by the Monday prior to the individual region tournament. In addition, any wrestler not recorded by the following Wednesday will not be allowed to compete at the regional tournament.	x	Y(9-0)	Y(9-2)
"B" Items			
1. Be allowed to experiment with the following 12 weight classes, or those 12 weight classes recommended by NFHS: 107, 114, 121, 128, 135, 143, 152, 162, 173, 187, 210 & 285.	x	N(3-7)	N(1-10)
2. Require two officials during regular season competition.	x	N(0-10)	N(0-11)
3. Adjust regional assignments to the following: Valley City from region 1 to 2. Harvey from region 2 to 3. New Town from region 3 to 4. Beginning in 2010-11.	x	refer to Brd	ref. to comm.
"A" Items			
1. Score and place 8 wrestlers at the state tournament	x	Y(9-1)	Y(10-1)
Hockey			
Boys' and Girls'			
1. Play all state tournament games at Engelstad Arena utilizing the Olympic Rink	x	refer to Brd	N(0-11)
2. Roster 23 players for tournaments and dress 20 per game	x	N(4-6)	N(1-10)
Girls'			
1. Allow 22 regular season games	x	N(0-10)	N(1-10)
Basketball			
1. Consider including a better grade of basketball within the current bid.	x	Y(10-0)	N(5-6)
Gymnastics			
1. Revise qualifying standards: vault & floor exercise to 9.2 and all-around to 35.75	x	Y(9-0)	Y(11-0)
Swimming & Diving			
no recommendations			
"B" Girls' Golf Recommendations			
none			
"B" Boys' & Girls' Golf Recommendations			
1. Expand existing regulation limiting the use of electronic devices to read "during a tournament" rather than "on the course proper".	x	N(0-10)	N(0-11)
2. Allow coaches to coach through the green as the A regulation reads.	x	Y(10-0)	Y(11-0)
"A" Boys' Golf Recommendations			

1. Add to Boys' A State Qualifying criteria: • Golfers scoring 8 or less over medalist at the region.	x	Y(10-0)	Y(9-2)
2. Add to Boys' A State Qualifying criteria: • The medalists from any regular season tournament.	x	N(0-10)	N(0-11)
Tennis Recommendations			
1. Allow weather conditions to determine the length of time between matches rather than have a set time of 60 minutes.	x	Y(9-1)	Y(6-5)
Baseball			
1. For each division add a full complement of innings for pitchers during the regional tournament.	x	N(2-7)	N(0-11)
"B" Baseball Recommendations			
none			
"A" Baseball Recommendations			
none			
Girls' Soccer Recommendations			
1. Add a regulation requiring state tournament games be held at one site.	x	refer to Brd	N(0-11)
2. Add a regulation requiring one game to be played at a time unless there is an overtime.	x	N(2-8)	N(0-11)
3. Grant a tournament pass to colleges and universities in regional area.	x	N(0-10)	N(0-11)
4. Allow assistant high school soccer coaches to coach out of season.	x	N(0-10)	N(0-11)
Track & Field Advisory Recommendations			
1. For Class A, do not count the 4 x 800 Meter Relay as a distance event.	x	N(0-10)	N(5-6)
2. Have the distance limitations in entries be a point of emphasis at the rules clinic.	x	refer to staff	Y(11-0)
3. State Schedule - Pole Vault will be scheduled in the first and third sessions on Friday. On Saturday, Pole Vault will be scheduled at 10:00 and 2:00.	x	Y(10-0)	Y(11-0)
Softball Advisory Recommendations			
1. Establish a double elimination State Tournament beginning in 2009-10.	x	N(1-9)	N(0-11)
2. Pitching change - Endorses National Federation to adopt rule requiring pitchers to start a pitch with two feet on the rubber	x	Y(10-0)	N(2-9)
3. Require a minimum of 2 umpires for all regular season varsity games.	x	Y(10-0)	N(3-8)
Athletic Review Committee Recommendations			
1. Wrestling: Recommend two officials to be used during regular season competition	x	Y(7-3)	N(3-8)
2. A&B Golf: Spectators are to refrain from communicating with	x	Y(10-0)	Y(10-1)

golfers on the course proper during the round.			
3. Track & Field: The distance limitation be reviewed by the NDHSAA Board	x	Y(10-0)	refer to staff

Maus reported on behalf of the Constitution & By-Laws with the following:

1. Recommend baseball be granted a one-time three-year exemption to the out-of-season coaching rule beginning with the 2009-2010 season and ending with the 2011-2012 season.

Motion by Maus to approve. Second Sanstead. A roll call vote was taken: Swiontek – yes, Looyesen – yes, Ranum – yes, Knodle – yes, Schatz – yes, Jacobson – yes, Maus – yes, Eastgate – yes, Sanstead – yes; Moe – no; Lyson – yes. Motion carried, 10-1.

2. The Committee was informed via a letter from Grenora they will be entering all cooperative sponsorship programs with Westby, Montana as the host. The Grenora home school student will not be able to compete as Montana does not accept home based education students for competition.
3. Wording changes in the Constitution & By-Law regulations as recommended by NDHSAA Attorney Thune were reviewed.

Changes regarding the elimination of re-transfer.

- a. Page 30, Sec. X—By-law amendment approved by membership
- b. Page 31, 3rd paragraph, left column, In the third case----delete entirely.
- c. Page 31, Sentence now states; "A transfer is considered complete on the first day of attendance". Add: "or the date on which a change of residence occurs".
- d. Page 31, 1st paragraph, right hand column, The same thing is true---delete "for good reasons" and change "wishes to elects.
- e. Page 31, Question 1, delete the word "farm" two times.
- f. Page 32, Answer to Question 7, change "an subsequent" to "a".
- g. Page 33, Answer to Question 19, move the last sentence to right after the first sentence.
- h. Page 33, definition #2, Change of Residence. After actually living there add: "with the intent to change legal residence. A second.....

Motion by Maus to approve the recommended changes to the Constitution & By-Laws regulations. Second by Knodle. A roll call vote was taken: Swiontek – yes, Looyesen – yes, Ranum – yes, Knodle – yes, Schatz – yes, Jacobson – yes, Maus – yes, Eastgate – yes, Sanstead – yes; Moe – yes; Lyson – yes. Motion passed unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned until 8:00 a.m. June 16th.

President Lyson called the meeting to order on June 16, 2009 at 8:00 a.m. with all members present.

Maus reported on behalf of the Re-Alignment Committee review of the request from Valley City to continue the study of the three-division plan. Eastgate indicated there is still a minority that is in favor of pursuing study of the plan. Looyesen stated the survey indicated the majority of the member schools wished the plan to be dropped. Schatz stated the Board should wait until after the October General Assembly to assess the feelings of the membership. Maus expressed the Board has the duty to serve the membership by addressing the present issues, which are more than the division plan, such as re-districting, etc. Ranum shared in looking back, maybe it is the perception the reasons the member schools gave such as loss of district revenue were shallow reasons and there is still a need to put together a plan to address their concerns. It is not easy to make changes because it takes time and affects many things. There are still people that are out there that are saying let's look at things but have not looked at the big picture and see what is best for the future of the students of North Dakota.

The Executive Secretary asked if there had been any feedback on switching the Division B girls' and boys' basketball seasons as there had not been much of a response in the office. Moe indicated it is pretty much a split. The boys' coaches liked the idea of having gym time at the beginning at the season. Most are saying let it play out and see what happens. The big concern yet to be out there is the Boys State B Tournament cannot be held at the Bismarck Civic Center because that is the site for the A West Region Basketball Tournament. Schatz brought the Board back to the request of Valley City re-emphasizing wait to see what happens at the October General Assembly meeting. Motion by Schatz in response to VC letter, the Board consider the membership feedback as per the General Assembly meeting in October and after that meeting, re-address and continue study of the issue previously identified. Second by Moe. Swiontek expressed hesitation to do nothing. Jacobson stated there may be an opportunity to continue study via the administrator meetings which are held in August. Maus stated it is the Board responsibility to get out to the membership and hear their concerns. Ranum indicated the Board needs to look at all the activities rather than reaction to a small number of the activities and need to take a comprehensive look at a plan before any action is taken. Knodle indicated if the Board is still in agreement to continue discussion, the Valley City request would be considered as granted. A roll call vote was taken: Swiontek – no, Looyesen – yes, Ranum – yes, Knodle – no, Schatz – yes, Jacobson – no, Maus – no, Eastgate – yes, Sanstead – yes, Moe – yes, Lyson – no. Motion carried, 6-5

Recommendations and invitations for region and state golf tournaments were reviewed and set.

GOLF Boys & Girls B			
Regions			
Region 1 Girls	Deadline May 22, 2010	Lidgerwood	Mark Wisnewski
Region 1 Boys	Deadline May 22, 2010	Hankinson - Dakota Winds	Chad Benson
Region 2 Girls	Deadline May 22, 2010	Kindred - Oxbow	Roy Casey
Region 2 Boys	Deadline May 22, 2010	May-Port	Scott Ulland
Region 3 Girls	Deadline May 22, 2010	Larimore	Patty Aanenson
Region 3 Boys	Deadline May 22, 2010	Langdon	Rich Rogers
Region 4 Girls	Deadline May 22, 2010	Harvey	Dennis Dockter
Region 4 Boys	Deadline May 22, 2010	Minot - Our Redeemers	Charles Strand
Region 5 Girls	Deadline May 22, 2010	South Heart	Riley Mattson
Region 5 Boys	Deadline May 22, 2010	Beach-Medora Bully Pulpit	James Groll
Region 6 Girls	Deadline May 22, 2010	Stanley-Prairie Rose	Gary Schell
Region 6 Boys	Deadline May 22, 2010	Williston Trinity Christian	Dave Butler
State B Girls	June 1, 2, 2010	Jamestown	Jim Roaldson
State B Boys	June 1, 2, 2010	Carrington	Greg Johnson

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

The Board reviewed the recommendations and invitations for the 2010 Region Track sites with the approval of the following:

**TRACK
Regions -Division
A**

East	May 22, 2010	Wahpeton	Mike McCall
West	May 22, 2010	Bismarck	Jim Haussler

**Region - Division
B**

		Concordia - Oak	
Region 1	May 22, 2010	Grove	Terri Krueger
Region 2	May 22, 2010	Grafton	Matt Fetsch
Region 3	May 22, 2010	Carrington	Karla Michaelson
Region 4	May 22, 2010	Valley City	Dave Bass
Region 5	May 22, 2010	Bismarck	Jim Haussler
Region 6	May 22, 2010	Rugby	Scott Grochow
Region 7	May 22, 2010	Tioga	Patty Skarpohl
Region 8	May 22, 2010	Beach	Larry Helvik

Motion by Moe to approve the Region Track sites including placing Region 4 in Valley City. Second by Knodle. A roll call vote was taken: Swiontek – yes, Looyen – yes, Ranum – yes, Knodle – yes, Schatz – yes, Jacobson – yes, Maus – yes, Eastgate – yes, Sanstead – yes; Moe – yes; Lyson – yes. Motion passed unanimously.

Fine Arts sites were reviewed:

Event	approved	approved	approved
Fine Arts	2009-10		2010-11
Student Congress			
1st competition date	Sept. 1		Sept. 1
State	Nov. 5,6	State Capitol, Bismarck	Nov. 4, 5 State Capitol, Bismarck
Class B Play--State	Nov. 23,24	UMary, BSC-23, MHS-24	Nov. 22, 23 TBD
Debate			
1st competition date	Nov. 13		Nov. 12
State	Feb. 5,6	Fargo South	Feb. 4, 5 Fargo South
Class A Plays---state	Mar. 22,23	Fargo South	Mar. 21, 22 Fargo South
Class A Speech			
1st competition date	Jan. 2		Jan. 1
Region	Ap. 10	E-GFC, W-Horizon Middle School	Ap. 2 E-VC
State	Ap. 17	Jamestown	Ap. 16 Jamestown
Class A Music--State			
Vocal	Ap. 23	Jamestown College	Ap. 29 Jamestown College

Class B Speech

1st competition date	Jan. 2		Jan. 1	
State	Ap. 24	Mandan HS	Ap. 30	Mandan HS

Class B Music--State	May 1	Minot State U	May 7	Minot State U
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Motion by Swiontek to approve the proposed sites. Second by Jacobson. A roll call vote was taken: Swiontek – yes, Looyesen – yes, Ranum – yes, Knodle – yes, Schatz – yes, Jacobson – yes, Maus – yes, Eastgate – yes, Sanstead – yes; Moe – yes; Lyson – yes. Motion passed unanimously.

The Board held discussion about the management of the Region 5 Boys' Basketball Tournament. Moe indicated there is no school in Region 5 that is interested in being a manager of the tournament. There was discussion about the possibility of using sites of the higher seeds if no manager steps forward.

The Board planned the organization of the 2009-2010 Board of Directors. Motion by Looyesen to appoint Schatz as president. Second by Sanstead. A roll call vote was taken: Swiontek – yes, Looyesen – yes, Ranum – yes, Knodle – yes, Schatz – yes, Jacobson – yes, Maus – yes, Eastgate – yes, Sanstead – yes; Moe – yes; Lyson – yes. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Maus to appoint Ranum as the Vice President. Second by Swiontek. A roll call vote was taken: Swiontek – yes, Looyesen – yes, Ranum – yes, Knodle – yes, Schatz – yes, Jacobson – yes, Maus – yes, Eastgate – yes, Sanstead – yes; Moe – yes; Lyson – yes. Motion passed unanimously.

Staff member Schell presented an update including the technology plan for the 2009-2010 year. Same format as previous years (for previous board members)

New Board Members:

- Purpose & Goals -> Barriers -> Process -> Vision
- Previous Year
- Evaluation – synopsis of recommendations & results
- Benchmarks ->Hardware ->Software -> Training & Support
- Issues & Concerns
- Conclusion & Findings
- Current Year
- Rationale -> Recommendations -> Anticipated Results
 - Recommendations for following year
- Summary
- 3 Year Budget

Last year's plan was reviewed with the Executive Secretary. The staff members in the office were surveyed on all of the benchmarks listed on the tech plan. Using their input, this year's plan was created.

- Plan Includes:
 - Replace three computers as per the replacement plan. LCD screens will not be replaced for desktop units.
 - Replace one handheld device per year for Staff. (Sherm Sylling or Brian Bubach or Brenda Schell)
 - Add/replace two cordless telephone headsets (Sherm Sylling and Sheryl Solberg)
 - Purchase and install additional 24-port switch in new office building.
 - Update and purchase software as necessary. Specifically: Microsoft Office 2007, Adobe SC4 or Photoshop Elements, Survey Monkey, OneNote, , Filemaker Pro, Norton Anti-Virus protection and updates and Articulate. Software has increased from \$1600 to \$2699 for

this year.... \$1000 increase due to staff request to purchase Articulate software to create online rules clinics.

- o Continue to offer training opportunities as necessary. – MVP training session added to coaches' conference and to fall rules clinics – separate session
- o Establish DSL connection through Qwest. ½ price of current connection
- o Fully implement and continue maintenance of a functional Web site hosted through Clearwired. Completion by June 30....move to maintenance
- o Officials' online registration. – In progress – going well.
- o Continue online testing of officials and coaches.
- o Implement technology centered, informational meetings for all staff (Tech Bytes) on a monthly basis. These sessions will be centered around current technology concerns in the office and a short technology "show & tell".
- o Address technology issues that arise from acquisition of the new NDHSAA building.

Motion by Jacobson to approve the tech plan. Second by Schatz. A roll call vote was taken: Swiontek – yes, Looyesen – yes, Ranum – yes, Knodle – yes, Schatz – yes, Jacobson – yes, Maus – yes, Eastgate – yes, Sanstead – yes; Moe – yes; Lyson – yes. Motion passed unanimously.

Looyesen reported on behalf of the Finance/Personnel Committee with the following:

1. Review Team Payment Formula – The committee recommends continuation of the team payment schedule as found in the Policy Handbook.
2. 2008-2009 Closing Estimate – There will be an estimated \$205,258 distributed for team payments this year. Last year there was \$297,465 distributed. The decrease is due mainly to a decrease in fall and winter sports. The committee previously approved \$50,000 which will be taken from the interim fund to add to team payments.
3. 2009-2010 Budget Proposal – It is the recommendation of the Finance/Personnel Committee to support the 2009-2010 budget as presented.
4. Summer Meeting Expenses – It is the recommendation of the committee to continue with the summer meeting expenses for Board and staff as outlined in the Policy Manual.
5. Mileage Recommendation – It is the recommendation of the committee to increase mileage to \$0.55 per mile for the 2009-2010 year which has been set as per the current OMB rate.

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

Swiontek asked if it would be possible for the Finance Committee to study the termination of team payments. President Lyson indicated this could be something that is shared with the member schools at the General Assembly meeting. This will be placed on a future agenda.

The Board has received a request from Oakes High School to be placed in Region VI for one-act plays. This would place them in the same region as they are assigned for music and speech. Motion by Jacobson to approve the request. Second by Sanstead. A roll call vote was taken: Swiontek – yes, Looyesen – yes, Ranum – yes, Knodle – yes, Schatz – yes, Jacobson – yes, Maus – yes, Eastgate – yes, Sanstead – yes; Moe – yes; Lyson – yes. Motion passed unanimously.

The Board reviewed a letter from Grand Forks requesting a waiver to grant permission for Gregory Wischer to participate in the National Nike Junior Tour Tennis Tournament to be held at Stanford University September 8 – 13 and the USTA Super National Hard Court Tournament at Little Rock, AR August 8 – 13. Motion by Schatz to approve. Second by Looyesen. A roll call vote was taken: Swiontek – yes, Looyesen – yes, Ranum – yes, Knodle – yes, Schatz – yes, Jacobson – yes, Maus – yes, Eastgate – yes, Sanstead – yes; Moe – yes; Lyson – yes. Motion passed unanimously.

The Executive Secretary presented his report:

1. Brought to the attention of the Board correspondence from Anderson and Hall.
2. Golf site changes:
 - i. State A Boys' was moved from Jamestown to Hankinson with Mike McCall as manager.

- ii. West Region Boys' was moved from Jamestown to Bismarck with Dan Smrekar as manager.
 - iii. Region 4 Girls' was moved from Harvey to Velva with Larry Long as manager.
 - iv. Region 2 Boys' was moved from Hillsboro to Carrington with Karla Michaelson and Greg Johnson as managers.
 - v. Region 1 Girls' was moved from Linton to Napoleon with Jon Starkey as manager.
3. We will have fewer conference calls to address cooperative sponsorship requests because of the new application form which will specify deadline dates.
 4. An update on the Steele student injured at the 2009 Girls' B State Basketball Tournament was shared via the individual's attorney. Discussion followed. The Executive Secretary will visit with the National Guard to cease the practice of throwing items into the crowd.

Representative Reports: Knodle reported Eastern Dakota Conference Principals voted to allow Davies High School into the conference with half membership dues next year and full membership dues the following year.

Billie Ann Caya appeared before the Board representing the North Dakota Cheer Coaches Association with the following:

1. Spirit Safety at State Tournaments – Although there are tournaments that do not have the Spirit Award, there is a need to have someone present that has an understanding of what is legal and what is illegal. Also, confusion as to what is allowed for cheerleaders as well as the spectators.

Schatz responded with a suggestion these concerns be shared with the Tournament Committee. There is the possibility of adding a member to the tournament staff to take care of the spirit groups and supervise them throughout the tournament. Motion by Swiontek to have these concerns referred to the Tournament Committee to work out these details through some type of joint power agreement with the NDCCA. Second by Schatz. A roll call vote was taken: Swiontek – yes, Looyesen – yes, Ranum – yes, Knodle – yes, Schatz – yes, Jacobson – yes, Maus – yes, Eastgate – yes, Sanstead – yes; Moe – yes; Lyson – yes. Motion passed unanimously.

2. Concern of coaches not being certified, therefore stunting illegally.

It was recommended this be placed on the agenda at the administrator meeting to keep them informed of regulations. This is something that needs to be shared through the MVP process. Schatz also suggested the NDIAAA being informed about these concerns.

3. Caya has previously served on the National Federation Coaches Education program and encouraged to have all schools require their coaches to take at least one coaches education course.
4. As State Spirit Director, Caya was attending the NF Spirit Rules Interpretation meeting but is no longer having her travel funded. The Board was requested to reimburse for the airline flight to this meeting to the \$350.31.

No action was taken on this request.

Jamestown Athletic Administrator, Jim Roaldson appeared before the Board to request a waiver of the age limitation rule and grant an additional year of eligibility for a student who has reached her 20th birthday. Also present to bring this request were Rod and Annette Niemeier. Motion by Looyesen to make an exception to the rule for the Jamestown student. Second by Schatz. A roll call vote was taken: Swiontek – yes, Looyesen – yes, Ranum – yes, Knodle – yes, Schatz – yes, Jacobson – no; Maus – no, Eastgate – no, Sanstead – yes, Moe – yes, Lyson – no. Motion carried, 7-4.

Derrick Bulawa representing BEK Communications appeared before the Board to inform the Board of how their company operates. This is in response to the discussion the Board held at their April 21st meeting. Mr. Bulawa wished to inform the Board they are not webcasting but they actually are involved in cablecasting. President Lyson thanked BEK for the information. Lyson also commended them for providing hands-on learning opportunities to a number of people involved in this program.

The Executive Secretary continued with his report:

1. In folder, the Board was provided with a participation survey. The survey indicated the numbers of participants in activities has declined.
2. Closing for the new building was moved up from July 1st to begin renovation. Looyen has offered to help work with a corporation in Minot that is moving into a new building and is selling their current furniture at a reduced rate. Carpet has been purchased from Minot Public Schools.
3. There are two parties that have inquired about the sale of the present NDHSAA building. Asking price for the building is \$79,000.
4. At the summer meeting in Chicago, the National Federation of High Schools membership will be voting for appointment to the Section V position on the Board. Executive Secretary, Sherm Sylling is scheduled to serve in that position on the National Federation Board of Directors.

President Lyson thanked the Board for their support throughout the last four years.

President Lyson declared the meeting adjourned.

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