

**NDOA Meeting Minutes  
Conference Call  
Thursday, March 22, 2012**

President Troy Huber called the meeting to order with Richard Peterson, Mike Anderson, Jason Dockter, Larry Grondahl, Don Martindale, and Brad Nold attending.

Anderson moved to approve minutes of the September 2011 meeting. Second by Martindale and motion carried.

Board action from the January 2012 NDHSAA Board of Directors meeting was discussed. The shortage of officials, particularly in the western part of the state, was discussed at length. Recruitment of new officials was also discussed, along with registration fees for new officials. Grondahl moved to waive registration fees for new officials who are first time registrants. Second by Dockter and motion carried.

The basketball postseason official selection process and the number of officials contracted to work state tournaments were discussed. The possibility of having officials apply to work specific region tournaments in order to reduce the number of names that appear on coaches ballots was also discussed. Board members will visit with officials in their areas about an application process and report back at the September meeting. Grondahl moved to contract twelve (12) officials at each basketball state tournament and switch the sit-out from three years to four years. Second by Peterson and motion carried unanimously.

The number of state wrestling tournament officials was discussed. Nold moved to add four (4) state wrestling tournament officials to be assistant referees only. Anderson seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

The placement of the basketball coaching box was discussed, as the board was notified by Secretary Fetsch that recommendations were headed to the NDHSAA Board of Directors through Class B district chairs and possibly basketball coaches advisory regarding the placement of the box. The NDOA went on record that if home schools are allowed to alter the placement of the 14-foot coaching box in basketball it should be done only with prior NDHSAA office staff approval. It was also mentioned the referee should be able to alter the placement if the box is deemed to interfere with the workers at the scorer's table. Another recommendation was any altered placement remains as close to the original coaching box placement as possible.

Grondahl moved allowing gray and black wide striped basketball officials shirts, provided the crew has exact matching shirts. Second by Nold and motion carried.

Grondahl moved wrestling officials are allowed to wear polo shirts at regular season tournaments as part of their uniform with prior NDHSAA approval. Second by Anderson and motion carried.

The rate for junior varsity hockey was discussed and will be re-visited in September when rates for all sports are reviewed.

The board expresses its gratitude to the 20 and 25 year officials recognized below for their service. It was recommended a letter from a NDHSAA staff member accompany recipients of the 20 year plaque encouraging them to have it presented prior to a regular season contest they work in 2012-13.

## **20 Years**

Bradley Olson - Mandan  
Bryan Klipfel – Bismarck  
Casey Smith – West Fargo  
Cindy Sperle-Gee – Jamestown  
David Hodgson – Wyndmere  
Dorothy Lick – Bismarck  
Eric Musland – LaMoure  
Guy Hatlestad – Velva  
James Stallard – Thompson  
Jason Dockter – Bismarck  
Jeff Stein – Hankinson  
Jennifer Bogden - Minot  
Kelly Larson – Williston  
Lee Ziegler – Bismarck  
Mark Luther – Minot  
Mark Wisnewski – Lidgerwood  
Peter Sykora – Ellendale  
Ron Thompson – Fargo

## **25 Years**

Dale Weston – Fargo  
Dr. Steve Swiontek – Devils Lake  
Gerald Buck – Bismarck  
Mitch Parker – Fargo  
Paul Wilhelmi – Langdon  
Randy Myers – Parshall  
Renee Aalund – Bottineau  
Rick Tweeten – Washburn  
Stuart Dolan – Ray  
Tim Kilgore – Grand Forks  
Tim Radloff – Fargo  
Troy Huber – Dickinson

The ballot for this summer's NDOA election was discussed. Martindale moved to place Scott Privratsky from Devils Lake on the ballot from the Northeast region, Brad Nold of Jamestown from the Southeast region, and Mike Anderson of Minot from the Northwest Region. Peterson seconded and motion carried.

Grondahl moved to have Troy Huber remain as 2012-13 NDOA President and Richard Peterson as 2012-13 Vice President. Second by Anderson and motion carried.

2012-13 meeting dates were set for 12:00 pm CT on Sun. Sept. 9<sup>th</sup>, 2012 at the NDHSAA office and for 7:00 pm CT on Sun. Mar. 24<sup>th</sup>, 2013 via conference call.

Secretary Fetsch and board members thanked outgoing board member Don Martindale for his service to the NDOA.

President Huber declared the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,  
Matt Fetsch  
NDOA Secretary