NDOA Board Meeting – September 7, 2016

NDOA Board of Directors Fall 2016 meeting called to order by President Mickey Jordan. Others board members present – Jason Dockter, Kevin Sundre, Mark Ukestad, Paul Mellum, Dean Klier, Jeremy Mehlhoff.

Approval of agenda – Motion to approve by Ukestad, second by Dockter. Motion carries.

Approval of winter 2016 minutes – Motion to approve by Dockter, second by Sundre. Motion carries.

Selection nomination committee
-Committee nominates Reggie Jackson to carry out the rest of Darren Sheldon’s (moved out of state) NDOA Board term. Motion to approve by Dockter, second by Mellum. Motion carries.
-Discussion on new NDOA Board position created this year. We now have two members from each quadrant of the state.

Review Action Items from 2015-16
-Reciprocity rates were raised from a flat $10 fee to $10 per sport.


The Board reviewed seven NDOA Hall Of Fame Nominations. After discussion, the Board moved to induct the following into the NDOA HOF: Jeff Risk (basketball and football) of Minot, Russ Schmeichel (basketball and football) of Jamestown, and Randy Wolden (basketball and football) of Fargo.

Review Officials’ Game Fees for 2017-18 and 2018-19
-Motion to a 5% increase in game fees across the board for the next two years. Motion to approve by Klier, second by Ukestad. Motion carries.
-Motion to change the football fee designations to match other sports (varsity, subvarsity, 7th and 8th). Motion by Mehlhoff, second by Klier. Motion carries.

Discussion on the Distinguished Service Award. Nomination form will be put on the officials page of the NDHSAA website and Justin will send out a reminder in January. NDOA Board will review nominations at the March meeting.

Discussion Points
-the board discussed the recruitment and retention of officials. Many are recruiting officials from other sports to fill sports that have a lack of officials. Overall officials
numbers were up across the state, but down in some areas where there is a shortage.

Secretary’s Report
- Mercy rule will be used in Class B Basketball this winter. If at any point in the 4th quarter, the spread becomes 30 or more points, there will be a running clock with stoppages for only timeouts and injury. Clock will not return to normal if score goes below 30, it will continue to run.
- Reminder to basketball officials that they should be wearing the “college style” warmup jackets.
- Football officials may wear either 2” or 2 ¼” inch stripes as long as the whole crew matches.
- NDHSAA offers officials the links below for websites where officials clothing and gear may be purchase. http://www.ndhsaa.com/officials-clothing-gear

Date and Time for next meeting, Wednesday March 22, 2017 at 7 pm – conference call.

Motion to adjourn by Ukestad, second by Mehlhoff. Motion carries.

Respectfully submitted,
Justin Fletschock