

NDOA Board Meeting – September 6, 2017

NDOA Board of Directors Fall 2017 meeting called to order by President Mickey Jordan. Others board members present – Reggie Jackson, Chad Bjornson, Kevin Sundre, Mark Ukestad, Paul Mellum, Dean Klier, Jeremy Mehlhoff.

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

Approval of winter 2017 minutes – Motion to approve by Klier, second by Sundre. Motion carries.

Selection nomination committee

-Committee nominates Klier and Mehlhoff to serve as nomination committee. Motion by Sundre, second by Ukestad. Motion carries.

Review Action Items from 2016

-Rate increase of 5% across the board for all levels and sports.
-Change the football pay scale to match other sports - Varsity, Subvarsity, Jr High.
State Active Official Awards – Baseball – Reggie Jackson, Boys BB – John Ruff, Girls BB – Monty Lund, Football – Dennis Lagasse, Gymnastics – Cassity Wingenbach, Hockey – Kasey Lang, Soccer – Dragan Ostojic, Swimming – Ann Schmitz, Volleyball – Paul Wilhelmi, Wrestling – Wyatt Pollert, Softball – Todd Fisher.

The Board reviewed seven NDOA Hall Of Fame Nominations. After discussion, the Board moved to induct the following into the NDOA HOF: Mike Deutsch (basketball and football) of Fargo, John Nelson (wrestling) of West Fargo, Ken Willman (volleyball) of Fargo, and Terry Wallace (basketball and football) of Devils Lake.

NDHSAA Board Action Items

-Adjust the Soccer Varsity Ref pay. Right now, during a JV/Varsity double header, the Varsity Assistant Referee makes more than the Varsity Referee. Motion to move forward by Mehlhoff, second by Ukestad. Motion carries.
-Add another hockey official to the ice for State hockey. Motion to approve by Bjornson, second by Sundre. Motion carries.
-Current sit-out rule in basketball is after 3 years. Due to now having 12 officials at each state tournament (3 years ago it was 9), we currently have huge number of officials in sit years. Give the NDHSAA to make adjustments in sit-years to spread it out over more years. Motion by Ukestad, second by Mehlhoff. Motion carries.
-Increase wrestling pay for varsity duals to \$100 for duals that have 8 or more matches. Motion failed. Discussion of revisiting all sports pay at the Spring 2018 NDOA meeting and making adjustments where needed. Approved.

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. Several names discussed.

Discussion Points

- Officials that have been charged with felonies, etc.
- Protocols of removal of players suffering a concussion when there is not a medical professional present.

Secretary's Report

- Mercy rule was adjusted by the NDHSAA Board. Clock will now stop during mercy rule time during free throws.
- “Take Back the Gym”. During the fall administration meetings, Justin spoke to schools about controlling crowds in their home gyms. Also trying to improve communication between officials and ADs prior to game night.
- 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 21, 2018 at 7 pm – conference call.

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

Respectfully submitted,
Justin Fletschock