

**MINUTES**  
**North Dakota Officials Association**  
**September 8, 2013 – Valley City, ND**

The Board of Directors of the North Dakota Officials Association held their meeting on September 8, 2013 in Valley City. President Richard Peterson called the meeting to order at 12:02 pm with Mike Anderson, Jason Dockter, Larry Grondahl, Mickey Jordan, Brad Nold, and Scott Privratsky attending.

Privratsky moved to approve the agenda. Second by Anderson and carried unanimously.

The Board was previously supplied the minutes of the March 24, 2013 meeting for review. Grondahl moved to approve the minutes as read. Second by Nold and carried unanimously.

Current board terms were reviewed. President Peterson's second and final board term will end on July 31, 2014. A replacement will be elected from the Southeast quadrant. Dockter's first term will end on July 31, 2014 and he will be eligible for re-election. Jordan moved to have Peterson and Anderson represent the NDOA Board on the nominating committee. Second by Grondahl and carried unanimously.

Action items from the Fall 2012 meeting were reviewed. Motion by Grondahl to recommend the following items will be reported to the NDHSAA Board of Directors meeting on September 17, 2013 and action will be taken at their November 22, 2013 meeting. Second by Dockter and carried unanimously.

- a) Hire three (3) additional state basketball tournament officials
- b) Waive the registration fee for NEW officials
- c) Create a region/state tournament pass for registered officials, available for \$20 beginning in 2014-15
- d) Raise the registration fee from \$45.00 to \$50.00 in 2014-15 to cover any expenses included with online credit card payments.

State Active Official Awards – Baseball, Mark Sandman, Dickinson; Boys' Basketball, Tim Campbell, Fairmount; Girls' Basketball, Terry Wallace, Devils Lake; Football, Jim Harty, Jr., Jamestown; Gymnastics, Tara Hofmann, Medina; Hockey, Tyler Liffbrig, Bismarck; Soccer, Kevin Browning, Bismarck; Swimming, Garvin Semenko, Williston; Volleyball, Naomi Erdahl, Bismarck; Wrestling, Corey Vetter, West Fargo; Softball, Ryan Gellner, West Fargo. Dockter moved to accept Active Officials Awards. Second by Nold and motion carried unanimously.

The Board reviewed the current NDOA Hall of Fame nominations. Privratsky moved to induct Tom Perius, Ron Wright, Tim Garrett, Rick Majerus, Duane Rindy, and Paul Jundt into the NDOA Hall of Fame in 2013-14. Seconded by Jordan and motion carried unanimously.

The Board also discussed the possibility of developing a Distinguished Service Award for officials. A committee of Grondahl, Peterson, and Dockter was appointed to explore developing criteria for a Distinguished Service Award that will be re-discussed at the spring meeting.

The Board reviewed a request to mandate football day camps for football officials that work playoff games. The request was dropped for failure of a motion.

The Board reviewed a request for the NDOA Board to request the NDHSAA Board to eliminate online rules clinics for wrestling and require face-to-face clinics. The request was dropped for failure of a motion.

Secretary Fetsch provided an update from the NDHSAA office. The fall online rules clinics have gone very well with the new NDHSAA website. Fetsch is working on securing a vendor for 25-year officials' watches.

The Board discussed old business regarding basketball players fist bumping officials during starting line-up's. The Board recommends eliminating the practice and requested that the recommendation be included in the online basketball rules clinic.

The Board discussed sportsmanship of fans and the presence of game administration at certain venues. A recommendation was made to include a reminder to officials to identify game administration upon arriving on site.

The next board meeting will be held on Wednesday, March 26, 2014 at 7:00 pm CT via conference call. Board meetings are open and visitors are welcome. Please contact a board member or Secretary Fetsch in advance to be placed on the agenda.

President Peterson declared the meeting adjourned at 1:55 pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
Matthew Fetsch