

MINUTES**North Dakota High School Activities Association****June 11-12, 2018, Valley City, ND**

The Board of Directors of the North Dakota High School Activities Association held their meeting on June 11-12, 2018 in Valley City. President Dahlen called the meeting to order at 4:00 pm on June 11, 2018.

Members present: Schafer, Jordan, Carlson, Dahlen, Sorlie, Privratsky, Vollmer, Manley, Strand, Stedman, Baesler

Others present: Mark Anderson, Chief Executive Officer and Tania Falk, Chief Accounting and Investment Officer, Farmers Union Insurance, Steve Swiontek, Larimore High School, Lynn Haugen, Griggs County School Board

Upon additions to the agenda, motion by Strand to approve the agenda. Second by Manley. Motion carried unanimously.

Farmers Union Insurance representative Mark Anderson, Chief Executive Officer and Tania Falk, Chief Accounting and Investment Officer, appeared to thank the Board for the opportunity to work with the NDHSAA. Anderson provided an overall view of all Farmers Union Insurance agents, managers and activities throughout the state. Anderson also gave the Board an overview of other activities Farmers Union Insurance is involved in with including expansion out of North Dakota with the purchase of agencies in Arkansas and Utah. Fetsch indicated NDHSAA is very appreciative of the working relationship with Farmers Union Insurance. President Dahlen thanked Farmers Union Insurance for their support as the NDHSAA Premier Sponsor.

Upon additions to the consent agenda, motion by Vollmer to approve. Second by Sorlie. Motion carried unanimously.

Consent agenda items:

1. Approval of Consent Agenda
 - a. Approval of Minutes
 - i. April 10, 2018
 - ii. May 3, 2018
 - b. Financial Reports
 - i. Balance sheet
 1. March 2018
 2. April 2018
 - ii. Budget
 1. March 2018
 2. April 2018
 - iii. Savings/investments
 1. March 2018
 2. April 2018
 - iv. Winter Sports Financial Report
 - v. Fine Arts Financial Report
 - c. Coop Dissolutions
 - i. Williston and Williams County #8 in boys cross country, 7-8, 2018-19
 - ii. Williston and Williams County #8 in girls cross country, 7-8, 2018-19
 - iii. Williston and Williams County #8 in volleyball, 7-8, 2018-19
 - iv. Minot and Our Redeemer's in girls golf, 7-12, 2018-19
 - v. Williston Trinity Christian and Trenton in boys track and field, 7-12, 2018-19
 - vi. Williston Trinity Christian and Trenton in girls track and field, 7-12, 2018-19
 - vii. Ellendale and Montpelier in football, 7-12, 2019-20
 - viii. Kenmare and MLS-Mohall in baseball, 7-12, 2018-19
 - ix. Bowbells and MLS-Mohall in baseball, 7-12, 2018-19
 - x. Bishop Ryan and Surrey in boys golf, 7-12, 2018-19
 - d. Coop Applications
 - i. Dickinson and Flasher in gymnastics, 9-12, 2018-19, no fee
 - ii. Parshall and Lewis & Clark-North Shore Plaza in boys cross country, 7-12, 2018-19, no fee
 - iii. Parshall and Lewis & Clark-North Shore Plaza in girls cross country, 7-12, 2018-19, no fee
 - iv. Devils Lake and St. Joseph's in baseball, 7-12, 2018-19, no fee
 - v. Devils Lake and St. Joseph's in boys basketball, 7-12, 2018-19, no fee

- vi. Devils Lake and St. Joseph's in boys cross country, 7-12, 2018-19, no fee
- vii. Devils Lake and St. Joseph's in boys track and field, 7-12, 2018-19, no fee
- viii. Devils Lake and St. Joseph's in football, 7-12, 2018-19, no fee
- ix. Devils Lake and St. Joseph's in girls basketball, 7-12, 2018-19, no fee
- x. Devils Lake and St. Joseph's in girls cross country, 7-12, 2018-19, no fee
- xi. Devils Lake and St. Joseph's in girls track and field, 7-12, 2018-19, no fee
- xii. Devils Lake and St. Joseph's in softball, 7-12, 2018-19, no fee
- xiii. Devils Lake and St. Joseph's in speech, 7-12, 2018-19, no fee
- xiv. Devils Lake and St. Joseph's in volleyball, 7-12, 2018-19, no fee
- xv. Devils Lake and St. Joseph's in wrestling, 7-12, 2018-19, no fee
- xvi. Garrison and Max in softball, 7-12, 2018-19, no fee
- xvii. Mandan and Bismarck St. Mary's in boys soccer, 9-12, 2018-19, late fee
- xviii. Nedrose, Surrey, and Our Redeemer's in girls golf, 7-12, 2018-19, no fee
- xix. Kenmare, Bowbells, and Burke Central in baseball, 7-12, 2018-19, no fee
- xx. Nedrose and Surrey in boys golf, 7-12, 2018-19, no fee

Finance Committee Chair, Scott Privratsky explained the 2018-19 budget and estimated year-end income and expenses along with estimated team payments to the Board. An estimated team payment amount of \$ 250,009.12 is expected. Motion by Jordan to approve the year end estimate and team payments. Second by Schafer. Motion carried unanimously.

Privratsky also presented a proposed budget for 2018-19. Motion by Carlson to approve the 2018-19 budget. Second by Jordan. Motion approved unanimously.

The following policy manual changes were recommended for 2018-19.

1. NDHSAA Board Policies Concerning TV/Webcasting: Add play-in game to be the same as other region game fees.
2. Board Committees changes recommended (remove ~~strike through~~, add underlined):
 - a. The president of the Board ~~at the August meeting~~ shall appoint three to five members from the membership of the Board of the executive staff to serve on the following standing committees for a term of one year, designating one member as the chairman:
 - i. Athletic Review
 - ii. Awards & Canvassing
 - iii. Canvassing-Constitution & By-Laws
 - iv. Eligibility
 - v. Executive Board
 - vi. Finance/Personnel & Policy
 - vii. Fines Arts & Academics
 - viii. Football
 - ix. Media
 - x. Officials Association
 - xi. ~~Promotions & Programs~~ Realignment
 - xii. Tournament
3. Radio broadcast fees changes recommended (remove ~~strike through~~, add underlined):
 - V. The following fee schedule shall apply to broadcasting of various Association events:
 - A. BASEBALL/SOFTBALL
 1. State Contests
 - a. ~~\$20.00~~ \$30.00 per game (if less than 8 games)
 - b. ~~\$150.00~~ \$200.00 complete tournament
 - B. BOYS & GIRLS BASKETBALL, BOYS & GIRLS HOCKEY, VOLLEYBALL
 1. Regional Contests
 - a. ~~\$10.00~~ \$15.00 per game
 - b. ~~\$75.00~~ \$100.00 complete tournament
 2. State Contests

- a. \$30.00 per game (if less than 8 games)
- b. \$200.00 complete tournament (minimum 8 games)
- C. FOOTBALL PLAY-OFFS
 - 1. Quarter final games-
\$30.00 per game
 - 2. Semi-final games
\$50.00 per game
 - 3. Final contests (Dakota Bowl)
~~\$70.00~~ \$75.00 per game
- D. WRESTLING
 - 1. Regional Contests
\$50.00/day
 - 2. State Contest
\$75.00/day ~~and~~ or \$150.00 for tournament
- 4. Solicitation/NDHSAA messaging system policy
 - a. Wording to be added to NDHSAA messaging/email system:
 - i. This message is for official school use only, solicitations for personal/business gain prohibited.
- 5. Third party email sharing policy.
- 6. The distribution of personal information to non-affiliated third parties is prohibited.

Motion by Manley to approve policy manual changes. Second by Stedman. Motion approved unanimously.

NDHSAA staff member Brenda Schell presented the NDHSAA 2018-19 Technology Plan. Schell clarified all Board questions. Motion by Vollmer to approve the NDHSAA 2018-19 Technology Plan. Second by Sorlie. Motion carried unanimously.

Mark Vollmer, Committee Chair, provided the Board a fine arts committee report. The committee discussed:

1. Implement changes on copyright pending determination from counsel. Suggest a checkbox saying completely compliant before tournament(s).
2. Create ad-hoc to examine fine arts region realignment.
3. Regional manager late fee reimbursement
 1. (Draft Regulation): Regional schedulers shall receive one-half involved late registration fees provided they can verify they sent at least one reminder and create the late registration window following NDHSAA authorization.
4. Remove minimum number of participants for individual events from Class A Plays. Direct advisory to review changes in categories and minimums for June 2019.
5. Recommend a study of the impact of changing the date for State Class A Plays contest.
6. Direct music advisory to develop regulation change for girls and boys entries to non-gender specific before the June 2019 Board meeting.
7. Create a music late-late region registration window.
 1. (Draft Regulation): A Late-Late region registration window may be opened following the 3-day late window. Late-Late window closes at 4:00 pm CDT 3 business days prior to region contest. Penalty: \$250 late fee + \$100 per entry.
8. Speech and Music – late results reporting.
 1. (Draft Regulation): Coaches and directors must verify results within the NDHSAA system following their region contest. Deadline for verification is 4:00 pm CDT the Tuesday following the final date for regional contests. Late results reporting window extends until 4:00 pm CDT 3 business days prior to the state contest. Late results entries will not receive scheduling protections and may be scheduled in first available time slot. Penalty: \$100 per entry.

Motion by Sorlie to approve the fine arts committee report. Second by Privratsky. Motion carried unanimously.

Fine Arts grid was reviewed as per the table below indicating action items, advisory recommendations and recommendations from the Fine Arts Review Committee.

FINE ARTS GRID 2017-18							
	Activity:	One-line request for rules change:	Exact rule with revisions (how it would read as revised):	Additional information/rationale:	Advisory	Review	Board
1	Debate	Remove Policy Debate from our category options	It would be removed from the rule book	We have not had policy teams for several years. Having it on the books gives a false representation to new coaches and teams	5-0	4-0	9-0
2	Play	Move Class A plays to the fall	Class A State and Finals for Class B will be held on the same day in the fall of the year.	During the spring, many conflicts with other fine arts activities. WDA and EDC will have regional competition prior and top 4 from each region would advance to state.	5-0	4-0	0-10
3	Speech	Students may enter a maximum of 4 events at an invitational tournament.	add	To allow students, who have the ability to try a variety of events to gain communication skills.	5-0	4-0	10-0
4	Speech	Speech, Debate, and Student Congress have an established beginning and ending date.	The Speech season first tournament will be the first weekend in February and ends with State tournament in April.	This would be best for the students involved and prevents one fine arts from pulling students away from the other fine arts. This will allow it to grow in our state.	5-0	4-0	0-10
5	Speech	Adding the word blank to a rule	While speaking, the student may use the chosen quotation card (no notes may be written on this card) plus one 3 x 5 BLANK note card. (optional)	This is to prevent student from having an outline of points to tie into the quote.	5-0	4-0	10-0

Mike McCall, Wahpeton Public Schools AD, presented a 3-class system for volleyball and boys and girls basketball from Wahpeton Public Schools and Fairmount High School to the Board for consideration. The Board discussed the plan and presented questions concerning the plan to McCall. After much discussion, there was agreement to forward the discussion to the Realignment Committee for review. Motion by Vollmer to refer the Wahpeton High School and Fairmount High School request for a 3-class system for volleyball and boys and girls basketball to the Realignment Committee for review. Second by Stedman. Motion carried unanimously.

Travis Jordan, Tournament Committee Chair, provided recommendations for 2019 spring sports region tournament sites.

GOLF Boys & Girls B	<u>2018-2019 Date</u>	<u>Site Selected</u>
Regions		
Region 1 Girls	Deadline May 21, 2019	Forman
Region 1 Boys	Deadline May 21, 2019	Milnor
Region 2 Girls	Deadline May 21, 2019	Carrington
Region 2 Boys	Deadline May 21, 2019	Carrington
Region 3 Girls	Deadline May 21, 2019	Devils Lake
Region 3 Boys	Deadline May 21, 2019	Grand Forks Country Club
Region 4 Girls	Deadline May 21, 2019	Underwood

Region 4 Boys	Deadline May 21, 2019	Harvey
Region 5 Girls	Deadline May 21, 2019	Bowman
Region 5 Boys	Deadline May 21, 2019	Mandan
Region 6 Girls	Deadline May 21, 2019	TBD
Region 6 Boys	Deadline May 21, 2019	TBD

TENNIS

East Region	May 23-24-25, 2019	Fargo
West Region	May 23-24-25, 2019	Minot

TRACK**Regions - Class A**

East	May 17 or 18, 2019	Fargo South
West	May 17 or 18, 2019	Dickinson

Region - Class B

Northwest	May 17 or 18, 2019	Minot
North Central	May 17 or 18, 2019	Rugby
Northeast	May 17 or 18, 2019	Larimore
Southwest	May 17 or 18, 2019	Bowman
South Central	May 17 or 18, 2019	Bismarck
Southeast	May 17 or 18, 2019	Casselton

Motion by Manley to approve the Tournament Committee report. Second by Strand. Motion carried unanimously.

The Board acted on District Chair, Class A Review and Athletic Review recommendations. Results appear below.

NDHSAA Board of Directors will Y: approve or N: deny (y-n)	Review	Board
	6/6/2018	6/11-12/18
Class B District Chair Recommendations - March 16, 2018 - Bismarck		
1. Set volleyball district tournament deadline on the Tuesday prior to the region volleyball tournament.	Y (9-0)	Y (10-0)
2. NDHSAA, NDOA, NDIAAAA, and NDHSCA jointly develop a plan to enhance and develop officiating to include recruitment, evaluation, mentoring, and education of officials.	Y (10-0)	Y (10-0)
3. Consider starting with 9-man when putting together the football plan. When there are an odd number of 9-man teams, they often have a difficult time finding games. It would also be easier for 11-man teams to schedule a game up or down a division to fill their schedule.	Y (6-4)	N (0-10)
Class A Review Recommendations - May 23, 2018 - Valley City		
No recommendations		
Wrestling		
Class A and B		
1. Increase the number of allowable events from 16 to 17	N (0-10)	
Gymnastics		
1. Allow transfer students to compete in regular season varsity meets as unattached individuals.	Y (10-0)	Y (10-0)
Hockey		
Boys and Girls		
1. Increase the number of allowable regular season games to 23 for boys and 25 for girls.	N (0-10)	
Girls		
1. Move the entire girls season one week later beginning with the 2019-20 season. Season would begin and end one week later than the boys.	Y (6-4)	N (0-10)
Swimming		
1. Change the boys dive standard from 235 to 275 for an 11 dive meet. Consideration totals will change from 220 to 250 for an 11 dive meet and from 135 to 150 for a 6 dive meet.	Y (10-0)	Y (9-0)

2. Allow transfer students to compete in regular season varsity meets as unattached individuals.	Y (10-0)	Y (9-0)
Basketball		
Class A		
1. Change boys shot clock to 30 seconds to match the girls.	Y (10-0)	Y (10-0)
Class A and B		
1. Increase number of allowable games by two.	N (0-10)	
Golf		
Class A		
No recommendations		
Class B		
1. Remove regulation requiring all players in each group to sign all score cards in the group.	Y (10-0)	Y (11-0)
Tennis		
1. Allow each school to enter a third doubles team to region and state tournaments.	N (0-10)	
2. Send protests to NDHSAA Office within 24 hours of a competition instead of at the region meeting.	Y (10-0)	Y (11-0)
Baseball		
No recommendations		
Girls Soccer		
1. Allow players on 22 person roster to be replaced during state tournament.	Y (10-0)	Y (11-0)
2. Extend the boys and girls soccer season by one week by adding a week to the beginning of the season.	N (0-10)	
Track & Field		
Class A		
1. Add Olympic style qualifying standards.	Y (8-2)	Y (9-2)
Class A and B		
1. Eliminate "Exceptions for scratches" in Regulation 6d.	Y (9-0)	Y (11-0)
2. Add "If more than 16 are competing" in Regulation 18a.	Y (9-0)	Y (11-0)
3. Add "If more than 20 are competing" in Regulation 18b.	Y (9-0)	Y (11-0)
4. Adjust the following standards: Class B boys discus - 135' and Class A and B boys 300 M hurdles - 42.44	Y (9-0)	Y (11-0)
5. Utilize athletic.net as the mandatory state qualifying reporting site.	Y (7-2)	Y (11-0)
Softball		
Class A		
1. Combine the Class A and Class B softball tournaments.	N (0-9)	
Athletic Review Recommendations		
2. Extend the girls soccer season by one week by adding a week to the beginning of the season. Set the start date for boys soccer season as August 1st or August 2nd, if August 1st is on a Sunday.	Y (8-2)	N (2-9)

Ben Schafer, Football Committee Chair, provided the Board with a committee report including an update of preliminary division assignments. Motion by Jordan to approve the Football Committee report. Second by Privratsky. Motion carried unanimously.

Andy Dahlen, Media Committee Chair, provided the Board with a committee report. NDHSAA is currently in year five of a five-year contract with the NFHS Network. The NFHS Network would like to enter into a contract for years six

through nine for \$5000 per year and \$10,000 for year ten. Committee recommendation is to direct Fetsch to enter into an agreement with the NFHS Network

Motion by Schafer to approve the Media Committee report. Second by Vollmer. Motion carried unanimously.

Andy Dahlen, Executive Board Chair, reported on committee action.

School violations

1. Larimore baseball participant exceeded pitch count limits. Prescribed penalty of the coach sitting out the following game at that level and a letter of reprimand.
2. Turtle Mountain track and field – ineligible transfer student participated in a varsity track meet. Prescribed penalty of forfeiture of all points and a letter of reprimand.

Motion by Manley to approve the Executive Committee report. Second by Sorlie. Motion carried unanimously.

Mitch Carlson, Constitution & By-Laws Committee Chair, provided a committee report. Recommendation to add to Board Interpretations of Part II, Article XI – Section IX: b

- i. The one (1) calendar year ineligibility period is waived if:

7. A student returns to his/her school where eligibility was established following participation in a United States Congressional Page Program. (June 2018)

Motion by Vollmer to approve the Constitution & By-Laws committee report. Second by Privratsky. Motion carried unanimously.

Jeff Manley, Realignment Committee chair, provided the Board with a committee report and region placements for the following:

1. Griggs County Central requesting a realignment from Region 2 to Region 3 for volleyball, girls basketball, and boys basketball beginning with the 2019-20 school year. Committee recommended keeping placement in Region 2. No realignment as the Board researches a three-class system.
2. Placement of Kenmare/Bowbells/Burke Central baseball in Region 7.

Motion by Sorlie to approve the Realignment Committee report. Second by Stedman. Motion carried unanimously.

The Board reviewed a request from Shane Martin, Turtle Mountain Community High School (TMCHS) AD, to allow TMCHS varsity volleyball team to compete in 20 matches and 0 tournaments in 2018. Motion by Schafer to approve the TMCHS request to compete in 20 matches and 0 tournaments in 2018. Second by Jordan. Schafer rescinded motion and Jordan rescinded second. Motion by Schafer to allow competition in 20 matches and 0 tournaments in volleyball. Second by Jordan. Motion carried unanimously.

A request from Roger Abbe, Midway Superintendent, to allow Midway/Minto to compete as an independent 6-man football team in 2018 and beyond was reviewed by the Board. Motion by Privratsky to approve the Midway/Minto request to compete as an independent 6-man football team in 2018 and beyond. Second by Manley. Motion carried unanimously.

Dr. Steve Swiontek, Larimore High School Superintendent, appeared before the Board to appeal a coop late fee waiver previously denied by the Executive Board. Motion by Schafer to deny the Larimore High School request. Second by Carlson. Motion carried. (10-1)

2018-19 NDHSAA Board President and Vice-President nominations were discussed. Manley nominated Schafer as president with a second by Stedman. Motion carried unanimously. Carlson nominated Privratsky as Vice-President with a second by Manley. Motion carried unanimously.

Board Correspondence

- North Dakota Cheer Association Letter – Currently require an administrator from each member school in attendance.
- Sargent Central High School Letter
- Nick Lee Letter

Representative Reports

- Vollmer – Minot Public School has been selected as part of an IRS audit. When hiring officials who are employees of Minot Public Schools, the IRS directive is payment must be run through the district's payroll. Tournament managers are in the same position. If tournament managers are paid, it must be run through payroll. If employees are reimbursed meals for trips that do not require an overnight stay, reimbursement must also be processed through payroll.
- Sorlie – NDIAAA met last week and discussed the discontinued Parade of Athletes.

Executive Director's Report

- 2017-18 Participation Survey was discussed. Compared to the previous year there was an overall increase in participation numbers.
- Coaches Education Report was discussed along with a report on an ad-hoc committee with regard to renewals.
- 2017-18 Concussion Data

Next Board meeting will be held September 27, 2018 – Valley City – NDHSAA Office

Meeting was adjourned at 10:16 am on Tuesday, June 12, 2018.

Respectfully submitted,
Brenda Schell
Assistant Director

Signed: _____ Approved Date: ____/____/____