

MINUTES
North Dakota High School Activities Association
Board of Directors
June 19, 2007 – Valley City, ND

The Board of Directors of the North Dakota High School Activities Association met June 19, 2007 in Valley City. President Briggs called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m. with all members present except Sanstead and Lyson.

The Executive Secretary introduced the new addition to the staff, Brenda Schell who will be handling the technology portion of the association as well as other assignments.

Following additions to the agenda, President Briggs declared the agenda set.

Minutes of the previous meetings were reviewed with several minor adjustments. Upon motion by Maus and second by Volesky, the Board approved the minutes from April 18, 2007 regular meeting. With motion by Knodle and second by Jordan, the Board approved the April 30, 2007 special meeting. Motion by Jungling to approve the May 8, 2007 special meeting. Second by Jordan and carried.

The Executive Secretary reviewed with the Board the balance sheet, year to date detail budget through the month of May, savings report and investment report. Motion by Volesky to approve the financial report. Second by Jungling and carried. The Board examined the Winter Sports, Spring Sports and Fine Arts financial reports which were sent to the Board earlier for review. Motion by Jordan to approve these reports. Second by Jungling and carried.

The Board reviewed the requests for cooperative sponsorship program dissolutions along with the year the dissolution will go into effect:

- a. Munich and Cando in volleyball, 2007-2008, contingent upon approval of their application for a new coop.

Motion by Knodle to table this request for dissolution and the request for the application of the Munich/Langdon coop. Second by Schaible and carried.

- b. TGU schools in track, 2007-2008, pending the approval of the application for new coops of TGU Granville and Surrey in boys and girls track and TGU Towner and Rugby in boys and girls track.

Motion by Jordan to approve. Second by Volesky and carried.

- c. Fargo North and Park Christian in gymnastics, 2007-2008.

Motion by Jungling to table these two requests until more information is obtained. Second by Jordan and carried.

The Board reviewed the following requests for cooperative sponsorship programs along with the year the application will go into effect:

- a. Langdon and Munich in volleyball, 7-12 (2007-2008), late fee.

By previous motion, this is tabled (see above)

- b. Cavalier and North Border in Cross Country (07-08) no fee

Motion by Maus to approve. Second by Jordan and carried

- c. TGU Granville and Surrey in boys' and girls' track, 7-12 (2007-2008), no fee

Motion by Schaible to approve. Second by Duchscherer and carried.

d. TGU Towner and Rugby in boys' and girls' track, 7-12, 07-08, no fee

Motion by Schaible to approve. Second by Jordan and carried.

e. New Rockford-Sheyenne and Fessendan-Bowdon in boys' and girls' track, 7-12 (2007-2008), no fee

Motion by Jordan to approve. Second by Maus and carried with two dissenting votes.

f. Fargo North and Grace Lutheran in wrestling and boys' and girls' cross country, (2007-2008), no fee

Motion by Knodle to approve. Second by Jordan and carried.

The Board received a copy of the 2007-2008 meeting dates. Motion by Schatz to table. Second by Maus and carried.

President Briggs reported on behalf of the Executive Board on the reported recruiting complaint on Langdon. Prior to today's meeting, the Executive Board held an audience with delegations from Langdon and Munich. Following the delegation's presentation, they were informed a decision will be made and reported to the Board the following day.

The Executive Secretary informed the Board Ashley and Wishek are re-submitting their application for a cooperative sponsorship in volleyball. This application had been previously denied. A delegation from Ashley and Wishek was present. Rod Burgad, president of the Wishek School Board and Lucy Meidinger, president of the Ashley School Board presented rationale for their application for a volleyball coop. Motion by Duchscherer to reconsider. Second by Schatz and carried.

Motion by Schatz to approve the cooperative application for Ashley and Wishek in volleyball (2007-2008) with fee. Second by Jordan and carried with one dissenting vote.

The Executive Secretary reported on a letter received from Patti Aanenson, District 3 Chair, requesting an audience with the Board concerning the placement of the Region 2 boys' basketball tournament in Grafton rather than the Betty in Grand Forks. The Board held audience with a delegation consisting of athletic administrators, Patti Aanenson, Larimore; Dave Nelson, May-Port CG; John Hutchison, Northwood; and Gaillard Peltier, Fordville-Lankin. The Board clarified the practice of setting tournament sites is to place tournaments as recommended by the two districts. If the two district's recommendations for sites conflict, the tournament is placed at the Board's discretion. The delegation was, once again, encouraged to get the two districts together to come to an agreement on the selection of their regional sites for boys' and girls' basketball tournaments. Following further discussion, no action was taken.

The Board reviewed the sites and dates for the 2007-2008 Board meetings. Motion by Jungling to adopt these dates and sites. Second by Schatz and carried:

- August 9 – Valley City
- September 25 – Valley City
- October 17 – Bismarck
- October 18 – General Assembly Meeting, Bismarck
- November 16 – Jamestown (District Chair and Board meeting)
- January 26 – Bismarck (Athletic Review A.M., Board P.M.)

- January 28 – Membership Meeting, Bismarck
- March 7 – Bismarck
- March 14 – Fargo (District Chair and Board meeting)
- April 16 – Valley City
- June 11 – Athletic Review, Valley City
- June 18-19 – Valley City

The Board was informed since their original setting of April 17th and 18th for State A Plays, there has been a recommendation to change that to April 7th and 8th in 2008 and April 6th and 7th in 2009. Motion by Knodle to accept the date changes. Second by Schaible and carried with two dissenting votes.

Volesky reported on behalf of the Finance Committee proposal concerning the policies for television and webcasting:

- I. Bids for live television/webcast coverage of NDHSAA sponsored events may be called for by the Board of Directors. The Board has the discretion to determine the number of years to be included in the contract. Exclusivity rights may or may not be a part of the contract.
- II. Events not included in the live coverage contract or in conflict with an exclusivity clause may be contracted individually and shall be subject to the following minimum acceptable fees:

	<u>Live</u>	<u>Delayed</u>
a. REGIONAL BASKETBALL		
Class A combined	\$6000	\$750
Class A boys or girls	\$5000	\$500
Class B boys or girls	\$5000	\$500
Per game	\$750	\$200
b. FOOTBALL PLAYOFF GAMES (per game)	\$1500	\$500
c. STATE BASKETBALL		
Class A or B per game		\$500
d. STATE TRACK	\$2000	\$500
e. STATE WRESTLING		
Complete tournament	\$5000	\$750
Finals only	\$2000	\$500
f. STATE BASEBALL		
Per game	\$750	\$200
g. STATE CROSS COUNTRY	\$1500	\$500
h. STATE GOLF/GYMNASTICS SWIMMING/TENNIS	\$500	\$200

i. REGIONAL HOCKEY		
Per game	\$700	\$200
j. STATE HOCKEY		
Per game		\$300
Finals only		\$500

III. All delayed tele/webcasts are to be delayed a minimum of two hours upon completion of event.

Volesky presented the 2007-2008 proposed budget on behalf of the Finance Committee. The team payments for the 2006-2007 year will again contain the additional \$50,000 from the General Fund. Motion by Jordan to approve the budget. Second by Maus and carried.

The invitations and recommendations for Class B Region Golf sites for 2008 were reviewed. Motion by Volesky to approve. Second by Schaible and carried.

- Region 1: Girls' – Lisbon / Boys' – Grand Rapids
- Region 2: Girls' – Oak Grove @ Rose Creek / Boys' – Oak Grove
- Region 3: Girls' – Dakota Prairie / Boys' – Grafton
- Region 4: Girls' – Rugby / Boys' – Bottineau
- Region 5: Girls' – Hazen / Boys' – Mandan
- Region 6: Girls' – Kenmare / Boys' – Watford City

The invitations and recommendations for Class B Region Track sites for 2008 were reviewed. Motion by Jordan to approve. Second by Schatz and carried.

- Region 1: Fargo Oak Grove (Concordia)
- Region 2: Grafton
- Region 3: Devils Lake
- Region 4: Jamestown College
- Region 5: Bismarck
- Region 6: Rugby
- Region 7: Tioga
- Region 8: Beach

Staff member Hetler presented the recommendation as brought forward by the Fine Arts Advisory Committees. The results are:

FINE ARTS REVIEW COMMITTEE REPORT

The following recommendations as approved by the Fine Arts Review Committee were approved by the NDHSAA Board of Directors at their June 19th meeting.

MUSIC RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. Regional/state fees:
 - a. Top of page 11 – Section VI: Change heading to read, “**Administration of Class A Vocal/Strings Festivals and all Class B Festivals**”
 - (1) Site manager and festival scheduler may be the same or different people, but a separate fee shall be listed for each job. The designated treasurer for each region shall issue a contract annually concerning the

following fees. Each region may negotiate their own fees as the size of each region varies. (NDHSAA will send each regional chair/treasurer a model contract.)

b. Administration of Class A East and West (change to Wind/Percussion Instrument Festivals) – pages 12 & 13

c. Rule 7, Page 13 (Class A Instrumental Regional/State Festivals) Site manager and festival scheduler may be the same or different people, but a separate fee shall be listed for each job. The designated treasurer for each region shall issue a contract annually concerning the following fees. Each region may negotiate their own fees as the size of each region varies.

(1) Mileage for judges shall be the state rate.

(2) On page 13, top, delete rule #'s 7 and 8 and 9 and re-organize into Rule 7a,b,c and d.

New: 7a. Mileage – state rate

7b. Scheduler Fee – As decided by each region. Treasurer to send contract to scheduler to assign and return.

7c. Manager Fee - As decided by each region. Treasurer to send contract to scheduler to assign and return.

7d. Old rule #9 (shall be Rule 7d) on page 13 shall be changed to read, “The State Manager shall call for bids for piano tuners and piano rental/moving.” Also add this rule to “g” on top of page 5.

c. Rule k, page 5 – (**\$100 increase for 2008**)

Recommended State A Vocal/Strings Manger fees....\$200

Recommended State B Music Festival Manager fees...\$250

Recommended State A Vocal/Strings Scheduler Fee..\$300

Recommended State B Music Scheduler fee.....\$450

d. Rule m, page 5 – Recommended judge fees: (**\$2,050 increase for 2008**)

Regional (minimum) ... \$125 for 2007-08 and \$150 for 2008-09)

State\$200

2. Rules Clarifications/Changes:

a. Delete # 10 on page 17.

b. Rule #2 on page 5, “Manager” in 2 a, b, d and f shall be changed to “Site Manager”. In rule 2 e and h on page 5, “Manager” shall be changed to “Scheduler.”

c. On page 16, change 3c, “Solos Restrictions” to Solo Limitations.” On page 16, change rule 3d to read, “Ensemble Limitations: A student is limited to TWO entries in any like sized ensemble within in each category. Ensemble sizes are 2-3, 4-6, and 7-12.” Eliminate “The student choices are listed as follows” and all of #1.

d. Website Registration form. Change instructions so director MUST list name of accompanist for each entry.

e. Clarify under Rule 13, page 17. “A legal purchased copy of the selection performed must be used by the accompanist, instrumental performer, and judge. Selections that contain a ”Public Domain” notation may be photocopied as long as there is not an “arrangement copyright” notation on the music. All arrangements of said selections must have publisher approval attached. The measures of adjudicator copies MUST be numbered prior to any performance. Delete the last 2 sentences of rule 13.

- f. Change the first sentence of Rule 21 on page 18 to read, “The use of photocopied selections and/or arrangements is prohibited without the attached written permission of the Publisher.”
- g. On page 15, combine “E. Woodwind Ensembles” and “F. Brass Ensembles” to one category entitled: “**Wind Ensembles**”. Each school shall be limited to 23 wind ensembles. The rule now restricts woodwind ensemble to 12 and brass ensembles to 11 which is not equitable.

SPEECH RECOMMENDATIONS:

I. Student Congress

- a. Fine Arts Committee amended to, “Judges only will handle the ballots”

II. Plays

Class A

- a. The State A Play Festival shall be moved to the Monday and Tuesday following the Saturday of Regional Speech Tournaments. It is recommended the festival be held all day Monday and end by Noon Tuesday.

Class B

- a. Regionals: Each of 10 regions will qualify 2 plays to state and ALL ties must be broken.
- b. State: Set 2-day format of State Class B plays as approved earlier by NDHSAA Board
 - 1. Split the 20 qualifying plays to 2 sites on Monday of Thanksgiving week
 - 2. The top 4 plays from each site will qualify for finals on the Tuesday of Thanksgiving week. The Finals will begin at 8 a.m. with plays at 45 minute increments and awards at 3:00 p.m.
State Awards: There shall be 10 Outstanding Performer awards given at each preliminary site. A trophy shall be given to each of the 8 finals play casts. The cast members of the final 8 plays shall also be awarded key fobs.

III. Debate

- a. Continue to sponsor policy debate

IV. Speech

- a. Rule 12 on Page 7 – Change to read, “The last legal qualifying tournament for ALL schools is one week prior to the regional tournament. Results must be reported to the regional manager and the NDHSAA no later than SIX days before the regional tournament.
NOTE: Regional tournament substitutions and drops may be made anytime BEFORE tournament day by fax or e-mail to the regional manager and the NDHSAA.
- b. Rule 1 under “REGISTRATION FEES” on page 6. “Registration fees are set at the time of the 2 week registration deadline and a check should be sent immediately to the manager. There shall be NO reimbursement for cancelled/dropped entries. A check or checks for ALL fees including additional entries must be paid prior to regional tournament day.

- c. Add to Rule 5 on page 7 under REGIONAL PARTICPATION for QUALIFIERS. Exemption of a state qualifier from attending the regional tournament cannot override NDHSAA eligibility rules as listed on page 1.
- d. Judge Fee increase:
 - 1. Student Congress – from \$75 to \$100 for 2007-8 and \$125 for 2008-09 as a 2-day event
 - 2. Debate – Policy @ \$20 a round from \$14 and LD and Public Forum down from \$14 to \$12 a round
 - 3. Plays - \$12 from \$10 per each *regional play and \$14 from \$12 per each state play judged (*recommended for 2007-08 and mandated for 2008-09)
 - 4. Speech - \$80 from \$70 for a*regional tournament and \$100 from \$85 for a state tournament (*recommended for 2007-08 and mandated for 2008-09)
 - 5. Language/Content Rule Administration: Add to top of Rule 10 on page 9 “A contestant whose interpretation is judged to be offensive or in bad taste shall be given a lower rating and/or ranking by the judge.

Amendment: “For a school to be officially entered in an invitational tournament, a Language/Content Approval form signed by the school administrator must be faxed to the manager prior to tournament day.”

- e. Burden of Proof: Page 17, Section 2, add to Part C. Burden of Proof: “At EVERY tournament, a hard copy burden of proof must be shown to EVERY judge in interpretation events prior to competing.” Replace Rule 9 on page 13 with this rule.
- f. Impromptu: Page 30; add to Impromptu ballot –“Prep. Time Used ___ Speaking Time Used___”

The Board adjourned until 8:00 a.m. on Wednesday, June 20, 2007.

The Board reconvened at 8:00 a.m. Wednesday, June 20, 2007 with all members present.

The Board reviewed the winter and spring advisory committee recommendations with action as follows:

District Chair Recommendations			
1. Do not count regional dual tourney wrestling matches against total allowable matches (40).	10-5		0-11
2. Eliminate the bench decorum rule in basketball.	12-3		0-11
3. Reduce the number of wrestling weight classes from 14 to 12.	11-2		1-10
4. In wrestling, change the allowance from 1/2 pound to 2 pounds for flexibility in duals and tournaments.	9-5		0-11
5. Request the development of officiating fee schedule for three-person vs. two person crews.	11-3		5-6

Wrestling			
Class A and B Items			
1. Increase to four coaches passes to the State Tournament	x	Y(6-2)	0-11
2. Increase the allowable statisticians to four to the State Tournament	x	N(1-7)	0-11
Class B Items			
1. Allow the round down on the weight descent plan to move from .5 lb to one pound.	x	N(0-8)	0-10

2. Allow a bio-impedance appliance to be used in addition to the skin calipers	x	Y(6-2)	11-0
3. Allow 40 individual matches prior to region tournaments	x	N(0-8)	0-11

Class A Items

1. Score and place eight at the state tournament	x	Y(7-1)	0-11
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Hockey

1. Add one game to the regular season for a total of 22	x	N(1-7)	0-11
2. Allow a regular season scrimmage	x	N(1-7)	0-11
3. Allow all skaters and not just the starters to skate warmup prior to the start of periods 2 & 3.	x	Y(8-0)	11-0
4. Award teams that lose games in overtime points equivalent to half the value of the contest.	x	N(1-7)	1-10
5. Boys' coaches request the boys' state tournament to be held at the Engelstad Arena and the girls' at Purpur.	x	N(0-8)	0-11

Basketball**Class A Recommendations**

1. Add three games team maximum for optional post-season sub-varsity tournaments	x	N(1-7)	0-11
a. Allow individuals an additional 12 quarters/six halves if involved in other than varsity	x	N(1-7)	0-11
b. If involved in a sub-varsity post-season tournament individuals are not eligible for post-season varsity tournaments	x	N(1-7)	0-11
2. Add one game to the regular season maximum.	x	N(1-7)	0-11
3. Class A boys' coaches request a separate state tournament site in the same city	x	N(0-8)	0-11
4. Class A boys' coaches request a change from the current three 60 second time outs and two 30 second time outs to five 60 second time outs.	x	N(0-8)	0-11
5. Class A girls' coaches request to have a pool of 18 officials for Region and State A tournaments and assign the more experienced officials assigned to the championship rounds	x	Y(7-1)	0-11
6. Class A girls' coaches request two venues for state tournament with the winners advancing to the larger facility.	x	N(0-7)	0-11

Class B Recommendations

1. Girls' coaches request the shot clock	x	N(3-5)	5-6
2. Girls' coaches request the coaches box	x	N(0-8)	0-11
3. Girls' coaches recommend elimination of three whistle coverage for post-season See Athletic Review Committee Recommendation	x	N(3-5)	0-11

Gymnastics

1. The top 3 regular season scores will be used to advance the top 40 individuals and top 30 all around to the state meet.	x	Y(8-0)	10-0
2. In the event a senior is unable to complete 3 regular season meets, that senior may advance by an injury petition that is approved by the State Association. To advance to state, the athlete must score equal to or better than the 20th individual score or 15th all around score.	x	Y(8-0)	11-0

Swimming

1. Recommend the adoption of the whistle start for all North Dakota Girls' and Boys' swimming competition.	x	Y(8-0)	11-0
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Class B B&G Golf Recommendations

1. Recommend the deadline for Class B Regional Golf Tournaments be Tuesday prior to the state tournament.	x	Y(8-0)	2-9
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Class A Boys' Golf Recommendations

1. Recommend no electronic devices to be allowed during a round of play.	x	N(0-7)	2-9
See Athletic Review Committee recommendation			
2. Re-visit the 2008-09 state tournament site be changed from Jamestown to an East Reg. site.	x		refer to Tourn Comm

Tennis Recommendations

1. Starting time for the second match at region and state shall be 30 minutes following completion of the first match.	x	Y(8-0)	10-0
2. Semi-finals of team play shall be scheduled indoors.	x	N(2-6)	1-9

Class A Baseball Recommendations

1. Move the deadline date for region baseball from the Sat. prior to state to Monday prior to state.	x	Y(6-2)	1-10
2. Extend the season one week.	x	N(1-7)	0-11

Class B Baseball Recommendations (no recommendations)**Girls' Soccer Recommendations**

1. During the state tournament one game at a time will be scheduled using two fields.	x	N(1-7)	1-9
2. If the above is not granted, provide one alternate official per game in event of injury.	x	N(2-6)	0-11

Track Advisory Recommendations

1. Revise lane assignments in the 3200 meter relay to 12 in the fast section and minimum of four teams in the remaining section. If less than four teams remain, they shall be added to the fast section. If more than 16 teams remain, they shall be split equally into two additional sections.	x	Y(7-0)	11-0
2. Class A requests top eight in individual events at regional shall qualify for state.	x	N(1-7)	0-11
3. Use the Friday before regionals as an option in case of predicted inclement weather for Sat.	x	N(0-8)	0-11
4. Present the National Anthem prior to all competition each day of the state meet.	x	Y(8-0)	11-0
5. Discus sector shall be placed to allow a throw into a headwind at the State Meet.	x	Y(8-0)	11-0
6. For the Regional Meet, an athlete may not be entered in events that would exceed the distance limitation.	x	Y(6-2)	11-0
7. Adjust the qualifying standards by eliminating the .24 and round to tenths for distances of 800 meters or more.	x	Y(5-3)	11-0
8. Adjust the Girls Class B Triple Jump standard to 34 feet.	x	Y(8-0)	11-0
9. Adjust the Boys Class A Shot Put to 48 feet 6 inches.	x	Y(8-0)	11-0

Athletic Review Committee Recommendations

1. Recommend boys and girls Class B basketball coaches address using 3 officials for post season		Y(8-0)	11-0
2. Golf Recommendation: No electronic devices shall be allowed during a round of play and while on the course		Y(8-0)	11-0
3. Move the season for Class A Baseball one week later		Y(8-0)	0-11

The Executive Board reported on their decision concerning the Langdon recruiting violation. A letter to that effect will be sent to the administration of Langdon. Regarding the possible dissolution and request for coops, Volesky indicated there may be a need to delay their decisions. The Board was receptive to studying a possible conference call regarding these coop requests. Supt. Rich Rogers of Langdon and Supt. Kevin Baumgarn of Munich were on speaker phone to be informed of the decision. President Briggs reported, "A complaint was filed alleging that Langdon Volleyball coaches were recruiting. The

Executive Secretary investigated and found evidence of the allegation. Langdon appealed the decision and requested a hearing before the Executive Board. The Executive Board heard the appeal and also found that there is evidence of recruitment. The appeal is therefore denied and the Langdon Volleyball Team is suspended from post season play for the 2007-2008 school year.”

The Board reviewed the athletic advisory recommendations with the following result:

	Committee Action:	NDHSAA Board Action:
West/East Region Recommendations: Spring 2007	5/9/2007	6/19-20/07
Basketball		
1. Feedback on the experiment with 18 minute halves. (E)	continue	
Cross Country		
1. Adopt a roster numbering system for statewide use. (ex. Gymnastics) (tabled from Fall)	Y (4-0)	Y911-0)
Football		
1. Regulation high school goal posts for playoffs (W) (tabled from Fall)	Ath. Rev.	
2. Allow a maximum of 70 sideline passes in addition to cheerleaders for state football	Y (4-0)	N(0-11)
Baseball/Softball		
1. Recommend adopting a team regulation allowing a maximum of 32 games / 19 dates for baseball and an individual maximum of 214 innings for the regular season.	Y (4-0)	Y(6-5)
General		
1. Recommend the Board review language concerning penalties for use of ineligible participants in team versus individual sports.	Y (4-0)	Y(11-0)

The Executive Secretary asked the Board if they had received any calls from any coaches concerning any of the recommendations that came from the athletic advisory committees. The Board indicated they receive little or no input from coaches concerning their recommendations.

The Executive Secretary presented his report:

- a. Participation surveys were compiled and given to the Board. Along with the numbers from the previous year, the Board reviewed the increase and decrease in particular activities.
- b. The technology plan has been delayed from the past practice of review in June. Because of the new technology position, this will be presented at the August meeting.
- c. The schedule for the Dakota Bowl will be Friday, November 9, 11:00 a.m. – 9-Man and 20 minutes following the completion this game, the A Division will be played. On Saturday, November 10, 5:00 – AA Division and 20 minutes following completion of this game – AAA Division. Discussion has taken place concerning the times and how it would fit into the tournament.
- d. A letter was received from the Michigan Association.
- e. On Monday, July 23 prior to the Coaches Convention, the Executive Secretary will be teaching the Coaches education class. The NDIAAAA is forming a list of individuals to attend this class to become trainers for this course. More information on this course will be shared at the administrator meetings this fall. This will be set up so all coaches may take this class through the National Federation, but all instructors will be done through the NDHSAA.

The next meeting is scheduled for August 9, 2007 with a tentative start at 9:00 a.m.

President Briggs, on behalf of Schaible, Volesky and himself, thanked the Board for their friendship, dedication and hard work and declared the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,
Sheryl Solberg
Asst. to the Exec. Sec.