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North Dakota High School Activities Association

October 27, 2020, Valley City, ND

The Board of Directors of the North Dakota High School Activities Association began their meeting on October 27, 2020 via conference call. President Jordan called the meeting to order at 4:00 pm.

Members present: Jordan, Diegel, Schoch, Rerick, Bertsch, Johnson, Baxley, Jundt, Brandt

Members absent: Fridley, Baesler

Motion by Rerick to approve the agenda. Second by Schoch. Motion carried unanimously.

Alexis Baxley, Fine Arts & Academics Committee Chair, provided a report. The Fine Arts Committee met, holding discussion on sponsored arts contests primarily regarding event sizing and scheduling. Pending room requirements at the State Capitol, committee recommends allowing staff ability to change performance divisions (Houses) as needed for Student Congress. The committee will provide a recommendation for WDA Region/State Instrumental Music Contests on or before the November 5, 2020 meeting. Recommendation of contest changes for other sponsored music, speech, debate, and plays contests will be made at a future date if needed.

Motion by Bertsch to approve the Fine Arts & Academics Committee report. Second by Rerick. Motion carried unanimously.

Executive Director Report

1. Fall Tournament Update.

- 1. Fetsch reported he has been working with the FargoDome staff and Cass County Health to make modifications to the Dakota Bowl to allow for decreased crowds, additional sanitary measures and social distancing. Possible modifications may include tickets for family and friends only. The FargoDome would have only reserved seating available in blocks of four with the arena cleared out at the end of each game. There would be one hour between each game. Locker rooms would not be utilized. Masks would be mandated. Multiple entrances and exits would be used. The only way to purchase a ticket would be through a qualifying school. Fetsch will meet with FargoDome Staff and Cass County Health on October 27 and 28 to solidify plans. Fetsch recommends the NDHSAA Combined Tournament Committee meet on October 30th in the morning and the Board meet after the tournament committee meeting.

- 2. Fetsch presented revisions for media protocols for post season tournaments. Fetsch requested Board approval of the amended football and volleyball attendance protocols for postseason events hosted by member schools.

Motion by Schoch to approve amended football and volleyball attendance protocols for postseason events hosted by member schools. Second by Johnson. Motion carried unanimously.

- 3. Fetsch indicated the protocols will be shared with tournament managers and combined tournament committee.

2. Department of Health Update

- 1. Fetsch shared the ND Department of Health sports close contact definition as approved on 10-20-2020. The document will be shared at a statewide town hall meeting on Thursday, October 29, 2020 at noon.

Next Board meeting will be held October 30, 2020 at 11:00 CDT via conference call. Meeting adjourned October 27, 2020 at 4:18 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Brenda Schell
Assistant Director

Signed: _____ Approved Date: ____/____/____