

**Special Meeting
North Dakota High School Activities
Board of Directors
September 4, 2007**

The Board of Directors of the North Dakota High School Activities Association held a special meeting on September 4, 2007. President Knodle called the meeting to order with all members present except Looyesen and Schatz.

Present to answer any questions were Tracy Peterson, Williston Trinity Christian; Bob Turcott and Mike O'Brien, Trenton.

The Executive Secretary informed the Board of a letter received from Trenton 8 Mile indicating they are unable to field a varsity or junior varsity football team. They have approached Williston Trinity Christian to form a cooperative sponsorship for football.

Jungling reported on the Football Committee meeting which was held on August 23, 2007. Discussion was concerning the Constitution & By-Laws which states the deadline for football coops. The interpretation of the committee was this was intended for varsity teams. Because Williston Trinity Christian and Trenton, if coop is approved, will be playing a junior varsity schedule, the Football Committee presented the following recommendations:

1. Based on the guidelines for the 2007-2009 football plan, the football committee would recommend allowing Trenton and Williston Trinity Christian to form a coop and play either Trenton's or Williston Trinity Christian's schedule for the 2007-2008 football season.
2. This program will not be eligible for post-season play until the second year of the plan.
3. The contracted football programs and officials that lost games because of this coop will need to be contacted by Trenton and/or Williston Trinity Christian. These programs will be required to fulfill the financial obligations of these contracts.
4. This new coop will be placed in Trenton's region and be eligible for post-season play for the 2008-2009 season.

Duchscherer asked for a clarification of what division they were playing and does the total enrollment fit the assignment. It was determined the total enrollment would allow them to continue in their current division.

The applying schools indicated they may go with Trinity's schedule but the final decision has not been made.

Maus indicated the need to ensure the officials affected by the cancellation of a schedule are contacted. The financial obligations to the officials that lost games, both home and away shall be settled. Jungling urged the schools to contact the officials rather than waiting for the officials to contact the schools.

Eastgate asked for documentation on this process be made available to the Board. Knodle added to the four points from the Football Committee that Trenton would be determined as the host school for this coop.

Motion by Maus to approve the coop under the principles formed by the Football Committee. Second by Jungling and carried. It was clarified the verification of taking care of the officials' contract. A note from Ron Wright, assignor for the Williston Officials Association was determined to be sufficient to fulfill this verification.

The Executive Secretary reported the Northwood School Board has declared Hatton as the school to which they are sending their students.

Turtle Mountain School has informally contacted the Executive Secretary to indicate if the current results of their football games continue, they may have to go to a junior varsity schedule.

With no further business, President Knodle declared the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Sheryl Solberg
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