



# WYOMING HIGH SCHOOL ACTIVITIES ASSOCIATION

## MINUTES

### BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

NOVEMBER 5, 2019

President Chad Whitworth called the meeting to order at 12:00 p.m., Tuesday, November 5, 2019, in the WHSAA Board Room.

The following members were present: Jon Abrams, Laramie County School District #2; Justin Carr, Douglas; Glenn Freeburg, Guernsey-Sunrise; Beau Garcia, Upton; Cliff Hill, Gillette; Thomas Jassman, Rock Springs; Christina Mills, Shoshoni; David Nicholas, Washakie County School District #1; Dustin Rees, Mountain View; Josh Sandlian, Wheatland; Dicky Shanor, State Department of Education, Cheyenne; Ben Smith, Big Horn County School District #1; Chad Whitworth, Cheyenne Central and Larry Yeradi, Wright. Trevor Wilson and Ron Laird from the WHSAA office were also present.

#### AGENDA

President Whitworth asked the Board if there were any changes or additions to the agenda.

**Agenda** – no changes and/or additions. **Committee--Finance and Personnel** – no changes and/or additions. **Committee--Handbook** – no changes and/or additions. **Committee--Calendar and Culminating Events** – no changes and/or additions. **Committee—Reclassification** – no changes and/or additions.

**MOTION:** Mr. Smith moved and Mr. Freeburg seconded the motion to approve the agenda as presented.

**MOTION PASSED: \*\***

#### MINUTES

**MOTION:** Mr. Hill moved and Mr. Yeradi seconded the motion to approve the minutes of the October 1, 2019, regular meeting.

**MOTION PASSED: \*\***

#### REPORTS AND AUDIENCE

Commissioner Laird introduced Scott Buckingham from Lenhart-Mason in Casper; Bob Despain, WHSAA Board Attorney; and Brady Oltmans from the *Casper Star-Tribune*.

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**REPORTS AND AUDIENCE (continued)**

STUDENT HEARING

**MOTION:** Mr. Hill moved and Mr. Abrams seconded the motion to go into Executive Session.

**MOTION PASSED: \*\***

**MOTION:** Mr. Abrams moved and Mr. Yeradi seconded the motion to come out of Executive Session.

**MOTION PASSED: \*\***

**MOTION:** Mr. Yeradi moved and Mr. Abrams seconded the motion to uphold the Commissioner's decision regarding a student hardship transfer request from Kelly Walsh.

**MOTION PASSED: \*\***

FINANCIAL REVIEW – SCOTT BUCKINGHAM

Scott Buckingham from Lenhart-Mason and Associates provided the Board with the 2018-19 Financial Review Report and Graph Report. Mr. Buckingham explained the graphs and summarized the findings of the review.

**COMMITTEES**

**RECLASSIFICATION COMMITTEE**

Chairman Ben Smith, Cliff Hill, Bruce Jolley, David Nicholas, Terry Snyder and Larry Yeradi.

Ad Hoc Members: Brandon Deromedi, Mike Gregory, Jason Hansen, Mike Lashley, Jim O'Connor, Jerry Schlabs, Ann Wille and Rod Winland.

The Reclassification Committee did not meet.

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**FINANCE AND PERSONNEL COMMITTEE**

Chairman Josh Sandlian, Ty Flock, Glenn Freeburg, David Nicholas, Dicky Shanor and Ben Smith

2020-21 OFFICIALS PAY INCREASE PROPOSAL

**MOTION:** Mr. Nicholas moved and Mr. Freeburg seconded the motion to approve a \$5 per event raise for varsity officials during the regular season and a 1 cent per mile increase to the driver of a 5 man football crew, beginning in the 2020-21 school year.

**MOTION PASSED: \*\*FINAL READING**

RULE 4.6.17 & 9.7.2 – FOOTBALL OFFICIALS FEES PROPOSAL

**MOTION:** Mr. Smith moved and Mr. Shanor seconded the motion to increase the pay of varsity football officials to \$100 per regular season contest, beginning in the 2020-21 school year.

**MOTION PASSED: \*\*FINAL READING**

APPROVAL OF BUDGET ANALYSIS AND FIRST QUARTER REPORT 2019-20

**MOTION:** Mr. Smith moved and Mr. Shanor seconded the motion to approve the budget analysis and first quarter report for 2019-20 as presented.

**MOTION PASSED: \*\***

APPROVAL OF CHECKS WRITTEN

**MOTION:** Mr. Freeburg moved and Mr. Shanor seconded the motion to approve the checks written since the October Board Meeting.

**MOTION PASSED: \*\***

APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL REPORTS

**MOTION:** Mr. Nicholas moved and Mr. Shanor seconded the motion to approve the financial reports as presented.

**MOTION PASSED: \*\***

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### **FINANCE COMMITTEE (continued)**

#### 2018-19 FINANCIAL REVIEW

**MOTION:** Mr. Smith moved and Mr. Shanor seconded the motion to approve the 2018-19 Financial Review as presented.

**MOTION PASSED: \*\***

#### 2019-20 COMMITTEE GOAL

To continue to stay in the black and to work with Mr. Laird and Mr. Merback on monitoring the WHSAA's investments.

### **HANDBOOK COMMITTEE**

Chairman Mike Hamel, Justin Carr, Loren Heth, Christina Mills, Terry Snyder and Larry Yeradi.

#### ADDING GIRLS SOFTBALL AS A WHSAA SPORT

**MOTION:** Mrs. Mills moved and Mr. Carr seconded the motion to approve the addition of Girls Softball as a WHSAA sport beginning in the spring of 2021.

**MOTION PASSED: \*\*FINAL READING**

#### RULE 7.12.73 – STATE SWIMMING AND DIVING ENTRY AND PLACING PROPOSAL

**MOTION:** Mr. Carr moved and Mrs. Mills seconded the motion to approve the proposed wording change to Rule 7.12.73 as follows:

*Each school may enter only four athletes in each event and no more than one team in each relay. The only way a school may enter more than four athletes in an event is if all athletes have met the qualifying standard in that event. All athletes are eligible to advance and place in the consolation or championship finals in swimming and the final 12 in diving. Only four athletes from each school may score per event.*

**MOTION PASSED: \*\*FINAL READING**

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## HANDBOOK COMMITTEE (continued)

### RULE 5.4.5 – DEAD PERIOD CAMP APPROVAL

**MOTION:** Mr. Carr moved and Mrs. Mills seconded the motion to approve the proposed wording change to Rule 5.4.5 as follows:

*There shall be no participation in a specialized sports camp/clinic the two weeks prior to the beginning of a sport season if the student's coach(es) is a clinician.*

*Exception: A coach may run a camp for the youth (non-high school) of their community and use their high school players to assist, during the two weeks prior to the beginning of a sport season, provided there is no direct instruction to the high school players.*

**MOTION PASSED: \*\*FINAL READING**

### TENNIS HANDBOOK UPDATE

**MOTION:** Mr. Yeradi moved and Mr. Carr seconded the motion to approve the proposed updates to the tennis handbook.

**MOTION PASSED: \*\*FIRST READING**

### 2019-20 COMMITTEE GOAL

To continue to evaluate fair play and equity throughout all WHSAA events.

## CALENDAR AND CULMINATING EVENTS COMMITTEE

Chairman Dustin Rees, Jon Abrams, Beau Garcia, Cliff Hill, Thomas Jassman and Bruce Jolley

### RULE 7.11.3 – SOCCER SEASON CONTEST LIMIT PROPOSAL

**MOTION:** Mr. Hill moved and Mr. Garcia seconded the motion to approve the Soccer Season Contest Limit Proposal that would increase the number of allowed contests to 16.

**MOTION FAILED: \*\*(4-9)**

### 2A AND 3A STATE GOLF ROTATION

**MOTION:** Mr. Jassman moved and Mr. Hill seconded the motion to amend the 2A and 3A State Golf Rotation to account for Lovell participating as a 3A team.

**MOTION PASSED: \*\***

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### CALENDAR AND CULMINATING EVENTS COMMITTEE (continued)

#### KELLY WALSH NORDIC SKI PROPOSAL

**MOTION:** Mr. Hill moved and Mr. Garcia seconded the motion to accept Kelly Walsh's proposal to host the 2021 State Nordic Ski Meet at no cost to the WHSAA.

**MOTION PASSED: \*\***

#### 2019-20 COMMITTEE GOAL

To continue work on event calendars to help meet the needs of students involved in activities, while keeping budgets, time out of the classroom, and travel as part of the decision making process.

### ASSOCIATE COMMISSIONER'S REPORT

#### SPORTSMANSHIP / EJECTION REPORT

The WHSAA will continue to remind officials and administrators to submit acts of good sportsmanship for recognition. Sportsmanship numbers are up and ejection numbers are consistent with those from last year.

#### FOOTBALL SCHEDULES

2020 football schedules were released on October 29, 2019. The shortage of football officials continues to be a concern and recruitment and retention efforts are ongoing. Communication between officials and schools will be encouraged to ensure all games are covered.

#### CLASSIFICATION AND CULMINATING EVENT STRUCTURE FOR 2020-21 AND 2021-22

**MOTION:** Mr. Yeradi moved and Mr. Jassman seconded the motion to approve the Classification and Culminating Event Structure for 2020-21 and 2021-22 as presented.

**MOTION PASSED: \*\***

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## COMMISSIONER'S REPORT

### FALL SEASON REPORT

Results from State Cross Country, held October 26<sup>th</sup> in Afton, were presented. Commissioner Laird commended the Star Valley community for a job well done. Girls' state swimming and diving, volleyball and football will conclude in the coming weeks.

### STATE MARCHING BAND

Results from the October 19<sup>th</sup> State Marching Band Festival were presented. Twenty-one bands participated in the event.

### MOUNTAIN VIEW'S SOCCER REQUEST

**MOTION:** Mr. Smith moved and Mr. Yeradi seconded the motion to allow Mountain View to add boys and girls varsity soccer beginning in the spring of 2021.

**MOTION PASSED: \*\***

### LYMAN'S SOCCER REQUEST

**MOTION:** Mr. Hill moved and Mr. Freeburg seconded the motion to allow Lyman to add boys and girls varsity soccer beginning in the spring of 2021.

**MOTION PASSED: \*\***

### STATEWIDE SCHEDULING MEETING

The Statewide Scheduling Meeting will be held November 19-20, 2019 in Casper at the Ramkota Hotel.

### NEW ADMINISTRATOR TRAINING

A follow-up for new administrators is planned for November 19<sup>th</sup> in conjunction with the Statewide Scheduling Meeting. New administrators met with the WHSAA in August to go over policies and procedures.

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**COMMISSIONER’S REPORT (Continued)**

STATE SPORTSMANSHIP SUMMIT

The Student Advisory Council is hosting the 9<sup>th</sup> Annual State Sportsmanship Summit on November 25, 2019, at the Ramkota in Casper.

WYOMING SCHOOL BOARD ASSOCIATION CONVENTION – NOVEMBER 20, 2019

The WHSAA will have a booth at the Wyoming School Board Association Expo, held November 20<sup>th</sup> in Casper. The expo provides a forum for the WHSAA to remind school board members about the importance of high school activities.

NATIONAL ATHLETIC DIRECTOR CONFERENCE – DECEMBER 13-17, 2019

The National Athletic Directors Conference will be in Washington D.C, December 13-17, 2019.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, President Whitworth adjourned the meeting at 5:00 p.m. on November 5, 2019.

Respectfully submitted:

President \_\_\_\_\_  
CHAD WHITWORTH

Commissioner \_\_\_\_\_  
RON LAIRD