

# WYOMING HIGH SCHOOL ACTIVITIES ASSOCIATION

## MINUTES

### BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

FEBRUARY 6, 2007

President Kay Fackrell called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m., Tuesday, February 6, 2007, in the WHSAA Board Room.

The following members were present: Kay Fackrell, Evanston; Chris Gray, Glenrock; Cliff Hill, Gillette; Tony Hult, Cody; Hal Johnson, Worland; Jim Levine, Lyman; Gerry Maas (State Department of Education) Cheyenne; Jim Malkowski (WSBA) Daniel; Stuart Nelson, Platte County School District #1; Tracy Ragland, Newcastle; Duane Schopp, Cheyenne; Ken Stoick, Midwest; Don Thomas, Mountain View; Mark Walker (WSBA) Lyman; Russ Wiggam, H.E.M.; Tim Winland, Rocky Mountain; and Christy Wright, Big Horn. Ron Laird and Trevor Wilson from the WHSAA office were also present.

#### AGENDA

President Fackrell 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. Gray moved and Mr. Maas seconded the motion to approve the agenda as presented.

**MOTION PASSED: \*\***

#### MINUTES

**MOTION:** Mr. Gray moved and Mr. Hill seconded the motion to approve the minutes of the October 31, 2006, regular meeting.

**MOTION PASSED: \*\***

#### REPORTS AND AUDIENCE

Commissioner Laird introduced Patrick Schmiedt, sports reporter for the *Casper Star-Tribune* and Bob Despain, WHSAA Board Attorney.

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## COMMITTEES

### RECLASSIFICATION COMMITTEE

Chairman Hal Johnson, Cliff Hill, Bill Fullmer, Kevin Mitchell and Tim Winland.

Ad Hoc Members: Keith Bauder, Jim English, Joel Eskelsen, Jerry Fullmer, Dianne Moser, Tom Racette, Marty Weber and Tom Wilson.

The Reclassification Committee did not meet.

### FINANCE AND PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

Chairman Stuart Nelson, Chris Gray, Tony Hult, Gerry Maas, Kevin Mitchell and Tim Winland.

#### APPROVAL OF BUDGET ANALYSIS AND SECOND QUARTER REPORT 2006-07

**MOTION:** Mr. Hult moved and Mr. Winland seconded the motion to approve the budget analysis and second quarter report for 2006-07 as presented.

**MOTION PASSED: \*\***

#### APPROVAL OF CHECKS WRITTEN

**MOTION:** Mr. Hult moved and Mr. Winland seconded the motion to approve the checks written since the October 31, 2006, Board Meeting.

**MOTION PASSED: \*\***

#### APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL REPORTS

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

**MOTION PASSED: \*\***

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### FINANCE AND PERSONNEL COMMITTEE (Continued)

#### REVIEW BALL BID REQUEST FORM

**MOTION:** Mr. Hult moved and Mr. Gray seconded the motion to approve the ball bid request form to be sent out to solicit bids for culminating events for 2007-08 through 2009-10.

**MOTION PASSED: \*\***

#### 2006-2007 COMMITTEE GOAL

To continue to monitor and evaluate revenue and spending while keeping the budget in the black. Assist and work with the WHSAA Commissioner to increase corporate sponsorship for WHSAA activities.

### HANDBOOK COMMITTEE

Chairman Jim Levine, Bill Fullmer, Ken Stoick, Mark Walker, Don Thomas and Christy Wright.

#### RULE 6.4.0 – TRANSFER RULE

**MOTION:** Mr. Thomas moved and Mr. Walker seconded the motion to approve the proposed changes to sections 6.4.3, 6.4.6 and 6.4.7 of the Transfer Rule which would replace *88 pupil contact days* with *one year from the date of enrollment*.

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

#### RULES 4.6.20 & 7.12.2 – DIVING OFFICIATING PROPOSAL FOR SWIM MEETS

The Committee took no action and directed the Commissioner to meet with the Swim Coaches Association to obtain a recommendation from the group. The Committee also asked the WHSAA to continue to offer additional training for diving officials.

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## HANDBOOK COMMITTEE (Continued)

### RULE 8.0.53 – AACCA CERTIFICATION FOR CHEER COACHES

**MOTION:** Mr. Walker moved and Mr. Stoick seconded the motion to proposed rule 8.0.53, which would require all cheer coaches/sponsors who will be instructing any form of cheerleading gymnastics to have a minimum of an AACCA certification.

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

### 2006-2007 COMMITTEE GOAL

To continue to look at and review WHSAA Transfer Rule 6.4.0., and begin looking at the possibility of allowing summer school curriculum to count toward credit recovery for eligibility purposes.

## CALENDAR AND CULMINATING EVENTS COMMITTEE

Chairman Tracy Ragland, Cliff Hill, Jim Malkowski, Duane Schopp and Russ Wiggam

### 4A AND 3A REGIONAL AND STATE SOCCER PROPOSAL

**MOTION:** Mr. Hill moved and Mr. Malkowski seconded the motion to accept the 4A and 3A Regional and State Soccer Proposal as presented.

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

### STATE CULMINATING EVENT PROPOSALS

#### GYMNASTICS

**MOTION:** Mr. Hill moved and Mr. Wiggam seconded the motion to accept Douglas' proposal to host the 2008 State Gymnastics Meet with a fee of \$300 to the WHSAA and 15% of the gate.

**MOTION PASSED: \*\***

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**CALENDAR AND CULMINATING EVENTS COMMITTEE (continued)**

**2A GOLF**

**MOTION:** Mr. Schopp moved and Mr. Wiggam seconded the motion to accept Thermopolis' proposal to host the 2008 2A State Golf Meet at no cost to the WHSAA.

**MOTION PASSED: \*\***

**3A GOLF**

**MOTION:** Mr. Hill moved and Mr. Schopp seconded the motion to reject Douglas' proposal to host the 2008 State Golf Meet with a \$40 charge per team and no cost to the WHSAA.

**MOTION PASSED: \*\* Directed the Commissioner to solicit proposals for 3A Golf.**

**GIRLS AND BOYS SWIMMING**

**MOTION:** Mr. Wiggam moved and Mr. Malkowski seconded the motion to accept Gillette's proposal to host the 3A and 4A Girls and Boys State Swim Meet for 2008-09; 2009-10 and 2010-11 with 100% of the gate payable to the WHSAA.

**MOTION PASSED: \*\***

**NORDIC SKI**

**MOTION:** Mr. Malkowski moved and Mr. Schopp seconded the motion to accept Pinedale's proposal to host the 2009 State Nordic Ski Meet at no cost to the WHSAA.

**MOTION PASSED: \*\***

**INDOOR TRACK**

**MOTION:** Mr. Schopp moved and Mr. Wiggam seconded the motion to accept Laramie's proposal to host the 2009 State Indoor Track Meet at no cost to the WHSAA.

**MOTION PASSED: \*\***

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**CALENDAR AND CULMINATING EVENTS COMMITTEE (continued)**

**SOCCER**

**MOTION:** Mr. Hill moved and Mr. Ragland seconded the motion to accept Sheridan's proposal to host the 2009 3A and 4A State Soccer Tournament with \$3,400 and 85% of the gate payable to the WHSAA.

**MOTION PASSED: \*\***

**CROSS COUNTRY**

**MOTION:** Mr. Ragland moved and Mr. Hill seconded the motion to table the selection of the 2008 State Cross Country Meet site until the proposed facility at Sheridan can be evaluated.

**MOTION PASSED: \*\***

**2008 STATE SPEECH, 3A GOLF AND 4A GOLF**

As no proposals were received for 2008 State Speech and 4A Golf, or accepted for 3A Golf, the Committee directed Commissioner Laird to solicit proposals for these events.

**INDOOR TRACK**

The Committee took no action on accepting the two-day format for the 2007 State Indoor Track Meet, and asked the Commissioner to adjust the meet back to a one day event. The Committee will accept proposals at the April Board Meeting dealing with meet length, limiting the number of entries per school and consideration of qualifying standards for the 2008 meet.

**STATE TENNIS SITE SELECTION**

**MOTION:** Mr. Ragland moved and Mr. Hill seconded the motion to move the 2007-08 State Tennis Tournament from Laramie to Cheyenne.

**MOTION PASSED: \*\***

The Committee directed the Commissioner to re-open the proposal process for the 2008-09 through 2010-11 State Tennis Tournaments.

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### CALENDAR AND CULMINATING EVENTS COMMITTEE (continued)

#### APPROVE 2007-08 CALENDAR

**MOTION:** Mr. Wiggam moved and Mr. Malkowski seconded the motion to approve the 2007-08 calendar as presented.

**MOTION PASSED: \*\***

#### SET 2007-08 WHSAA BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETINGS

**MOTION:** Mr. Malkowski moved and Mr. Wiggam seconded the motion to approve the dates for the 2007-08 Board of Directors Meetings as presented.

**MOTION PASSED: \*\***

#### 2006-2007 COMMITTEE GOAL

To direct the Commissioner to continue to work with the University of Wyoming, the Districts, and the Calendar and Culminating Events Committee to develop a proposal that would allow for holding the State Football Championships in one location.

### DISTRICTS

#### GOLD CARD REQUESTS

**MOTION:** Mr. Hult moved and Mr. Johnson seconded the motion to award a Lifetime Gold Pass to Thomas Ryan of Thermopolis.

**MOTION PASSED: \*\***

### ASSOCIATE COMMISSIONER'S REPORT

#### REGISTERED OFFICIALS

Associate Commissioner Wilson asked for input from the Board on the stance the WHSAA should take on dealing with schools that hire unregistered officials. The Board felt a letter of warning, directed to the Principal and Activities Director, should be the first step. Further action would be warranted if the problem persists.

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## ASSOCIATE COMMISSIONER'S REPORT (continued)

### FOOTBALL UNIFORMS

Starting in 2012, the visiting football team will be required to wear a white jersey. The WHSAA will send out uniform specifications, provided by the NFHS, once they become available.

### SPORTSMANSHIP AND EJECTION NUMBERS

Associate Commissioner Wilson reported that winter season sportsmanship numbers are up and ejection numbers are down compared to last year. To date, 65 sportsmanship awards have been awarded, compared to 16 for the entire winter season last year. There have been 8 ejections to date (6 athletes and 2 coaches), compared to 11 ejections at this time last year (8 athletes and 3 coaches).

### SPECTATOR EJECTIONS

The WHSAA does not have any jurisdiction over fan behavior at regular season contests. Schools are asked to control the environment of their venue, and can impose sanctions to deal with troublesome fans as they see fit.

## COMMISSIONER'S REPORT

### WYOMING TRACK COACHES ASSOCIATION LETTER RE: STATE TRACK SCHEDULE

Commissioner Laird presented a letter from the Wyoming Track Coaches Association recommending that the State Track Meet stay with the current schedule of events.

### FOTO-SPORT FINANCIAL REPORT

Foto-Sport, the official photographer of WHSAA culminating events, provided their financial statement from the fall events. Business was better in some events than anticipated, and not as profitable in others.



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## COMMISSIONER'S REPORT (continued)

### BE A GOOD FAN ARTICLE

Commissioner Laird shared an article from Cory Matteson of the *Casper Star-Tribune* praising the positive sportsmanship shown by fans at the 2006 State Volleyball tournament.

### STATE FOOTBALL CHAMPIONSHIP WEATHER REPORT

An hourly temperature chart was shown to the Board comparing game time temperatures at the five State Football Championship sites and Laramie.

### UW FOOTBALL AGREEMENT

Commissioner Laird and University of Wyoming Athletic Director, Tom Burman, will continue talks on the possibility of having the state football championships in Laramie in the future. They will also renew their 6-year agreement to avoid conflicts between WHSAA high school play-offs and the University of Wyoming home football games.

### 8 MAN FOOTBALL

Commissioner Laird asked for input from the Board regarding developing an 8-man football league. The Board asked the WHSAA to submit a proposal for discussion at the spring district meetings and consideration at the April Board meeting.

### SCOREBOARDS

The WHSAA webpage scoreboards are getting an increasing number of "hits", indicating that more people are accessing our websites for scores. Commissioner Laird stated that most schools are good about reporting scores at the conclusion of home events, but asked for direction on how to deal with schools that do not report scores. The Board directed the Commissioner to send a letter to the Activities Director and Principal of the schools that habitually do not report scores asking for their help in assigning someone for that duty.

### TV BROADCASTS FOR STATE TOURNAMENTS

Commissioner Laird was informed by Bob Price of Clear Channel TV on February 6, 2007, that due to a change in ownership, Clear Channel will not be able to provide televised coverage of the 1A/2A and 3A/4A State Championship Basketball games for this year.

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**COMMISSIONER'S REPORT (Continued)**

HOME SCHOOL IMMUNIZATIONS

The WHSAA will have a recommendation at the April Board meeting to address immunization records for public and home school students.

PINEDALE SOCCER LETTER

Pinedale High School has informed the WHSAA that they will be adding soccer for the 2007-08 school year. They will be seeking junior varsity contests for 2007-08 and will play a varsity schedule in 2008-09.

LEGAL MEETING

Commissioner Laird and Board Attorney, Bob Despain, will attend the NFHS legal meeting in early April. They will report back to the Board at the April Board meeting.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, President Fackrell adjourned the meeting at 4:55 p.m. on February 6, 2007.

Respectfully submitted:

President \_\_\_\_\_  
KAY FACKRELL

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