



WYOMING HIGH SCHOOL ACTIVITIES ASSOCIATION

MINUTES

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

FEBRUARY 7, 2023

President Thomas Jassman called the meeting to order at 12:07 p.m. on Tuesday, February 7, 2023, in the WHSAA Board Room.

The following members were present: Keith Bauder, Wyoming Indian; Matt Davidson, Big Horn County School District #1; Cory Dziowgo, Platte County School District #1; Beau Garcia, Upton; Will Gray, Pine Bluffs; Mike Hamel, Carbon County School District #1; Loren Heth (WSBA), Lusk; Terry Hooker, Casper; Dustin Hunt, Hot Springs County School District #1; Thomas Jassman, Rock Springs; Ryan Mackey, Douglas; Ryan Mader, Buffalo; Reggie Miller, Riverton; Christina Mills, Shoshoni; Jake Rich, Pinedale; Chad Whitworth, Cheyenne and Larry Yeradi, Wright.

The Board welcomed new members Madison Lacey, representing the State Department of Education and Carl Manning, representing the Wyoming School Boards Association.

Trevor Wilson and Ron Laird from the WHSAA office were also present.

AGENDA

President Jassman 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. Hunt moved and Mr. Whitworth seconded the motion to approve the agenda as presented.

MOTION PASSED: **

MINUTES

MOTION: Mr. Yeradi moved and Mr. Bauder seconded the motion to approve the minutes of the November 1, 2022, regular meeting.

MOTION PASSED: **

REPORTS AND AUDIENCE

Commissioner Laird introduced Bob Despain, WHSAA Board Attorney.

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COMMITTEES

RECLASSIFICATION COMMITTEE

Chair Thomas Jassman, Will Gray, Mike Hamel, Dustin Hunt, Ryan Mackey, Ryan Mader and Reggie Miller

Ad Hoc Members: Mike Daley, Brandon Deromedi, Mark Gillies, Mike Gregory, Mike Lashley, Dustin Rees, Jerry Schlabs and Rod Winland

RECLASSIFICATION PROPOSAL

MOTION: Mr. Hamel moved and Mr. Hunt seconded the motion to approve the Reclassification Committee's 4-Class classification structure proposal for the 2024-25 and 2025-26 reclass cycle, for all activities except football, as follows:

4A: Enrollment of 700 and above

3A: 210 – 699

2A: 110 – 209

1A: 109 and below

MOTION PASSED : ** FIRST READING

FINANCE AND PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

Chair Jake Rich, Matt Davidson, Madison Lacey, Ryan Mackey, Reggie Miller and Chad Whitworth

APPROVAL OF BUDGET ANALYSIS AND SECOND QUARTER REPORT 2022-23

MOTION: Mr. Whitworth moved and Mr. Mackey seconded the motion to table the budget and second quarter report for 2022-23.

MOTION PASSED: **TABLED

APPROVAL OF CHECKS WRITTEN

MOTION: Mr. Davidson moved and Mr. Whitworth seconded the motion to approve the checks written since the November Board Meeting.

MOTION PASSED: **

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FINANCE AND PERSONNEL COMMITTEE (continued)

APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL REPORTS

MOTION: Mr. Whitworth moved and Mr. Miller seconded the motion to approve the financial reports as presented.

MOTION PASSED: **

2022-23 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

Chair Larry Yeradi, Cory Dziowgo, Mike Hamel, Loren Heth, Terry Hooker and Dustin Hunt

EMS/AMBULANCE ON-SITE FOR FOOTBALL GAMES PROPOSAL

MOTION: Mr. Dziowgo moved and Mr. Hunt seconded the motion to approve the EMS/Ambulance On-site for Football Games proposal.

MOTION FAILED: **

2022-23 COMMITTEE GOAL

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

CALENDAR AND CULMINATING EVENTS COMMITTEE

Chair Beau Garcia, Keith Bauder, Will Gray, Ryan Mader, Carl Manning and Christina Mills

WMEA MUSIC PERFORMANCE ASSESSMENT PROPOSAL

MOTION: Mrs. Mills moved and Mr. Manning seconded the motion to approve the WMEA's request to extend the Music Performance Assessment window to weeks 37-42.

MOTION PASSED: **

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CALENDAR AND CULMINATING EVENT COMMITTEE (continued)

2022-23 COMMITTEE GOAL

To continue work on the event calendars to help the needs of students involved in activities while keeping budgets, time out of the classroom, travel, and the health and safety of all involved in the discussion making process.

DISTRICT REPORTS

Agendas and minutes from the January District Meetings were presented.

ASSOCIATE COMMISSIONER'S REPORT

SPORTSMANSHIP / EJECTION REPORT

Sportsmanship recognition numbers are below those received at this time last year. There has been an increase in the number of ejections during the winter sports season.

STATE VOLLEYBALL START TIME

The Thursday start time for the 2023 State Volleyball Tournament will change to 1:00 p.m.

GIRLS STATE WRESTLING BRACKETING

Entries for the Girls Division at the 2023 State Wrestling Tournament are due on February 17, 2023, at noon. Bracketing will be finalized once TrackWrestling has seeded the tournament.

COMMISSIONER'S REPORT

STATE SPIRIT

The 2023 State Spirit Competition has been rescheduled for March 8, 2023.

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COMMISSIONER'S REPORT (Continued)

BURLINGTON'S CROSS COUNTRY REQUEST

MOTION: Mr. Miller moved and Mr. Manning seconded the motion to allow Burlington to add Cross Country beginning in the 2023-24 school year.

MOTION PASSED: **

STATE SWIMMING & DIVING FUTURE SITES

Awarding culminating event host sites for girls and boys swimming for 2024-2027 was tabled in February of 2021 to allow for pools under construction to be completed. The Board will make a decision on determining State Swim host sites at the April meeting.

RULE 2.6.0 – TEAMS/INDIVIDUALS UNABLE TO ARRIVE FOR SCHEDULED COMPETITION AT A CULMINATING EVENT

MOTION: Mr. Hunt moved and Mr. Yeradi seconded the motion to clarify intent by removing the example cited in Rule 2.6.0, #3.

MOTION PASSED: **

SENATE FILE 0133 – STUDENT ELIGIBILITY IN INTERSCHOLASTIC SPORTS

Senate File 0133 – Student Eligibility in Interscholastic Sports was shared with the Board.

REGION IX STATE BASKETBALL CONFLICTS

Region IX play-in games are the same weekend as State 1A/2A Basketball. WHSAA state basketball games will be played at Casper College on Thursday and Friday morning. Friday's 1A semi-final games and all Saturday games will be contested at Kelly Walsh High School. There will only be a conflict with 3A/4A State Basketball if the Casper College men host the Region IX Tournament.

RADIO PSA'S

The NFHS sent out PSA's to all Wyoming radio stations. Please encourage your local radio stations to air these announcements.

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COMMISSIONER'S REPORTS (continued)

NFHS NETWORK COVERAGE

The NFHS will stream the Boys State Swimming and Diving Meet, State Indoor Track, State Wrestling, State Spirit and all 1A/2A and 3A/4A State Basketball games.

NATIONAL SPIRIT OF SPORT – SAMMIE CYRUS - DUBOIS

Sammie Cyrus of Dubois has been selected as Wyoming's nomination for the NFHS Spirit of Sport Award.

NIL

Commissioner Laird shared information from the recent NFHS Winter Meetings on NIL (Name, Image, Likeness). The WHSAA does not have any plans for policy changes at this time, but will remain cognizant and will address as necessary.

NATIONAL BASKETBALL TOURNAMENTS

There are outside entities sponsoring post season national tournaments. The WHSAA does not allow schools to enter teams in tournaments after the season end date.

LEGAL MEETING – APRIL 19-21, 2023

Commissioner Laird and Board Attorney, Bob Despain, will attend the NFHS' Legal Meeting, April 19-21, 2023, in Indianapolis.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, President Jassman adjourned the meeting at 2:30 p.m. on February 7, 2023.