President Jim English called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m., Tuesday, November 2, 2010, in the WHSAA Board Room.

The following members were present: Kirby Baier, Hulett; Keith Bauder, Riverton; Jim English, Torrington; Dan Espeland, Converse County School District #1; Joe Hicks (WSBA), Meeteetse; Shon Hocker, Big Horn County School District #1; Tony Hult, Cody; Mike Lashley, Lingle-Ft. Laramie; Jim Levine, Lyman; Jim Malkowski (WSBA), Daniel; Tom Martin, State Department of Education; Stuart Nelson, Platte County School District #1; Tim Ray, Natrona County School District #1; Jerry Schlabs, Cheyenne East; Owen St. Clair, Wyoming Indian; Russ Wiggam, H.E.M; Tom Wilson, Green River; Tim Winland, Rocky Mountain; and Christy Wright, Big Horn. Trevor Wilson and Ron Laird from the WHSAA office were also present.

AGENDA

President English 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. Malkowski moved and Mr. Levine seconded the motion to approve the agenda as presented.

**MOTION PASSED: **

MINUTES

**MOTION:** Mr. Nelson moved and Mr. Malkowski seconded the motion to approve the minutes of the September 28-29, 2010, regular meeting.

**MOTION PASSED: **

REPORTS AND AUDIENCE

Commissioner Laird introduced Clint Robus, sports reporter for the *Casper Star-Tribune*; Kevin Koile from WyoPreps; Tracy Boner from CPA Advantage and Bob Despain, WHSAA Board Attorney.
REPORTS AND AUDIENCE (continued)

TRACY BONER – CPA ADVANTAGE – AUDIT REPORT

Tracy Boner from CPA Advantage in Douglas provided the Board with the 2009-10 Auditor’s Report and Graph Report. Mrs. Boner explained the graphs and summarized the comments and suggestions presented in the report.

COMMITTEES

RECLASSIFICATION COMMITTEE

Chairman Christy Wright, Kirby Baier, Keith Bauder, Jim Levine, Owen St. Clair and Tom Wilson.

Ad Hoc Members: Tina Baker, Chris Gray, Cliff Hill, Mike Maloney, Bruce Miller, Jim O’Connor, Steve Pollock and Ann Wille.

FINALIZE CONFERENCES FOR THE NEXT RECLASSIFICATION CYCLE

MOTION: Mr. Wilson moved and Mr. St. Clair seconded the motion to adopt the 2011-2012 & 2012-2013 conferences as presented.

MOTION PASSED: **

DISCUSSION FOR FUTURE RECLASSIFICATION CYCLES

Mrs. Wright relayed the ideas that were discussed during the Reclassification Committee meeting regarding possible changes to determining classifications in the future.

FINANCE AND PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

Chairman Tim Ray, Keith Bauder, Shon Hocker, Tom Martin, Stuart Nelson and Christy Wright.

APPROVAL OF BUDGET ANALYSIS AND FIRST QUARTER REPORT 2010-11

MOTION: Mr. Hocker moved and Mr. Martin seconded the motion to approve the budget analysis and first quarter report for 2010-11 as presented.

MOTION PASSED: **
FINANCE AND PERSONNEL COMMITTEE (continued)

APPROVAL OF CHECKS WRITTEN

MOTION: Mr. Nelson moved and Mr. Hocker seconded the motion to approve the checks written since the September Board Meeting.

MOTION PASSED: **

APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL REPORTS

MOTION: Mr. Nelson moved and Mr. Hocker seconded the motion to approve the financial reports as presented.

MOTION PASSED: **

2009-10 AUDIT

MOTION: Mr. Martin moved and Mr. Hocker seconded the motion to approve the 2009-10 Audit as presented.

MOTION PASSED: **

2010-11 COMMITTEE GOAL

To stay solvent and keep one foot in front of the other, by golly.

HANDBOOK COMMITTEE

Chairman Dan Espeland, Kirby Baier, Tony Hult, Jim Malkowski, Owen St. Clair and Tim Winland

RULE 8.0.53 – DANCE COACH RULE TEST PROPOSAL

MOTION: Mr. Winland moved and Mr. Malkowski seconded the motion to approve the proposed wording of Rule 8.0.53 as follows:

All head cheer and dance coaches must pass (80%) the NFHS open book Spirit Rules Test for their specific discipline in order to be eligible for the State Spirit Competition. The test must be completed before their first performance of the school year.

MOTION PASSED: **FINAL READING
RULES 7.10.72 and 7.10.74 – ALPINE SKIING PROPOSALS

MOTION: Mr. Hult moved and Mr. Malkowski seconded the motion to approve the proposed wording of Alpine Ski Rules 7.10.72 and 7.10.74.

MOTION PASSED: **FINAL READING

RULE 3.1.23 – EDITORIAL CHANGES

MOTION: Mr. Winland moved and Mr. Hult seconded the motion to approve the recommended wording for Rule 3.1.23 as follows:

3.1.23  Reclassification When Closing A School

When a member school is closed or discontinued, the total number of those students who enroll in another member school shall be added to the most current ADM of the receiving school. As soon as students enroll in a receiving school they shall be added to the receiving school’s most current ADM figures and if this moves the receiving school up into a higher classification the move shall happen immediately. The WHSAA office shall notify the member school of such a move. The member school(s) involved in a move up because of adding new students will be the only school(s) to change classification.

Reclassification When Adding A School

When a school district plans to add an additional school involving students in grades 9-12, they should work with the WHSAA office in developing a plan concerning classification for this new school and their existing school(s) well in advance of the reclassification cycle that will be in effect when the new school opens.

MOTION PASSED: **

DISCUSSION ON ADDING A NEW HIGH SCHOOL

In order to give new schools some direction on classification, the Committee recommended the following wording to Rule 3.1.23:

Reclassification When Adding A School

When a school district plans to add an additional school involving students in grades 9-12, they should work with the WHSAA office in developing a plan concerning classification for this new school and their existing school(s) well in advance of the reclassification cycle that will be in effect when the new school opens. Any school opening with less than four similar sized classes of 9-12 grade levels, will be classified
by prorating their current enrollment to the equivalent of four grade levels. If feeder schools or prospective student populations can be accurately projected, those enrollments will be used in determining classification.

This recommended change will be taken out to the district meetings as a first reading proposal.

DISCUSSION OF OUT OF SEASON RULE

The Committee discussed changes that would clarify the rules concerning Out-of-Season practice. The following wording of Rules 5.3.1 – 5.3.9.5 will be taken out to the district meetings as a first reading proposal:

5.3.1 These rules are intended to regulate only those WHSAA athletic activities that are sponsored by the school.

5.3.4 School team practice during the WHSAA calendar year (Week 5, or Week 4 for 4A football, through Week 46) outside of the sport season is a violation of the out-of-season rule and cannot be included in an out-of-season training program. Coaches may work with individuals on individual sports techniques out-of-season at a participant’s request. However, team concepts may neither be taught nor practiced through support of a member school. Coaches may coach non-school teams. Eliminate – but may not receive member school support except for use of facilities.

5.3.5 Each sport is allowed fourteen (14) days of practice between WHSAA calendar week 47 and Week 5, Week 4 for 4A football. Practice leading up to team camps would count toward the fourteen day limit, however the team camp will not count toward the fourteen day limit.

5.3.6 Except for supervision of open gyms as provided in WHSAA Rule 5.5.0, the teaching of sport specific techniques or team concepts must cease and desist two weeks prior to the first allowable practice date.

5.3.7 Old 5.3.5

5.3.8 Old 5.3.6

5.3.9 Old 5.3.8

5.3.9.5 Old 5.3.9
HANDBOOK COMMITTEE (continued)

2010-11 COMMITTEE GOALS

1) To stay current on legal issues and how they may pertain to WHSAA policies.
2) To examine Rule 5.3.4 – Out of Season Practice.
3) To consider the impact of non-traditional grade configurations for Wyoming high school classifications.

CALENDAR AND CULMINATING EVENTS COMMITTEE

Chairman Jerry Schlabs, Joe Hicks, Mike Lashley, Jim Levine, Russ Wiggam and Tom Wilson

RULE 7.8.82 – 3A GOLF COACHES PROPOSAL

MOTION: Mr. Wiggam moved and Mr. Lashley seconded the motion to approve the 3A Golf Coaches Proposal to move the start of the spring golf season back to the Monday of Week 37.

MOTION FAILED: **

RULE 7.14.82 – INDOOR TRACK PROPOSAL TO ADD THE 4X200 RELAY

MOTION: Mr. Lashley moved and Mr. Wiggam seconded the motion to approve the proposal to add the 4X200 relay to the events contested at the State Indoor Meet.

MOTION PASSED: **FIRST READING

RULE 7.14.81.5 – INDOOR TRACK PROPOSAL FOR 4X800 QUALIFICATION

MOTION: Mr. Lashley moved and Mr. Wiggam seconded the motion to approve the proposal to use open 800 meter times to determine 4X800 relay qualifying times for the State Indoor Meet.

MOTION PASSED: **FIRST READING
RULE 7.14.59 – OUTDOOR TRACK VIDEOTAPE PROPOSAL

MOTION: Mr. Wiggam moved and Mr. Lashley seconded the motion to approve the proposal to videotape the relay exchange zones at the State Meet.

MOTION FAILED: **

RULE 7.13.44 – REGIONAL TENNIS SEEDING PROPOSAL

MOTION: Mr. Lashley moved and Mr. Wiggam seconded the motion to approve the proposed wording of Rule 7.13.44 as follows:

7.13.44 SEEDING

All schools will be seeded in each bracket. Priority will be given to schools who have won the most league matches in that bracket. If a tie occurs, the tournament director will use the following tie breaking criteria:

1. Head to head competition on a two way tie.
2. One school beating others on a three way tie and then head to head competition between the other two.
3. If the tie still exists, compare the records of the tied teams against the record of the highest-ranking non-tied team. Continue through the league standings until the tie is broken.
4. Coin flip, odd school receives highest seed and then head to head with others.

MOTION PASSED: **FIRST READING

2010-11 COMMITTEE GOAL

To continue to look at all events in an effort to minimize lost school time.

ASSOCIATE COMMISSIONER’S REPORT

SPORTSMANSHIP / EJECTION REPORT

Fall sportsmanship numbers are up considerably from last year. Unfortunately, ejection numbers are up for athletes, but stayed consistent for coaches.
COMMISSIONER’S REPORT

FALL SEASON WRAP-UP

Results from the fall culminating events were presented. Commissioner Laird commended the participants and the host sites.

FOUR TEAM TIE-BREAKER

There was a possibility of a 4 way tie in football going in to the play-offs this year. The football coaches will look at developing a 4 way tie-breaking procedure at their upcoming meetings.

STATE MARCHING BAND

Results from the State Marching Band Festival, held October 16th at the Casper Events Center were presented. Commissioner Laird commended the participants on their sportsmanship.

DISTRICT SPORTSMANSHIP SUMMITS

The Southeast Summit will be on November 11th, the Northeast Summit will be on November 15th, the Northwest Summit will be on November 17th and the Southwest Summit will be on November 30th. There is a $50 registration fee per school. The focus of this year’s summits will be positive sportsmanship and working with student councils to send a joint sportsmanship message.

VIDEO STREAMING UPDATE

TCT, RT and its’ sister stations, ACT and DTE provided some live video streaming of last week’s football play-off games. TCT also provided live video streaming of the state volleyball championship games to their customers, with a tape delayed broadcast available to others.

The WHSAA requires a $500 per event broadcast rights fee. The Board recommended that signage be made available at contest sites and on the WHSAA website to make people aware of the broadcast rights stipulations.
COMMISSIONER’S REPORT (Continued)

STATEWIDE SCHEDULING MEETING

The Statewide Scheduling Meeting will be held November 9-10, 2010, in Casper at the Ramada Plaza Riverside. There will be several football officiating crews on site to aide in scheduling officials.

NEW ADMINISTRATORS ORIENTATION FOLLOW-UP

A follow-up for new administrators is planned for November 9th in conjunction with the Statewide Scheduling Meeting. New Administrators met with the WHSAA in August to go over policies and procedures.

WYOMING SCHOOL BOARD ASSOCIATION CONVENTION EXPO BOOTH – NOV. 17

The WHSAA will have a booth at the Wyoming School Board Association Expo on November 17, 2010. The expo provides a forum for the WHSAA to remind school board members about the importance of high school activities through fun competitions like a basketball shoot and football toss.

NIAAA NATIONAL CONFERENCE


ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, President English adjourned the meeting at 4:07 p.m. on November 2, 2010.

Respectfully submitted:

President ____________________________
JIM ENGLISH

Commissioner _______________________
RON LAIRD

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