



# WYOMING HIGH SCHOOL ACTIVITIES ASSOCIATION

## MINUTES

### BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

APRIL 26-27, 2022

President Larry Yeradi called the meeting to order at 1:25 p.m. on Tuesday, April 26, 2022, in the WHSAA Board Room.

The following members were present: Chad Auer, WY Dept. of Education; Keith Bauder, Wyoming Indian; Justin Carr, Douglas; Matt Davidson, Big Horn County School District #1; Glenn Freeburg, Guernsey-Sunrise; Beau Garcia, Upton; Will Gray, Pine Bluffs; Mike Hamel, Carbon County School District #1; Terry Hooker, Casper; Dustin Hunt, Hot Springs County School District #1; Thomas Jassman, Rock Springs; Reggie Miller, Riverton; Christina Mills, Shoshoni; Mark Puev, Cheyenne South; Jake Rich, Pinedale (via Zoom); Josh Sandlian, Wheatland and Larry Yeradi, Wright. Trevor Wilson and Ron Laird from the WHSAA office was also present.

#### AGENDA

President Yeradi 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. Freeburg moved and Mr. Garcia seconded the motion to approve the agenda as presented.

**MOTION PASSED: \*\***

#### MINUTES

**MOTION:** Mr. Miller moved and Mr. Freeburg seconded the motion to approve the minutes of the February 8, 2022, regular meeting.

**MOTION PASSED: \*\***

#### REPORTS AND AUDIENCE

Commissioner Laird introduced Kim Hone, Noah Hone, Paula Duran and Anthony Duran of Casper; Cory Dziowgo of Wheatland; Ryan Mackey of Douglas; Ryan Mader of Buffalo and Bob Despain, WHSAA Board Attorney.

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**REPORTS AND AUDIENCE (continued)**

KIM HONE AND PAULA DURAN

The Board heard a presentation from the Hone and Duran families regarding an incident at the 2022 State Wrestling Tournament.

**MOTION:** Mr. Hunt moved and Mr. Puev seconded the motion to deny Kim Hone's requests based on not meeting the WHSAA rules criteria to be specified in writing by legal counsel.

**MOTION PASSED: \*\***

EXECUTIVE SESSION HEARINGS

**MOTION:** Mr. Garcia moved and Mr. Jassman seconded the motion to go into Executive Session

**MOTION PASSED: \*\***

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

**MOTION PASSED: \*\***

**MOTION:** Mr. Hunt moved and Mr. Puev seconded the motion to approve Wyoming Indian High School's Action Plan as stated, with the idea to meet with Commissioner Laird to establish specific timelines for completion and to establish agenda dates quarterly to report back to the WHSAA Board on progress of the plan.

**MOTION PASSED: \*\***

**MOTION:** Mr. Garcia moved and Mr. Miller seconded the motion to uphold the Commissioner's decision regarding a Laramie High School student's transfer request.

**MOTION PASSED: \*\***

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## COMMITTEES

### RECLASSIFICATION COMMITTEE

Chair Thomas Jassman, Justin Carr, Will Gray, Mike Hamel, Dustin Hunt and Reggie Miller.

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

#### CONTINUED DISCUSSIONS ON FUTURE PROPOSALS BEING CONSIDERED

Members of the Reclass Committee continued to discuss 4 Class and 5 Class proposal options that meet the Committee's philosophy focusing on 1) Enrollment equity, 2) Consistency in classifications and 3) Identifying clear and natural breaks. The Committee feels the 4 Class proposal is the best option and will continue to gather information supporting this classification structure.

### FINANCE AND PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

Chair Josh Sandlian, Matt Davidson, Glenn Freeburg, Thomas Jassman, Reggie Miller and Jake Rich

#### APPROVAL OF BUDGET ANALYSIS AND THIRD QUARTER REPORT 2021-22

**MOTION:** Mr. Sandlian moved and Mr. Freeburg seconded the motion to approve the budget analysis and third quarter report for 2021-22 as presented.

**MOTION PASSED: \*\***

#### APPROVAL OF CHECKS WRITTEN

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

**MOTION PASSED: \*\***

#### APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL REPORTS

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

**MOTION PASSED: \*\***

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**FINANCE COMMITTEE (continued)**

RULE 4.6.25 – FUTURE VARSITY OFFICIAL’S PAY INCREASE PROPOSAL

**MOTION:** Mr. Sandlian moved and Mr. Freeburg seconded the motion to approve the proposal that would increase varsity official fees by \$5.00 per sport every two years, beginning with the 2024-25 school year.

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

APPROVE PROPOSED 2022-23 BUDGET

**MOTION:** Mr. Sandlian moved and Mr. Freeburg seconded the motion to approve the 2022-23 proposed budget as presented.

**MOTION PASSED: \*\***

COMMISSIONER’S CONTRACT EXTENSION

**MOTION:** Mr. Sandlian moved and Mr. Freeburg seconded the motion to extend the Commissioner’s contract for an additional year.

**MOTION PASSED: \*\***

2021-22 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 Mike Hamel, Loren Heth, Terry Hooker, Dustin Hunt, Christina Mills and Chad Auer

SHOT CLOCK PROPOSAL

**MOTION:** Mr. Hooker moved and Mr. Auer seconded the motion to approve adding a 35 second shot clock to high school boys and girls basketball at all levels.

**MOTION FAILED: \*\* (4-8)**

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**HANDBOOK COMMITTEE (continued)**

RULE 7.7.46 – FOOTBALL PLAYOFF TIME PROPOSAL

**MOTION:** Mr. Auer moved and Mr. Hooker seconded the motion to approve the proposal to change the start time for Friday first round playoff football games from 7:00 to 6:00 p.m.

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

RULE 5.8.5 – DEFINITION FOR A COLLEGE AUDITION

The Board clarified Item #3 in the Exceptions section of Rule 5.8.5 to read *College on-campus individual tryout*.

2021-22 COMMITTEE GOAL

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

**CALENDAR AND CULMINATING EVENTS COMMITTEE**

Chair Beau Garcia, Keith Bauder, Justin Carr, Will Gray, Bruce Jolley and Mark Puev

RULE 7.11.40 – 3A SOCCER PROPOSAL

**MOTION:** Mr. Puev moved and Mr. Bauder seconded the motion to approve the proposed changes to Rule 7.11.42 that would eliminate the overtime period for regular season 3A soccer contests and move directly to a shoot-out format when the score is tied at the end of regulation, beginning with the 2023 season.

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

RULE 7.11.42 – SOCCER CONFERENCE STANDINGS PROPOSAL

**MOTION:** Mr. Puev moved and Mr. Carr seconded the motion to approve the proposed changes to Rule 7.11.42, that would go into effect beginning with the 2023 season, as follows:

*3 points will be given for each win, 1 point for each tie, and 0 points for each loss in division play.*

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

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

BEST OF THE BEST SWIMMING AND DIVING PROPOSAL

**MOTION:** Mr. Puev moved and Mr. Gray seconded the motion to approve the Best of the Best Swimming Proposal that would award a medal to the fastest swimmer / relay team and highest point getting diver among classes at the State Meet.

**MOTION FAILED: \*\***

APPROVAL OF 2022-23 CALENDAR

**MOTION:** Mr. Puev moved and Mr. Miller seconded the motion to approve the 2022-23 calendar as presented.

**MOTION PASSED: \*\***

2021-22 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 REPORT**

**MOTION:** Mr. Garcia moved and Mr. Gray seconded the motion to approve a Gold Card request for Carol Garber of Big Horn.

**MOTION PASSED: \*\***

**PRESIDENT-ELECT**

Christina Mills was elected as the 2022-2023 President Elect.

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### ASSOCIATE COMMISSIONER'S REPORT

#### SPORTSMANSHIP / EJECTION REPORT

The WHSAA will continue to remind officials and administrators to submit acts of good sportsmanship for recognition. Ejections for spring sports are down compared to last year.

#### GIRLS WRESTLING

**MOTION:** Mr. Garcia moved and Mr. Miller seconded the motion to approve girls wrestling as a WHSAA sanctioned sport, beginning in the 2022-23 school year.

**MOTION PASSED: \*\***

#### WRESTLING WEIGHT CLASSES

**MOTION:** Mr. Jassman moved and Mr. Puev seconded the motion to adopt the NFHS's 14 weight class format for boys and girls wrestling, effective July 1, 2023.

**MOTION PASSED: \*\***

### COMMISSIONER'S REPORT

#### WINTER SEASON REPORT

Results from completed winter season culminating events were presented.

#### SHERIDAN MARCHING BAND AND NORDIC SKI REQUEST

**MOTION:** Mr. Carr moved and Mr. Garcia seconded the motion to approve Sheridan High School's request to add Marching Band and Nordic Ski programs, beginning in the 2022-23 school year.

**MOTION PASSED: \*\***

#### STATE GOLF ROTATIONS

2022: 2A – Wright; 3A – Rawlins; 4A – Rock Springs  
2023: 2A – Moorcroft; 3A – Worland; 4A - Sheridan

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### **COMMISSIONER'S REPORTS (continued)**

#### eSPORTS

The WHSAA has received a proposal to sanction eSports for the 2022-23 school year. To date, the WHSAA has not received any approval letters from school districts requesting to add this activity. There must be an 8-school commitment before new activities can be sanctioned.

#### GoFAN CONTRACT

Several member schools have worked with GoFan for event ticketing and have had positive results. Partnership agreement discussions are ongoing.

#### CONCUSSION INSURANCE UPDATE

The most current Concussion Insurance claims report was shared with the Board. The WHSAA encourages all schools to utilize this insurance program.

#### MILESPLIT MEMBERSHIP

MileSplit memberships have been distributed to all schools with a track program. MileSplit's technical support has been approved.

#### HYTEK REGISTRATION

Beginning in the 2023 track season, no handheld meets will be allowed as qualifying meets. All schools will be required to use Hytek's Meet Manager.

#### UW FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

In cooperation with the UW football schedule, the 2022 WHSAA football play-off games will be played on Friday, October 28, 2022; Saturday, November 5, 2022; and Friday and Saturday, November 11-12, 2022.

#### SPORTS MEDICINE ADVISORY COMMITTEE – MAY 25, 2022

The WHSAA will meet with the Sports Medicine Advisory Committee on May 25, 2022.

#### EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

The Executive Council is comprised of the President, President-Elect, Past President and committee chairs, making sure all classifications and districts are represented. The Council will meet July 11-12, 2022.



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**COMMISSIONER’S REPORTS (continued)**

AD & COACHES CLINIC – JULY 17-22, 2022

The Coaches Association summer clinic will be held July 17-22, 2022, in Casper.

NATIONAL STUDENT LEADERSHIP SUMMIT – JULY 18-20, 2022, INDIANAPOLIS

Pending sufficient registration numbers, members of the Student Advisory Council will attend the National Student Leadership Conference, July 18-20, 2022, in Indianapolis.

NEW ADMINISTRATOR TRAINING – AUGUST 10, 2022

The WHSAA will provide a training seminar for all new Activities Directors and Principals on August 10, 2022. A follow-up session will be held at the Statewide Scheduling Meeting.

SUMMER MEETING – JUNE 28 – JULY 2, SAN ANTONIO, TX

The NFHS Summer Meeting will be held June 28 – July 2, 2022, in San Antonio, TX.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, President Yeradi adjourned the meeting at 10:02 a.m. on April 27, 2022.

Respectfully submitted:

President \_\_\_\_\_  
LARRY YERADI

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