

WYOMING HIGH SCHOOL ACTIVITIES ASSOCIATION

MINUTES

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

FEBRUARY 8-9, 2005

President Cliff Hill called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m., Tuesday, February 8, 2005 in the WHSAA Board Room.

The following members were present: John Cook, Moorcroft; Mike Cothorn, Pinedale; Kay Fackrell, Evanston; Chris Gray, Glenrock; Cliff Hill, Gillette; Richard Hoopes, Star Valley; Hal Johnson, Worland; Gerry Maas (State Department of Education) Cheyenne; Jim Malkowski (WSBA) Daniel; Tracy Ragland, Newcastle; Ed Reed, Baggs; Duane Schopp, Cheyenne; Ken Stoick, Midwest; and Trevor Wilson, Cody. Ron Laird from the WHSAA office was also present.

AGENDA

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

Agenda – Add Item G – 2004-05 President-Elect Replacement. **Committee--Finance and Personnel** – Move Item 4 (d) to B - Personnel. **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. Reed moved to approve the agenda as amended. Mr. Maas seconded the motion.

MOTION PASSED: **

MINUTES

MOTION: Mr. Cothorn moved and Mr. Gray seconded the motion to approve the minutes of the November 2-3, 2004, regular meeting.

MOTION PASSED: **

PERSONNEL

MOTION: Mr. Gray moved and Mr. Johnson seconded the motion to approve the contract of Trevor Wilson as Associate Commissioner.

MOTION PASSED: **

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REPORTS AND AUDIENCE

CORPORATE SPONSORSHIP UPDATE

Mr. Despain, WHSAA Legal Counsel, reported on a recent meeting with management of Pepsi to finalize a written contract. Pepsi and the WHSAA are in the process of preparing a press release.

Pizza Hut and Dairy Queen will continue as corporate sponsors for the remaining state tournaments this year. The opportunity for developing additional corporate sponsorships will depend on the awarding of future culminating event sites.

COMMITTEES

RECLASSIFICATION COMMITTEE

Chairman Trevor Wilson, Ken Griffith, Terry Hopkin, Bill Fullmer, and Tracy Ragland

Ad Hoc Members: Dianne Moser, Jerry Fullmer, Joel Eskelsen, Janet Ragan, Harold Bailey, Tom Racette, Gary Lee and Don Thomas.

The reclassification committee did not meet.

FINANCE AND PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

Chris Gray, Hal Johnson, Duane Schopp and Gerry Maas.

CHECKS WRITTEN

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

MOTION PASSED: **

APPROVAL OF BUDGET ANALYSIS AND SECOND QUARTER REPORT 2004-05

MOTION: Mr. Johnson moved and Mr. Schopp seconded the motion to approve the budget analysis and second quarter report for 2004-05 as presented.

MOTION PASSED: **

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FINANCE AND PERSONNEL COMMITTEE (Continued)

APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL REPORTS

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

MOTION PASSED: **

REVIEW TROPHY BID REQUEST FORM

MOTION: Mr. Maas moved and Mr. Schopp seconded the motion to approve and send out the trophy bid request form as presented.

MOTION PASSED: **

WRESTLING AND VOLLEYBALL DAY PASS

MOTION: Mr. Gray moved and Mr. Johnson seconded the motion to allow the WHSAA to work with the Casper Events Center to eliminate session passes for state volleyball and wrestling and offer only day passes and all session passes.

MOTION PASSED: **

2004-2005 COMMITTEE GOAL

Continue budget developing and monitoring; review and address corporate sponsorship; and review employee salary schedules and make any necessary changes.

HANDBOOK COMMITTEE

Chairman Mike Cothorn, John Cook, Ed Reed and Ken Stoick

HAZING STATEMENT

MOTION: Mr. Reed moved and Mr. Stoick seconded the motion to approve the hazing statement (4.1.3) as written.

MOTION PASSED: **FINAL READING

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HANDBOOK COMMITTEE (Continued)

PROPOSED WORDING FOR TENNIS RULE 7.13.6

MOTION: Mr. Cook moved and Mr. Stoick seconded the motion to approve the proposed wording of Tennis Rule 7.13.6.

MOTION PASSED: **FIRST READING

PROPOSED GOLF GALLERY RULE 7.8.76

MOTION: Mr. Reed moved and Mr. Cook seconded the motion to approve the proposed Golf Gallery Rule 7.8.76.

MOTION FAILED: **

2004-05 COMMITTEE GOALS

Continue to review the handbook; look into summer school credit; and continue to study ways to meet AYP.

CALENDAR AND CULMINATING EVENTS COMMITTEE

Chairman Kay Fackrell, Tracy Ragland, Jim Malkowski and Richard Hoopes

2006 NORDIC SKI BID

MOTION: Mr. Hoopes moved and Mr. Ragland seconded the motion to accept Laramie's bid to host the 2006 State Nordic Ski Meet.

MOTION PASSED: **FINAL READING

INDOOR TRACK PROPOSAL

MOTION: Mr. Malkowski moved and Mr. Hoopes seconded the motion to approve the Indoor Track Proposal.

MOTION PASSED: **FIRST READING

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CALENDAR AND CULMINATING EVENTS COMMITTEE (continued)

4A FOOTBALL PLAYOFF PROPOSAL

MOTION: Mr. Fackrell moved and Mr. Malkowski seconded the motion not to approve the 4A Football Playoff Proposal as written.

MOTION PASSED: **4A FOOTBALL PLAYOFF PROPOSAL DEFEATED

DISCUSSION: The committee felt that since the conference format will be going into effect for the next reclassification cycle, it would be best to try the existing playoff strategy before making any changes.

SET 2005-06 WHSAA BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETINGS

MOTION: Mr. Ragland moved and Mr. Hoopes seconded the motion to approve the 2005-06 WHSAA Board of Directors Meetings as presented.

MOTION PASSED: **

APPROVE 2005-06 CALENDAR

MOTION: Mr. Hoopes moved and Mr. Malkowski seconded the motion to approve the 2005-06 calendar as presented.

MOTION PASSED: **

STATE CULMINATING EVENT PROPOSALS

1A/2A BASKETBALL, 3A/4A BASKETBALL, TRACK, VOLLEYBALL AND WRESTLING

MOTION: Mr. Maas moved and Mr. Hoopes seconded the motion to accept Casper's proposal to host state 1A/2A Basketball, 3A/4A Basketball, All Class Track, All Class Volleyball and All Class Wrestling from 2006-07 through 2010-11 at no cost to the WHSAA, including \$5,000 per year payable to the WHSAA, 100% of the gate, and 50% of sponsorship revenues over \$70,000. Additionally, the facilities fee was waived for the remainder of 2004-05 and for 2005-06.

MOTION PASSED: **

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CALENDAR AND CULMINATING EVENTS COMMITTEE (continued)

ALPINE SKI

MOTION: Mr. Fackrell moved and Mr. Malkowski seconded the motion to accept Jackson's proposal to host the state Alpine Ski meet from 2006-07 through 2010-11 with \$500 per year payable to the WHSAA.

MOTION PASSED: **

TENNIS

MOTION: Mr. Fackrell moved and Mr. Hoopes seconded the motion to accept Laramie's proposal to host the state Tennis Tournament from 2006-07 through 2010-11 at no cost to the WHSAA.

MOTION PASSED: **

3A GOLF

MOTION: Mr. Fackrell moved and Mr. Maas seconded the motion to accept Torrington's proposal to host the 2006-07 3A State Golf Tournament at no cost to the WHSAA.

MOTION PASSED: **

SPEECH

MOTION: Mr. Fackrell moved and Mr. Malkowski seconded the motion to accept Campbell County's proposal to host the 2005-06 State Speech Tournament at no cost to the WHSAA.

MOTION PASSED: **

2006-07 CROSS COUNTRY, 2A GOLF, 4A GOLF, GYMNASTICS AND NORDIC SKI

As no proposals were received for 2006-07 Cross Country, 2A Golf, 4A Golf, Gymnastics or Nordic Ski, the committee directed Commissioner Laird to resend the proposal form to all member schools. The committee will review proposals for these events at the April Board Meeting.

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CALENDAR AND CULMINATING EVENTS COMMITTEE (continued)

2004-05 COMMITTEE GOAL

Continue to revise and investigate the culminating event award process and to establish criteria for accepting the appropriate location based on the needs and interests of students, schools, communities and the WHSAA

DISTRICTS

GOLD CARD REQUESTS

MOTION: Mr. Reed moved and Mr. Maas seconded the motion to award a Lifetime Gold Pass to Roger Hamer of Torrington.

MOTION PASSED: **

PRESIDENT-ELECT REPLACEMENT

Kevin Mitchell and Kay Fackrell were nominated to replace Trevor Wilson as President-Elect. Ballots were cast and Kevin Mitchell was chosen as President-Elect.

TECHNOLOGY DIRECTOR'S REPORT

WEBSITE AND SCOREBOARD UPDATE

Technology Director, Scott McCash, reported on the recent format change to the basketball scoreboard. The new design has allowed for better reporting from member schools. Scoreboard format changes are planned for volleyball and wrestling next year, as well as development of a template to tie in with conference standings and a means for reporting Invitational results.

Volunteers are needed to help with the webcast stat program at the upcoming state basketball tournaments.

Commissioner Laird added that the WHSAA website receives between 800 to 1,000 hits a day and the WHSAA welcomes any other information that schools may want included.

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COMMISSIONER'S REPORT

COACHING CERTIFICATION

Commissioner Laird reported that the Professional Teaching Standards Board is looking at revamping the coaching certification process and recently sent a survey to Superintendents asking if they would like the PTSB to continue certifying coaches. As of 2/1/05, only 8 of 30 districts returning the survey wanted to continue the current process. The PTSB will meet later this month to develop a two-year action plan.

STATE FAIR INFORMATION

A resolution developed by Superintendent of Public Instruction, Trent Blankenship, was distributed. The intent of the resolution is to show that the WHSAA and the Wyoming Department of Education jointly support the Wyoming State Fair as a culminating event for FFA participants and that athletes should not be penalized for attending practice at the State Fair.

WYOMING SCHOOL BOARD CONVENTION REPORT

The WHSAA set up a booth at the Wyoming School Board Convention in November. Information on the WHSAA was provided and attendees were encouraged to participate in a football throw and basketball shoot competition.

SOCCER SURVEY

Results from the recent soccer survey were discussed. Star Valley will begin playing JV games this spring. Newcastle's school board approved the addition of soccer at its last meeting.

TEN SLEEP FOOTBALL

Ten Sleep High School was accepted into the Montana 6-man football league after the 2005 WHSAA football schedules were developed. The WHSAA is working with the affected schools.

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COMMISSIONER'S REPORT (Continued)

STATE WRESTLING CHANGES

The WHSAA and the Casper Events Center have agreed to eliminate session passes during the upcoming state wrestling tournament to better accommodate patrons by not clearing the building. Additional ticket windows will be opened to allow for quicker access into the Events Center. Patrons may also order tickets online via a link with the box office.

A survey was recently sent out to all wrestling coaches asking for input on using 6 mats instead of 9 during the semi-finals. The change would permit the use of 2 referees per match and allow coaches to only coach one athlete at a time, however, it would extend the session by 45 minutes to one hour.

TV BROADCASTS

Clear Channel Radio of Casper and the Wyoming Cable Television Association will once again broadcast the championship games of the upcoming state basketball tournaments. The WHSAA and Clear Channel are looking at adding broadcasting the finals of volleyball and wrestling in the future.

WHSAA SPORTS MEDICINE ADVISORY REPORT

The WHSAA will re-establish the Sports Medicine Advisory Committee this summer. Input from this committee will become more important as the wrestling weight management program goes into effect.

WINTER SEASON UPDATE

Commissioner Laird reported that winter events are progressing well.

TRACK AND SOCCER RULES CLINICS

Track rules clinics are scheduled for February 16, 2005 and February 22, 2005 at 7:00 p.m. Soccer rules clinics are scheduled for February 16, 2005 at 5:30 p.m. and February 23, 2005 at 7:00 p.m.

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COMMISSIONER'S REPORT (Continued)

OTHER

Commissioner Laird reported that Jason Despain is doing an internship at the WHSAA office during the spring semester.

TCT West, Inc. sent a letter to Commissioner Laird and the Board regarding broadcasting rights fees for culminating events. They proposed an annual payment to the WHSAA based on the number of subscribers served at a rate of \$2.75 per subscriber.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, President Hill adjourned the meeting at 8:43 AM on February 9, 2005.

Respectfully submitted:

President _____
CLIFF HILL

Commissioner _____
RON LAIRD