



# WYOMING HIGH SCHOOL ACTIVITIES ASSOCIATION

## MINUTES

### BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

APRIL 28, 2009

President Stuart Nelson called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m., Tuesday, April 28, 2009, in the WHSAA Board Room.

The following members were present: Keith Bauder, Riverton; Jim English, Torrington; Kay Fackrell, Evanston; Bill Fullmer, Burns; Shon Hocker, Big Horn County School District #1; Hal Johnson, Worland; Glen Legler, Casper Natrona; Gerry Maas (State Department of Education) Cheyenne; Jim Malkowski (WSBA) Daniel; Stuart Nelson, Platte County School District #1; Duane Schopp, Cheyenne; Ken Stoick, Midwest; Don Thomas, Mountain View; Mark Walker (WSBA) Lyman; Russ Wiggam, H.E.M; and Tim Winland, Rocky Mountain. Trevor Wilson and Ron Laird from the WHSAA office were also present.

### AGENDA

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

**Agenda** – Add Item F – 2009-10 President-Elect and update the remaining agenda items accordingly. **Reports and Audience** – 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** – did not meet.

**MOTION:** Mr. Fackrell moved and Mr. Wiggam seconded the motion to approve the agenda as amended.

**MOTION PASSED: \*\***

### MINUTES

**MOTION:** Mr. Walker moved and Mr. Malkowski seconded the motion to approve the minutes of the February 11, 2009, regular meeting.

**MOTION PASSED: \*\***

### REPORTS AND AUDIENCE

Commissioner Laird introduced incoming Board of Director members Gary Glodt of Upton, Tim Ray of Casper, Jerry Schlabs of Cheyenne and Tom Wilson of Green River. Other audience members included Jack Nowlin, sports reporter for the *Casper Star-Tribune*; Bob Despain, WHSAA Board Attorney; Jim Angell, Director of the Wyoming Press Association; Marla Leithead, Luis Gardner and Tyler Kreitzer of TCT West; and James Goodrich, Director of the Wyoming State Fair.

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### JIM ANGELL – WYOMING PRESS ASSOCIATION

Jim Angell, Director of the Wyoming Press Association, addressed the Board regarding concerns from photographers on access to the floor during culminating events. The WHSAA will work with the area photographers and the photographer contracted through the Association to reach a compromise.

### MARLA LEITHEAD – TCT

Marla Leithead, Broadcasting Coordinator and Luis Gardner, Networking Technician, of TCT West gave a presentation to the Board on a newly developed “YouTube” type website that would allow schools to upload video of their school events to a central location. TCT would also like to expand their video streaming capabilities at culminating events and develop a revenue sharing partnership with the WHSAA.

### JAMES GOODRICH – STATE FAIR DIRECTOR

James Goodrich, Director of the Wyoming State Fair, introduced himself to the Board and relayed the State Fair Board’s intentions to continue to work closely with the WHSAA to provide the opportunity for Wyoming’s youth to participate in both State Fair and fall activities.

## **COMMITTEES**

### **RECLASSIFICATION COMMITTEE – Did Not Meet**

Chairman Tim Winland, Keith Bauder, Bill Fullmer and Don Thomas.

Ad Hoc Members: Tina Baker, Chris Gray, Cliff Hill, Tony Hult, Jim O’Connor, Steve Pollock, Anne Wille and Tom Wilson.

### **FINANCE AND PERSONNEL COMMITTEE**

Chairman Dan Espeland, Keith Bauder, Hal Johnson, Glen Legler, Gerry Maas and Tim Winland.

### APPROVAL OF BUDGET ANALYSIS AND SECOND QUARTER REPORT 2008-09

**MOTION:** Mr. Winland moved and Mr. Maas seconded the motion to approve the budget analysis and third quarter report for 2008-09 as presented.

**MOTION PASSED: \*\***

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**FINANCE AND PERSONNEL COMMITTEE (continued)**

APPROVAL OF CHECKS WRITTEN

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

**MOTION PASSED: \*\***

APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL REPORTS

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

**MOTION PASSED: \*\***

SELECT 3 YEAR MEMORABILIA BID

**MOTION:** Mr. Bauder moved and Mr. Johnson seconded the motion to award the 3 year memorabilia contract to Shirts and More of Lander, WY.

**MOTION PASSED: \*\***

SELECT 3 YEAR PHOTOGRAPHY BID

**MOTION:** Mr. Maas moved and Mr. Johnson seconded the motion to award the 3 year photography contract for cross country, tennis, volleyball, wrestling, spirit, basketball and track to Foto-Sport of Lander, WY.

**MOTION PASSED: \*\***

APPROVE 2009-10 BUDGET

**MOTION:** Mr. Legler moved and Mr. Winland seconded the motion to approve the WHSAA 2009-10 budget as presented.

**MOTION PASSED: \*\***

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### FINANCE AND PERSONNEL COMMITTEE (continued)

#### COMMISSIONER'S CONTRACT EXTENSION

**MOTION:** Mr. Johnson moved and Mr. Legler seconded the motion to extend the Commissioner's contract for an additional year.

**MOTION PASSED: \*\***

#### 2008-2009 COMMITTEE GOAL

To stay in the black and look to recruit new corporate sponsors.

### HANDBOOK COMMITTEE

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

#### RULE 7.7.30 – FOOTBALL TIE BREAKING CRITERIA PROPOSAL

**MOTION:** Mr. Walker moved and Mr. Fullmer seconded the motion to approve the proposed wording of Rule 7.7.30, Football Tie Breaking Criteria, to clarify state playoff seeding criteria.

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

#### EDITORIAL CHANGES

**MOTION:** Mr. Fullmer moved and Mr. Walker seconded the motion to approve editorial changes to the WHSAA Handbook outlining the Association's history, purpose and culminating event philosophy.

**MOTION PASSED: \*\***

#### RULE 7.4.1 – CULMINATING EVENTS

**MOTION:** Mr. Stoick moved and Mr. Fullmer seconded the motion to approve new WHSAA Rule 7.4.1 – Culminating Events as follows:

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## HANDBOOK COMMITTEE (continued)

### **WHSAA RULE 7.4.1 – CULMINATING EVENTS**

*The WHSAA has full authority and responsibility for all culminating events. The WHSAA may delegate the administration of said events to other parties but reserves the right to determine the time, site, and other conditions which will be required to conduct the culminating events.*

*Culminating Event administration shall be subject to the direction of the WHSAA but will generally be delegated to Meet Directors. Issues may develop during the course of the Culminating Events which require actions to be taken to ensure the Mission, Values and Culminating Event Philosophy of the WHSAA is achieved. The WHSAA shall have the authority to take such action as it deems necessary to accomplish its objectives including discipline or ejection of participants, coaches, officials, schools and/or guests.*

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

#### 2008-2009 COMMITTEE GOAL

To continue to review the rules set forth in the handbook to see that they support the activities and functions of the WHSAA.

## CALENDAR AND CULMINATING EVENTS COMMITTEE

Chairman Kay Fackrell, Shon Hocker, Jim Malkowski, Duane Schopp, Don Thomas and Russ Wiggam.

#### RULE 7.7.15 – 4A FOOTBALL PRACTICE PROPOSAL

**MOTION:** Mr. Hocker moved and Mr. Schopp seconded the motion to take Rule 7.7.15 – 4A Football Practice Proposal off the table for discussion.

**MOTION PASSED: \*\***

**MOTION:** Mr. Fackrell moved and Mr. Thomas seconded the motion to amend Rule 7.7.15 – 4A Football Practice Proposal back to the original proposal of the Monday of Week 6 start date.

**MOTION PASSED: \*\***

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**HANDBOOK COMMITTEE (Continued)**

**MOTION:** Mr. Malkowski moved and Mr. Fackrell seconded the motion to approve Rule 7.7.15 – 4A Football Practice Proposal as follows:

*Rule 7.7.15 The football season for 1A, 2A and 3A will have a first allowable practice date of the Monday of WHSAA Calendar Week 7. The football season for 4A will have a first allowable practice date of the Monday of WHSAA Calendar Week 6 . . . . .*

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

RULE 7.7.15 – FOOTBALL ZERO WEEK PROPOSAL

**MOTION:** Mr. Wiggam moved and Mr. Malkowski seconded the motion to approve the proposed change to Rule 7.7.15 that would allow 1A, 2A, 3A and 4A football teams to play a zero week contest on or after the Friday of WHSAA Week 8 and before the Friday of Week 9.

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

2008-09 COMMITTEE GOAL

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

**DISTRICTS**

GOLD CARD REQUESTS

**MOTION:** Mr. Legler moved and Mr. Stoick seconded the motion to award a Lifetime Gold Pass to Tom Strock of Douglas.

**MOTION PASSED: \*\***

**MOTION:** Mr. Fackrell moved and Mr. Thomas seconded the motion to award a Lifetime Gold Pass to Allan Morgan of Rawlins.

**MOTION PASSED: \*\***

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### **DISTRICTS (Continued)**

**MOTION:** Mr. Thomas moved and Mr. Fackrell seconded the motion to award a Lifetime Gold Pass to Dr. Gary Elliott of Jackson.

**MOTION PASSED: \*\***

### **PRESIDENT-ELECT**

#### **NOMINATIONS FOR 2009-10:**

Mr. Fullmer nominated Jim English

Mr. Schopp nominated Dan Espeland.

Mr. Fackrell nominated Christy Wright.

Mr. Stoick nominated Mark Walker

**MOTION:** Mr. Walker moved and Mr. Bauder seconded the motion to cease nominations.

**MOTION PASSED: \*\***

Jim English was selected as the 2009-10 President-Elect.

### **ASSOCIATE COMMISSIONER'S REPORT**

#### SPORTSMANSHIP AND EJECTION NUMBERS

A report comparing the 2008-09 sportsmanship and ejection numbers with figures from 2007-08 was presented. Sportsmanship numbers are up significantly from last year. Ejections are up slightly. The WHSAA will continue to encourage officials and coaches to recognize good sportsmanship.

### **COMMISSIONER'S REPORT**

#### WINTER SEASON REPORT

Commissioner Laird reported that the culminating events for winter activities went very well and that gate revenues were up.

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## COMMISSIONER'S REPORT (Continued)

### TCT PROPOSAL

The WHSAA currently has a non-exclusive contract with TCT and is looking to expand broadcasting opportunities through the development of TCT's new website. Talks will continue into establishing an increased partnership with TCT.

### STUDENT ADVISORY COUNCIL REPORT

The list of 2009-10 Student Advisory Council members was presented. The council is working on implementing a state-wide warning card for adult fans. The council will also continue to hold district sportsmanship summits and hopes to hold a state-wide sportsmanship summit in the near future.

### CHIROPRACTOR'S REQUEST TO PERFORM SPORTS PHYSICALS

The WHSAA recently sent a letter to the Wyoming Board of Medicine asking for a determination on whether chiropractors are qualified to perform sports physicals as per state statutes.

### FT. WASHAKIE CHARTER REQUEST

**MOTION:** Mr. Bauder moved and Mr. Winland seconded the motion to allow Fort Washakie Charter High School to participate in volleyball at the junior varsity level starting in the fall of 2009.

**MOTION PASSED: \*\***

### WYOMING INDIAN REQUEST

**MOTION:** Mr. Hocker moved and Mr. Fullmer seconded the motion to allow Wyoming Indian High School to participate in wrestling at the junior varsity level starting in the 2009-10 school year.

**MOTION PASSED: \*\***

### LYMAN REQUEST

**MOTION:** Mr. Legler moved and Mr. Wiggam seconded the motion to allow Lyman High School to participate in wrestling at the varsity level starting in the 2009-10 school year.

**MOTION PASSED: \*\***



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## **COMMISSIONER'S REPORT (Continued)**

### ROCK RIVER 6-MAN FOOTBALL LETTER

Commissioner Laird reported that Rock River High School is dropping 6-man football due to budget considerations.

### UW FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

As per the 2009 UW football schedule and the UW/WHSAA agreement, the 2009 WHSAA football play-off games will be played on Friday, October 30, 2009; Friday, November 6, 2009; and Friday and Saturday, November 13-14, 2009.

### FOTO-SPORT FINANCIAL REPORT

Foto-Sport provided the Board with a financial report for the winter activities.

### NFHS OFFICIAL HIGH SCHOOL LICENSED PRODUCTS

The National Federation is piloting a merchandise licensing program in 12 states.

### REGIONAL TRACK MEET TRAINING

The WHSAA will provide Hy-Tek training for all regional track meet directors on April 29, 2009 at 10:00 a.m..

### 2009-10 BOARD COMMITTEE SURVEY

Commissioner Laird asked all Board members to complete the committee survey for 2009-10. He will try to assign members to the committees they requested. The 2009-10 Executive Council is comprised of the President, President-Elect, Past President and committee chairs, making sure all classifications and districts are represented.

### EXECUTIVE COUNCIL / PROUD TO HOST POST-TOURNAMENT EVALUATION

The Executive Council will meet with representatives of Casper's Proud to Host the Best Committee on April 29, 2009, to evaluate the winter culminating events.

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

#### EXECUTIVE COUNCIL DATE

The Executive Council meeting date has been set for July 7, 2009.

#### SPORTS MEDICINE COMMITTEE / WORKSHOP

Commissioner Laird and Associate Commissioner Wilson will meet with the Sports Medicine Committee on May 27, 2009. The committee will discuss chiropractors giving physicals and will finalize the agenda for the July 22, 2009, sports medicine workshop.

#### FUNDAMENTALS OF COACHING

An NFHS Fundamentals of Coaching class will be offered on July 21, 2009, in conjunction with the WCA Coaches Clinic.

#### TEACHING AND MODELING BEHAVIOR

The NFHS is debuting a new class for coaches at the summer meeting. Once the WHSAA has reviewed the class, it may replace the Buy Back Program for coaches that is currently in use.

#### NEDC SUMMER SUMMIT – COEUR D'ALENE, ID

Commissioner Laird will be speaking at the National Executive Director Conference Summer Summit, August 8-12, 2009, in Coeur D'Alene, ID.

#### NEW ADMINISTRATOR TRAINING – AUGUST 13, 2009

The WHSAA will provide a training seminar for all new Activities Directors and Principals on August 13, 2009. A follow-up session will be held at the Statewide Scheduling Meeting.

#### BUILDING UPDATE

The WHSAA is looking to purchase or build a new building. The Association would need a building approximately 5,000 square feet in size and is seeking matching funds to purchase the building outright so as not to have a monthly payment.

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**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, President Nelson adjourned the meeting at 5:45 p.m. on April 28, 2009.

Respectfully submitted:

President \_\_\_\_\_  
STUART NELSON

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