



WYOMING HIGH SCHOOL ACTIVITIES ASSOCIATION

MINUTES

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

OCTOBER 1-2, 2013

President Tony Hult called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m., Tuesday, October 1, 2013, in the WHSAA Board Room.

The following members were present: Mark Broderson, Sundance; Terry Burgess, Sheridan County School District #2; Chris Gray, Glenrock; Jeremy Hill, Riverton; Shon Hocker, Big Horn County School District #1; Tony Hult, Cody; Mike Lashley, Lingle-Ft. Laramie; Jim Levine, Lyman; Dan Mitchelson, Farson-Eden; Todd Quigley, Newcastle; Kendra Roeder, Pine Bluffs; Jerry Schlabs, Cheyenne East; Owen St. Clair, Wyoming Indian; Pete Wilson, Upton; Tom Wilson, Green River and Tim Winland, Rocky Mountain. Trevor Wilson and Ron Laird from the WHSAA office were also present.

AGENDA

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

Agenda – Add Item 1 under Reports and Audience – Executive Session. **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. Lashley moved and Mr. Gray seconded the motion to approve the amended agenda.

MOTION PASSED: **

MINUTES

MOTION: Mr. Winland moved and Mr. St. Clair seconded the motion to approve the minutes of the April 23-24, 2013, regular meeting.

MOTION PASSED: **

REPORTS AND AUDIENCE

Commissioner Laird introduced Bob Despain, WHSAA Board Attorney; Jack Nowlin, sports reporter for the *Casper Star-Tribune* and Kevin Koile from WyoPreps.

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REPORTS AND AUDIENCE (continued)

EXECUTIVE SESSION

MOTION: Mr. Hocker moved and Mr. Gray seconded the motion to go into Executive Session.

MOTION PASSED: **

Informational discussion only, no formal action was taken.

MOTION: Mr. Tom Wilson moved and Mr. Gray seconded the motion to come out of Executive Session.

MOTION PASSED: **

COMMITTEES

RECLASSIFICATION COMMITTEE

Chairman Shon Hocker, Todd Quigley, Jerry Schlabs, Owen St. Clair, Pete Wilson and Tom Wilson.

Ad Hoc Members: Glenn Freeburg, Cliff Hill, Bruce Miller, Bubba O'Neill, Scott Noble, Jim O'Connor, Shane Schaffner and Ann Wille.

The Reclassification Committee did not meet.

FINANCE AND PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

Chairman Chris Gray, Mark Broderson, Shon Hocker, Jim Levine, Kendra Roeder and Tom Wilson

APPROVAL OF BUDGET ANALYSIS AND THIRD QUARTER REPORT 2012-13

MOTION: Mr. Levine moved and Mr. Broderson seconded the motion to approve the budget analysis and fourth quarter report for 2012-13 as presented.

MOTION PASSED: **

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FINANCE COMMITTEE (continued)

APPROVAL OF CHECKS WRITTEN

MOTION: Mr. Tom Wilson moved and Ms. Roeder seconded the motion to approve the checks written since the April Board Meeting.

MOTION PASSED: **

APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL REPORTS

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

MOTION PASSED: **

ADJUSTED 2013-14 BUDGET

MOTION: Mr. Hocker moved and Ms. Roeder seconded the motion to approve the WHSAA 2013-14 budget as adjusted.

MOTION PASSED: **

CULMINATING EVENT PROPOSAL REQUEST FORM

MOTION: Mr. Levine moved and Mr. Broderson seconded the motion to approve the Culminating Event Proposal Request Form.

MOTION PASSED: **

INVESTMENT REPORT

Michael Merback of RBC Wealth Management reported to the committee on the WHSAA's financial investments.

2013-14 COMMITTEE GOAL

To continue to stay in the black

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HANDBOOK COMMITTEE

Chairman Tim Winland, Jeremy Hill, Terril Mills, Dan Mitchelson, Owen St. Clair and Pete Wilson

RULE 7.10.28 – NORDIC SKI STATE MEET FORMAT PROPOSAL

MOTION: Mr. St. Clair moved and Mr. Pete Wilson seconded the motion to approve the proposed change to Rule 7.10.28 that would set a rotation to the state Nordic ski meet race format.

MOTION PASSED: **FINAL READING

NORDIC SKI RULE REVISIONS AND ADDITIONS

MOTION: Mr. Mitchelson moved and Mr. Hill seconded the motion to approve the proposed changes to Nordic ski rules regarding number of meets, all state and team scoring and race criteria, excluding the guest class component.

MOTION FAILED: **

RULE 7.5.43 – EDITORIAL CHANGE

MOTION: Mr. St. Clair moved and Mr. Mitchelson seconded the motion to edit Rule 7.5.43 to comply with National Federation recommendations:

*The WHSAA has adopted the National Federation **fourteen** foot coaching box.*

MOTION PASSED: **

GENDER IDENTITY POLICY RECOMMENDATIONS

MOTION: Mr. Pete Wilson moved and Mr. Hill seconded the motion to take the Gender Identity Policy recommendations out to the Districts as a First Reading item.

MOTION PASSED: **

2013-14 COMMITTEE GOAL

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

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CALENDAR AND CULMINATING EVENTS COMMITTEE

Chairman Mike Lashley, Terry Burgess, Todd Quigley, Mack Rawhouser, Jerry Schlabs and Tammy Schroeder

WIAAA VOLLEYBALL SEASON PROPOSAL

MOTION: Mr. Quigley moved and Mr. Burgess seconded the motion to approve the proposed addition to Rule 7.5.12 to extend the volleyball season by one week starting with the next reclass cycle.

MOTION PASSED: **FINAL READING (15-0)

WIAAA BASKETBALL SEASON PROPOSAL – RULE 7.5.15

MOTION: Mr. Schlabs moved and Mr. Burgess seconded the motion to approve the proposed change to Rule 7.5.15 to shorten the basketball season by one competitive week and begin practice on the Monday of WHSAA calendar week 22 starting with the next reclass cycle.

MOTION PASSED: **FINAL READING (9-6)

WIAAA BASKETBALL SEASON PROPOSAL – RULE 7.5.41

MOTION: Mr. Schlabs moved and Mr. Quigley seconded the motion to approve the proposed change to Rule 7.5.41 to reduce the number of basketball contests to 18 starting with the next reclass cycle.

MOTION PASSED: **FINAL READING (9-6)

WIAAA WRESTLING SEASON PROPOSAL

MOTION: Mr. Burgess moved and Mr. Schlabs seconded the motion to approve the proposed change to Rule 7.16.12 to shorten the wrestling season by one competitive week and begin practice on the Monday of WHSAA calendar week 22 starting with the next reclass cycle.

MOTION PASSED: **FINAL READING (12-3)

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CALENDAR AND CULMINATING EVENT COMMITTEE (continued)

WIAAA SOCCER SEASON PROPOSAL

MOTION: Mr. Quigley moved and Mr. Burgess seconded the motion to approve the proposed change to Rule 7.11.25 to move the start date for soccer back one week to begin on the Monday of WHSAA calendar week 37 and conclude on the Saturday of week 47 starting with the next reclass cycle.

MOTION PASSED: **FINAL READING (14-1)

WIAAA OUTDOOR TRACK SEASON PROPOSAL

MOTION: Mr. Schlabs moved and Mr. Burgess seconded the motion to approve the proposed change to Rule 7.14.20 to move the start date for track back one week to begin on the Monday of WHSAA calendar week 37 and conclude on the Saturday of week 47 starting with the next reclass cycle.

MOTION FAILED: ** (3-12)

RULE 8.0.54 – STATE SPIRIT COMPETITION CLASSIFICATIONS

MOTION: Mr. Schlabs moved and Mr. Quigley seconded the motion to approve the proposed change to Rule 8.0.54 that would add a third classification for the State Spirit competition.

MOTION FAILED: ** (6-9)

2013-14 COMMITTEE GOAL

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

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ASSOCIATE COMMISSIONER'S REPORT

STATE NORDIC SKI – DATE CHANGE REQUEST

MOTION: Mr. Gray moved and Mr. Lashley seconded the motion to approve the request to change the date of the 2014 State Nordic Ski Meet to February 21-22, so as not to conflict with Junior Nationals.

MOTION PASSED: **

SPORTSMANSHIP / EJECTION REPORT

Good sportsmanship numbers are comparable to those at this time last year and ejection numbers are down. The WHSAA will continue to encourage officials and school personnel to report acts of good sportsmanship.

FOOTBALL SCHEDULING

MOTION: Mr. Tom Wilson moved and Mr. St. Clair seconded the motion to approve the proposed conference for the 2014 and 2015 football seasons as follows:

4A (10) – No conferences

3A East (6) – Buffalo, Douglas, Lander, Rawlins, Riverton and Torrington

3A West (6) – Cody, Green River, Jackson, Powell, Star Valley and Worland

2A East (7) – Big Horn, Burns, Glenrock, Newcastle, Thermopolis, Wheatland and Wright

2A West (7) – Big Piney, Greybull, Kemmerer, Lovell, Lyman, Mountain View and Pinedale

1A East (7) – Lingle-Ft. Laramie, Moorcroft, Niobrara County, Pine Bluffs, Southeast, Tongue River and Upton/Sundance

1A West (8) – Burlington, Cokeville, Riverside, Rocky Mountain, Saratoga, Shoshoni, Wind River and Wyoming Indian

6 Man East (7) – Guernsey-Sunrise, H.E.M., Hulett, Kaycee, Midwest, NSI Academy and Rock River

6 Man West (6) – Dubois, Farson-Eden, Little Snake River, Meeteetse, St. Stephens and Ten Sleep

MOTION PASSED: **

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COMMISSIONER'S REPORT

STATE GOLF

Due to weather, the 3A state golf tournament was shortened to 18 holes and the 2A and 4A tournaments were moved to a Monday-Tuesday start.

CORPORATE SPONSOR UPDATE

Pepsi, Foss Motors, National Guard and the Casper Star-Tribune will continue to be corporate sponsors. The WHSAA is still negotiating with State Farm.

ARAPAHO CHARTER CROSS COUNTRY, GIRLS BASKETBALL AND VOLLEYBALL REQUEST

MOTION: Mr. Burgess moved and Mr. Gray seconded the motion to approve Arapaho Charter School's request to add cross country (sub varsity in 2013-14 and varsity in 2014-15), girls basketball (sub varsity for 2 years then varsity in 2015-16) and volleyball (sub varsity for 2 years then varsity in 2016-17) with the volleyball and basketball varsity schedule subject to participation numbers and alignment with the reclass cycle.

MOTION PASSED: **

WHEATLAND CROSS COUNTRY REQUEST

MOTION: Mr. Winland moved and Mr. Lashley seconded the motion to approve Wheatland's request to add cross country and be allowed to participate in the 2013 state meet.

MOTION PASSED: **

H.E.M. CHANGE OF DISTRICT REQUEST

MOTION: Mr. Mitchelson moved and Mr. Burgess seconded the motion to approve H.E.M.'s request to move to the Southeast district beginning with the next reclass cycle.

MOTION FAILED: **

Mr. Lashley abstained from voting.

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COMMISSIONER'S REPORT (Continued)

RECLASSIFICATION ADM'S FOR 2014-16

Reclassification ADM's for 2014-16 were presented.

NFHS NETWORK

The WHSAA has joined the NFHS network that will provide a broadcast via the internet of all state culminating events. State golf was the first event to be broadcast and received positive feedback.

REGION IX POSSIBLE CONFLICT

Commissioner Laird informed the Board that there may be a possible conflict with the Region IX Basketball Tournament and the WHSAA State 1A/2A Basketball Tournament in 2015.

OPEN HOUSE – SEPTEMBER 5, 2013

The WHSAA hosted an open house in their new building on September 5, 2013. Completion of the building was a cooperative effort between the WHSAA, CAEDA and Granite Peak.

SECTION 7 AND 8 MEETING – JACKSON HOLE – SEPTEMBER 14-15, 2014

The WHSAA will host the NFHS's Section 7 and 8 meeting next September in Jackson Hole. The meeting provides a forum for the 11 states within our section to share information.

NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL ACTIVITIES MONTH

The NFHS has designated the month of October as National High School Activities Month to help schools throughout the nation promote the values inherent in high school athletic and performing arts activities.

STATE MARCHING BAND

The State Marching Band Festival will be held on Saturday, October 19th at the Casper Events Center.

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COMMISSIONER'S REPORT (Continued)

FOOTBALL PLAYOFFS AND CHAMPIONSHIP SCHEDULE

As per the agreement with the University of Wyoming, the first round of football playoffs will be played on Friday, November 1st. Semi-final games will be played on Friday, November 8th. The state championships will be held in Laramie on November 15-16, 2013. The 2A championship will be at 12:00 p.m. on Friday the 15th, followed by the 3A championship at 3:00 p.m. The 1A 6-man championship will be played at 10:00 a.m. on Saturday the 16th, followed by the 1A 11-man championship at 1:00 p.m. and the 4A championship at 4:00 p.m.

STATE SPORTSMANSHIP SUMMIT – NOVEMBER 25, 2013 @ 10:00 A.M.

Members of the Student Advisory Council will host a statewide sportsmanship summit on November 25, 2013, at 10:00 a.m. at the Parkway Plaza in Casper. Further information will be sent to schools in the near future.

FOTO-SPORT AND SHIRTS-N-MORE

Year-end financial reports for Foto-Sport and Shirts-N-More were presented.

STATEWIDE SCHEDULING MEETING

The Statewide Scheduling Meeting will be held November 12-13, 2013, in Casper at the Ramada Plaza Riverside. The time schedule will be sent to schools soon.

Due to the changes in seasons for the next reclass cycle, a pre-scheduling meeting planning session is being organized for October 30th in Casper. Information will be sent out soon.

WYOMING SCHOOL BOARD ASSOCIATION CONVENTION EXPO BOOTH – NOVEMBER 20

The WHSAA will have a booth at the Wyoming School Board Association Expo on November 20, 2013. The expo provides a forum for the WHSAA to remind school board members about the importance of high school activities.

BOARD PICTURE

The group Board picture will be taken at the next meeting on November 5th.

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ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, President Hult adjourned the meeting at 9:30 a.m. on October 2, 2013.

Respectfully submitted:

President _____
TONY HULT

Commissioner _____
RON LAIRD