

# DISTRICT I IHSAA ACTIVITIES ASSOCIATION

## MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF CONTROL

**January 9, 2018-11:00 AM**

Post Falls High School, Post Falls Idaho

President Curt-Randall Bayer called the meeting of the District I Board of Control to order at 11:00 AM.

**Members Present:** Shawn Woodward, Woody Woodford, Dr. Bob Ranells, Chris Sensel, Curt-Randal Bayer, Jen Hall, Kris Knowles, Royce Johnson, Kelly Reed, Keri Schwenke, Brian Carlson, Frank Garcia, Derek Kohles, Roger Stewart, Rayna Longstreet, John Posnick, Ryan Wood, and Larry Schwenke.

**Members Absent:** Sharon Meador, Tim Sandford, Rich Swoboda and Ted Yurek

**Visitors:** Don White–NIOA, Deanne Clifford-IHSAA Sportsmanship Committee, Troy Schueller- CDA HS

### CONSENT AGENDA

1. Minutes of the November 7<sup>th</sup>, 2017 meeting. Motion to approve by Keri Schwenke second by Kris Knowles. **Motion approved**
2. Treasurer's Report - Motion to approve by Royce Johnson, second by Keri Schwenke. **Motion approved**

### DISCUSSION AGENDA

1. **Luncheon Sponsor**
  - The Board recognized and thanked **The Murray Group** for sponsoring the January meeting lunch.
2. **FYI Web Site:** [www.1stdistrictactivities.org](http://www.1stdistrictactivities.org)
3. **District Tournament Site and Date Information**
  - AD's from each classification are asked to send spring District I Tournament dates, sites and managers to The IHSAA office and to District Secretary Larry Schwenke.
  - **Reminder to ADs that Spring Schedules are due to the commissioners by Feb. 1st.**
4. **IHSAA Nominations Due in March**
  - Board members were asked to consider nominations for the following awards due in March. Input from school personnel is welcomed!
    - Distinguished Service Award
    - Spirit of Sport Award
5. **Deanne Clifford- IHSAA Sportsmanship Committee Report**
  - Deanne provided information and materials from the recent State Sportsmanship Committee meeting and looks forward to meeting with the BOC at least twice a year.
    - Copies of the new "IHSAA Schools of Excellence - Citizenship through Sports Administration Manual" were provided and discussed. Deanne encourages all schools to participate in the program.

- Deanne and the committee seek input from all stakeholders on ways to improve sportsmanship and to better meet contest hosting expectations. She invites comments from commissioners and officials as to issues they see as important.
  - The IHSAA Express is a vehicle that everyone should access. Assistant Director Mike Federico and the IHSAA staff are working hard on these programs and are asking for schools to nominate participants to a youth advisory panel.
6. **Official Recruitment and Retention- Larry Schwenke**
- Larry shared notes from a breakout session on that topic at the National ADs Convention. The presenters identified 5 areas that could help make recruitment and retention an easier process:
    - Coaches Education and Professional Development
    - Rethinking Ways to Improve Hospitality for Officials
    - Implement/Review and Enforce Staff/Spectator and Participant Behavior
    - Evaluate Compensation Practices and Options
    - Appreciation/Respect
7. **Troy Schueller, Coeur d'Alene HS Principal, IHSAA Violation Appeal**
- Troy presented information and clarification as to the timeline and steps Coeur d'Alene HS followed in the transfer/eligibility process of a CHS football participant.
8. **Mullan/St Regis Co-op**
- The Board was informed that a Co-op in football is being considered. Ty Jones has been in contact with Montana officials and indicated insurance etc. would not be a problem.

## **ACTION AGENDA**

1. **IHSAA Awards** - The District I Board of Control unanimously approved the following IHSAA award nominations: Motion by Kelly Reed, seconded by Royce Johnson)
  - Dick Fleishman Memorial Award: **Tim Cronnelly- Lakeland HS**
  - Wes Lowe Memorial Award: **Tom Durbin-Mullan HS retired**
  - Duane D. Wolfe Memorial: **Yokes Fresh Markets**
2. **Mullan All Star BKB Games** - A motion to approve the District I Boys and Girls Basketball All Star Games to be held at Mullen HS on March 9<sup>h</sup> 2018 was made by Keri Schwenke, seconded by Kelly Reed. **Motion approved**
3. **NIC All Star BKB Games** - A motion to approve the State Boys and Girls Basketball All Star Games to be held at North Idaho College on March 24<sup>th</sup> 2018 was made by Kris Knowles, seconded by Kelly Reed. **Motion approved**
4. **Northwest Academy- IHSAA Eligibility Violation** – Following discussion, a motion was made by Kelly Reed, seconded by Woody Woodford to assess \$100.00. **Motion Approved**
5. **Bonnars Ferry HS-IHSAA Eligibility Violation** - Following discussion, a motion was made by Kelly Reed, seconded by Woody Woodford to assess \$150.00 with \$75.00 rescinded for self-reporting. **Motion Approved**
6. **Coeur d'Alene HS-IHSAA Transfer/Eligibility Appeal.** Following discussion, a motion was made by Royce Johnson, seconded by Kelly Reed to waive the \$100.00 previously assessed. **Motion Approved**

7. **IHSSA Board –Boys Coaches Rep. Position.** Following discussion, a motion was made by Royce Johnson, seconded by Keri Schwenke to send a letter from the District I Board of Control to the Idaho State Coaches Association in support of Jim Winger’s candidacy.  
**Motion Approved**

## REPORT AGENDA

### 1. Sectional Reports

- **Superintendent’s Report – (Woody Woodford)**
  - Woody shared his concern about the flu bug gripping students and staff at the elementary school in his district. 140 students absent out of 430 and 15 staff members. May close school(s) for a rest and “deep cleaning.”
- **Boys Athletics - (Kelly Reed)**
  - State Coaches Clinic is March 9-10, Jackpot Nevada
  - Kelly noted that Boy’s Coaches Representative position on the IHSAA Board of Directors is coming open next year. Candidates for the position will be voted on by the Idaho Coaches Association. Kelly asked the District I Board to support Jim Winger, longtime coach/AD at Lake City HS who has applied for the position. (See action agenda)
- **Athletic Directors – (Kris Knowles)**
  - AD’s are back to work after the break.
  - The ADs appreciate the hard work of the commissioners through the fall and the beginning of the winter seasons.
- **Middle Level - (Brian Carlson)**
  - Brian will pass along pertinent information to the Middle School ADs at their next meeting.
  - He wished to commend and express the group’s appreciation to Dave DeMers, Sandpoint Middle School, who is contemplating retirement!
- **IHSAA Report – (Dr. Bob Ranells)** Bob mentioned 3 items of particular interest on the agenda of the upcoming meeting:
  - 3 Man Officiating at State Basketball (Final Reading)
  - State Swimming Representation
  - 3A/2A Football Representation and Bracketing (First Reading)

### 2. Commissioner/Interpreter Reports

- **Football – Roger Stewart**
  - Roger asked the Board to consider supporting a national campaign to have legislation passed related to assaults on officials, officials’ liability or independent contractor status.
  - He shared information compiled by The National Association of Sports Officials (NASO) and asks for discussion on this topic at our May meeting.
  - One excerpt from the handout provides insight: *“Sports officials should be able to perform their duties without threat of personal injury, administrative hearings or litigation because of their game calls. Being a referee or umpire is no easy task. State legislators can show support for the men, women and children who officiate on the courts fields and ice by passing laws to protect them.”*
  - Currently 21 states have officiating assault laws, 16 with limited liability laws and 14 with independent contractor laws. Two states, **Idaho** and Washington have supportive resolutions only for sports officials.

- **Basketball – John Posnick**
  - Off to a fairly good start – has picked up a few new officials but still short on some dates due to numbers and illnesses.
  - John asked the IHSAA Board representatives, Bob Ranells and Curt-Randal Bayer, to continue to push for passage of the final reading for 3-man mechanics at state basketball tournaments.
  
- **Soccer – Derek Kohles**
  - Derek asked for input from the Board and commissioners regarding the issue of commissioner fees for game changes. Our current policy lists a \$75.00 fee for changes made less than 48 hours prior to the contest.
  - The consensus of the commissioners was that they are working hard to accommodate schools and kids and build positive relationships. As written, judgment as to the imposition of a game change fee rests with the commissioners.
  - ADs should be proactive in checking schedules to avoid the change fee.
  - Derek appreciated the input. No further action was taken.
  
- **Swimming – Rich Swoboda**
  - Rich was unable to attend but reported that the IHSAA is moving toward the “Track Model” for representation. (Rich is not in favor)
  - IHSAA is signing a 3-year deal with the Boise Y to host State. (Rich is in Favor)
  
- **Wrestling – Ryan Wood**
  - The season is going well. He has a solid group of officials but will probably look to recruit some younger guys in the future as his “team” ages!
  - Ryan is proud of the job District I officials do at tournaments like Tri State and the Rollie Lane tournament in Boise.

**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 1: 28 pm. Next meeting will be March 13<sup>th</sup>, 2017 11:00 AM at Post Falls High School.