

DISTRICT 1 IHSAA ACTIVITIES ASSOCIATION

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF CONTROL

September 12, 2017 11:00 AM

Post Falls High School, Post Falls Idaho

President Curt-Randall Bayer called the meeting of the District 1 Board of Control to order at 11:00 at Post Falls High School.

Members Present: Curt-Randall Bayer, Woody Woodford, Bob Ranells, Chris Sensel, Jen Hall, Royce Johnson, Sharon Meador, Kris Knowles, Keri Schwenke, Kelly Reed, Frank Garcia, Derek Kohles, Rayna Longstreet, John Posnick, Roger Stewart, Rich Swoboda, Ryan Wood, and Larry Schwenke.

Members Absent: Tim Sandford

Visitors: Don White - NIOA President

CONSENT AGENDA

1. A motion to approve the May 2rd, 2017 minutes was made by Keri Schwenke, seconded by Kelly Reed. **Motion approved.**
2. A motion to approve the treasure's report was made by Kelly Reed, seconded by Royce Johnson. **Motion approved.**
3. Dues Report- Dues and fees are to be paid by October 1. (Elk Mountain Academy, Immaculate Conception, Lakeland HS, Lakeside HS, North Idaho Christian, Sandpoint HS and Timberlake HS have outstanding balances)
4. Board members reviewed the updated term/renewal information.
 - The following Board representative positions will be up for renewal for the 2017-18 school year
 - 1A/2A Superintendents
 - Speech Arts
 - Spirit

DISCUSSION AGENDA

1. **Luncheon Sponsor**
 - **Avondale Dental Center** sponsored the September Board of Control meeting luncheon.
 - The Board is greatly appreciative of **Dr. Kory Wilson** and **Dr. Jim Robson** for this gesture.
2. **Officials Contract**
 - We are beginning the 1st year of our two-year official's contract and service agreement with the NIOA. See www.1stdistrictactivities.org
3. **Fall District Tournament Sites, Dates and Managers**
 - ADs are asked to send Fall District Tournament information ASAP to the IHSAA and to Secretary Larry Schwenke.
4. **District President/Secretary Meeting Review**
 - President Curt-Randall Bayer and Secretary Larry Schwenke shared information presented at the meeting held in Boise on September 11, 2016.
 - **IHSAA September Board Meeting:** The September meeting will be held on the 26th at 8:00am at the Coeur d'Alene Resort. School officials and other interested parties are urged to attend. 3-man Basketball officiating at State Tournaments as well as a number of important topics will be on the discussion agenda. www.idhsaa.org

- **Soccer Official Shortage:** Districts are reporting a shortage that has resulted in scheduling issues. Some have mandated that 4A/5A matches be played on certain days with other days reserved for 3A/2A. Stacking games is also helpful.
- **2A State Golf Tournament: The IHSAA is in need of a District I school to host this spring's tournament.** Lakeside High School has agreed to look into the possibility of hosting the tournament at Circling Raven.
- **Consistency of Fine Amounts:** All Districts reported that fines levied for IHSAA Rule violations are made without regard to school size or classification.
- **Concussion Management:** A reminder that the Idaho legislature has included Junior High and Middle Schools in the concussion protocol program.
- **Schools of Excellence:** The IHSAA is encouraging all schools to participate and is looking at ways to increase the value of Academic and Citizenship components that will help especially the smaller schools to compete in this program.
- **NFHS Learn:** The IHSAA is encouraging coaches, students, school officials and parents to take advantage of the number of courses available at www.nfhslearn.com . Many are free. The list of required courses can be found on the IHSAA website: www.idhsaa.org
- **Co-ops:** Schools are reminded that students from associate member schools are eligible to compete during the regular season but are not eligible for district or state competition.
- **3-Man Basketball Mechanics:** The IHSAA is conducting a survey of Athletic Directors to accurately gauge the percentage of schools in favor of a change to 3-man mechanics at state basketball tournaments. There appears to be mounting pressure for the change, as Idaho is the only state not to have done so. The IHSAA is weighing a number of concerns including cost to schools, number of officials, and which classifications to include. Another concern is the official's pay for 3-man vs. 2-man. Some Districts are asking the IHSAA to consider developing a statewide salary schedule for all sanctioned sports.

A lengthy discussion among board members ensued concerning the situation we face in District I due to the fact we have been using 3-man mechanics for approximately 10 years at the 4A/5A level as well as on a request basis for other classifications. Since the IHSAA has not adopted 3-man mechanics, the IEL Principals and ADs have asked that 4A/5A games revert to 2-man mechanics for the 2017-18 season to "level the playing field" for Dist. I teams at the state tournament. There is concern that this may result in unintended a loss of officials due to factors including: the aging population of officials, opportunities in Washington, safety concerns etc. The consensus of the District I Board of Control is to 1) Strongly urge the IHSAA to adopt 3-man mechanics as soon as the 2018-19 tournaments and 2) Ask the IEL to revisit it's request in light of the IHSAA commitment as witnessed by the discussions at the upcoming September Board meeting in Coeur d'Alene.

5. **Hall of Fame Nominations**

- Nominations are due to the IHSAA office by November 15.
- Nominations may come from district boards, member schools or other entities within the educational community.

6. **Winter Sport Schedules**

- AD's are reminded that **October 1** is the deadline to get their schedules to the commissioners (John Posnick- Basketball and Ryan Wood-Wrestling)
- February 1 is the deadline for Spring schedules (Ted Yurek- Softball and Frank Garcia-Baseball)

7. **District I Website: www.1stdistrictactivities.org**

- Visit the site to view/download important District I Board of Control information.

ACTION AGENDA

1. Following discussion, a motion to assess a \$150 fine to Lakeland HS for a self reported violation of IHSAA rule 5-12-1 (Scrimmages, Practices) was made by Bob Ranells, seconded by Royce Johnson **Motion approved**
2. Following discussion, a motion to renew the terms of Frank Garcia, Baseball Commissioner, and Ted Yurek, Softball Commissioner was made by Keri Schwenke, seconded by Kelly Reed. **Motion approved**

3. Following discussion, a motion to assess Coeur d'Alene Charter a fine of \$150 for a self reported violation of the IHSAA outside competition rule was made by Bob Ranells, seconded by Keri Schwenke. **Motion approved**
4. Following discussion, a motion to provide some expenses incurred by our Distinguished Service Award recipient was made by Keri Schwenke, seconded by Royce Johnson. **Motion approved**

REPORT AGENDA

1. **Sectional Reports:**
 - **Superintendents** –Dr. Bob Ranells indicated the desire to fill the vacant 4A/5A superintendents position on the Board. They will discuss this situation at the upcoming superintendents meeting
 - **Principals** – No report.
 - **Girl's Athletics** –**Keri Schwenke** asked schools to remind coaches that they have a voice and to contact Kelley or her with ideas, thoughts or issues.
kschwenke@cdaschools.org
 - **Boy's Athletics** –**Kelly Reed** commented on his hopes that all schools would register their coaches in the State association. He also indicated the Duncan Atwood (former Olympian) will give a presentation to the IHSAA concerning the addition of javelin competition. His presentation will concern the use of a safe, soft point implement. Surrounding states do have javelin competition in track. Contact Kelly at:
kreed@cdaschools.org
 - **Speech Arts**– No report
 - **Spirit** – **Sharon Meador** reported that all 22 Cheer coaches and 7 Dance coaches have been certified. The August workshop included choreography and routine development, injury prevention and appropriate training practices and Cheer and Dance Rules Clinic. All competitions have been scheduled. Lakeland HS will host the District competition Feb. 24th. State will be held March 16-17 at the Idaho Center. Routine and Technical judge training will be held in October (TBA).
 - **Music** – **Tim Sandford** - No report
 - **Athletic Directors** –**Kris Knowles** –. Kris reported the frustration everyone has been going through due to the smoke situation. He also, during the discussion agenda, outlined pros and cons of the 3-man officiating issue. He also is encouraging attendance at the September IHSAA Board meeting.
 - **State IHSAA Board** – **Dr. Bob Ranells** – In addition to the information from the Principals /Secretaries meeting outlined in the discussion agenda, Bob, as our District I representative to the IHSAA Board, also encouraged attendance at the September 26th meeting. Topics include 3-man mechanics and the issue of international student eligibility.
 - **Middle Level** – No Report
2. **Commissioner Reports:**
 - **Volleyball** – **Rayna Longstreet**
 - Rayna reported that while the season is going quite nicely, she is shorthanded and has had to ask some schools to move matches. ADs have been accommodating.
 - She asked that school not check the box in Arbiter that has them accumulate pay reports and generate 1099's. She feels that as officials are independent contractors, each school district should report earnings in excess of \$600.

- **Football – Roger Stewart**
 - Roger indicated that covering all the games has been difficult, especially in light of the fire and smoke conditions. ADs and coaches have been great to work with.
 - He noted that all schools have made the effort to ensure adequate funds have been deposited in Ref pay.
 - Roger reminds coaches and ADs that game length, extra quarters etc. must be planned and contracted with officials in advance.
 - Roger expressed his concern regarding the liability and insurance coverage for officials assigned to contests with 8th grade students and below. He will contact the IHSAA and report the information to the Board, schools and officials.
- **Soccer – Derek Kohles**
 - Derek also echoed the issues he's had with changes and cancellations.
 - He is proud to report that he has 14 new officials however he has lost 5-7 officials from last season who are not active/eligible in our area.
 - The auto assign feature in Arbiter has caused some problems and extra work. Arbiter technicians have been helpful.
 - Derek indicated that ADs and his Refs have been fabulous to work with and again he asks that contest supervisors closely monitor spectators to help insure that officials are treated with the respect and support all officials deserve.
- **Basketball – John Posnick**
 - John spoke at length during the discussion agenda concerning the 3-man officiating issue. He will be at the IHSAA meeting and hopes that the situation can come to some resolution and that District I continue with 3-man mechanics.
 - The basketball official's meeting is Oct. 23rd, 7pm at CDA HS and Coaches meeting is Oct. 24th, 7pm at CDA HS.
- **Wrestling – Ryan Wood**
 - Coaches and officials meeting will be October 24th 7pm CDA HS
- **Baseball – Frank Garcia**
 - Frank reported that he received a commendation from the District III assigner for the State Invitational Tournament in appreciation of our District I officials who travelled to Boise at their own expense. Efforts are being made to help them with travel expenses in the future.
- **Softball – Ted Yurek**
 - Ted reported his hope to recruit and retain officials for the spring Softball season.
- **Swimming – Rich Swoboda**
 - Rich reported that the rules clinic will be held Sept. 16 at Asotin Aquatic Center
 - Rich expressed a need to clarify whether or not participants can practice with both their school and club teams. He will get the answer from the IHSAA office and will report the answer to ADs and coaches.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

- A motion to move to executive session was made at 1:35 by Keri Schwenke, Seconded by Woody Woodford. **Motion approved**
- A motion to return to regular session was made at 1:38 by Kelly Reed, seconded by Keri Schwenke. **Motion Approved**

ADJOURNMENT

- A motion to adjourn was made by Royce Johnson, seconded by Keri Schwenke. **Motion Approved.**
- Meeting adjourned at 1:40 pm. Next meeting will be November 7th, 2017, 11:00 AM at Post Falls High School.

Respectfully submitted by Larry Schwenke, District I IHSAA Board Secretary