

DISTRICT 1 IHSAA ACTIVITIES ASSOCIATION

MINUTES OF THE MAY 2, 2017 MEETING

Post Falls High School, Post Falls Idaho

Vice President Woody Woodford called the meeting of the District 1 Board of Control to order at 11:00 am at Post Falls High School, Post Falls, Idaho.

Members Present: Woody Woodford, Dr. Bob Ranells, Chris Sensel, Jen Hall, Kris Knowles, Kelly Reed, Keri Schwenke, Royce Johnson, Rayna Longstreet, John Posnick, Roger Stewart, Frank Garcia, Ryan Wood, Ted Yurek, Larry Schwenke

Members Absent: Matt Handelman, Curt-Randall Bayer, Derek Kohles, Rich Swoboda, Sharon Meador, Tim Sandford

Visitors: Don White and Jerry Wicks - NIOA

CONSENT AGENDA

1. The minutes of the March 14, 2017 meeting –A motion to approve the March 14th minutes was made by Dr. Bob Ranells, seconded by Royce Johnson. **Motion approved**
2. Treasurer’s Report – A motion to approve the treasurer’s report was made by Dr. Bob Ranells, seconded by Kelly Reed. **Motion approved**

DISCUSSION AGENDA

1. **Luncheon Sponsor:**
 - The Board recognized and thanked **Advanced Benefits** of Coeur d’Alene, Mark Fisher- President and Chris Keim- Vice president, for sponsoring lunch.
2. **Web Site (FYI):** www.1stdistrictactivities.org
3. **Board Member Renewals for 2017-18:** Each group will determine it’s representative.
 - 4A/5A Superintendents (complete the term of Matt Handelman)
 - 3A Superintendents
 - 1A Principals
 - Boys Athletics and Girls Athletics
 - Secretary
4. **NIOA – BOC Negotiations:**
(See Action Agenda)
5. **Commissioner/Interpreter 2017-18 clinic information:**
 - Commissioners are finalizing the schedule, which will be sent to all schools and to the IHSAA in the coming days.
6. **4A/5A Basketball Officiating Request (2-Man mechanics)**

- A letter was received from the IEL requesting that due to the IHSAA's position on 2-man mechanics for State Tournaments, District I 4A and 5A Boys and Girls basketball games be officiated using 2-man mechanics beginning with the 2017-18 season.
- Basketball commissioner Posnick cautioned against this move due to a number of reasons including the aging of the referee pool, potential for referee injuries, and quality of officiating. He added that many of his officials attend clinics to improve their skills and all of the clinics are conducted with 3-man mechanics as Idaho is one of the only states the still uses 2-man mechanics. He also indicated that District IV is considering going to 3-man mechanics.
- Kris Knowles, AD Representative, noted that coaches and administrators appreciate the job District I officials do (District I has been the only District in Idaho to adopt 3-man mechanics) and would like to continue with 3-man mechanics if and when the IHSAA moves to adopt that format. Until that happens, it is felt that teams in other districts have a competitive advantage over our teams as they play all season with 2-man mechanics.
- The consensus of the group was to urge the IHSAA to consider 3-man mechanics for state competitions, which would even the playing field and encourage other districts to follow our lead in providing the best possible officiating for our student athletes. This topic will be discussed at future meetings.

7. 2017-18 Schedules

- ADs are reminded that Fall Sport schedules need to be to the commissioners by **June 1, 2017**

8. Official of the Year

- Bob Burton has been nominated as District I Official of the Year. Football Commissioner Roger Stewart will forward his information to the IHSAA.

REPORT AGENDA

1. Commissioner Reports

- **Football- Roger Stewart**
 - As a point of emphasis for safety, Roger plans to ask ADs to enforce the 5-yard sideline cushion for spectators.
 - In an attempt to recruit new officials, would the IHSAA allow 16 year olds to work non-varsity games, as is the case with soccer?
 - Roger questioned the liability associated with assigning state qualified officials to Middle School/Jr. High contests.
- **Basketball- John Posnick**
 - John encouraged members to help recruit new officials.

- He reiterated his hopes to continue with 4A/5A 3-man mechanics
- **Baseball- Frank Garcia**
 - District I has been invited to send a 3-man officiating crew to the State Invitational Baseball Tournament.
 - He commended his umpires and schools for getting through the worst spring weather in memory!
 - Frank suggests that District I coaches/ADs combine to order supplies such as chalk, balls and diamond dry to save money, as budgets are slim.
- **Softball- Ted Yurek**
 - Ted echoed Frank's comments on the terrible conditions this spring indicating he has had to make 86 changes so far!
 - He thanked ADs for getting their schedules to him on time and also urged 3-man mechanics for District and State competitions.

2. Sectional Reports

- **Boys Athletics-Kelly Reed**
 - Coaches have been requested to provide bios for state "Coach of the Year" awards.
- **Athletic Directors- Kris Knowles**
 - Kris applauded the efforts of commissioners Garcia and Yurek for their hard work and flexibility with the weather related problems this spring.
 - State AD conference was a great success. One concern among ADs was BSU's dropping their wrestling program.
 - Kris also shared a concern that international competitions (Canada) may face difficulty for some schools due to immigration policy.

ACTION AGENDA

1. Lakeland HS self- reported an IHSAA eligibility rule violation regarding academic eligibility of a District Speech participant. Following discussion, Royce Johnson moved, Kelly Reed seconded a motion to assess a fine of \$200.00 with \$100.00 waved for self-reporting. **Motion Approved**
2. 2017-18 Dues and Activity Fee structure. Following discussion, Dr. Bob Ranells moved, Kris Knowles seconded a motion to keep in place the current amounts. (Dues are \$100 for each member school, \$25.00 per Varsity sport and \$15.00 per JV/Soph./Frosh sport) Adjustments will be made to add boys and girls swimming and to differentiate between boys and girls tennis. **Motion Approved**

3. 2016-2017 Board of Control meeting dates. Keri Schwenke moved, Royce Johnson seconded a motion to approve the following meeting dates for 2017-2018: Sept. 12, 2017 (2nd Tues.) - Nov. 7, 2017 (1st Tues.) - Jan. 9, 2018 (2nd Tues.) – March 13, 2018 (2nd Tues.) and May 8, 2017 (2nd Tues.) **Motion Approved**
4. Coeur d'Alene HS self reported an IHSAA rules violation regarding the baseball pitch count rule. Following discussion, Kelly Reed moved, Dr. Bob Ranells seconded a motion to confirm the game forfeiture and assess a fine of \$400.00 with \$200.00 waived for self-reporting the violation. **Motion Approved**
5. St. Maries HS self reported an IHSAA rules violation regarding the rule of 2 (Basketball) Following discussion, Keri Schwenke moved, Royce Johnson seconded a motion to assess a fine of \$500 with \$300 waived for self reporting the violation. **Motion Approved**
6. A motion to approve the negotiated 2-year, District I Board of Control / NIOA Salary Contract and Service Agreement pending NIOA ratification was made by Royce Johnson, seconded by Kelly Reed. **Motion Approved**

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Kelly Reed moved, Keri Schwenke seconded a motion to move to executive session at 1:10 pm. **Motion Approved**

Royce Johnson moved, Kelly Reed seconded a motion to move out of executive session at 1:25pm. **Motion Approved**

ADJOURNMENT

- The meeting was adjourned at 1:30 pm.
- **The next meeting will be September 12th, 2017, 11am @ Post Falls HS**

Respectfully submitted by Larry Schwenke, Secretary, Dist. 1 Board of Control