

DISTRICT I IHSAA ACTIVITIES ASSOCIATION

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF CONTROL

September 15, 2020 11:00 AM

Google Meeting

President Curt-Randall Bayer called the meeting of the District I Board of Control to order at 11:15 am. (Technical problems with the scheduled Zoom meeting resulted in a slight delay and a switch to the Google Meet format)

Members Present: Curt-Randall Bayer, Dena Naccarato, Paul Anselmo, Alica Holthaus, Trent Derrick, Jen Hall, Isaac Robbins, Todd Gilkey, Kelly Reed, Brian Carlson, Ted Yurek, Tony Norris, Roger Stewart, Michelle Sobek, and Larry Schwenke.

Members Absent: Rayna Longstreet, John Posnick, Ryan Wood, Keri Carter, Royce Johnson, Sharon Meador and Frank Garcia

Welcome to our new Board members:

4A/5A Superintendent Representative **Dena Naccarato (Post Falls)**

1A/2A Superintendent Representative **Alica Holthaus (St, Maries)**

Swimming Interpreter **Michelle Sobek (Lake City)**

CONSENT AGENDA

1. A motion to approve the May 19th, 2020 minutes was made by Paul Anselmo, seconded by Jen Hall.
Motion approved.
2. A motion to approve the treasure's report was made by Dena Naccarato, seconded by Paul Anselmo.
Motion approved.
3. Dues Report- Dues and fees are to be paid by October 1. Most schools have paid in full.

DISCUSSION AGENDA

1. **Luncheon Sponsor: N/A**
2. **Officials Contract:**
 - We are beginning the second year of our two-year official's contract and service agreement with the NIOA. See www.1stdistrictactivities.org
3. **Fall and Winter District Tournament Sites, Dates and Managers Information:**
 - **ADs are asked to send fall district tournament information to Secretary Larry Schwenke as soon as possible.**
4. **District President/Secretary Zoom Meeting Review:**
 - President Bayer reviewed information presented at the zoom meeting held on September 8th.
5. **Board Member Renewals Slated For 2021-2022:** (Each group determines it's representative.)
 - 1A/2A Superintendent's Representative
 - Middle Level Representative
 - Girls Coach's Representative
 - Boys Coach's Representative
 - Athletic Director's Representative
6. **Winter Sport Schedules:**
 - AD's are reminded that **October 1st** 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.
8. **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.
9. **Recent Co-ops:**
 - 2020-2022 Swimming Collective Co-ops have been approved for Wallace-Mullan and Lakeland-Timberlake.
10. **ArbiterPay Issues:**
 - ADs are reminded that it takes Arbiter up to two weeks to process deposits. This makes it very important to be proactive to insure officials are paid in a timely manner. (2 business days)

REPORT AGENDA

1. Commissioner Reports:

- **Volleyball – Rayna Longstreet:**
 - Off to a successful start despite Covid challenges in scheduling and official's availability! I appreciate the school's and official's flexibility around short notice schedule additions and cancellations. We are fortunate to have several experienced varsity officials from the Spokane association. It has been really helpful to have these people as several Idaho officials have chosen not to officiate this year or have very limited availability.
 - Schools and officials are doing a good job of following IHSAA guidelines for Covid accommodations. We've hit a few bumps here and there with communications about face coverings (whether to wear them at what schools and when) but overall getting it figured it out.
 - Bonners Ferry has a new AD and they have moved to using ArbiterPay for officials. That's it!
- **Football – Roger Stewart:**
 - Roger indicated that he and the other fall commissioners have had to totally redo assignments due to Covid and recently, smoke concerns. Their workload, like the ADs, has probably doubled.
 - He noted that he has lost some officials and some will not work if a mask is required. Schools need to notify him early if their school/community requires the officials to wear them.
 - He noted that there seems to be a lot of emotion on the field. Understandably, kids are playing like it may be their last game.
 - Roger is concerned that some schools were not proactive in funding their Arbiter accounts. Many officials have not been paid. He is trying to help some schools and is hopeful the situation will improve. (President Bayer indicated the BOC will send a reminder to schools)
 - He indicated some middle schools are sponsoring football and reminded told board members that due to liability concerns he cannot assign officials for them. They are not IHSAA schools so are not covered by the IHSAA insurance.
- **Soccer – Tony Norris:**
 - Tony noted that the season is going about as expected given all the issues everyone is dealing with. His official pool is way down so he is having difficulty covering all the games. Most ADs are understanding of his predicament and have helped by stacking/rescheduling contests. He has recently had cancellations due to smoke and one school has cancelled games due to a positive Covid case.
 - Tony has received concerns over the lack of trainers/ice at some facilities. The BOC will follow up.
- **Softball – Ted Yurek:**
 - Ted expressed his concern for officials and kids during these unprecedented times.
 - The passing of our softball interpreter, Russell Lacy, saddens us all.
- **Swimming – Shelly Sobek**
 - Shelly was excited to say teams are finally swimming!

- All competitions except one in Sandpoint will be held at the KROC. They will allow only 2 teams on the deck with no spectators. Live streaming will allow parents and fans the opportunity to view the meets.
- The District I-II meet will be at the KROC on October 26th. Details regarding the state competition are up in the air. Virtual events may be an option.

2. Sectional Reports:

- **Superintendents –Paul Anselmo, Dena Naccarato and Alica Holthaus:**
 - Paul said he was very happy to see sports and activities happening again and hopes we can keep things going along with the educational process.
 - Alica noted that she has found parents to be very motivated when it comes to masks. Some are for them and some are opposed!
- **Principals – Curt-Randall Bayer, Trent Derrick and Jen Hall:**
 - Trent reported how challenging it is to navigate all the issues facing everyone. He happily noted that his school has been in session, in person, for a week and a day and hopes things continue smoothly and safely.
 - Curt indicated his school is “in-person” four days with one digital day per week. Things are good so far. He also noted that many administrators and staff are suffering from “Zoom Fatigue.”
 - Jen Hall, Lakeside Principal, spoke about the rock-throwing incident that happened in Clark Fork following a football game. At the time, no one knew what kind of projectile slammed through a window on the driver’s side and continued through a window on the opposite side, barely missing players. While she praised the Clark Fork administration for their immediate action, she urges schools and communities to address racist comments and actions. Administrators can help by closely monitoring crowds and stopping things like the “tomahawk chop” or other chants. Lakeside’s student body is largely Native American and we all need to help put a stop to any racist activities. Similar concerns were raised in recent years regarding the minority students at other schools including Genesis Prep.
- **Athletic Directors – Todd Gilkey**
 - Todd expressed his appreciation to all schools, coaches and players for their efforts in getting sports going as safely as possible. Thanks to everybody involved!
- **State IHSAA Board – Paul Anselmo**
 - Paul reported the sheer number of transfers/appeals the eligibility committee is dealing with amazes him. He believes many parents are trying to “game” the system to get their kids into Idaho schools.

ACTION AGENDA

1. Following discussion a motion to assess Post Falls High School a fine of \$500 with \$400 rescinded for self-reporting an ineligible varsity football player was made by Paul Anselmo, seconded by Michelle Sobek. Additionally each of the 2 games played in by the ineligible player are to be recorded as “no contest” in MaxPreps. **Motion approved**
2. Following discussion, a motion to assess Bonners Ferry High School a fine of \$1000 with \$500 rescinded for self-reporting a violation of IHSAA cheerleading rules regarding outside assistance in stunting as well as stunting with masks, was made by Paul Anselmo, seconded by Jen Hall. **Motion approved**
3. Following discussion a motion to assess Coeur d’Alene High School a fine of \$500 for each basketball program with \$300 each rescinded for self-reporting a violation of the IHSAA rule of two, was made by Todd Gilkey, seconded by Jen Hall. **Motion approved**

ADJOURNMENT

- Meeting adjourned at 12:40 pm. Next meeting will be November 10th, 2020, 11:00 AM Hopefully at Post Falls High School TBA
- Minutes respectfully submitted by Larry Schwenke, District I IHSAA Board Secretary