

WSSAAA EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING MINUTES

November 18 2018 - 10:00 AM @ WIAA, Renton, WA

In attendance: Dave Tikker, Cindy Tikker, Eric Titus, Ken VanSickle, Steve Frucci, Cole Kanyer, Scott Nordi, Lacey London, Rocky Verbeck, Loren Sandhop, Wendy Malich, Rebecca Moe, John Appelgate, Steve Bridge, Chad Larsen, Dwayne Johnson, Scott Stockslager, Ryan DeLozier, Pat Round, John Miller, Joe Keller and Matt Cooke

Absent: Eric McCurdy, Stark Porter, Don Beazizo, Ken Lindgren and Cale Piland President Lacey London called meeting to order at 10:00AM

WIAA Report

John Miller reported Katie Davis will be leaving the WIAA as she's taken another job.

The Governance Committee has been working on an amendment to address the make-up of our "geographic Districts." Districts are more closely aligned with league affiliation than geography anymore. The constitution of the WIAA can only change via the amendment process. Amendments are typically due in mid-December, discussed and voted on through Winter Coalition/Rep. Assembly and take affect the following year. That means amendments after mid-December are a couple years out. The Governance Committee is recommending that the WIAA Executive Board can and may need to move a little swifter than that in some cases. If the Executive Board feels some aspect of the Constitution needs to be addressed quicker, the Board could have two public meetings to address the change. This will be voted on in April through Rep Assembly.

The Classification Committee will put-up three amendments this year. One would allow a school to "Opt Down in Football only" with an appeal based on several criteria. This will be voted on in April through Rep Assembly.

A second amendment from the Classification Committee, would be to address classification based on a "hard number" again. In conjunction, if this amendment passes, the State tournament bracket allocation would have a ratio of 4 to 1. This will be voted on in January at Winter Coalition.

Another amendment would use the idea of helping schools of poverty, in terms of addressing their classification. The current statewide average of "Free and Reduced" lunch is 43%. If schools surpass that statewide average, a school greater than 53% would drop their enrollment for every percentage above the percentage, with no school getting to deduct more than 40% and no school can drop more than one classification. Through a lot of feedback, no school will have additional percentages by not having Free and Reduced below the statewide average. This will be voted on in January at Winter Coalition.

Discussion regarding the Ejection Appeal process and the amount of time spent on reviewing film.

Finally, the WIAA Executive Board has approved a 6th grade experiment for MS track and cross country in conjunction with the 6th grade wrestling opportunity this year.

Secretaries Report

Minutes of 9/16/18 Board meeting were sent electronically. Motion by Nordi/Malich to approve minutes of 9/16/18. Approved

Financial Report

Financial report sent electronically, including the revised budget.

Motion by Frucci/Malich to approve the Financial Report. Motion Passed.

Middle School Report

Stockslager, DeLozier and Round worked to make a document and video to help Middle Level AD's to add coach's information on their mywiaa account. This is not specific to just Middle Level AD's, but often they have less support than our High School AD's, so having quick go to support like this is super for our membership. This potentially can be another way we reach out to Middle Level AD's to become WSSAAA members, but also a tool for any member school. This kind of work ties right in with our mentorship program and our Toolbox.

Executive Director's Report

Tikker's electronic report included Membership and Sponsorship status.

Tikker put together and was awarded a grant by Section 8 to offer a summer professional growth educational opportunity. The thought is to offer 501, 502, 503 and 504 at Northern Quest June 21-23rd of 2019. We are trying to offer professional growth for outlying States of Section 8, but will also open up to Washington AD's too.

Current Conference Hotel contract update. The buy-out of our contract with the Red Lion/Centennial, apparently may have tax applied to it.

Frucci/Titus moved to pay the tax to the Department of Revenue if necessary. The motion passed. Further discussion included suggesting to the Centennial that the total amount we owe include tax. We have a finite amount from the Tri-Cities and it should include tax if the Department of Revenue applies it to our bill for services not even rendered.

Electronic report also included mentor leadership surveys and mentor updates.

National AD Conference is coming up in December in San Antonio. Monday (3:45 to 4:45) afternoon includes a Networking presentation and help is needed to facilitate. Sunday social from 6-9 PM for the Washington delegates in Republic Room of the Grand Hyatt.

A decision needs to be made regarding the format of our Conference and the days we utilize for our conference. Do we end it on Tuesday or Wednesday, in terms of getting AD's back to their building's? The idea to have Sunday night be our Hall of Fame banquet so more people can attend. That would require the conference to start sooner.

How does our membership feel about giving up another weekend day for a school day? Tikker knows he needs to sign the new contracts very soon, so this decision is critical.

Tikker is working on making job descriptions for our Committees and hopes to have by the first of the year.

Second vice president to run the 2021 Conference needs to be voted on at the 2019 Conference. The nominations are now open.

Educational Aspects

Bridge shared info from the "wrongful death" lawsuit in the Evergreen School District. Return to Play need to be built into school districts protocol and handbooks, not just relying on the doctor's release.

Critical to store helmets and shoulder pads "off the floor" if they are not sent in for reconditioning. Coach, AD and Business manager should all receive copies of the helmet inventory and reconditioning. Riddell will not recondition Vicis football helmets. Reminder that parent owned, personally purchased helmets should be included in Districts inventory to keep tabs on reconditioning. Districts should have policy in place regarding if personally owned helmet is rejected. The helmet should be ID'd to make sure that helmet is marked for that parent. Clear Risk recommends all helmets should be reconditioned every other year minimum, but every year is best practice.

Cross Country runner hit by car this fall. Best practice safety and supervision should be followed.

Return to Learn form from CDC is in electronic packet.

District Reports

District 1 NW Conference seeing a decline in sub-Varsity girls' basketball programs.

District 2 amendments are big hot topic, as well as reduced number of officials

District 3 Shortage of officials is a concern

District 4 League alignment discussion

District 5 McCleary decision affecting levy "cliffs" could have huge impacts on budgets. Also, discussion of schools going to Oregon affecting small school league.

District 6 Fall venues were reviewed, Discussion on Director and Officer Insurance, preliminary discussions about the Classification amendment and all of the amendment timelines discussion, Regional Wrestling Alignments and Officials Appreciation weeks

District 7 B level schools discussion on impact of Classification amendment

District 8 Football scheduling trying to be proactive; third HS being built in CVSD,

Slowpitch Pseudo State tournament had 5 leagues (32 current teams)

District 9 no report

Awards

Malich needs nominations for NIAAA Distinguished, NFHS Citation Award, NIAAA HOF, WSSAAA HOF and AD of Year. Several are due by March 1, with no meeting between now and then. Malich will send out communication to help spur nominations, with criteria listed. Since we are meeting in November, we may need to vote electronically. Malich/VanSickle moved to nominate Scott Nordi (as past president) for the NIAAA State Award of Merit. Approved.

Commendation, Service and AD of the Year will hopefully all be an on-line application. Everything needs to be submitted to WSSAAA by the end of January, so leagues need to submit names in November or December, so that Districts can pick their nominee at their January meetings. District 3 created State AD of the Year rubric for nomination.

WSSAAA Hall of Fame and AD of the Year Banquet

Appelgate requested nominees for both the WSSAAA Hall of Fame and State AD of Year as soon as possible. Bio's and letters of recommendation are critical for the preparations for the banquet.

Magazine

Keller is trying to get more AD's involved in writing and giving AD's recognition for the good work being done across the State. Articles are always welcome as he tries to have a bank of articles. Photos from our events are also always welcome, to highlight the magazine. One idea is to create a comment/dialogue blog so AD's can respond to articles in the magazine. Next issue will be a Jan. 11 publication so articles will be due by Jan. 8 (Moe, Kanyer, Johnson and London).

LTI Coordinator

Cohort will be starting up soon, with CAA required classes being offered at Lake Washington. Dec. 8 for 501 and Jan. 26 for 502. 503 date to be determined. Registration will happen through AMP. WSAAA Board members may take 790 to be able to teach LTI courses and Titus will arrange for an offering if there is enough interest. Please send Eric interest in this offering.

Membership

No report, other than current membership stands at 431. AMP reorganized to archive some inactive members. There are approximately 44 new AD's that have not been contacted and Frucci will work to reduce that number. The request is to have District Reps review their members to cross reference.

2019 WSSAAA Conference

Titus said GICL (Good Idea Cut-off Line) for breakout sessions will be the next few weeks (December 7) if WSSAAA members want to give feedback regarding things they'd like to see at the Conference.

April 28, 29, 30 and May 1 are the Conference Dates at Spokane at the Centennial (formerly Hotel Red Lion).

Jason Hanson will be the "kick-off" speaker. Closing speaker will be Coyte Cooper. Titus will be setting up the LTI courses offered at the Conference.

The 2019 Conference schedule will be titled "Give and Grow; Achievement, Character & Excellence (ACE).

Vendor Report

On-line registration for Vendors was released to our sponsors first and then open to all of our past vendors. That on-line registration has only been up since Friday and already six vendors have paid, directly due to AMP.

Good of the Order

Johnson reported that WPAN has a new model for partnership for schools using ScoreBook Live.

Happy Thanksgiving to all. Please take time to enjoy your families.

Tikker said we have the option to have a February meeting, should we need to regarding staying on track for the Conference.

Adjournment

Motion by Malich/Kanyer to adjourn. Approved.

Next meeting Sunday April 28, 2019 prior to the WSSAAA Conference