

Idaho High School Activities Association

Board of Directors Meeting

July 30, 2024, 2:00 p.m.

Members Present:

Spencer Barzee, Tonia Burk, Burke Davis, Brady Dickinson, Dana Facer, Hiroshi Fukuoka, Heath Jackson, Tyler Johnson, Randy Lords, Dena Naccarato, Starr Olsen, Rob Sauer

Members Absent:

Mark Kress, Shawn Tiegs

Staff Present:

Chad Williams, Julie Hammons, Mike Federico, Zach Hoffman, Conlin Coburn as secretary

Staff Absent:

None

Visitors:

Vince Mann, Borah HS

Jon Hallock, Caldwell HS

Darren Krzenik, Officials

Will Barber, Nampa HS

Tony Brulotte, Eagle HS

Kevin Beard, Emmett HS

Tol Gropp, Timberline HS

Richard Whitelaw, SVCS

Jason Warr, West Ada

Jennifer Murdock, Declo HS

Larry Taylor, WIC

Tonya Wilkes, SP 25

Matt Harris, Ririe HS

Brian Walker, Boise Schools

Dane Pence, Mountain View HS

Jeremy Burgess, Payette HS

Gavin Watson, Centennial HS

Kelly Caldwell, Genesee HS

Information:

None

New Board Members

Rob Sauer introduced two new board members, Tyler Johnson and Brady Dickinson.

A motion was made to approve the agenda.

Motion carried

CONSENT AGENDA

Chad Williams provided an update on the financials, noting that there is not much to report at this time of year. He highlighted that website expenses are currently at 146% due to the production of a new concussion training video.

A motion was made to approve the consent agent which included the Balance Sheet, Financial Report as of June 1, 2024-July 30, 2024, and the IHSAA Board of Directors action via phone, email, and fax.

Motion carried

REPORT AGENDA

YEA Update

Julie Hammons reported on the YEA stating it finished over \$5,000,000 for the first time ever. The dividend that will be distributed is up to 18%. She mentioned that .5% will be disbursed in addition to the regular disbursements, for fully vested schools. She mentioned that overall, it was a great year for the YEA.

Dairy West Updated

Chad Williams reported that the 2024-2025 Dairy West contract is in place. He said there are no major changes to it, and we are very grateful for their continued support.

Officials Update

Daren Kresnik presented the officials report, highlighting that other states offer officials the option to purchase a pass card, which grants them access to all state tournament games. Daren also mentioned the idea of an all-season pass, where officials could purchase a card that grants them access to regular season games as well as the state tournament. He proposed initiating a discussion on adopting a similar initiative to aid in recruiting officials and to provide an incentive for more individuals to join. The board moved the topic to a discussion item for the September board meeting.

Marketing

Zach Hoffman presented the marketing update. He reported that since the last board meeting, Toyota and Project Filter have renewed their contracts. However, the Army National Guard will not be returning as a sponsor. He mentioned the ongoing effort to secure additional sponsors, including a potential ball sponsor for the upcoming baseball season.

Audit Review

Chad Williams discussed the financial review conducted earlier. He said the financial review was positive and the organization is in a strong position. He expressed gratitude for the member schools and all attendees of our games.

2024 NFHS Summer Meeting

The NFHS Summer Conference was held in Boston this year, with board members Mark Kress and Starr Olsen attending. Starr shared his positive experience, highlighting the leadership workshops. He expressed his excitement about being introduced to new technological advancements in high schools and found the overall experience enjoyable.

Julie, Mike, and Chad were also in attendance. They emphasized the value of the conference for the directors, noting that it provides an excellent opportunity to exchange ideas with other administrations throughout the country.

2024 National Student Leadership Summit

Mike Federico reported that the 2024 National Student Leadership Summit was held in Indianapolis, Indiana. However, the Idaho group's flights to the conference were cancelled. This was disappointing for the students, as some of them have helped plan this conference for months. He noted there were no alternative flights to get them there in time. He emphasized the value of this experience for the students and mentioned that a spot has been reserved for them for next year.

2024-25 Student Advisory Council Retreat

Mike Federico reported that the Student Advisory Council retreat is scheduled for Thursday. He expressed excitement about the group of seniors who have independently taken on the challenge of planning the retreat. He stated that 33 students will be attending, and the agenda includes two days of activities such as floating the Boise River, meetings, goal setting, and other activities.

2024 District Rules Clinics

Chad Williams discussed the upcoming district rules clinics, which the schedule is now linked on the website. He highlighted the changes being made to the website and encouraged everyone to report any issues they encounter. He reminded coaches of the importance of attending these clinics to familiarize themselves with the rules and to avoid fines from their local board of control.

23-24 Concussions

Chad Williams presented a PowerPoint created by intern Maire Dickens, which covered concussion statistics in Idaho athletics. He encouraged Athletic Directors to review the presentation and offered to provide specific trend data upon request to help schools understand their concussion numbers. He noted that, based on the data, there were no alarming trends and that the numbers have remained consistent over the past ten years.

Wednesday July 31, 2024

Julie Hammons reported the IHSAA Annual meeting will be held Wednesday, July 31st at 1:30 p.m. at the Boise Center in room 430. 2023-24 Schools of Excellence awards will be presented. The Hall of Fame banquet will take place after the meeting at 6:30 p.m. also at the Boise Centre in room 400.

2024-25 Committee Assignments

Chad reported the updated committee assignments for 2024-2025 school year, noting changes based on the addition of new members.

September Board of Director Meeting: District II

Chad Williams reported the September Board of Directors meeting will be held on Tuesday, September 24th in Moscow, Idaho at 8:00 a.m. The location is pending but the times are correct.

Media Days

Mike Federico reported that the media days schedule is available on the website. He mentioned the upcoming media days, which provide an opportunity for discussion about new ideas and rule changes with media personnel. He expressed his enjoyment of these events and noted that the office gains valuable insights from them.

Legends of the Game

Julie discussed the Legends of the Game, which honors historic basketball teams. She highlighted the need for more nominations for girls' teams, as there are currently more nominations for boys' teams. The deadline for submissions is September 10th, and the application is available on the IHSAA website.

Classification Cycle

Chad Williams discussed the "2 Box" form available on the website, which outlines classification cycle guidelines. He noted that this is an enrollment year, and the State Board of Education will be providing enrollment numbers in November and March to determine classifications. Chad mentioned that proposals for new classification methods can be submitted, with a deadline of February 15th. He also reminded that the new classification terminology, 1A through 6A, will be implemented immediately.

Committees

- **State Tournament**

Julie Hammons reported that the sites, dates, and managers schedule for fall sports was discussed. She noted that state swimming events have faced challenges with fan capacity, leading to adjustments in ticketing. Going forward, all swim tickets will be distributed through the schools and allocated based on the number of qualifying athletes from each school. A plan is in place to address previous issues.

- **Eligibility Committee**

Chad Williams discussed the updated process for voting on hardships, noting that the procedure for receiving results will differ from the previous method. He encouraged Athletic Directors to provide feedback and assured them that efforts are being made to improve the process for greater efficiency and smooth operation.

Rules & Regulations/ By-Laws

Chad Williams discussed the ongoing review of rules and regulations, noting that there may be a need for clearer wording. He mentioned that Athletic Directors have requested more guidance on accommodations for 504 plans. Chad indicated that updates to rules and regulations will be made throughout the year, with a focus on refining the language for clarity.

Associate Membership – Kootenai Classical Academy

Chad Williams announced that Kootenai Classical Academy has been approved for an associate membership status. As an associate member, Kootenai Classical Academy is eligible to participate in regular season games with other schools but will not be eligible for postseason play. He noted that they will offer volleyball, cross country, basketball, track, wrestling, and cheerleading.

ACTION AGENDA- FINAL READINGS

2024-2025 Ticket Prices

A motion was made to increase ticket prices. It was noted that swimming tickets will be issued by schools, with a disclaimer indicating that tickets are subject to availability and that no on-site tickets will be available for swimming events. (See page 7)

Motion carried

ACTION AGENDA-FIRST READINGS

RULE 6

A motion was made to approve rule 6 as outlined in the packet to a second reading. (See page 7)

Motion carried

DISCUSSION AGENDA

1. **Adrian High School Request**-Request for Adrian High School to become a regular member of the Idaho High School Activities Association. No Action Taken.
2. **Board Make-up**- A discussion was held regarding representation on the Board of Directors. Previously, a committee was established to review bylaws related to representation. Chad

highlighted a bylaw concerning the limitation of authority. The board also reviewed 38 years of data of district representation over the years. Chad noted there were noted there were no discernible trends in the data. An inconsistency was identified in the nomination process for each district. Chad stated he will review and compare the nomination processes between districts. The committee will meet to develop a proposal, which will be presented to member schools to ensure they have a voice in the process of board representation. No Action Taken.

3. **Hybrid Play-off Expansion-** A discussion took place about creating a committee to address the proposal to modify IHSAA state tournament formats and team selection criteria. There will be a committee created within the next few weeks to gather information regarding the member school's opinion on the matter. No Action Taken.
4. **Speech Arts Proposal-** A motion was made to move the **Speech Arts Proposal** to the action agenda for the September Board of Directors meeting, with modification to wording as needed. (See page 8)

Motion Carried

5. **Appeal Process-** Chad Williams discussed the appeal process for student hardships, and the steps of the eligibility verification waiver. No Action Taken.
6. **Officials Coordinator & Administrative Assistant-** Chad Williams discussed the new positions available at the IHSAA office. He mentioned an official's coordinator will work 20 hours a week remotely, and an administrative assistant will be 20 hours a week in the afternoon. No Action Taken.
7. **DragonFly-**A discussion was held regarding DragonFly and the IHSAA's five-year contract. Chad noted that DragonFly will be utilized for an additional three years to fulfill the terms of the contract. No Action Taken.
8. **Sub-varsity-** Discussion was held about the requirement of having two officials instead of one for sub-varsity volleyball officials. No Action Taken.



IHSAA State Tournament Admissions Pricing 2024-2025

Activity	General per game/session or day		Championship		Tournament Pass*		Reserved Seats* per game/session	
	General	Discount	General	Discount	General	Discount	General	Discount
Volleyball	\$20.00	\$16.00	\$15.00	\$13.00	\$27.00	\$22.00		
Soccer	\$ 10.00	\$ 9.00	\$11.00	\$ 10.00	\$22.00	\$18.00		
Swimming**	\$ 10.00	\$ 9.00	\$11.00	\$ 10.00	\$16.00	\$13.00		
Football	\$ 10.00	\$ 9.00	\$13.00	\$ 10.00				
Basketball	\$ 10.00	\$ 9.00	\$12.00	\$ 10.00	\$32.00	\$26.00	\$15.00	\$ 15.00
Wrestling	\$24.00	\$18.00	\$24.00	\$18.00	\$35.00	\$23.00		
Softball	\$ 10.00	\$ 9.00	\$11.00	\$ 10.00	\$27.00	\$22.00		
Track	\$ 10.00	\$ 9.00						
Cheer/Dance	\$12.00	\$ 9.00					\$15.00	\$ 15.00

Note: All tickets are subject to availability

Discount Tickets = Seniors 55 & older; students in grades 7-12 w/activity card (not college); 5 years & under are free.

If patrons are unable to purchase tickets through GoFan|Ticketing, on-site cash tickets are available.

*Tournament passes & reserved seats are only available online and are subject to a convenience fee.

**State Swimming tickets will be allocated directly to participating schools.

RULE 6 - CONTRACTS

6-1 The ***Interscholastic Activities Contract*** must be used to arrange varsity contests in football, volleyball, soccer, basketball, wrestling, **baseball, softball and tennis**. The principal or activities director of each school must sign the contract. When a school has two or more teams competing in the same sport, the teams must be clearly designated as "first", "second", or "third" team. (See contract form for additional information.)

1. A contract would include but is not limited to:

- a. IHSAA Opposing School Activity Contract
- b. IHSAA School Wide Activity Contract
- c. Schedule Signature Verification by Both Schools
- d. School Specific Contract
- e. Electronic Verification such as emails or schedule platforms

6-2 If the contract is breached by either party, the IHSAA Board of Directors or District Board of Control, whichever is appropriate, will determine reasonable damages to be paid to the contracted opponent by the school that breaches the contract. In no case will the damages exceed three times the Association annual membership fee. The Board will not review oral contracts.

6-2-1 If the District Board of Control determines a breach of contract has occurred, schools will enter a "forfeit" score into MaxPreps.

6-3 Contracts may be cancelled by mutual written consent of the contracting schools.

6-4 The Board of Directors may cancel any contest or contract if the Board determines that the contest should not be held because of death, fire, flood, disease, abandonment of an activity, or other reasons of impossibility of performance. No contest shall be ruled a forfeit until the Board has reviewed the facts of each case.

Current:

Tournament Inquiry Procedure

1. Concerns regarding possible rules violations by coaches or competitors during state tournaments must be submitted in writing to the tournament manager. The commissioner and manager will review the complaint and, if necessary, a grievance committee will be convened to consider the inquiry and determine dispensation.
 - a. In order to be considered, grievances must be submitted within 7 days of the last round of the tournament.
2. A contestant who is found to have violated rules of an event may be disqualified.
3. Ethical misconduct at tournaments will be dealt with as outlined in the “Ethical Misconduct Procedures” form.

Proposed Change:

Tournament Inquiry Procedure

1. Concerns regarding possible rules violations by coaches or competitors during state tournaments must be submitted in writing to the tournament manager. ~~In order to be considered, grievances must be submitted within 7 days of the last round of the tournament.~~ ~~Once the preliminary rounds are concluded, only the judges of the entry(ies) during the current round may submit an inquiry and/or grievance.~~ The commissioner and manager will review the complaint and, if necessary, a grievance committee will be convened to consider the inquiry and determine dispensation. ~~A decision on all grievances must be reached prior to the next round of competition or prior to the awards ceremony, whichever comes first.~~
 - a. ~~In order to be considered, grievances must be submitted within 7 days of the last round of the tournament.~~
2. A contestant who is found to have violated rules of an event may be disqualified. ~~Any entry disqualified in the final round of competition will still be able to participate in the awards ceremony as a finalist*.~~ Any entry disqualified in the final round of competition will still be able to participate in the awards ceremony as a finalist*. That entry will not place or receive sweeps points for their team. **Note: If the disqualification was due to an egregious or unsportsmanlike act, the entry will not be allowed to participate in the awards ceremony.*
3. Ethical misconduct at tournaments will be dealt with as outlined in the “Ethical Misconduct Procedures” form.