Idaho High School Activities Association
Board of Directors Meeting
MINUTES
June 15, 2016

Members Present
Bryan Jolley, Kimber Chrz, Tol Gropp, Rich Bauscher, Ron Anthony, Tim Perrigot, Gary Brogan, Jerry Keane, Kevin Howard, Dwight Richins, Jeff Cirka, Tracy Fuller, Rhonda Heggen

Members Absent
Jason Knopp, Curt Randall-Bayer

Staff Present:
Ty Jones, Julie Hammons, Elizabeth Kidd as secretary

Visitors
Todd Gilkey, St. Maries HS
Ted Reynolds, Middleton HS
Steve Sosnowski, Capital HS
Troy Rice, Rocky Mt. HS
Julie Prince, Idaho Swimming

Vince Mann, Borah HS
Mike Kraemer, McCall Donnelley HS
Robert Parker, Pocatello HS
Paul Kingsbury, IdahoSports.com

Josh Hegstad, Caldwell HS
Jon Ruzicka, Boise Schools
Tracy Leinen, Boise HS
Scott Stuart, West Ada SD

Mike Federico Twin Falls HS
Richard Whitelaw, Community School
Jeremy Bergquist, Ridgevue HS
Kristy Sligar, Idaho Swimming

Letters
Special Olympics Project Unify

The following changes were made to the agenda:
The building project was added to the action agenda
Executive and Assistant Director contracts were added to the action agenda
The budget was added to the action agenda
A co-op was added to the action agenda - Shoshone/Bliss/Hagerman/Glenns Ferry boys and girls soccer
Swimming was added to the action agenda

CONSENT AGENDA

Ty Jones presented the 2015-16 final financial report. He estimates the association will have net revenue of somewhere between $70,000 and $100,000, mainly due to the increase in tournament ticket prices. Expenses were up overall.

The consent agenda which included minutes from the April 2016 meeting, the financial report from April 1, 2016 - May 31, 2016 and the IHSAA Board of Directors Action via Phone, Email, Fax was approved.

REPORT AGENDA

YEA Update
Dick Curtis reported on the YEA. Five schools will be vested as of June 30 which brings the total number of vested schools to 62. They’ll send out between $116,000 and $117,000 in reimbursements in the coming weeks.

Their Board of Directors has decided to replace the word reimbursement with the term dividend distribution. They will discuss moving forward with corporate sponsorship and ways to help more schools become vested.
**United Dairymen of Idaho Update**
Cindy Miller from the Dairymen reported on the Spring Interscholastic Star. They will be doing quarter page ads for each student in their local newspapers and those will be out during the week of June 20.

**2016 State Track Meet**
Ty Jones reported on the state track meet. The association is still waiting on several bills to come in before a completed financial summary can be released.

**2016 State Softball Tournament**
Ty Jones reported on the state softball tournament. With the exception of the 1A tournament held in District III, all tournaments had to cancel games due to inclement weather. Jones explained protocol was followed in terms cancelling games, beginning with the consolation bracket. He commended tournament managers on being able to run tournaments despite conditions.

Despite poor weather and cancelled games, softball turned a profit of $1,695.

**2016 State Tennis Tournament**
Julie Hammons reported on the state tennis tournament. Weather was also an issue with tennis held in District III. They were forced to move to indoor sites. The 3A tournament was at a disadvantage as they don’t have enough indoor courts to run an entire tournament indoors.

This year, tennis cost $14,264. Additional sites had to paid due to inclement weather and the USTA raised their officials fee from $15 per match to $20 per match.

**2016 State Golf Tournament**
Julie Hammons reported on the state golf tournament. The cost of running the golf tournament this year was $18,053 which includes a course fee and $1000 to each host school for course monitors.

**2016 State Speech**
Julie Hammons reported that the state speech tournament, held in Coeur d'Alene, ran smoothly with no issues.

**2016-17 Administrative Workshops/Meetings**
Ty Jones reported on the dates and times of the fall administration meetings.

**2016-17 District Rules Clinics**
Ty Jones reported on the times, dates and places for the rules clinics.

**Schools of Excellence – End of Year Standings**
Julie Hammons reported on the end-of-year standings for Schools of Excellence. These schools, along with the 2nd and 3rd place schools, will be honored at the Annual Meeting on August 3.
5A: Eagle High School
4A: Bishop Kelly High School
3A: Shelley High School
2A: Declo High School
1AD1: Oakley High School
1AD2: Community School

**IHSAA Audit Review**
Every third year, the IHSAA completes a full audit as opposed to just a review. This will be completed by the August meeting.

**Winter and Spring Sport Concussion Totals**
Ty Jones reported on the winter and spring concussion survey. There was 100 percent compliance in the fall and winter but there were two schools who did not submit information. Concussion numbers have risen slightly over last year but fewer schools were completing the survey in previous years.

**Committee Reports**
The state tournament committee looked at the long-term impact of keeping the state track and field championship at Dona Larson Park. Currently, it is costing approximately $20,000 compared with the $5000 it would cost to host it at an area high school with a similar amount of seating.

The debate championship will be held in District IV. Wood River, has requested to host the tournament. A survey of coaches came back 60 percent to 40 percent in favor of holding the tournament in the Twin Falls area instead of Wood River. The committee voted to deny Wood River’s request and hold the tournament in the Twin Falls area.

The representation committee reviewed track, tennis and softball representation for 2017.

**2016 August 1-3 Board Meeting, Hall of Fame and IHSAA Annual Meeting**
Ty Jones noted the dates and times for August meetings. The Board of Directors work session is on August 1, the Board Meeting and Hall of Fame Banquet are on August 2, and the Annual Meeting is on August 3.

**NFHS Response to US Department of Education joint guidance on transgender students**
Ty Jones reported that a few years ago, the IHSAA passed a well-thought out transgender student-athlete policy. According to the US Department of Education, the IHSAA has a fairly good policy and only need to make a few changes to comply with new standards. The IHSAA worked closely with Oregon and Washington when drafting the original policy and will continue to work with them now as well as the NFHS.

**ALC Architecture Proposal**
The association has met with an architect to expand the building and add some parking to the west side of the building. The additional space will include a larger work room, additional storage, a new office and a conference room.

**Officials Game Review Procedure**
Some member schools have asked the Board to consider allowing video review of officials’ decisions. The Board did not support moving in this direction.

**Rules and Regulations Manual**
The IHSAA legal counsel has addressed several things schools and districts are facing when it comes to current legal trends in civil rights/disabilities cases with Ty Jones and the Board of Directors.

**ACTION AGENDA**

**Neutral Officials**
Changing rule 10-1-6 regarding neutral officials for IHSAA playoff games in football was approved as a final reading.

The new rule will read as follows:
In football, a school may request that officials selected to officiate IHSAA play-off games be assigned from a neutral district that is located closest to the site of the play-off game. Such requests must be submitted by the school in writing to the IHSAA by the Monday prior to the contest.

Example: A school from District V requests their 4A football play-in games involving District IV to use officials from a neutral district. If the game is played in District IV, District III officials would be used. If the game is played in District V, District VI officials would be used.

If circumstances exist where officials are not available from a neutral district, the officials will be assigned under the IHSAA standard policy for assigning officials to play-off games.

**Hall of Fame Ticket Prices**
Changing the ticket prices for the Hall of Fame Banquet from $25 to $35 was approved as a final reading.

**Official’s Registration**
Changing the officials’ registration fee structure from $37 to $40 and increasing the late registration from $47 to $60 was approved as a final reading.

**Rollie Lane Wrestling Tournament**
Allowing the Rollie Lane Wrestling Tournament to count as a one-day tournament for the 2016-17 and 2017-18 school years was approved as a final reading.

**State Tournament Bracketing**
The following tournament bracketing procedures were approved as a final reading.

The draw priorities are as follows:
1. If a district’s A team played another district’s A team in the previous year’s tournament, they will not play any A team in the current year’s tournament
2. A district’s B team will draw to the opposite half of the bracket from their district’s A team
3. B’s and C’s from the same district may draw to the same half but opposite quarters
4. Qualifiers from the same district should not meet in the first round if possible
5. IHSAA executive staff or board member designee reserves the right to modify brackets if #1-4 are not followed

**Football Equipment**
Modifying rule 17-2-6 pertaining to the number of consecutive days for summer football equipment use was approved as a final reading.

The new rule will read as follows: *No school-owned uniforms and/or protective equipment may be used without written permission from the IHSAA. With that permission, schools may use their own protective equipment in a camp or clinic for a period of seven days within a 10-day period* upon written request from the trustees of the school. Included in the request shall be a statement of recognition that IHSAA sponsored catastrophic insurance provides no coverage for the activity and any and all liabilities rest solely with the school, camp or clinic. Individual students from a specific school are not required to use the school’s protective equipment in the same camp as other team members. Each individual student will only be allowed to use an IHSAA member school’s protective equipment by renting or loaning for a period of seven days within a 10-day period.

**Co-ops**
The following co-ops were approved:

- Kellogg/Wallace baseball
- Kellogg/Wallace softball
- Kellogg/Wallace cross county
- Kellogg/Wallace boys and girls soccer
- McCall/Cascade/Meadows Valley wrestling
- McCall/Cascade/Meadows Valley cross country
McCall/Cascade/Meadows Valley boys and girls soccer
Highland/Nezperce football
Highland/Culdesac softball
Highland/Nezperce/Timberline cross country

Madison/Ririe boys and girls soccer
Mountain Home/Rimrock girls soccer
Payette/Notus boys soccer
Shoshone/Bliss/Hagerman/Glenns Ferry boys and girls soccer

Official of the Year
Kent Marboe was approved as the 2016 Official of the Year as a final reading.

Clark County/Lima (Montana) Co-op
Clark County’s request to form a football co-op with Lima High School from Montana was approved as a final reading.

F-1 Visas
Adding wording to rule 8-9-2 regarding Foreign Exchange student with F-1 Visas was approved as final reading.

The new rule will read as follows: The foreign exchange student must possess a current J-1 visa, issued by the US State Department. A foreign exchange student who possesses a current F-1 visa, issued by the US State Department, is eligible for one year and only at the JV level. A receipt of their paid tuition must be included in the paperwork.

Softball Representation
The representation to the 2017 Softball Tournament with modifications as needed was approved as a first reading.

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Softball Bracketing
The bracketing and pairing for the 2017 Softball Tournament as drawn by IHSAA policy was approved as a first reading.
State Softball Play-In Games
The sites, dates and times for the 2017 State Softball Play-In Games were approved as a first reading.

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Fruitland/Payette HS

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Fruitland/Payette HS

2A
3C May 13, 2017
5B 2 p.m.
Twin Falls HS

4B May 13, 2017
6B 2 p.m.
Ward Park, Pocatello

Track Representation
Representation to the 2017 State Track and Field Championships with modifications as needed was approved as a first reading.

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Tennis Representation
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**Football Mercy Rule**
A 40-point mercy rule in football for the 2A, 3A, 4A and 5A classifications was approved as a first reading.

**Tennis Dates**
An increase in the number of dates for tennis from 16 to 18 dates was approved as a first reading.

**Rule 8-13-1**
Amending rule 8-13-1 was approved as a first reading.

The rules will read as follows: *Moving to another school district or school does not remove an ineligibility ruling by the preceding school or eligibility committee. If a move is made with an eligibility determination by the former school, the new school has the right to make that determination based on their rules.*

**Grace Lutheran High School**
Grace Lutheran High School was granted regular membership for the 2016-17 school year as a first reading.

**Summit Academy**
Allowing Summit Academy to use eighth grade boys for their high school basketball team during the 2016-17 school year was denied as a first reading.

**IHSAA Goals**
The 2016-17 IHSAA Goals with modifications as needed were approved as a first reading.
1. Develop technology policy and protocols for IHSAA office staff
2. Update/review with legal counsel IHSAA Rules and Regulations for ADA, OCR and SPED
3. Update and develop state tournament pay schedule for distribution to schools and tournament managers
4. Develop marketing and media pay scale for state tournaments
5. Update staff timelines/job descriptions consistent with the current jobs they possess

**IHSAA Board Officers**
Officers for the 2016-17 school year were approved as a final reading
President: Ron Anthony
Vice President: Chad Williams

**2A Wrestling Representation**
2A wrestling representation was un-tabled and a committee will be formed to reevaluate a proposal for 2A wrestling representation. They will present at the August Board Meeting.

**2A Wrestling Representation**
The current 2A wrestling representation was approved as a first reading.

**Speech Arts Competition**
Modifying the outside competition restrictions for speech arts participants was denied as a first reading.

**Building Addition**
Allowing the architect to develop bid proposals for the IHSAA’s building addition was approved as a final reading.

**Employee Contract**
Renewing the IHSAA Director and Assistant Director contracts for 2016-17 was approved.
Budget Approval
The 2016-17 budget with modifications as needed was approved as a final reading.

DISCUSSION AGENDA

1. Swimming
Idaho High School Swimming presented the Board of Directors with a request for sanctioning, including sponsoring the state tournament. High school swimming began in 1989 and asked the IHSAA for sanctioning in 2007. The group has been running their activity according to IHSAA rules for approximately eight years and would like to be sanctioned beginning with the 2017-18 school year.

This will remain on the discussion agenda for the August Board Meeting.

2. Audio webcast rights
Ty Jones met with Paul Kingsbury to discuss granting Idaho Sports the audio webcast rights for all state play-in and tournament games. Beginning with the 2016-17 school year. This would require radio stations to go through Idaho Sports if they want to broadcast their games on the internet but would not effect traditional radio broadcasts.

The bid process will move forward and a vote will take place through email or at the August meeting.

3. Debate and speech classification proposal
It is proposed that the state speech and debate competitions split schools into classifications after they have qualified for the tournament. They would award a big schools, medium schools and small schools state championship.

This item will be on the action agenda at the August meeting.

4. Solo musical theatre
Tracy Fuller explained that it is difficult to judge solos vs. ensembles in the musical theatre competition at the state drama tournament and proposed they be split into two events. The only cost would be three additional medals and it would fit well into the current tournament.

This item will be on the action agenda at the August meeting.