

Fifth District Board of Control
January 16, 2008
Preston High School Library

Members in attendance: Irene Alder President, Shari Bradley, Dan Ralphs, Coy Pratt, Gary Yearsley, Clay McKee, Gary Brogan, Barbara Taylor, David Ross, Wendy Shelman, substituting for Kaileen Harris, Launa Moser, Stan Bingham, Lee Ralphs

Visitors: Greg Harding, Gary Carlson

Agenda:

Consent Agenda

1. Minutes of November 7, 2007 were reviewed. It was moved by Dan Ralphs, and Dave Ross seconded a motion to accept the minutes. Vote was unanimous.
2. Financial Report from November 7, 2007 was reviewed. It was moved by Stan Bingham, and Launa Moser seconded a motion to accept the report. Vote was unanimous.

Report Agenda

1. IHSAA Board of Control-Barbara Taylor
 - Financial report from State Playoff for Football was very good.
 - Student Physical Forms need to be kept confidential, other students should not view them.
 - Orofino High School petitioned down. The petition was denied so they will remain at 2A.
 - IHSAA State Rules apply to State Play-in games for Soccer and Volleyball.
 - Hall of Fame applications and screening. Stan Bingham was a reader for the screening representing District 5.
 - State Drama numbers down. Fewer schools are competing.
 - In the near future the law might require compiling for public view expenditures on uniforms, coaches, training facility made by schools.
 - A-1- Region 3 says they were unaware that the split in the 1A classification would occur. They missed the date for appeal and feel notification was not given properly. The IHSAA Committee had made their decision, but decided to survey superintendents in 1A to determine if they wanted the split. Twenty wanted the split while 28 did not want the split. The IHSAA Board decided there would stay with their original decision. and have two divisions in 1A.
 - Football Representation-There are two philosophies, cross bracket or regionally. Go to each classification to develop philosophy for that classification.
 - Representation for State Wrestling- first reading.
 - Golf – Motion that State Golf should not be played on a home course when possible was denied. However, the host team was eliminated from receiving an automatic a bid to State Tourney. First reading.
 - 5A Track wants a 4x800. First reading. 4A did not want to do it.
 - Add Sportsmanship Award at State Soccer.

- State Tournament Rules for Sportsmanship for across the board- first reading-resistance from northern schools.
- ISATA requests for rule changes and procedural changes.
- Recruiting violation from Century was discussed and the IHSAA Board chose not to act. The Century football coach sent a card out to all 8th players in school district #25 boundaries and invited them to come to Century. Pocatello School district said that all high school principals knew that this was going out, and the other principals did not object. .

Discussion by the Fifth District Board of Control

- IHSAA Rules need to be followed by all.
- Rules 8-18-3 in IHSAA Handbook needs to better define the rule and clear up what was undo influence.
- Gary Brogan moved and Launa Moser seconded a motion to send a letter to Bob Devine and Mary Vagner of School District #25 as well as John Billetz advising that it is the Fifth District Board of Control's opinion that School District #25 is infringing on the area of recruitment and their actions in that area need to be reevaluated. Vote: Yes 10 No 0 Abstain 2.

Barbara Taylor and Irene Alder called Mr. Billetz at the conclusion of the meeting. He advised to send letters to the IHSAA Board of Director individually, rather than School District #25. Irene Alder and Barbara Taylor will send individual letters to the Board of Directors.

Department Reports

1. Boys Athletics – Lee Ralphs Nominations for State Coaches Awards are need this spring. Idaho State Coaches Association meeting will be this Sunday. The Summer Clinic will be discussed.

2. 2A-Stan Bingham The 2A schools are in favor of the arbiters system for assigning officials.

3. Girls Athletic-Launa Moser - Awards will be taken over by Bill Cooper for the State Coaches again. Coaches of Girls Sports Representative position open on the IHSAA Board of Directors. Shauna Mathews from Snake Rive has been nominated. District Coaches awards have been sent out.

4. Speech Arts –Wendy Shelman Debate is currently underway. American Falls High School will start a Debate Program for next year.

5. Dave Ross Concerns about 3 man basketball officiating. **Motion:** Dave Ross moved to send a letter and or message to the Basketball Commissioner to eliminate using 3 man officiating crews at this point in the season. Stan Bingham seconded the motion. Vote was unanimous.

6. Music Clay McKee District Five has 44 students going to All State Festival. No decision has been made on changing the Honors Clinic date back to original date. There is a movement to change State Solo to three regional locations. Asked the Board's feeling, on requiring schools participation in the Large Group Festival. Board felt it should be individual schools prerogative. One school district scheduled Parent Teacher Conference on a District Music event date.

7. 3A -Gary Yeasley- 3A schools are in favor of use of the Arbiter program for scheduling officials.

8. 4A-Coy Pratt When the Fourth District brings on the new Twin Falls High School the Fifth District will look at scheduling more with the Sixth District.

9. Dance/Drill –Cheer Irene Alder/Shari Bradley District Competition for Dance/Drill and Cheer will be at Pocatello High School on Feb 9.

Discussion Agenda

1. Sportsmanship conference held in the fall has been a great help at some of the schools. Highland has been particularly pleased with results from the conference.

2. Superintendent Concern – When a Parent is removed from an event schools need to communicate with other schools. Communication does exist.

3. Football Site inspection committee: Fifth District's Committee: Gary Brogan / Shari Bradley / Dan Ralphs

Presidents/Secretaries Meeting- Item for discussion. Do all Districts have a committee ready to inspect the site? Are the Standards cited by the IHSAA adequate for these games?

4. Letter / Malad High School- Sportsmanship issue concerning Soda Springs. 2A Representative Stan Bingham was assigned to contact Soda Springs and discuss their actions concerning this issue.

5. Gary Carlson- Baseball/Softball Commissioner- Concern about using the Arbiter to assign officials, as there are so many weather related changes in Spring Sports. 2A State Softball is scheduled for Ward Park.

6. Greg Harding-Fifth District Officials Association President

- Proposal ranking of Football officials by position. Official's association not in favor of ranking officials by position. Officials work different level of football and work numerous positions on the field. Coaches do not understand the positions of the officials and requirements of those positions. This system could also limit official's positions during the season as officials would pick a position and only want to work that position.
- Wrestling Officials receiving checks in a timely manner has been a problem at one school. School will be contacted about the problem. Official should be paid prior to or before leave the contest.
- Arbiters for assigning officials–Officials as a rule like it the system.

7. Voting on Official's Ranking by Position in Football will move to the Action Agenda in the March meeting.

8. Fifth District Calendar for 2008/2009 was worked on. A copy of the Calendar as it now stands will accompany these minutes. However, there are still many dates to be added.

Action Agenda

1. Proposal to require all Commissioners to use the Arbiter to assign officials to contests. Coy Pratt moved to leave the current assignment process alone and use the Arbiter for basketball only. Barbara Taylor seconded the motion. Vote: Yes - 10 No 1.

Respectfully submitted,

Roslyn Brimhall, Secretary