

BOARD OF DIRECTORS
Minutes

Wednesday, June 7, 2023

1.0 **ROLL CALL**

- a. Meeting was called to order and roll call taken by Cathy Lenz. Attended virtually Cameron Wright and Sara Crawford. Not in attendance Robert Framel, Elizabeth Jameson and Emma Martinez.

2.0 **PRESIDENT'S WELCOME & REPORT**

- a. President Luke DeWolfe thanked the staff for the end of the year dinner at Maggiano's. Congratulated the staff for the successful spring championships. Shared that this was an amazing year without the distractions from previous years.
- b. Board and staff shared plans for the summer.
- c. No additional items added to agenda.

3.0 **APPROVAL OF MINUTES & PROBATION/RESTRICTION REVIEW**

- a. Motion to review and approve Minutes of the April 18, 2023 CHSAA Board of Directors Meeting was made by Joe Brown and seconded by Ryan West. A clerical date error was corrected. Motion carries.
- b. Motion to review and approve Minutes of the April 21, 2023 virtual CHSAA Board of Directors meeting was made by Travis Stinar and seconded by Bret McClendon. Motion carries.
- c. Motion to review and approve the Probation Removal List was made by Ryan West and seconded by Wendy Dunaway. Motion carries.

4.0 **TREASURER'S REPORT/FINANCIAL UPDATE**

- a. Finance Director, Sarah Vernon-Brunner, gave a Budget Report through the month of April. Still closing out the month of May with all the state championships. Will update the Board in August with those final figures. The motion to approve the Budget Report was made by Alfie Lotrich and seconded by Cameron Wright. Motion carries.

Discussion regarding the reserve accounts and specific line items. All agreed the grant monies received were a "win" for the Association.
- b. Ms. Vernon-Brunner reviewed the 2023-2024 Budget which has already been reviewed and approved by Legislative Council in April. She reviewed the minor adjustments made since the April meeting and final budget now needs approval by the Board of Directors. The motion to approve the 2023-2024 Budget was made by Travis Stinar and seconded by Joe Brown. Motion carries. President DeWolfe thanked Sarah for her time and her in-depth dive into the budget as

well as the explanations in layman's terms so all can understand. Much appreciated.

- c. Ms. Vernon-Brunner presented the ticket price change suggestions for the 2023-2024 year for review by the Board. These will be voted upon at the August Board meeting. She shared that GoFan is our ticketing service for championship events, unless we host events at private locations where they have their own ticketing provider. Those events we have no control over the service fees. Reviewed and clarified the transactions fees and the increase in soccer ticket prices. Reviewed the new ticket prices for football at CSU Pueblo. The cost of post season will increase due to the increase in officials' fees.

5.0 LEGAL UPDATE

- a. Legal Counsel, Alex Halpern, reviewed the documentation from the DOJ regarding implementation of an on-the-spot modification approval that can be granted by the head referee. This will be embedded into Article 5 and the CHSAA Policy sections of the bylaw book. We will need to offer staff training regarding disabilities.

6.0 BOARD OF DIRECTORS UPDATES

- a. Sara Crawford spoke about the state track meet and how low IA participation numbers were.
- b. Joe Brown spoke about T & PF reports and asked about the possibility of establishing a sub-committee to review these forms and the process. He inquired about flag football and Title IX issues. Commissioner Krueger shared that he and Associate Commissioner Brookens have been in contact with a Title IX expert regarding some of the questions raised by District A.D.'s relative to equity and if Girls' Flag Football will be measured against tackle football programs. The Commissioner also shared that the same Title IX expert will be presenting at the All-School Summit and will address these questions directly. Joe also shared that there is discussion of the addition of girls' ice hockey. Piloting process discussed. The pilot period can be extended if we feel it isn't ready to approve. Associate Commissioner Brookens reminded the Board that any and all opportunities should be brought forward for review.
- c. Stacey Zis gave an update from the Boulder school district. She requested that the CHSAA speak at the upcoming CASB conference. She agreed that school boards need to work more closely with their districts regarding the high turnover rate of Athletic and Activity Directors.
- d. Shawn Terry spoke about league discussion regarding the use of the shot clock. They believe this is a great opportunity for kids and they are ready to make this change. Shared that the leagues are very positive and excited about what is happening in the CHSAA office.

- e. Ryan West announced that Ryan Silva will be replacing him as the CASSP representative on the CHSAA Board. He thanked the CHSAA staff for the very successful spring championships.
- f. Wendy Dunaway shared that an announcement will be made shortly naming the new CDE Commissioner. She reviewed the current retiring superintendent list, which seems to be shorter than in years past and will send an updated list next month. She thanked Luke DeWolfe for his leadership during his presidential term.
- g. Ty Gray shared that Sanford track issue was the main topic in his district.
- h. Luke DeWolfe shared that the communication from the CHSAA office has been excellent and that the leagues appreciate what the CHSAA staff have been doing. He also shared that the shot clock discussions he/his leagues have had have been very different than the ones that Shawn Terry has had. He welcomed back Ryan Casey and thanked Mike for separating the duties of Ryan and Amanda, great decision.
- i. Jim Flanigan spoke about the rankings and asked if Ryan Casey could review the MaxPreps numbers. There is a significant difference between RPI and MaxPreps. He thanked Luke for his service to the CHSAA membership.
- j. Assistant Commissioner Jenn Roberts-Uhlig shared that she and Commissioner Krueger attended the CADA meeting earlier in the week.

7.0 COMMISSIONERS UPDATE

- a. Thanked the board for their service and shared that the CHSAA office couldn't run without their leadership.
- b. He thanked the CHSAA staff for their service, especially during the busy month of May. He shared that the staff spends hours preparing for each of these events and then to see how impactful these moments are for our student athletes across the state. This speaks to our purpose. The staff had to be flexible with all the challenges we experienced during rainy May. Thanked Amanda for jumping in and making the last-minute schedule changes available on the website.
- c. Commissioner Krueger gave a technology update. Currently updating both conference rooms to allow for better virtual meetings.
- d. Shared that there will be some personnel changes in the office as Dan Whitaker and Lane Ververs have resigned. We are very excited for them and their new endeavors. They will be missed, large shoes to fill. Will begin the hiring process shortly.
- e. Construction has begun on the lot east of the CHSAA building. Previously the Board gave the directive to review the worth of our building for a potential move. We will continue to review.

- 7.1 NFHS Professional Development - Seattle, WA
 - a. Please work with Sarah regarding reimbursements. Agendas for this event have been sent to those attending.
- 7.2 Board Retreat Update
 - a. Please forward any topics for the agenda for the upcoming Board/Staff Retreat.
- 7.3 CLOC Task Force Update
 - a. Meeting was held on June 1st and was incredibly productive. Members of the committee are great leaders with broad perspectives.
 - b. Reviewed the comprehensive CLOC process which was then broken down into smaller topics. The historical perspective was shared with the committee, which showed that “play downs” were not in existence until the early 2000’s. Discussion of the types of changes at the school level which affect CLOC, justification of criteria for changing placement, timelines for the process, classification of programs vs. classification of schools, competitive equity definition.
- 7.4 Staff Professional Development
 - a. The staff professional development will begin later this summer and the first topic will be equity.
 - b. CHSAA’s goal is to unify the membership in common goals. Will share this messaging at the Summit.
- 8.0 CHSAA ADMINISTRATOR UPDATES
 - a. Associate Commissioner Brookens
 - i. Gave an overview of the upcoming All School Summit which will be held at the Douglas County Legacy Campus July 31st and August 1st.
 - ii. She and Assistant Jenn Roberts Uhlig are creating a conference called Empowering Women in Leadership, scheduled for September 7th. This will promote women moving up in leadership.
 - iii. She shared the results of the Shot Clock survey sent out to the membership. More information will be provided to the Board at the August meeting. The Board will be responsible for the decision to move forward on the Shot Clock. She will be reaching out to other state associations to get background information on their usage of the shot clock. President DeWolfe spoke that this needs the memberships review and approval. He suggested a survey be sent to all levels of each school

district (superintendent, principals, athletic directors and coaches) to get their input. The Legislative Council would be the final decision maker.

- iv. Discussion on participation and how to collect demographic information to better serve our student athletes.

b. Assistant Commissioner Roberts-Uhlig

- i. She thanked Joe Brown for inviting herself and Commissioner Krueger to the CADA Board meeting. Without CADA's support the AD Connect program would not be as successful as it is.
- ii. Introduced the addition of Kurt Dzaman from TPG to the CHSAA team. He will begin later this month.
- iii. Shared an update on the CHSAA Foundation committee, with John Haefli as the chair. New processes have been established to receive funds as well as ways to create revenue to support the Foundation. Bert Borgmann was a big proponent of the Foundation. Education will be this year's goal.

c. Assistant Commissioner Casey

- i. Spoke about the seeding index and shared the structure of the proposed change in formula which allows more accuracy and less ties. There won't be a change from the current system, just how it is "mined". Discussion continued and a decision to add this topic to the August agenda.

d. Assistant Commissioner Davis

- i. Commissioner Krueger shared that Rashaan is currently in Grand Junction at the Student Leadership Summer Conference.

9.0 Approval of new Appeal Committee members 2023-2024

- a. Commissioner Krueger presented nominations for the Appeals Committee which need Board approval. Steve Longwell, retired AD from Eaton High School is current nomination. The motion to approve the nomination of Steve Longwell was made by Sybil Booker and seconded by Joe Brown. Motion carries.

10.0 ADJOURNMENT

- a. Meeting adjourned at 11:25am