



CHSAA Board of Directors
Saturday, August 3, 2024
8:30 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.

Minutes

1. CHSAA Staff Updates - the year ahead

a. Assistant Commissioner Mike Book

Shared information on the new CHSAA partnership with an organization called RefReps. Currently six school districts have signed on to utilize this program. This organization teaches high school students how to officiate. They are able to officiate middle school sports and gain experience while in high school. Once they graduate they are able to officiate high school sports. We should see an increase in officials specific to this program within the next 3-5 years due to this affiliation.

There is a new swim facility being built. In discussion to see if there is an opportunity to use two complexes for the state championships. Currently, due to classifications being at one complex, the state championship runs Tuesday through Saturday. Concerns are class hours student-athletes are missing.

Golf added 2A classifications for both girls and boys. Discussions of moving girls' golf to the fall due to the continued issue of spring weather. Discussion of the breakdown structure of regionals and the number of teams assigned to each region, along with the location of golf courses available for championships.

b. Assistant Commissioner Ryan Casey

Have completed IT updates/changes in the office which gave us a monthly savings between \$2,000-\$3,000 per month. We have switched from Outlook to Google platform and have switched our phone system to Zoom.

Updated the Board on the work being done for the CLOC Classification project for the CLOC Task Force.

Creating an internal app aligned with MaxPreps, this will have all sports using the same systems.

Designing the Referee App Reporting System which is a large undertaking.

CHSAA website updates. Brackets on the website, tennis live-streaming, as well as an internal directory application for the staff.

Discussion of the rebranding of CHSAA.

c. Assistant Commissioner Amanda McClure

She shared the concerns that CHSAA staff have discussed relative to third party photographers selling photographs from our website. Amanda at the direction of the Commissioner has shared a procedural change in that CHSAA will no longer allow the selling of photographs on the CHSAA website from third party photographers.

Adding the ability for schools to add two named/credentialed people to side-line media at championship events. Student Media passes are being distributed via mail currently.

Damon Cook will be returning this year as our media intern and assisting with feature stories.

d. Assistant Commissioner Rashaan Davis

eSports has added Mario Kart for unified esports.

In 2023-2024 CHSAA added a Mariachi division in Music and will offer again this year.

Speech and Debate will begin coach training this fall.

Student Leadership Conference at Sand Creek High School in late October will focus on climate and culture. 2025 fall conference will be held in Durango.

Activity Directors conference being held at Legacy Campus November 8th and 9th.

The National Honor Society conference will be held September 13th.

We have established a new process for the selection of Hall of Fame inductees. Already begun, with filming starting September 27th.

Sportsmanship continues to be a hot topic. The Sportsmanship Bulletin has been added to the website.

e. Assistant Commissioner Jenn Roberts-Uhlig

The CHSAA Foundation had a successful silent auction and golf tournament. 139 golfers supported the Foundation's efforts.

The New AD portion of the All School Summit had great attendance, with 131 people attending, of which 70+ were new ADs. Great partnership with CADA for supporting our ADs.

AD Connect will continue to meet monthly for additional support to our ADs.

Asked the Board members to support/promote our corporate awards available to the membership monthly. The support of our corporate partners is extremely important. Please share with your districts/ADs.

Our SMAC committee has been recognized nationally for the work they do. The addition of the updated PPE form is in its pilot year and will become a requirement for all schools next year. Monthly SMAC emails keep our membership updated. SMAC videos, located on our website, are in the process of being updated.

The cross country championships contract has been renewed with Penrose Event Center with Cheyenne Mountain High School as host. Cheyenne Mountain has hosted this event for the past 13 years.

Gymnastics championships will be hosted by Thornton High School.

Game Day Dance has been added to the Spirit program. This will allow schools to participate if they do not offer a tumbling program.

The deadline to add a unified bowling team to your school is September 15th. Would love to see more schools add this program.

Women in Leadership second annual conference is scheduled for Wednesday, September 4th at the Evergreen Boat House.

f. Assistant Commissioner Justin Saylor

Flag Football has been well received, currently have 63 schools participating within two classifications. We are expecting rapid growth and anticipate expansion to additional classifications in the future. We have 85 officials registered for flag football.

We have expanded brackets for 2A soccer. Currently have 200+ schools participating in both girls and boys soccer.

New team was added to Field Hockey, bringing the total number of teams to sixteen.

Ticket sales for the 2023-2024 Ice Hockey Championships were very good. Unfortunately the Sunday Practices bylaw did not pass for Ice Hockey/Ski. Practice venue availability is extremely limited, and would like assistance from the Board to help move the bylaw forward in the future. Discussion of flag football jamborees and scheduling.

g. Assistant Commissioner John Sullivan

The Coach Education platform is being updated to concentrate on the first year coaches course. Added (12) 3-5 minute video modules, which are to be taken over a course of time. Modules cover culture, talking to officials, talking to parents etc. Partnered with CHSCA on this; coaches will receive a free CHSCA membership if they upload their certification from the training module.

The championship site for 4A baseball has been moved to the Air Force Academy. The Baseball Committee meeting has been moved to the fall instead of the spring.

Softball there are no major changes.

This year 3A football championships will be held at CSU Canvas Stadium. With the changes in the CLOC timeline, staff are addressing challenges that may be present relative to the formation of football leagues.

Girls wrestling has added a second classification, now 4A and 5A; 4A classification will include 2A-3A schools. We will be adding two additional mats at state wrestling. Initial discussions regarding dual championships; the proposal will be presented to the wrestling committee in February. Dual championships would occur two weeks prior to the state championships, and wouldn't be held at Ball Arena.

2. Strategic Vision & Direction Solutions Discussion

Commissioner Krueger spoke about the discussions which were held in the breakout portion of the previous meeting. Today's meeting will focus on establishing clear goals and direction for the CHSAA staff. Topics that came from breakout sessions:

- * Clarification of homeschool/school without a program transfers
- * Continued education of Athletic Directors to include other administrators at the school level.
- * CLOC processes
- * Transfers
- * NIL/NIL Collectives
- * Transgender policy
- * Smaller classification schools becoming members. Getting them involved prior to the membership process.
- * How to not penalize member schools for playing non-member schools.
- * How do we plan for the level of growth we are currently seeing; Looking at 8 new schools asking to join CHSAA this year. How do we assist new schools to sustain their programs?
- * Opportunities for unified sports
- * How can we support schools with sportsmanship issues?
- * Recommendation for security at championship events and the lack of school administration at these events needs to be addressed.
- * Structuring of playoffs and how they differ between each sport. Conflicting language in the bylaws regarding the structure of playoffs; need to review and amend.
- * Long-term CHSAA building solutions. What will the next 15-20 year needs be?
- * NIL being addressed at the NFHS Legal meeting
- * Summer contact information needs updating and communication. Competing outside of the high school season, clarification.
- * Eighth grade contact information. What about contact with 6th and 7th graders?
- * Strengthening the probation/restriction consequences and responses from schools/coaches
- * Evaluation of the Legislative Council process.
- * Confusion of Restricted Varsity Regain Dates vs. Eligibility Regain Dates along with the 365 days.

3. Looking Ahead and Roles of CHSAA Board Member

Commissioner Krueger shared that there are three levels of connection that the Board of Directors have with the membership: Board, Legislative Council and Districts you represent. Important that we are the voice of the membership. We appreciate the work that is done by the Board as it goes above and beyond what your normal job duties entail. We are the voice of our membership and we look forward to hearing ideas from your districts.

4. Adjourn