

# ANNUAL JOURNALISM ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

Wednesday April 5, 2017

Days Inn Convention Center

## MINUTES

The meeting was called to order at 3:05pm. Committee members present were Terri Fried, Mary Trewatha, Katie Kroeze, Nora Groft, Teri Finneman, and SDHSAA Representative Brooks Bowman.

The committee reviewed the agenda.

Mary Trewatha motioned to approve the agenda.  
Terri Fried seconded the motion.  
The motion passed 4-0

The committee reviewed the minutes from the April 2016 meeting.

Terri Freid motioned to approve the minutes.  
Mary Trewatha seconded the motion.  
The motion passed 4-0

The committee discussed the On-The-Spot Contest and other interactive ideas for the convention. By consensus, the committee decided that a keynote speaker was not necessary for the convention. The committee recommended that students rotate between workshop rooms rather than having the presenters rotate rooms. The committee also recommends adding more workshop session in order to provide students with more options. Brooks Bowman and Teri Finneman will try to come up with more workshop options.

Terri Fried was excused from the meeting at 3:20pm.

The committee reviewed the Annual Publications Contest Regulations & entry forms. No changes were recommended.

The committee discussed the Annual Publications Contest events:

Nora Groft made a motion to permanently suspend the literary publication contest.  
Katie Kroeze seconded the motion  
The motion passed 3-0.

The committee discussed changes to the Annual Spring High School Press Convention:

The committee discussed moving the convention to different locations. Pierre and Sioux Falls were discussed. USD was also discussed. The committee recommends that Brooks talk to USD to see if they would be willing to host. A rotation between USD and SDSU is preferred.

The committee discussed changing the date of the convention. The Monday after Columbus day was suggested. The new convention date would take effect during the 2018-2019 school year.

When the convention date changes, the committee recommends adding a 1<sup>st</sup> edition newspaper competition. An early to mid-September contest submission deadline will also begin when the convention date changes.

Nora Groft motioned to move the date of the convention to the Monday after Columbus day, beginning in the 2018-19 school year.

Mary Trewatha seconded the motion.  
The motion passed unanimously.

The committee would like to have more input on the planning of the convention. Committee members offered to give more assistance to Teri Finneman and Brooks Bowman in planning the convention. The committee suggested creating a powerpoint of the winning photography pictures to show during the awards presentation.

The committee reviewed the High School Press Pass Policy & “Request For Student Press Passes” Form. No changes were recommended.

The committee discussed the “1 pass per school for State Wrestling” policy. Brooks Bowman suggested that yearbook and newspaper advisors from schools communicate with each other before submitting their request for their 1 allotted pass.

It is recommended that an email be sent to all advisors receiving passes to indicate where the media book will be located at each state event.

The committee discussed alternate judges to be contacted for judging future Journalism Contests. Brooks Bowman will contact new judges for the 2017-18 school year.

The committee recommends that a Facebook Group be started for South Dakota Journalism Advisors. This group can be used by advisors from across the state so they can communicate with each other and give or receive advice on journalism-related topics. Katie Kroeze offered to start the Facebook page and be the administrator of the page until the end of her term on the SDHSAA Journalism Advisory Committee.

The committee discussed the structure of the SDHSAA Journalism Advisory Committee.

Nora Groft motioned to change the structure of the committee to have a class AA representative, class A representative, class B representative, Native American school representative, and an Administrative representative.

Mary Trewatha seconded the motion.

The motion passed unanimously.

The committee set the date for the 2018 Annual Journalism Advisory Committee Meeting as Wednesday March 28, 2018.

Mary Trewatha motioned to adjourn the meeting.

Nora Groft seconded the motion.

The motion passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 4:15pm.