



**SOUTH DAKOTA HIGH SCHOOL ACTIVITIES ASSOCIATION
REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
SDHSAA OFFICE BUILDING**

January 13, 2016

9:00 a.m.

Pierre, South Dakota

The Board of Directors held a regular meeting on January 13, 2016, at the SDHSAA Office Building in Pierre, South Dakota with members present as follows:

Dr. Jason Uttermark	Linda Whitney	Bud Postma	Sandy Klatt	Steve Morford
Dr. Roger Bordeaux	Moe Ruesink	David Planteen	Dr. Brian Maher	

Staff members present included Wayne Carney, Jo Auch, John Krogstrand, and Brooks Bowman.

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Dr. Jason Uttermark at 9:00 a.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of the Agenda

It was moved by Linda Whitney, seconded by Steve Morford, to approve the agenda as presented.

The motion passed 9-0.

Approval of Minutes from the November 4, 2015 Regular Meeting

It was moved by Sandy Klatt, seconded by Bud Postma, to approve the minutes from the November 4, 2015, Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors.

The motion passed 9-0.

Approval of the Financial Reports as Submitted

Following a review of all financial reports, it was moved by Dr. Roger Bordeaux, seconded by David Planteen, to approve the following financial reports as submitted:

- A. Income statements for October and November of 2015
- B. Balance sheets for October and November of 2015
- C. Cash flow chart
- D. Financial reports for sub state/state football and district/region/state volleyball
- E. Financial report from Reinke Gray Wealth Management

The motion passed 9-0.

Consent Agenda

Chairman Uttermark asked if there were any items on the consent agenda that any Board member wished to move to the regular agenda.

Hearing no requests, it was moved by Dr. Brian Maher, seconded by Linda Whitney, to approve the consent agenda items as presented.

- A. Approved the vouchers paid as follows:
October of 2015--\$162,275.93

November of 2015--\$199,650.30

- B. Approved the following penalty for Aberdeen Central High School for a violation of the out-of-season rule:
1. Place the boys' basketball program at Aberdeen Central High School on probation for a period of one year, January 13, 2016, to January 13, 2017.
 2. A letter of reprimand shall be sent to the administration of Aberdeen Central High School requesting detailed steps to be taken to assure such oversight are in place so as to insure that this situation does not happen in the future.
 3. This letter should arrive in the SDHSAA office prior to the March 2, 2016, meeting of the SDHSAA Board of Directors.
- C. Approved the following penalty for SF Roosevelt High School for a violation of the in-season practice regulations rule, specific to outside individuals' participation:
1. Place the wrestling program at Sioux Falls Roosevelt High School on probation for a period of one year, January 13, 2016, to January 13, 2017.
 2. A letter of reprimand shall be sent to the administration of Sioux Falls Roosevelt High School requesting detailed steps to be taken to assure such oversight are in place so as to insure that this situation does not happen in the future.
 3. A fine of \$200 shall be levied to Sioux Falls Roosevelt for the violation.
- D. Approved the following Fine Arts Advisory Committee members:

MUSIC ADVISORY:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>SCHOOL</u>	<u>POSITON</u>	<u>TERM EXPIRES</u>
Kathryn Mathews	SF Roosevelt	Orchestra/East Position	2018
Andrew Belsaas	RC Central	Band/West Position	2018
Angela Larson	Yankton	AA Vocal/East Position	2018

JOURNALISM ADVISORY:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>SCHOOL</u>	<u>POSITON</u>	<u>TERM EXPIRES</u>
Mary Trewatha	Deubrook	Northeast Area Rep.	2020

STUDENT COUNCIL:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>SCHOOL</u>	<u>POSITON</u>	<u>TERM EXPIRES</u>
Leah Peterson	Stanley County	Co-Chair Capitol Region	No Term Limit
Brittany Green	Pierre T.F. Riggs	Co-Chair Capitol Region	No Term Limit

- E. Approved a request from Huron High School to petition to Class AA in Debate.
- F. Approved a request from SF O'Gorman High School to petition to Class AA in Debate.

The motion passed 9-0.

Staff reports:

- A. Board positions for the 2016-2017 school year:

The following Board position will be open at the conclusion of the 2015-2016 school year:

Division IV Representative—Representative to be filled by a principal. A principal/ assistant or vice principal is considered a principal and would be eligible only for those seats open to principals. This position is currently held by Ms. Linda Whitney, Superintendent at Sanborn Central High School. The Division IV member must be nominated from any SDHSAA member school with a 2014-2015 ADM from 125.085 to 1.000. The Division IV group includes those schools from Hamlin High School with a 2014-2015 ADM of 125.085 to School for the Blind/VI with a 2014-2015 ADM of 1.000.

Any member school may nominate a person for this position and all member schools have the opportunity to vote. The person elected will serve a five year term on the SDHSAA Board of Directors and is unable to run for re-election.

- B. The following state event reports held since the November 4, 2015, Board of Directors Meeting were presented:
- Football—Assistant Executive Director John Krogstrand
 - Volleyball— Assistant Executive Director Jo Auch
 - Oral Interpretation— Assistant Executive Director Brooks Bowman
- C. Golf, Soccer, Football, Sports Officials Advisory Council, and Volleyball Advisory Committee Meeting Reports were presented by Assistant Executive Directors John Krogstrand and Jo Auch
- D. Calendar Committee—Terry Nebelsick—**Please see Appendix A**

Chairman Uttermark declared the Board in recess at 10:45 a.m.

Chairman Uttermark declared the Board back in session at 11:00 a.m.

- E. Site Selection Committee—Linda Whitney—**Please see Appendix B**
- F. Assistant Executive Director John Krogstrand presented a report on a potential cooperative agreement with Centerville High School.

Set Board Meeting dates and sites for the 2016-2017 school year

The following dates and sites were presented for approval:

- * Wednesday-Thursday, August 24-25, 2016. Strategic Planning Meeting to begin at 1:00 p.m. in the SDHSAA office on Wednesday, August 24, 2016, with the Regular Meeting of the Board to be held in the SDHSAA office beginning at 8:30 a.m. on Thursday, August 25, 2016.
- * Wednesday, November 2, 2016. Regular meeting held in Pierre at the SDHSAA office beginning at 10:30 a.m.
- * Wednesday, January 11, 2017. Regular meeting held in Pierre at the SDHSAA office beginning at 9:00 a.m.
- * Wednesday, March 1, 2017. Regular meeting held in Pierre at the SDHSAA office beginning at 10:30 a.m.
- * Tuesday-Wednesday, April 18-19, 2017. Regular meeting held in Pierre at T.F. Riggs High School, beginning at 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, April 18, 2017, with the Annual Meeting of the Association scheduled for 2:00 p.m. The Regular meeting will resume at 8:30 a.m. on Wednesday, April 19, 2017.
- * Wednesday-Thursday, June 7-8, 2017. A Board dinner to honor those retiring Board members will be held on Wednesday, June 7, 2017, beginning at 5:00 p.m. The Regular Meeting of the Board will be held at the SDHSAA office building beginning at 8:30 a.m. on Thursday, June 8, 2017.

Following discussion, it was moved by Steve Morford, seconded by Sandy Klatt, to approve the sites and dates for the 2016-2017 meetings of the Board of Directors.

The motion passed 9-0.

Consider constitutional changes for 2016-2017

As per the SDHSAA Constitution, Article X, page 12, the constitution may be amended in two ways:

SECTION 1. METHOD OF PROPOSING. Amendments to this Constitution or any set of Bylaws hereinafter included may be proposed by the Board of Directors, or by member schools through presentation of a petition signed by the administrators of thirty or more member schools. Proposed amendments must be submitted in writing to the Executive Director thirty days or more prior to the Annual Meeting or Special Meeting in order to be considered at that meeting.

Executive Director Carney presented the following proposed change to Article VII, Section 10, pages 10-11, of the SDHSAA Constitution for Board consideration:

SECTION 10. CONTROL OF ELIGIBILITY OF STUDENTS. Since it is important that eligibility cases be processed as rapidly as possible, the number of days indicated at each level should be considered as maximum, and every effort should be made to expedite the process. The time limits specified may, however, be extended by mutual agreement in writing. The term "days" when used in this policy will mean working days. (Monday-Friday except holidays)

The eligibility of students of member high schools to participate in South Dakota High School Activities Association events will rest with the Board of Directors of the Association under the powers of Section 3 above.

LEVEL TWO: APPEALS COMMITTEE

~~Any party~~ **The member school** aggrieved by a decision of the Executive Director in eligibility cases may appeal such decision to an Appeals Committee of the SDHSAA within seven (7) days after receiving notification of the Executive Director's decision. Such requests will:

- A. be made in writing
- B. be signed by the ~~party~~ **member school** requesting the appeal
- C. include a detailed explanation of the factual situation as per the particular question or questions involved and
- D. be directed through the office of the Executive Director of the SDHSAA.

The Appeals Committee will be appointed by the Executive Director and will consist of three (3) members, one of whom will be designated as the chairman of the committee. All members of such an Appeals Committee will be superintendents, high school principals, athletic/activities directors, or board of education members of member schools but no representative will be named from a school which is involved in the decision. The Executive Director of the SDHSAA will establish a date and conduct a hearing within seven (7) days and will advise all interested parties and committee members of the time, place and purpose of the hearing.

The hearing conducted by the Appeals Committee will be fair, impartial and in accord with due process of law. The Appeals Committee will have the authority to investigate the factual situation as per each request and require that additional, specific information be submitted. The aggrieved party and the Board of Directors will have the right to be represented by counsel; to examine and cross-examine witnesses; and to present evidence of all relevant nature in the matter before the Committee. The Appeals Committee will render a decision within seven (7) days following the hearing. Any decision made by the Appeals Committee may be appealed to the Board of Directors. Such requests will:

- A. be made in writing
- B. be signed by the ~~party~~ **member school** requesting the appeal
- C. include a detailed explanation of the factual situation as per the particular question or questions involved and
- D. be directed through the office of the Executive Director of the SDHSAA.

LEVEL THREE: BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Appeals from the three member Appeals Committee **shall be initiated by the member school and** will be to the Board of Directors of the SDHSAA. The request will be filed within seven (7) days after receiving notification of the decision of the Appeals Committee. The decision of the Board of Directors will be final. The Executive Director and/or the Board of Directors will have the authority to investigate the factual situation as per each request and require that additional specified information be submitted. The Board of Directors will hear appeals during their next regularly scheduled meeting.

Written notification of the decision of the Board of Directors will be rendered through the office of the Executive Director within seven (7) days following the Board of Directors hearing.

Nothing herein contained will prohibit the Executive Director or the Board of Directors from initiating investigations of cases of eligibility, including the right to require that information pertinent to such investigations be submitted. The Board of Directors can issue rulings resulting from such investigations in the same manner and with the same force and effect as decisions rendered pursuant to written requests.

All decisions of the Board of Directors rendered pursuant to this section shall be final.

Rationale:

- 1) The member school is keenly aware of the facts of the situation and is in a better position to determine if an appeal is warranted.
- 2) This would reduce the emotional side of the appeal brought by someone other than the member school.
- 3) Due process is afforded the individual requesting the appeal and the member school which the student attends.
- 4) As the SDHSAA is a member school organization, the member school should be the party requesting the appeal, not an individual.
- 5) Requests for waivers: eight semesters, academic, transfer, athletic open enrollment, etc. must be requested by a member school, not an individual.

Further discussion was held relative to clarifying language to define the term superintendent relative to the SDHSAA Board of Directors. Executive staff will continue to work with Superintendent Dr. Jeff Danielsen of West Central High School on verbiage.

Following discussion, no further action was taken.

2016 Legislative Session

As per discussion during the November 4, 2015, meeting of the BOD's, no proposed legislation that would directly affect the SDHSAA had been brought to our attention.

However, State Representative Fred Deutsch and others have introduced a bill in the House of Representatives, HB 1008, for consideration during the 2016 legislative session. The bill is entitled: An Act to restrict access to certain restrooms and locker rooms in public schools. The bill can be read in its entirety by going to the SD Legislative web site.

Assistant Executive Krogstrand informed the Board that possible legislation may be brought forward which would provide protection against physical assault on an official.

Following discussion, no further action was taken.

Confirm site for 2019 Class “A” Girls’ Golf Tournament

Mr. Gene Brownell, Athletic Director at Aberdeen Central High School, informed the SDHSAA Office that Moccasin Creek Country Club is not available to host the 2019 Class “A” Girls’ Golf Tournament on June 3 & 4, 2019. Mr. Brownell and Mr. Todd Neuendorf, Athletic Director at Aberdeen Roncalli High School, have confirmed their willingness to host the event at Lee Park Golf Course in Aberdeen instead.

Following discussion, it was moved by Dr. Roger Bordeaux, seconded by David Planteen to approve Lee Park in Aberdeen as the site for the 2019 Class “A” Girls’ Golf Championship.

The motion passed 9-0.

Consider a cooperative sponsorship of activities between Canistota and Freeman High Schools in the sport of football

The Board took under consideration an application for a proposed cooperative sponsorship of activities agreement between Freeman and Canistota High Schools, effective for the 2016-17 School Year. The two school district’s boards have again given conditional approval to a cooperative agreement for football, contingent upon that cooperative being able to remain in the nine-man classification.

Mr. Larry Nebelsick, Superintendent at Canistota High School and Mr. Don Hotchkiss, Superintendent at Freeman High School, made a presentation to the Board relative to the necessity of the cooperative agreement. Freeman High School ended the 2015 football season while playing a junior varsity five game schedule with ten players.

Following discussion, it was moved by Dr. Roger Bordeaux, seconded by Linda Whitney that an emergency exists which would necessitate a cooperative agreement for the students at Freeman High School to be able to participate in the sport of football during the 2016 football season.

The motion passed 9-0.

Following further discussion, it was moved by Linda Whitney, seconded by Dr. Brian Maher, to approve the cooperative agreement request on behalf of Canistota High School and Freeman High School and the cooperative team shall play in the Class 9 AA division. The determination of which region the new cooperative would be placed shall be determined at a later meeting of the Board of Directors.

The motion passed 6-3 with the following voting Aye: David Planteen, Sandy Klatt, Dr. Jason Uttermark, Linda Whitney, Steve Morford, and Dr. Brian Maher. Those voting nay: Moe Ruesink, Bud Postma, and Dr. Roger Bordeaux.

Chairman Uttermark declared the Board in recess at 12:25 p.m.

Chairman Uttermark declared the Board back in session at 1:00 p.m.

Position statement/resolution relative to school mascots and ceremonies

During the November 4, 2015, meeting of the Board of Directors, Dr. Bordeaux brought forward for discussion Native American mascots, nicknames, symbols, images, and personalities used by some member schools. Dr. Bordeaux provided a power point of Native American mascots which add to the stereotypical Indian imagery, and which can cause harm.

Dr. Bordeaux requested the Board of Directors consider the following resolution:

WHEREAS after numerous empirical studies, personal anecdotes, and recommendations from national organizations and federal programs, it is evident that stereotypical Indian imagery and Indian mascots cause harm, and

WHEREAS one leading study conducted by Dr. Stephanie Fryberg (Stanford University, 2004) determined that stereotypical representations from Indian mascots and Indian imagery of the “leathered and feathered” Indian have a direct negative impact on the self-esteem of American Indian youth, as they restrict the number of ways in which American Indian youth see themselves, and

WHEREAS exposure to such pervasive stereotypical imagery resulted in lower self-esteem, a lower sense of community worth, and decreased views of students’ own potential, and

WHEREAS in 2005, the American Psychological Association (APA) called for the “immediate retirement of all American Indian mascots, symbols, images, and personalities by schools, colleges, universities, athletic teams, and organizations”, and

WHEREAS two years later the American Sociological Association (ASA) also called for the elimination of American Indian names, mascots and logos, and in 2011, the American Counseling Association (ACA) passed a resolution calling upon their members to advocate for the elimination of all stereotypes associated with Indian mascots, and

WHEREAS in October 2015, the White House Initiative on American Indian/Alaska Native Education released a report with recommendations for schools to immediately retire Indian mascots and stereotypical Indian imagery, after findings which confirmed the harm of stereotypical Indian imagery, and

WHEREAS considering all of the aforementioned recommendations, it is very clear that Indian mascots, and any representation of stereotypical Indian imagery not only cause harm to American Indian youth, but moreover, such imagery is not suitable for educational settings which aim to foster healthy psychological development and/or student self-actualization.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED the South Dakota High School Activities Association encourages its membership to consider not using any stereotypical Indian imagery and Indian mascots that cause harm.

Dr. Bordeaux was asked by Chairman Uttermark to begin the discussion and bring the audience up to date as to the origin of the discussion dating back to the November 4, 2015, meeting of the Board of Directors.

Mr. Ron Evenson, School Board Member representing Sisseton High School, and Dr. Rod Weber, Superintendent at Woonsocket High School, were recognized by Chairman Uttermark. Commonly asked questions by both gentlemen were:

- Has there been research done in South Dakota which would verify the findings cited in the proposed resolution?
- Have the various Oyate’s in South Dakota taken a position on the findings cited in the proposed resolution?
- Is it very clear that Indian mascots, and any representation of stereotypical Indian imagery, causes harm to American Indian youth and such imagery is not suitable for educational settings which aim to foster healthy psychological development and/or student self-actualization?

Following discussion, it was moved by Dr. Brian Maher, seconded by Sandy Klatt, to approve as a first reading the Resolution as presented.

The motion passed 8-1 with Moe Ruesink dissenting.

Out-Of-Season Policy Change

In April 2015, the SDHSAA Board of Directors heard a report from the SDIAAA Convention detailing recommended changes from SDHSAA Advisory Committees and the statewide Athletic Directors for consideration.

In June of 2015, it was decided to table one of those items – a revision of Out-of-Season policy that would be far less restrictive on definitions of allowable activities for the months of June and July, while also establishing a “moratorium” on all contacts from July 1 through July 7 annually.

Following discussion, staff was directed to place this on the agenda for January 13, 2016, meeting of the Board of Directors for further discussion and possible action. Staff was also directed to send out a survey monkey questionnaire to all superintendents after December 9, 2015, for their input on any proposed changes.

A survey was sent out to all SDHSAA member schools, requesting input on a change to be considered by the SDHSAA Board of Directors for the 2016 season that would effectively do the following:

- **Make a change to current SDHSAA Regulations that would allow coaches to work with their kids on an unrestricted basis during the Summer Time Period (defined as the end of the State Golf Meets through July 31st), except for:**
 - **A “moratorium” that would allow no contact between coaches and student-athletes from July 1 through July 7 for any activity.**
 - **Teams would be limited to the “four team contacts” which include any activity that occurs on-or off-school grounds that:**
 - 1. Involves a team camp, scrimmage, or league, or,**
 - 2. Is an event that involves competition or participation with multiple teams from different schools being involved.**
- **Open gyms, private lessons, etc., would remain legal, as would all other activities, but the rule change would allow coaches more freedom in the number of athletes they can work with at a given time, whether it be as part of instruction given at an open gym, lesson, conditioning program or similar local event.**

Survey results as of 8:00 AM, Monday, January 11th indicated the following response from SDHSAA member school Superintendents:

Do you/your school district support the proposed changes as listed in bold above for implementation by the SDHSAA Board of Directors for the Summer of 2016?		
Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
Yes	78.5%	62
No	8.9%	7
Would prefer the topic be voted on at the SDIAAA convention for potential 2017 implementation.	15.2%	12

The following individuals spoke to the proposed changes: Mr. Steve Kueter, SF O’Gorman High School, Mr. Gene Brownell, Aberdeen Central High School, Mr. Craig Nowotny, St. Thomas More High School, and Mr. Clay Anderson, Belle Fourche High School.

Following further discussion, it was moved by Dr. Roger Bordeaux, seconded by Dr. Brian Maher, to approve as a first reading the revised Out-of-Season policy as presented.

The motion passed 9-0.

Board Sharing

- A. Mr. Larry Rohrer made a presentation to the Board relative to South Dakota Public Broadcasting.
- B. Executive Director Carney reported on a new insurance program called HeadStrong Concussion. The program provides for \$25,000 of accidental medical concussion coverage—including neurological follow up. The plan has a \$0 deductible and no co-pays. Mr. Carney will report back to the Board in March.
- C. Executive Director Carney presented an SDHSAA Foundation update.

Executive Session—Personnel SDCL 1-25-2.4

It was moved by Linda Whitney, seconded by Sandy Klatt, to enter executive session at 1:53 p.m.

The motion passed 9-0.

Chairman Uttermark declared the Board out of executive session at 2:04 p.m.

It was moved by Dr. Roger Bordeaux, seconded by David Planteen, to accept the resignation of Ms. Jeannie Davis as comptroller after 22 years of dedicated service to the SDHSAA and its member schools. The Board would like to wish Jeannie the very best as she leaves the Association to enjoy more time with her family and friends at the conclusion of the 2015-16 fiscal year.

The motion passed 9-0.

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Board, it was moved by Sandy Klatt, seconded by Steve Morford, to adjourn at 2:06 p.m.

The motion passed 9-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Wayne Carney
Executive Director

SDHSAA Calendar Committee Meeting
January 7, 2016
SDHSAA Office; Pierre, SD

Committee Chairman, Terry Nebelsick, called the meeting to order at 10:20am

Committee Members in attendance:

Superintendent: Tom Cameron, White River
Al Leber, Dakota Valley
Terry Nebelsick, Huron
Principals: Rhonda Gross, Arlington
Act. Directors: Jim Kocer, Scotland
Todd Palmer, Chamberlain
Randy Marso, Brandon Valley
Fine Arts: Larry Petersen, Huron
Helen Mogen, Chester
SDHSAA Staff: John Krogstrand
Brooks Bowman

Committee Members not in attendance:

Mary Weiss, Hot Springs
Bud Gusso, Douglas
Scott Walker, Watertown
Jo Auch, SDHSAA Staff

Audience in attendance:

James Weaver, Sioux Falls Public Schools

Chairman Nebelsick began the meeting with introductions and a general overview of the purpose of the creation of the committee.

Chairman Nebelsick recognized each committee member with an opportunity to briefly describe their concerns over activities' dates on the SDHSAA Activities Calendar.

Main topics raised by multiple members of the committee for discussion included:

- Moving Volleyball to allow for time off between the Volleyball season and the Girls Basketball Season
- Rearranging the Football Playoffs to eliminate scheduling multiple games in a single calendar NFHS week and/or scheduling playoff games for Friday/NFHS weekend nights
- Moving All-State Chorus and Orchestra to a period of time that perhaps avoided current conflicts with postseason athletic programming

Other topics for discussion raised by committee members include:

- Cross Country date change possibility
- Moving game dates to utilize Saturdays for Football playoffs
- Find a new start date for the Golf season
- Use of summer months for more athletic competitions
- Move State Show Choir date to NFHS week 36
- Move the Journalism Convention to NFHS week 37

SDHSAA Assistant Executive Directors Brooks Bowman and John Krogstrand were given time to go over individual proposals.

Brooks Bowman presented a proposal to move All-State Chorus and Orchestra to NFHS week 20, State Volleyball to NFHS week 19, State Football to NFHS week 18, and moving the 1st allowable practice for both sports to NFHS week 6.

John Krogstrand presented a proposal to swap the State Football NFHS weekend with the State Volleyball NFHS weekend, addressing several of the topics covered in advisory committee meetings and asked for discussion by the Board of Directors and due to the options now available with additional buildings being available in Vermillion.

Chairman Nebelsick opened the floor to non-committee member testimony. James Weaver further detailed a proposal for moving All-State Chorus and Orchestra to NFHS week 20, as earlier presented by Brooks Bowman.

Much discussion on this topic was held by the committee members, including several different options to address concerns raised by the SDHSAA membership with the current fall scheduling issues. Ideas that were proposed in addition to the plans submitted by SDHSAA Staff members included:

- moving State Oral Interp to the current All-State Chorus and Orchestra date (NFHS week 17), and moving Chorus and Orchestra to the current Oral Interp date (NFHS week 22)
- **Moving State Volleyball to NFHS week 18, Chorus and Orchestra to NFHS week 20, State Cross Country to NFHS week 17 and leaving State Football where it currently is, NFHS week 19.**
 - **With this option, the Football season would consist of 12 consecutive NFHS weeks for the schools in 11AAA, AA and A. The season would be 13 consecutive NFHS weeks for the 11B and 9-Man, as they have an additional NFHS week of postseason play. All schools/classes would have a first allowable practice date of August 10(NFHS week 6). The committee commented that, if passed, this change would not be implemented until the 2017-2018 school year.**

After much discussion on each of the four options presented regarding major restructuring of the fall events calendar, and alternate options stemming from those presentations, the committee came to a consensus that the final option presented (In Bold Above) was the most viable and recommended that this proposal be presented to the SDHSAA Board of Directors for further discussion and consideration.

Additional topics were discussed and consensus was reached are as follows:

The Cross Country season start date was the next topic of discussion. The consensus was that with changes already being proposed outside of this committee, no action was necessary.

The Fall Golf season was the next topic discussed. Consensus was reached to move fall golf practice to the Monday of NFHS week 5, and the Boys Class A & AA State Golf Tournament to NFHS week 13.

Consensus was reached that fall Girls' Tennis would also move to NFHS week 13. State Soccer would stay at NFHS week 14.

There was a brief discussion over mandating that all Football playoffs be played on Saturday. It was quickly realized that other state events would prohibit this from happening. This topic was withdrawn from the discussion.

The committee discussed the movement of the State Show Choir Competition to NFHS week 36. The committee reached a consensus to recommend this change to the board.

The committee discussed the movement of the Journalism Convention to NFHS week 37. The committee reached a consensus to recommend this change to the board.

The committee discussed moving spring Boys' State Tennis to NFHS week 49 and making the first allowable practice date in NFHS week 39. The committee reached a consensus to recommend this change to the board.

The committee discussed mandating a five-day "moratorium" or "blackout" for activities events over Christmas break. An alternate suggestion was to have December 24th and 25th be mandatory blackout days and 3 days either before or after those dates also are blackout days. Discussion was held in regard to who should be able to choose the dates, as to whether or not they should be selected by each individual school, each program, or set by the State Board of Directors. Mr. Nebelsick suggested to have each district declare which 5 days they would use for blackouts, but each school must include the 24th and 25th. The committee reached a consensus on Terry's suggestion, and this will be presented to the board.

Chairman Nebelsick recapped the day's discussions. The committee decided on a meeting date of February 24th, in Chamberlain, at 10:00 a.m., if the committee needs to reconvene.

The meeting adjourned at 1:52 p.m.

Summary of Changes suggested by the SDHSAA Calendar Committee:

- Fall Golf
 - Start Date move to Monday, NFHS Week Five from Monday, NFHS Week Six
 - First Competition move to Saturday, NFHS Week Five from Saturday, NFHS Week Six
 - State Championship move to Monday-Tuesday of NFHS Week 13 from NFHS Week 14
- Fall Tennis
 - Start Date move to Monday, NFHS Week Five from Monday, NFHS Week Six
 - First Competition move to Saturday, NFHS Week Five from Saturday, NFHS Week Six
 - State Championship move to Thursday-Saturday of NFHS Week 13 from NFHS Week 14
- Volleyball
 - Start Date move to Monday, NFHS Week Six from Thursday, NFHS Week Six
 - First Competition move to Friday, NFHS Week Seven from Tuesday, NFHS Week Eight
 - State Championship move to Thursday-Saturday of NFHS Week 18 from NFHS Week 20
 - Decision TBD on last regular season date, with intent to compress the post-season timeframe for District & Region Play to ensure a full regular season timeframe
- Football
 - Start Date for move to Monday, NFHS Week Six from Thursday, NFHS Week Six
 - First Game for 11B & 9-Man Schools move to Friday, NFHS Week Seven from Friday, NFHS Week Eight
 - Final Regular Season Game would be NFHS Week 15 for 11B/9-Man; NFHS Week 16 for 11AAA, AA & A
 - 11B & Nine-Man Playoffs would be played on consecutive weeks – NFHS Weeks 16, 17 & 18
 - 11AAA, AA, A Playoffs would be played on consecutive weeks – NFHS Weeks 17 & 18
 - State Championship Weekend remains on NFHS Week 19

- Cross Country
 - State Championship moved to Saturday, NFHS Week 17 from NFHS Week 16 to remove conflict with Cheer & Dance
 - All Region Dates, etc., would move one week later on the calendar
 - Season Start Date would remain as Monday, NFHS Week 7
- All-State Chorus & Orchestra
 - State Event moves to Friday & Saturday of NFHS Week 20 from NFHS Week 17
- Journalism
 - State Journalism Event moves to Wednesday, NFHS Week 37 from NFHS Week 41
- Show Choir
 - State Event moves from Saturday, NFHS Week 40 to Saturday, NFHS Week 36
- Spring Tennis
 - Start Date moves to Monday, NFHS Week 39 from NFHS Week 37
 - State Championship Moves from Thursday-Saturday of NFHS Week 46 to NFHS Week 49

**Site Selection Committee Meeting Minutes
December 7, 2015**

The Site Selection Committee Meeting was called to order by Chairperson Linda Whitney. Linda discussed the procedure she would like to follow. She stated her goal would be to select a first, second and third option for each activity as we moved through the events. We would begin with the first activity on the calendar and work our way through the calendar of events.

The items discussed as we moved through the events were the possibility of looking at a 2-1 ratio of sites for tennis. The tennis advisory had discussed that possibility and Randy Marso stated that he felt it was an idea worth exploring. Also discussed were the sites to use when in the Sioux Falls locations as SF Lincoln, McKennan Park and Kuehn Park were the coach's choices for tennis event. Mark Meile went on record to state that he opposed the idea of a 2-1 west to east rotation, but the consensus was to give that a try, much like we do with track. He also did not believe that SF Lincoln was ready at this time to be considered for a viable site until details are worked out.

The committee discussed the combined Volleyball Tournament report and the consensus was that the combined tournament was a success and the committee thought we should look at keeping a combined tournament at this time.

The committee discussed the combined Wrestling Tournament and although we have not yet held the combined tournament to know how it will be received, the committee felt confident that coaches and fans will like this format of a tournament. The committee will recommend a combined site, but will revisit that after the Combined Wrestling Tournament is completed PRIOR to making their final recommendation to the Board of Directors.

Basketball tournaments: The committee received a request to consider having a tournament out west at least once every 4 years. With that in mind the committee opted to take the Girls Class B tournament to Spearfish, the Class A Combined Girls and Boys Tournament will go to Rapid City and the Combined AA Boys and Girls Tournament will be in Sioux Falls, if that continues.

A lengthy discussion was held as to the many locations that would like to host the first day of the state track meet. Although the committee would like to spread the opportunity, the committee felt that this is a large task and felt it was best to keep the sites that are used to hosting this event.

Golf: It was discussed that with the late date now of golf tournaments in June and the Jr. Tournaments there may be some golf courses that will not be able to host. The direction was to utilize the courses that are willing to host in June and to continue to move them around.

See the attached document for the committee's recommendations.

The next meeting of the Site Selection Committee will be on April 19th in Pierre with a report to be delivered to the board on the April 20th.

Meeting was adjourned.

PROPOSED SITES/VENUES FOR 2019-2020

<u>Activity</u>	<u>Site</u>	<u>Dates</u>
Boys A Golf:	Dell Rapids	October 7-8, 2019
Boys AA Golf:	Rapid City	October 7-8, 2019
Girls Tennis:	Rapid City	October 10-12, 2019
Soccer:	Harrisburg	October 12, 2019
Cheer & Dance:	Aberdeen Central	October 25-26, 2019
Cross Country:	Huron	October 26, 2019
Ch & Orch:	Sioux Falls	November 1-2, 2019
Football:	Vermillion	November 14-16, 2019
“B” Volleyball:	Rapid City	November 21-23, 2019
“A” Volleyball:	Rapid City	November 21-23, 2019
“AA” Volleyball:	Rapid City	November 21-23, 2019
Oral Interp:	Yankton	December 6-7, 2019
One-Act Play:	SF O’Gorman	February 6-8, 2020
Gymnastics:	Aberdeen Central	February 14-15, 2020
“B” Wrestling:	Sioux Falls—HOLD	February 28-29, 2020
“A” Wrestling:	Sioux Falls—HOLD	February 28-29, 2020
Debate and IE:	Huron	March 6-7, 2020
Girls “B” BB:	Spearfish	March 12-14, 2020
Girls “A” BB:	Rapid City	March 19-21 2020
Girls “AA” BB:	Sioux Falls	March 19-21, 2020
Boys “B” BB:	Aberdeen	March 19-21, 2020
Boys “A” BB:	Rapid City	March 19-21, 2020
Boys “AA” BB:	Sioux Falls	March 19-21, 2020
Visual Arts	Sioux Falls	March 19-21, 2020
All-State Band:	Mitchell	March 26-28, 2020
St. Council:	Sioux Falls	March 29-31, 2020
Journalism:	Brookings	April 1, 2020
Show Choir	SF O’Gorman	April 4, 2020
Jazz Band:	Aberdeen	May 7-9, 2020
Boys Tennis:	Rapid City	May 21-23, 2020
Track:	“AA”-SF’O, “A”-Tea, “B”-SF	May 29-30, 2020
“B” B& G Golf:	Aberdeen	June 1-2, 2020
“A” Girls Golf	Sioux Falls Christian	June 1-2, 2020
“AA” Girls Golf:	Watertown	June 1-2, 2020