



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

March 1, 2023

10:30 AM CT

Pierre, South Dakota

The Board of Directors held a regular meeting on March 1, 2023 at the SDHSAA Office Building in Pierre, South Dakota with members present as follows:

Mark Murphy	Tom Culver	Marty Weismantel
Eric Denning	Dr. Jeff Danielsen	Barry Mann

Dani Walking Eagle, Mike Talley, and Kelly Messmer joined via Zoom due to inclement weather.

Staff members present included Dr. Dan Swartos, Jo Auch, Randy Soma, Brooks Bowman, and Ryan Mikkelsen.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Mark Murphy at 10:30 A.M., followed by the pledge of allegiance.

Item #1-Approval of Agenda

Motion by Marty Weismantel, second by Tom Culver, to approve the agenda as amended, adding items 5C- Rapid City Public Schools tryout request and 5D- Dell Rapids/Dell Rapids St. Mary softball cooperative request.

Motion carried 9-0.

Item #2- Public Forum

Chairman Murphy reviewed the SDHSAA Public Forum protocol. Domico Rodriguez and Dave Dolan spoke to the Board on behalf of the newly formed Rapid City Sports Commission.

Item #3- Approval of the minutes from meeting held January 11, 2023.

Motion by Eric Denning, second by Marty Weismantel, to approve the minutes as presented.

Motion carried 9-0.

Item #4- Approval of Finance Reports

SDHSAA Executive Director Dr. Dan Swartos and SDHSAA Finance Director Ryan Mikkelsen reported on the income statements and balance sheets for January of 2023 and the cash flow report. Brad Reinke presented the report from Reinke Gray.

Motion by Jeff Danielsen, second by Eric Denning, to approve the Finance Reports as presented.

Motion Carried 9-0.

Item #5- Consent Agenda

The consent agenda contained the following items:

- A. Vouchers for January of 2023.
- B. Consider penalty to Takini Boys Basketball team for playing an ineligible athlete.
- C. Consider request from Rapid City Public Schools to hold tryouts for softball
- D. Consider request for sports cooperative between Dell Rapids and Dell Rapids St. Mary in the sport of softball, beginning in 2022-23.

Motion by Marty Weismantel, second by Tom Culver, to approve the consent agenda as presented.

Motion carried 9-0.

Item #6- Reports

The board heard reports on the following:

- State One-Act Play, Gymnastics, and Wrestling from SDHSAA staff.
- Sportsmanship/officials appreciation initiative update from SDHSAA staff.
- In-And-Out of Season Advisory from Randy Soma
- Basketball Advisory from Jo Auch
- Gymnastics Advisory from Jo Auch
- Site Selection Committee from Dan Swartos
- SDHSAA Board of Directors Election Update
- SDIAAA Report from Cory Aadland
- SDHSAA Board Goals Report- Dan Swartos

Chairman Murphy declared the Board in recess at 12:26 PM and out of recess at 12:50 PM.

Item #7- Consider moving June 2023 Board meeting date from June 14 to June 15

Motion by Marty Weismantel, second by Tom Culver, to approve changing the June 2023 Board meeting date to June 15.

Motion carried 9-0.

Item #8- Consider E-Sports Committee Report

Dr. Swartos presented the E-Sports Steering Committee final recommendations.

Motion by Barry Mann, second by Eric Denning, to have a pilot E-Sports program in 2023-24, fully sanction E-Sports beginning in 2024-25, and to utilize Fenworks of Fargo, ND as the E-Sports provider of the SDHSAA.

Motion carried 9-0.

Item #9- First Reading- SDHSAA Procedure for adding a sport or activity

Motion by Tom Culver, second by Marty Weismantel to approve as a first reading.

Motion carried 9-0. **Proposed policy included as Appendix A to the minutes.**

Item #10- Consider Merchandise Contract/Merchandise Bid Timeline

Motion by Tom Culver, second by Marty Weismantel, to go out for merchandise bids and to approve the presented timeline.

Motion carried 9-0.

Item #11- Consider Medal Bid Materials and Timeline

Motion by Dr. Jeff Danielsen, second by Eric Denning to go out for medal bids and approve the presented timeline.

Motion carried 9-0.

Item #12- Second Reading of Board Meeting Dates and Times for 2023-24

Motion by Dani Walking Eagle, second by Dr. Jeff Danielsen, to approve the 2023-24 Board Meeting Dates and Times.

Motion carried 9-0.

Item #13- Board Sharing

- Kelly Messmer expressed appreciation to the winter championship site hosts.
- Mike Talley expressed appreciation to everyone who has adjusted events due to weather this winter and appreciate state tournament host sites being flexible.
- Dani Walking Eagle noted her appreciation of the State One-Act Play festival.
- Eric Denning gave a shout out to school leadership across the state in dealing with the weather we've had this winter.
- Dr. Jeff Danielsen thanked the schools who host SoDak 16 contests.
- Barry Mann thanked everyone for their work and looks forward to a great few weeks of basketball.
- Marty Weismantel thanked schools and all involved for their flexibility in scheduling this winter. He also noted disappointment in schools who seem to be trying to manipulate seed points.
- Tom Culver thanked staff for their work and thanked schools and officials for getting through a long winter season. He also noted appreciation for the fine arts events and enjoyed attending State One-Act Play.
- Mark Murphy thanked everyone for their work and expressed his best wishes for the health of Nate Malchow.

Item #14- Executive Session per SDCL 1-25-2.1

Motion by Eric Denning, second by Marty Weismantel, to enter executive session per SDCL 1-25-2.1.

Motion carried 9-0.

Chairman Murphy declared the Board in Executive Session at 1:41 pm and out of Executive Session at 1:48 pm.

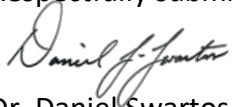
Item #11- Adjourn

Motion by Dr. Jeff Danielsen, second by Barry Mann, to adjourn.

Motion carried 9-0.

Chairman Murphy declared the meeting adjourned at 1:49 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Daniel Swartos".

Dr. Daniel Swartos

SDHSAA Executive Director



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APPENDIX A

SDHSAA Policy

Procedure for Adding a SDHSAA Sanctioned Sport or Activity

Required Action

1. Formal written request

2. Completed proposal

(At least one year prior to a new classification cycle)

Responsible Party

Member School or the SDHSAA

Member School or the SDHSAA

Completed Proposal shall include the following information:

- History of sport/activity to date
- Interest data of member schools, with valid school survey or school signatures
- Recommendation on season timeframe (fall, winter, spring), season length, number of contests, post-season format
- Projected start-up costs for member schools

3. Post-Season Finance/Venue Study

SDHSAA Staff/Steering Committee

4. SDHSAA Staff Impact Study

SDHSAA Staff/Steering Committee

5. Calendar Impact Study

SDHSAA Staff/Steering Committee

6. Study on Impact to Current Programs

SDHSAA Staff/Steering Committee

7. Board Action

SDHSAA Board of Directors

8. If approved- establish advisory committee

SDHSAA Staff

9. If approved- develop sport/activity handbook

SDHSAA Staff/Advisory Committee

10. If approved- full implementation

Member Schools/SDHSAA

First Reading- March 1, 2023

Second Reading and Approval- TBD

Effective Date of Implementation- TBD

SDHSAA - Serving Students Since 1905

Board Chairperson – Mr. Mark Murphy

Assistant Director – Ms. Jo Auch

Assistant Director – Mr. Brooks Bowman

Executive Director – Dr. Daniel Swartos

Assistant Director – Mr. Randy Soma

Finance Director – Mr. Ryan Mikkelsen