



**SOUTH DAKOTA HIGH SCHOOL ACTIVITIES ASSOCIATION
SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
SDHSAA OFFICE BUILDING/ZOOM**

February 1, 2024

10:00 AM CT

Pierre, South Dakota

The Board of Directors held a special meeting on February 1, 2024, at the SDHSAA Office Building in Pierre, South Dakota with members present via ZOOM as follows:

Kelly Messmer	Marty Weismantel	Dr. Jeff Daniels
Ryan Rollinger	Eric Denning	Adam Shaw
Dani Walking Eagle		

Board member Randy Hartman was absent-excused.

Staff members present included Dr. Dan Swartos, Jo Auch, and Randy Soma

The meeting was called to order by President Kelly Messmer at 10:02 A.M.

Item #1-Approval of Agenda

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

Motion carried 7-0

Item #2- Public Forum

President Messmer reviewed the SDHSAA Public Forum protocol forum. There was no public forum input.

Item #3- Consider request from McCook Central/Montrose to sponsor softball, beginning with the 2023-24 school year.

Motion by Eric Denning, second by Dani Walking Eagle, to approve request and place McCook Central/Montrose in class B for softball for the 2023-24 season.

Motion carried 7-0.

Item #4- Consider request for Cooperative Sponsorship of Activities between Scotland and Menno in the sports of Boys and Girls Basketball, Boys and Girls Track, and Boys Wrestling, beginning with the 2024-25 school year.

Motion by Marty Weismantel, second by Eric Denning, to approve the cooperative request, with alignments determined at the Feb 28 meeting with everyone else.

Motion Carried 7-0.

Item #5- Review and consider the Racial Harassment, Violence, and Taunting Policy within the SDHSAA Athletic Handbook

Significant discussion occurred regarding the SDHSAA Racial Harassment, Violence, and Taunting policy in light of incidents at member schools throughout the current season and past several years.

A motion was made by Dani Walking Eagle, second by Marty Weismantel, to approve the amended policy with immediate implementation.

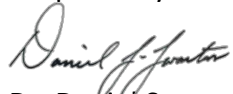
A substitute motion was made by Dr. Jeff Danielsen, second by Eric Denning, to approve the amended policy as a first reading, with another special meeting to be held as soon as possible for a second reading. *Motion carried 6-1, with Walking Eagle Dissenting.*

Item #6- Adjourn

Motion by Dr. Jeff Danielsen, second by Eric Denning, to Adjourn. Motion carried 7-0.

President Messmer Declared the meeting adjourned at 10:46 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

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

Dr. Daniel Swartos

SDHSAA Executive Director