

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

February 28, 2024 10:30 AM CT Pierre, South Dakota

The Board of Directors held a regular meeting on February 28, 2024, at the SDHSAA Office Building in Pierre, South Dakota with members present as follows:

Kelly Messmer Marty Weismantel Randy Hartmann
Ryan Rollinger Eric Denning Adam Shaw

Dani Walking Eagle Dr. Jeff Danielsen

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

The meeting was called to order by President Kelly Messmer at 10:30 A.M., followed by the pledge of allegiance.

#### **Item #1-Approval of Agenda**

Motion by Marty Weismantel second by Eric Denning, to approve the agenda as amended, adding item 5F- Rapid City Christian Boys Soccer.

Motion carried 8-0

#### Item #2- Public Forum

President Messmer reviewed the SDHSAA Public Forum protocol forum.

 Jason Kolousek of Wessington Springs, Bill Clements of Dakota Valley, Justin Clercx of Elk Point-Jefferson, Owen Reinalda of Beresford, Moe Ruesink of Sioux Valley, and Dr. Rod Weber of Woonsocket spoke regarding Item 8 (Alignments).

# <u>Item #3- Approval of the minutes from the Regular Meeting held January 17, 2024 and special meetings held February 1 nd February 6, 2024.</u>

Motion by Adam Shaw, second by Ryan Rollinger, to approve the minutes as presented. *Motion carried 8-0.* 

#### **Item #4- Approval of Finance Reports**

SDHSAA Executive Director Dr. Dan Swartos, Finance Director Ryan Mikkelsen, and Brad Rienke of Rienke-Grey reported on the income statements and balance sheets for January of 2024, the cash flow report, and investments.

Motion by Dr. Jeff Danielsen, second by Marty Weismantel, to approve the Income Statements, Balance Sheets, and Cash Flow Report.

Motion Carried 8-0.

#### Item #5- Consent Agenda

The consent agenda contained the following items:

- A. Vouchers for January of 2024 in the amount of \$122,858.20.
- B. Requests to dissolve the McLaughlin/Timber Lake wrestling cooperative.
- C. Request from Timber Lake to add wrestling in 24-25.
- D. Request to dissolve the Douglas/New Underwood/Rapid City Christian soccer cooperative.
- E. Request to form the Douglas/New Underwood soccer cooperative
- F. Request from Rapid City Christian to sponsor boys soccer in 24-25.

Motion by Dr. Jeff Danielsen, second by Randy Hartmann, to approve the consent agenda as presented. *Motion carried 8-0.* 

#### Item #6- Reports

The board heard reports on the following:

- State Event reports from Staff
- Basketball and Gymnastics Advisories from Jo Auch
- In/Out of Season and Wrestling Advisories from Randy Soma
- Site selection committee update from Dan Swartos
- NFHS Update- Dan Swartos
- Board Goals Update- Dan Swartos
- SDHSAA Foundation- Kelly Messmer appointed Marty Weismantel, Adam Shaw, and Randy Hartmann to serve on the joint Foundation Board for distributions.
- SDIAAA Report- Jordan Bauer

President Messmer declared the Board in recess for lunch at 12:40 pm and out of recess at 1:05pm.

#### Item #7- Request to Peition up to Class AA in boys soccer from Sioux Falls Christian.

Motion by Randy Hartmann, second by Marty Weismantel, to approve the request of Sioux Falls Christian to petition up to Class AA in Boys Soccer, beginning in 2024-25.

Motion carried 8-0.

#### <u>Item #8- First Reading- Sports Classifications and Alignmnets for 2024-25 and 2025-26</u>

Motion by Marty Weismantel, Second by Dani Walking Eagle, to approve a first reading of the basketball and volleyball alignments as presented.

Motion carried 8-0.

Motion by Ryan Rollinger, second by Eric Denning, to approve a first reading of the Wrestling, Cross Country, and Golf alignments as presented, changing Kingsbury County from wrestling region 3B to 1B. *Motion carried 8-0.* 

Motion by Marty Weismantel, second by Adam Shaw, to approve a first reading of the Cheer and Dance, Football, Gymnastics, Soccer, Softball, Tennis, and Track and Field alignments as presented. *Motion carried 8-0.* 

Proposed alignments can be found on the SDHSAA website.

#### Item #9- First reading of Fine Arts Classifications and Alignments for 2024-25 and 2025-26.

Motion by Dr. Jeff Danielsen, second by Eric Denning, to a first reading of the Fine Arts alignments as presented.

Motion carried 8-0.

Proposed alignments can be found on the SDHSAA website.

#### Item #10- First reading of Staff Submitted Constitutional Amendments.

Motion by Eric Denning, second by Ryan Rollinger, to acknowledge a first reading on a staff submitted amendment to the SDHSAA constitution related to Name, Image, and Likeness.

Motion carried 8-0.

**Note**- this is not approval of the policy, the policy needs two readings before going to a vote via ballot of all member schools. This was the first reading.

#### Item #11- Legislative Update for 2024

Dr. Swartos provided an update from the 2024 Legislative Session.

#### Item #12- Executive Session per SDCL 1-25-2.1 and 1-25-2.2

Motion by Dr. Jeff Danielsen, second by Marty Weismantel, to go into executive session per SDCL 1-25-2.1 and 2.2.

Motion carried 8-0.

President Messmer declared the Board in executive session at 2:10 PM and out of executive session at 3:10 PM.

#### **Item #13- Appoint Board Member**

Motion by Eric Denning, second by Marty Weismantel, to appoint Trent Osborne to fill the East River At Large Superintendent position through June 30, 2025.

Motion carried 8-0.

#### **Item #14-** Appeal Hearing

Motion by Ryan Rollinger, second by Adam Shaw, to uphold the decision of the executive director in Appeal #2024-01.

Motion carried 8-0.

## **Item #15- Board Sharing**

The board all shared their thanks for the work of staff, site hosts, officials, and school personnel in making the winter sports and activities season a success.

## Item #16- Adjourn

Motion by Eric Denning, second by Randy Hartmann to Adjourn. *Motion carried 8-0.* 

President Messmer Declared the meeting adjourned at 3:11pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Dr. Daniel Swartos

SDHSAA Executive Director