

# NORTHWEST DISTRICT ATHLETIC BOARD

## Minutes of November 24, 2008

### University of Findlay, 4:00 p.m.

**Note: The following minutes from the November 24, 2008 NWDAB meeting have not been officially approved. The minutes will be officially approved by the NWDAB at the December meeting.**

The meeting was called to order at 4:05 p.m. by President Meister with the following members present at: Mr. Axe, Mrs. Burden, Mr. Calver, Mr. Hernandez, Mr. Katafias, Mr. Keller, Mr. Meister and Mr. Snyder. Mr. Richards was excused. Also in attendance were Mr. Hanna, Treasurer and Mr. Palmer, Secretary, NW-OIAAA Rep John Brueggemeier and DOC Secretary Jim Oberlander.

#### 1. Correspondence

- Mr. Axe shared communication from Asst. Commissioner Snodgrass about the possible alignment of Spring Administrators Meeting with OHSAA PR Meetings as well as information relating to the pairing of teams in golf tournaments.
- Mrs. Burden shared question from a Bowling Green swim club official regarding drug testing; this concern was directed back to local board of education.
- Mr. Katafias shared a letter reporting misconduct of an official at the Kalida girls' soccer site.
- Mr. Meister shared correspondence from the district volleyball coaches' association.

2. The agenda was approved unanimously on a motion by *Axe/Keller (8-0)*

3. The minutes of the October meeting were corrected and approved *8-0* on a motion by *Burden/Snyder*.

4. The financial report, as presented by Mr. Hanna, reflecting a checking account balance of \$111,949.38 and a DOC balance of \$23,983.62 along with payment of current expenses were approved unanimously on a motion by *Hernandez/Burden (8-0)*. The board's balance deficit as compared to previous years was aided by solid fall tournament income and decreased expenses.

Mr. Axe expressed gratitude to the sport coordinators and tournament managers—especially in cross country, golf, tennis and volleyball—for their efforts to maintain costs in respective tournaments.

Mr. Hanna also shared reports of fall site costs and winter officials' and managers' fees for 2008-09.

#### 5. Informational Items

- Board of Directors—Mr. Richards was absent
- District Review Committee—Mr. Axe shared the next DRC Meeting is scheduled for December 3 with a focus to be on the reports relating to the reorganization of the DOC.
- DOC—Mr. Oberlander shared the fall suspension lists and cancelled the appeals meeting. Discussion followed related to “ineligible officials” being assigned to fall tournaments.
- Winter Tournament Sites & Assignments Discussion—Basketball coordinators requested Secretary Palmer to contact Swanton HS and Bowsher HS to replace Anthony Wayne HS as basketball tournament sites after the declined this year's tournaments. Mr. Snyder updated the board on the ongoing efforts to secure a gymnastics tournament location due to limited availability of equipment and officials for the Van Buren HS site because of a conflict with a major club event the same weekend. Final approval of site will occur at the December Meeting.

Sport Coordinators are to have Winter Tournament Instructions prepared for the December Meeting.

- Secretary Palmer requested discussion of the Spring Tournament Managers’ Meeting & April Administrators’ Meeting. It was decided to look into a possible location change for the Managers’ Meeting due to availability conflicts at the University of Findlay. The Board directed Mr. Palmer to contact Asst. Commissioner Bob Goldring regarding a possible alignment of the Administrators’ Meeting with the OHSAA Spring PR Meetings, preferably during the weeks of April 20-24 or April 27- May 1.

6. Old Business

- The scheduling of myOHSAA Tournament Manager Module Training was again discussed by the Board. An early-mid December target was planned.
- Assignment of Winter officials is planned as follows:
  - ◆ Wrestling—December 9 at 6:30 p.m. Jed’s in Findlay
  - ◆ Basketball—December 13
- Mr. Snyder briefly discussed information relating to the Robert “Mac” Morrison Lifetime Achievement Award and the Media Awards presented annually by the NWDAB. More information will be presented in December.

7. New Business

- The Board shared topics for discussion at a potential winter work session. These included: requirements for game time changes, myOHSAA training, managers’ fees, plans for re-classification year and standardizing tournament worker fee schedules.

8. The meeting adjourned at 6:20 p.m.

**Upcoming Important Dates and Meetings:**

**November 28-29**

Football State Championship Games

**December 15**

NWDAB Meeting

**January 14, 2009**

Winter Tournament Managers’ Meeting  
University of Findlay Student Union

**January 26**

NWDAB Meeting  
Commissioner Ross, Guest