## NORTH CAROLINA HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS SPRING MEETING Tuesday, May 4, 2010

The spring meeting of the North Carolina High School Athletic Association Board of Directors was called to order by President Allison Sholar at 8:30 a.m. at the Simon F. Terrell Building. Members in attendance included Diane Frost, Brooks Matthews, Kent Byrd, Chris Skabo, Stewart Hobbs, Bobby Guthrie, Page Carver, Chris Norman, Pat Burden, Rexanna Lowman, Regina Lambert, Kathy Spencer, Ernie Purnsley, Herman Little, Bill Miller, Shelly Marsh and Dwayne Stallings. Ex-officio members included Roger Morton of the Piedmont Officials Association, representing booking agents and officials, Mac Morris of the North Carolina Coaches Association and Joe White of the North Carolina School Boards Association, and David Gardner of the North Carolina Department of Public Instruction. Absent was Jerry McGee.

NCHSAA staff in attendance included Davis Whitfield, Carolyn Shannonhouse, Rick Strunk, Mark Dreibelbis, Karen DeHart, Que Tucker, and Pepper Hines.

Allison Sholar welcomed the group and then turned it over to Davis Whitfield for a word of welcome. Motion to approve consent agenda items from 1-185 below (motion by Norman, second by Marsh, approved 21-0).

The minutes of the previous Board meeting and the annual meeting were also approved as distributed previously (motion by Carver, second by Spencer, approved 21-0).

# CONSENT AGENDA NORTH CAROLINA HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION 2010 BOARD OF DIRECTORS SPRING MEETING

(Cases handled since November 1, 2009 and before April 1, 2010)

- 1. **LEJEUNE**: Denied waiver of attendance rule for Christopher Kimbrough
- 2. KNIGHTDALE: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Sherman Fowlkes
- 3. **BESSEMER CITY:** Approve waiver of attendance rule for Taylor Horney
- 4. WESTERN ALAMANCE: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Daylon Riley Scott
- 5. The new Charlotte-Mecklenburg schools have been named; William Amos Hough High School (Bailey Road) and Rocky River High School (Mint Hill).
- 6. **NEW BERN**: Denied waiver of attendance rule for R'Asia Britt
- 7. WEST CARTERET: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Vanity Jones
- 8. ARDREY KELL: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Ashley Adams
- 9. WEST CRAVEN: Denied waiver of attendance rule for Jordan Wilson
- **10. CEDAR RIDGE**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Scarlette Harrison
- 11. RONALD REAGAN: Denied waiver of attendance rule for Eric Engstrom
- 12. PRINCETON: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Harley Carter
- 13. PROVIDENCE: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Miranda Lewis
- **14. HOGGARD**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Jordan Musick
- 15. KNIGHTDALE: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Tamara Angela Pierce
- **16. NORTH STOKES**: Denied waiver of attendance rule for Justin Young
- 17. HAVELOCK: Approved waiver of scholastic rule for Zachary Jocomillo
- **18. CHAPEL HILL**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for William Clinton
- 19. JACK BRITT: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Aaron Sutton
- 20. HICKORY RIDGE: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Lance Hunter
- 21. NORTH FORSYTH: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Brooklynn Shane Stillwell
- 22. CARRBORO: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Alan Rafael Castillojos
- 23. GARNER: Approved waiver of attendance and academic rule for Cayler Simpson
- **24. NORTHERN DURHAM**: Denied waiver of attendance rule for Kibari Wiley
- 25. LANEY: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Shakiya Cloud
- 26. WEST LINCOLN: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Justin Kyle Stallings
- 27. SOUTH BRUNSWICK: Denied waiver of attendance rule for Katlyn Ray
- 28. SOUTH BRUNSWICK: Denied waiver of attendance rule for Travis Paul Evans
- 29. SOUTH BRUNSWICK: waiver of scholastic rule for Taylor Drew McLean not acted upon
- **30. NORTH STOKES**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Richard Forbes, Jr.

- **31. ROSEWOOD**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for David Thornton
- 32. SOUTHERN ALAMANCE: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Chance Kelly
- 33. FORESTVIEW: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Jamar Jones
- 34. CENTRAL CABARRUS: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Ryan Ellis
- **35. ENLOE**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Olivia Marie Brown
- 36. MURPHY: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Brandon Summerlin
- 37. SOUTH JOHNSTON: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Johnathan D. Strickland
- 38. EAST FORSYTH: Denied waiver of attendance rule for Bow Hill
- 39. EAST FORSYTH: Denied waiver of attendance rule for Kapone Carter
- 40. SOUTHWEST GUILFORD: Denied waiver of attendance rule for Cheyanne Parker
- **41.** Approved Randolph County all-star basketball games for March 20, 2010, at Wheatmore High School, pending payment of \$750 approval fee. Filing fee has been submitted. Approval was later submitted.
- **42. PROVIDENCE**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Erik Zalinov
- 43. PARKLAND: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Marcos Quesada
- 44. CHERRYVILLE: Approved waiver of residence rule for Darius Terrance Howell
- 45. LEESVILLE ROAD: Approved waiver of attendance and scholastic rule for Kaitlyn O'Shea
- 46. BUNN: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Derrick Vause
- 47. CHARLOTTE CATHOLIC: Approved waiver of transfer for Christina Rebecca King
- **48.** Northern Carolina 2-A Conference accepted new school Corinth-Holders as conference member beginning in the 2010-11 academic year.
- 49. JAY ROBINSON: Approved waiver of attendance rule for John Glunt
- 50. ARDREY KELL: Denied waiver of residence rule for Georgia Sweeney
- 51. SPRING CREEK: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Corey Hawkins
- 52. NORTHEAST GUILFORD: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Harmony White
- **53. GRAY STONE DAY:** Denied waiver of scholastic rule for Christopher Thompson
- 54. PINE FOREST: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Jacob Geske
- **55. NORTH DAVIDSON:** Approved waiver of attendance rule for Michael Lock
- **56. ENLOE**: Approved waiver of attendance and scholastic rule for Ryan Cornett
- 57. WEST JOHNSTON: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Jarvius Ray
- 58. MOUNTAIN HERITAGE: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Andrea Allen Haynes
- 59. CHAPEL HILL: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Gabrielle Alexander
- 60. SANDERSON: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Lauren Holland
- 61. WEST FORSYTH: waiver of age rule for Benjamin James Shifflett cannot be acted upon.
- 62. LOUISBURG: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Jerry Williams III
- 63. EAST MONTGOMERY: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Ashlynne Webb
- **64. MOUNT TABOR:** Approved waiver of attendance rule for Courtney L. Branch
- 65. NEW BERN: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Anthony Lemont Grist, Jr.
- 66. BISHOP MCGUINNESS: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Christine Lazorchick
- 67. WILLIAMSTON: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Braxton Squires
- **68. PORTER RIDGE:** Approved waiver of attendance rule for Kelsey Crowder
- 69. ASHLEY: waiver of attendance rule for Sara Cannady would have been approved but she was not eligible otherwise.
- 70. GREEN HOPE: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Lisa Armstrong
- 71. EAST GASTON: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Brandon Tyler Guffey
- 72. WEST FORSYTH: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Lindsay Allison
- 73. WESTERN ALAMANCE: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Dustin Gantos
- 74. EAST FORSYTH: Denied waiver of attendance rule for Jacob Lookabill
- 75. CHARLOTTE CATHOLIC: Denied waiver of transfer rule for Cassidy Downey-Beverly
- **76. MURPHY:** Approved waiver of attendance rule for Kalane Hedrick
- 77. CURRITUCK: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Joshua Ritter
- 78. WEST STANLY: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Demetrus Ingram
- 79. WHITEVILLE: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Tara Gall
- 80. ATHENS DRIVE: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Adam Lindsay
- **81.** Received approval of Carolina 9 1-A/2-A Conference to accept Roxboro Community School as a 1-A member, beginning with the 2010-11 year.
- 82. JACK BRITT: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Amber Rodriguez

- 83. CAPE FEAR: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Leah Jones
- 84. FARMVILLE CENTRAL: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Katelynn Croom
- 85. PINE FOREST: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Leilani Turner
- 86. RICHLANDS: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Jordanna Rebbick
- 87. SOUTH POINT: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Devin Taylor Oliver
- 88. HOLMES: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Emily Snell
- 89. CHARLES B. AYCOCK: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Caroline Riggs
- 90. STARMOUNT: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Jacob McCracken
- 91. NORTH STANLY: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Jordan Thomas Smith
- 92. CARRBORO: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Nancy Caroline Yarnell
- 93. CARRBORO: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Daniel Austin
- 94. REAGAN: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Brooke James
- 95. HOGGARD: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Jackson Watford
- 96. WESTERN HARNETT: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Sierra Bethany Diane Henderson-Holmes
- 97. PURNELL SWETT: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Jarrett Taylor Lowry
- 98. PANTHER CREEK: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Christian Baer
- 99. WATAUGA: Denied waiver of scholastic rule for Robert Smith
- 100. WATAUGA: waiver of scholastic rule for Brandon Marchese was withdrawn.
- 101. JESSE CARSON: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Haley Pitzer
- 102. LAKE NORMAN CHARTER: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Patrick Roth
- 103. KNIGHTDALE: Denied waiver of attendance and scholastic rules for Chandler Aaron Womble
- 104. EAST FORSYTH: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Hunter Bowles
- **105. NORTH JOHNSTON:** Approved waiver of attendance rule for Richard Bailey
- **106.** CREST: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Stephanie Brooke Powell
- 107. REAGAN: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Josh Vogler
- **108. LANEY:** Approved waiver of attendance rule for Jeremy Edens
- 109. WASHINGTON: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Geraldine Foreman
- 110. TERRY SANFORD: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Amanda Hubler
- 111. FUQUAY-VARINA: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Taylor Calloway
- 112. WEST FORSYTH: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Jameson Nagy
- 113. WEST FORSYTH: Denied waiver of attendance rule for James Hauser
- 114. WEST BLADEN: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Kyle Meismer
- 115. NORTH STANLY: Approved waiver for attendance rule for Cara Mason
- 116. ASHE COUNTY: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Luke Nathaniel Barker
- 117. HOGGARD: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Phillip Mitchell Callahan
- 118. WHITE OAK: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Shelby Carroll
- 119. PANTHER CREEK: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Shawn Cameron Bowman
- **120. MOUNT TABOR:** Approved waiver of attendance rule for Joseph Nix
- 121. WEST JOHNSTON: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Kodi Whitley
- 122. JORDAN: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Gabriela Fudale
- 123. HIGHLAND TECH: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Kayla Journey
- 124. SOUTH POINT: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Jonathan Wade Lawing
- 125. EAST WILKES: Approved waiver of attendance rule for William Alexander Parks
- 126. ROCKY MOUNT: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Matthew Holland
- **127. JAMES KENAN:** Approved waiver of attendance rule for Kaitlyn Baker
- **128. NEW HANOVER:** Approved waiver of attendance rule for Cody Mason
- 129. TRITON: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Kelsey Lee
- 130. WHITE OAK: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Jennifer Weigman
- 131. SOUTH CENTRAL: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Lindsay Richards
- 132. SHELBY: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Alexander Harakas
- 133. PARKLAND MAGNET: Denied waiver of attendance rule for Melissa Hernandez
- **134. JACK BRITT:** Approved waiver of attendance rule for Bernardo Anthony Torres
- 135. SOUTHERN LEE: Denied waiver of scholastic rule for Abby Stephens Barker
- 136. JACKSONVILLE: Denied waiver of scholastic rule for Casey Ray
- **137. LANEY**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Kathleen Hall
- 138. PANTHER CREEK: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Shawn Cameron Bowman

- 139. TARBORO: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Christian Jarrell
- 140. NORTH FORSYTH: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Austin McDonald
- 141. CARDINAL GIBBONS: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Cecilia Stapleton
- **142. HOGGARD**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Nader Abdelhamid
- 143. NEW HANOVER: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Liam Diffee
- **144.** LANEY: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Joshua Carpenito
- 145. NORTHWEST CABARRUS: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Jill Moore
- 146. DOUGLAS BYRD: Denied waiver of attendance rule for Darian Hogan
- 147. HOGGARD: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Garion Brodeur
- 148. E.E. SMITH: Denied waiver of attendance rule for Dustin Adcock
- 149. SOUTH JOHNSTON: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Johnathan P. Strickland
- 150. HIGHLAND TECH: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Cameron Byrd
- **151. SOUTH VIEW**: Denied waiver of scholastic rule for Cody Weatherspoon
- **152. PURNELL SWETT**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Brittney McCoy
- 153. WARREN COUNTY: Approved waiver for attendance and scholastic rules for John Leonard Daniel
- **154. HOPEWELL**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Alyse Bagley
- 155. WEST MECKLENBURG: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Zachary McCullough
- **156. JAY ROBINSON**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Caitlin Grimes
- **157. NEW HANOVER**: Denied waiver of attendance rule for Boston Kennedy
- 158. OVERHILLS: Approved waiver of attendance rule for David Lee Matthews
- 159. NEW BERN: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Colden Peck
- **160. REIDSVILLE**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Rebecca Ashley O'Brien
- **161. RAGSDALE**: Approved waiver of scholastic rule for Colby Conklin
- 162. NORTHERN GUILFORD: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Keenan Allen
- **163. SOUTHERN WAYNE**: waiver for Davante Owens was not necessary
- **164. NEW HANOVER**: Denied waiver of attendance rule for Alexis Hartl
- 165. NORTHERN DURHAM: waiver of attendance rule for Brian Davenport was dropped
- 166. CREST: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Jesse Heavner
- 167. HOGGARD: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Joseph Varsar
- 168. SWAIN COUNTY: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Kenesha McMahan
- 169. SWAIN COUNTY: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Jenna Wiggins
- 170. SWAIN COUNTY: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Victoria Phuong
- **171. SWAIN COUNTY**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Bryan Wade
- 172. EAST FORSYTH: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Brian McGee
- **173. GREEN HOPE**: Denied waiver of attendance rule for Andre Moseley
- **174.** Approved sanctioning of 58<sup>th</sup> annual men's and 34th annual women's Blue-White Senior all-star basketball games sponsored by the Rhododendron Civitan Club, scheduled for March 20, 2010 at T.C. Roberson.
- 175. WESTERN ALAMANCE: Denied waiver of attendance rule for Kiersten Crissinger
- 176. WESTERN ALAMANCE: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Alyssa Young
- 177. WILLIAMS: Denied waiver of attendance rule for Roberto Contreras
- 178. ROCKY MOUNT: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Matthew Holland
- 179. JACKSONVILLE: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Jessica Kollmer
- 180. PROVIDENCE GROVE: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Hannah Marie Kerns
- **181. HOGGARD**: Denied waiver of academic rule for Michael Kemp
- **182. EAST ROWAN**: Denied waiver of eight-semester rule for Daniel Hadnott
- 183. EAST ROWAN: Denied waiver of eight-semester rule for Omar Gittens
- 184. NORTHWEST GUILFORD: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Nicholas Nawrocki
- **185.** MILLBROOK: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Leigh-Kathryn Booner

Davis presented a transition update to the Board, outlining some of what has happened as the NCHSAA separates from the university, including timeline, policies and procedures for the new NCHSAA, Inc., and costs of the transition. Lengthy discussion ensued on several points about the draft of the new employment policies and procedures.

The Board then broke into its committees for their individual work. The committees include:

**FINANCE AND PERSONNEL**: chairperson Brooks Matthews, vice-chairman Stewart Hobbs, recorder Kathy Spencer, Bill Miller, Diane Frost, Jerry McGee, staff advisors Davis Whitfield, Karen DeHart;

**POLICY/STUDENT SERVICES:** chairperson Kent Byrd, vice-chairperson Regina Lambert, recorder Regina Lambert, Joe White, David Gardner, staff advisor Carolyn Shannonhouse;

**REVIEW/ OFFICIATING/STUDENT SERVICES**: chairperson Chris Skabo, vice-chairperson Rexanna Lowman, recorder Roger Morton, Dwayne Stallings, Herman Little, staff advisor Mark Dreibelbis;

**SPORTS:** chairperson Bobby Guthrie, vice-chair Chris Norman, recorder Pat Burden, Page Carver, Shelly Marsh, Mac Morris, staff advisor Que Tucker.

**INVESTMENT REPORT**: The Board heard information about the investments of the NCHSAA from Karen DeHart. She noted that the investments are rebounding nicely, outlining investments that are in a variety of funds and with different sources, including MorganStanley and BB&T, most in equities. Endowment funds have come back to right at \$10 million.

**NOMINATING COMMITTEE**: Donnie Baxter reported to the Board on behalf of the committee. There are ten voting members on the committee, including one from each region and two officers. The committee reviews the vote tabulation from the regional meetings as well as input from members of the committee. Recommendations include: president remains Allison Sholar, vice-president remains Brooks Matthews, past president would be Vann Pannell, principal, South Brunswick; athletic director from Region 4, 3-A: Leon Mack, athletic director, Cumberland County; superintendent, Region 5, 4-A; Maurice Green, Guilford County. Reelect Shelly Marsh, Johnston County schools to a full term on the Board; and representing the NCADA in an ex-officio position will be David Ball, in place of Jerry McGee who is retiring.

**WEB SITE**: Davis outlined several of the new changes and adjustments on the web site, including the NCHSAA Weekly Update that now appears regularly. Some content has been reorganized, looking to add more video content, a dynamic electronic calendar, potential of an active, dynamic playoff scoreboard, additional banner ad opportunities, and some additional elements.

**TRAVEL/COST CONTAINMENT/LENGTH OF SCHEDULE SUB COMMITTEE**: Brooks Matthews presented for the sub-committee, tracing the process the committee had gone through in its multiple meetings, including its charge, the items it discussed, the travel in various types of brackets, financial implications for travel and/or reducing number of teams in playoff brackets.

Brooks also shared some of the feedback which has been received from the membership since the recommendations were made public, with quite a bit of feedback about the 11 games in 11 weeks for football. Lengthy discussion ensued about the four basic recommendations that the subcommittee had forwarded.

Straw votes were held on each of the recommendations which had come forward from the subcommittee and discussion followed.

**CONCUSSION REPORT**: Que Tucker shared information from the National Federation and a course to be offered in the Coaches' Education area.

**LEGAL AND HARDSHIP UPDATE; ELIGIBILITY:** Rick Strunk updated the Board of Directors in these areas, first of all outlining the legal case involving the North Wilkes High School athlete who had sued the NCHSAA relative to his eligibility in basketball, which was later voluntarily dismissed.

# NCHSAA Board of Directors Meeting Wednesday, May 5, 2010

The spring meeting of the North Carolina High School Athletic Association Board of Directors was called to order by President Allison Sholar at 8:30 a.m. at the Simon F. Terrell Building. Members in attendance

included Diane Frost, Brooks Matthews, Kent Byrd, Chris Skabo, Stewart Hobbs, Bobby Guthrie, Page Carver, Chris Norman, Pat Burden, Rexanna Lowman, Regina Lambert, Kathy Spencer, Herman Little, Ernie Purnsley, Bill Miller, and Shelly Marsh. Ex-officio members included Roger Morton of the Piedmont Officials Association, representing booking agents and officials, Mac Morris of the North Carolina Coaches Association, and Joe White of the North Carolina School Boards Association. Absent were Jerry McGee, David Gardner and Dwayne Stallings.

NCHSAA staff in attendance included Davis Whitfield, Carolyn Shannonhouse, Rick Strunk, Mark Dreibelbis, Karen DeHart, Que Tucker, and Pepper Hines.

Media members in attendance included Tim Stevens of the Raleigh News and Observer, Joe Johnson of the Durham Herald-Sun, Stephen Schramm of the Burlington Times-News, Chris Hughes and John Teal of Carolina Preps, WRAL-TV of Raleigh, News 14 Carolina.

**TRANSITION REPORT**: Davis Whitfield gave additional information on the transition of the NCHSAA from the University of North Carolina; as of June 6, 2010, the organization will separate from the university. Three of the executive staff will be retiring from the state as a result as of that date, but will continue to work for the Association. Current SPA employees are eligible for severance, subject to approval from the Office of State Budget Management.

The transition costs include an initial start up cost of about \$125,000, with things such as a new phone system, internet, etc., but the general operating costs should remain steady.

### BRACKETS, TRAVEL AND COST CONTAINMENT SUBCOMMITTEE:

Brooks Matthews thanked the committee for its work and presented the recommendations:

1. To play 11 regular-season football games in 11 weeks (including the Endowment game, which is optional), rather than the current 11 games in 12-week format. The Endowment game would be dropped for seeding purposes, starting with 2011-2012 academic year (motion by Matthews, second by Carver, approved 13-7.

Question was called for and the Board voted to approve that and then proceeded with the other voting.

2. Reducing length of winter sports season by one week, starting one week later than the current November 1 start date, and the starting date for contests is thus one week later (motion by Matthews, second by Burden, motion fails 10-10).

A new motion was offered, reducing length of winter sport season by one week for competition, but still starting winter sports season practice on November 1, starting with 2010-11 academic year (motion by Hobbs, second by Marsh, motion passes 12-8).

- 3. To add to the football seeding process the "pod" format, which means schools would be grouped into four different sections (East, Mideast, Midwest, West), effective with 2010-11 academic year (motion by Matthews, second by Lowman, approved 20-0).
- 4. To allow an "opt-out" declaration for schools who wish not to enter NCHSAA playoffs, with a form that would be signed by athletic director, principal and superintendent and must be submitted by an established deadline prior to the release of the brackets in that sport, effective with 2010-11 academic year (motion by Matthews, second by Marsh, approved 20-0).

**COMMITTEE REPORTS** (action items are recorded here; other items may have been discussed in committee but not referred to full Board for action):

**FINANCE AND PERSONNEL COMMITTEE**: Brooks Matthews recognized members of the committee and made this report:

- 1. Accepted staff report on budget, accept report on playoff revenue finances, accept report on corporate partners and endowment fund, thanking Davis and Karen for the jobs they have done in this area; investigate current investments and sweep account, needed balances, potential investments, etc.; make in depth analysis of investment balances to see what opportunities there are for revenue for schools.
- 2. Recommend increasing non-participant ticket fee to five dollars from three dollars where applicable, to start 2010-11 academic year
  - --Approve job title changes since the old job titles from the University are not necessarily applicable anymore and the new titles more accurately reflect the work being done, effective June 1, 2010

--NCHSAA allowable expenses increase travel allotment:

football goes to \$1.50 per mile

lodging to \$11 from \$8

meals: breakfast to \$5, lunch to \$6, dinner to \$8

same adjustments with basketball, except mileage would be 75 cents (up from 40)

make adjustments in mileage allotment for wrestling, swimming, track, cross country, five cents per mile for each qualifier, including coach, up to maximum of 35 cents

add adjustments in lacrosse, baseball, soccer and softball for state championships for meals, same formula as basketball up to maximum of 20 persons

- --adjust revenue shares; for sectional basketball share for NCHSAA, reduce to 15% to parallel other sports and could help eliminate some deficit games; for volleyball championships: 60% to NCHSAA, 40% to schools, makes volleyball consistent with other sports
  - --approve employee policy and procedures manual for NCHSAA with some editorial changes
  - --recommend approval of executive director's contract from June 7, 2010 to June of 2013

All the previous items were presented together (motion by Matthews, second by Spencer, approved 20-0).

### **POLICY COMMITTEE:** Regina Lambert, the vice-chair, made the report:

- 1. Presented some items for information, including work of Women in Sports Committee; several items were tabled for further review, including an specific exception for senior academic eligibility, format for attendance hardship waiver, expiration date for physicals. No change in wording or interpretation of current amateur rule. For students under McKinney-Vento act, the school must apply for a hardship with appropriate documentation if he or she doesn't meet current eligibility requirements
- 2. Recommend approval of non-sports calendar (motion by Lambert, second by Purnsley, approved 20-0).
- 3. Recommend clarifying language addition to eight semester rule wording, on page 118 of current Handbook, with the change "a student's first entry into ninth grade or an overage seventh- or eighth-grade student, whichever occurs first." (motion by Lambert, second by White, approved 20-0).
- 4. Recommend addition to previous two semester rule as found in Handbook on page 115. Add to the non resident condition:"...provided it meets LEA policy." (Motion by Lambert, second by Hobbs, approved 20-0).
- 5. Recommend change in tobacco products et al rule on page 131: "violation of the policy will be disqualification from the contest" (motion by Lambert, second by Carver, approved 20-0).

### **SPORTS COMMITTEE:** Bobby Guthrie presented his report after thanking his committee members:

- 1.Acceptance of football calendar, and the 2010-11 sports calendar based on previous subcommittee motions, were distributed. (Motion by Guthrie, second by Norman, approved 19-0).
- 2. Recommend approval of wrestling state championships for a three-day event, with one specific classification to wrestle on Thursday night;

approve additional weekly combination for scheduling of one tri- match and one tournament in wrestling; give staff ability to allow Friday as "non-school day" designation in emergency situation only for scheduling purposes;

recommend holding 2010-13 state cross country championships in Kernersville at Beeson Park (motion by Guthrie, second by Frost, approved 20-0).

**REVIEW AND OFFICIATING COMMITTEE**: Chris Skabo made the presentation for his committee after thanking his members:

1. Review and accept incident/penalty report; review and accept ejection report; approve Mike Webster as Coastal Plains booking agent for football, approve Tom Debottis as booking agent for the Triad Lacrosse Officials Association (Motion by Skabo, second by Spencer, approved 20-0).

Incident and penalty report with unpaid fines as of April 30, 2010, include:

Andrews, Cherryville, Garinger (3), Harding University, Hopewell, Jordan-Matthews, Louisburg, Madison, Millbrook, Mountain Heritage, North Gaston, North Stanly, Ronald Reagan, Richmond Senior, Riverside, Terry Sanford, E.E. Smith, South Caldwell (2), South Columbus (3), South Robeson (2), South Stanly, Southern Lee, West Columbus, West Johnston, West Stokes, West Wilkes, Whiteville (2), Wilkes Central (2)

- 2. Recommend approval of following: if school does not pay outstanding fine by two days before the reporting deadline for a sport, it cannot play in playoffs in that sport, to go in effect academic year 2010-11 (motion by Skabo, second by Norman, approved 20-0).
- 3. Recommend that if a school has any unpaid fines by June 30 following the academic year, its teams will not be able to participate in playoffs in any sport in the next academic year until fine is unpaid (motion by Norman, second by Morton, approved 20-0).
- 4. Eliminate mandatory use of NCHSAA clock operators for all second round and subsequent rounds of football playoffs; it is still optional for schools to use if they wish (motion by Skabo, second by Morton, approved 19-0).
- 5. "Flagrant contact" will be added as a separate category to ejection policy, with the ejection penalty, as distributed (motion by Skabo, second by Morton, approved 20-0).
- 6. Recommend that or check writing fees assessed by booking agents, set a maximum of \$100 per sport (all levels) that a booking agent can charge a school for this fee--this is optional service, not mandatory, so schools do not have to use this check writing service (motion by Skabo, second by Morton, approved 20-0).
- 7. Recommend move to six-man officiating crews in NCHSAA football championships in 2010 as pilot program, all eight finals (motion by Skabo, second by Morton, approved 17-2)

### SPECIAL REPORTS:

**NORTH CAROLINA SCHOOL BOARDS ASSOCIATION:** Joe White addressed the Board, noting what a pleasure it is for him to represent the NCSBA on the Association Board. He talked about the work the group does with budgets and superintendents, and the divergent thinking in Washington about education and what should be done in the schools.

In terms of concerns, Joe noted that it appears that new money coming from the federal government relative to education may be presented for competition, and he fears that it may not be fair to smaller systems to become more difficult to qualify for. He also mentioned some discussion about raising the charter school cap in the state of North Carolina, something he said bears very close attention by members of the Board. He also expressed concern about some aspects of the governor's proposed budget.

**NORTH CAROLINA COACHES ASSOCIATION**: Mac Morris reported to the Board. Clinic dates for 2010 are July 19-22 in Greensboro, including classes for athletic directors, all-star games, and a variety of clinics. Mac talked about registering an entire coaching staff for the clinic to receive a discount. He noted that any board members who would like to attend the clinic were certainly welcome.

**BOOKING AGENTS AND OFFICIALS:** Roger Morton reported to the Board. He noted that the year had been very good in the officiating area with the NCHSAA, with Tiffany Worthen on board working with Mark. He noted that his attendance at state championships had alerted him to the fact at what a good job the staff does in working with these major events.

**NORTH CAROLINA ATHLETIC DIRECTORS ASSOCIATION**: Bobby Guthrie reported on behalf of the organization. He noted Que was inducted into the NCADA Hall of Fame. There was a lot of discussion about cost cutting and various scenarios that athletic directors have to face. David Ball will be serving in Jerry's place on the NCHSAA Board. The Summer Leadership Conference is part of the North Carolina Coaches Association clinic, including the classes that are offered. Next year's conference will be in Wilmington.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:40 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Rick Strunk Associate Commissioner

# NORTH CAROLINA HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS WINTER MEETING Tuesday, November 30, 2010

The winter meeting of the North Carolina High School Athletic Association Board of Directors was called to order by President Allison Sholar at 8:34 a.m. at the Simon F. Terrell Building. Members in attendance included Brooks Matthews, Chris Skabo, Bobby Guthrie, Stewart Hobbs, Page Carver, Pat Burden, Rexanna Lowman, Regina Lambert, Kathy Spencer, Ernie Purnsley, Herman Little, Bill Miller, Dwayne Stallings, Maurice Green, Leon Mack and Shelly Marsh. Ex-officio members included Roger Morton of the Piedmont Officials Association, representing booking agents and officials, Dal Edwards of the North Carolina Department of Public Instruction, Mac Morris of the North Carolina Coaches Association, Joe White of the North Carolina School Boards Association, and David Ball of the North Carolina High School Athletic Directors Association. Absent was Bobby Guthrie.

NCHSAA staff in attendance included Davis Whitfield, Carolyn Shannonhouse, Rick Strunk, Mark Dreibelbis, Karen DeHart, Que Tucker, and Pepper Hines.

Sholar welcomed the new members to the Board as well as Ralph Holloway returning to the Board. She reviewed the full schedule for the day, including realignment appeals in the afternoon.

The minutes of the previous Board meeting and the annual meeting were also approved as distributed previously (motion by Carver, second by Holloway, approved 21-0).

Motion to approve consent agenda items from 1-141 below, with the exception of item 50. (Motion by Carver, second by Holloway, approved 21-0). Then item 50 was discussed at length: Received request for application and filing fee for 360 Sports All-American Bowl football game at Kings Mountain High School on June 25, 2011. Lengthy discussion ensued. Motion was made not to approve game (motion by Hobbs, second by Purnsley, motion defeated 4-17).

Motion made to accept number 50 from consent agenda (motion by Holloway, second by Spencer, with amendment to the motion from Burden then withdrawn, motion approved 18-3).

**COMMISSIONER'S REPORT**: Davis Whitfield addressed the Board. He said that the pod system was a success in terms of mileage saved in the football playoff and thanked the Board for its work in that regard.

He cited several Board members who have been recognized with awards and honors.

Whitfield reviewed the timeline for realignment and possible suggestions for members of the Realignment Committee. That committee configuration will be approved by Board in May but was discussed by the Board.

Other items in that report will be shared with the Board later on during the Board meeting.

# CONSENT AGENDA NORTH CAROLINA HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION 2010 BOARD OF DIRECTORS WINTER MEETING

(Cases handled since April 1, 2010 and before November 1, 2010)

- 1. **NEW HANOVER:** Denied waiver of attendance rule for Cory Lander.
- 2. **WEST FORSYTH**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Stephanie Blevins.
- 3. **CENTRAL DAVIDSON**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Tyesha Reid.
- 4. **WEST FORYSTH**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Elizabeth Paige Ehlers.
- 5. Eastern Carolina 3-A Conference voted to accept the new Cleveland High School as a member starting in the fall of 2010.
- 6. **WEST BRUNSWICK**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Angel Grace Hiatt.
- 7. Sanctioned the 74<sup>th</sup> annual Shrine Bowl of the Carolinas football all-star game for Saturday, December 18, 2010.
- 8. **ASHBROOK**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Courtney Clinton.
- 9. GOLDSBORO: Denied waiver of attendance rule for Shanese Collins.
- 10. NORTH BRUNSWICK: Denied waiver of attendance rule for Patrick Tyler Heath.
- 11. **MURPHY**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Anthony Mariano.
- 12. **PISGAH**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Alissia Ammons.
- 13. **ROCKY MOUNT**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Timisha Walker.
- 14. ALBEMARLE: Denied waiver of attendance rule for Martavius "Rusty" Parks.
- 15. **ATHENS DRIVE**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Jarrett Lynn Snotherly.
- 16. **SANDERSON:** Approved waiver of attendance rule for Andrew Frawley.
- 17. SOUTH GRANVILLE: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Rashawn Yarborough.
- 18. **SANDERSON:** Approved waiver of attendance rule for Elizabeth Brueck.
- 19. CENTRAL ACADEMY: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Elizabeth Neal Johnson.
- 20. **PIEDMONT:** Approved waiver of attendance rule for Evan Luke Early.

- 21. DAVIE COUNTY: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Anthony Ressa.
- 22. NORTH STOKES: Denied waiver of attendance rule for Jessie Nelson.
- 23. SOUTHERN ALAMANCE: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Samuel "Luke" Moser.
- 24. **SOUTHERN ALAMANCE:** Approved waiver of attendance rule for Jeremiah Jackson.
- 25. **TUSCOLA:** Approved waiver of attendance rule for Katie Snyder.
- 26. CHARLES B. AYCOCK: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Karen Craig.
- 27. MOUNT PLEASANT: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Kailee Goldsmith.
- 28. **HOGGARD:** Approved waiver of attendance rule for Joseph Vassar.
- 29. CARY: Approved waiver of residence rule for Nathaniel Henry Hollis.
- 30. WEST STOKES: Denied waiver of attendance rule for Jacob Schraeder.
- 31. **REAGAN:** Approved waiver of attendance rule for Kaitlin Young.
- 32. PISGAH: Denied waiver of attendance rule for Brady Brookshire.
- 33. **FORBUSH:** Approved waiver of attendance rule for Zane Staley.
- 34. **SWAIN:** Approved waiver of attendance rule for Morgan Arvey.
- 35. SWAIN: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Cody Rich, based on appropriate medical documentation for knee
- 36. WEST BRUNSWICK: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Benjamin Scott Smith.
- 37. WEST LINCOLN: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Erin Cagle.
- 38. WEST LINCOLN: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Haley Mauldin.
- 39. GRANVILLE CENTRAL: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Cody James.
- 40. SOUTH MECKLENBURG: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Christopher J. Walters.
- 41. **CARRBORO:** Approved waiver of attendance rule for Erik Coleman (student was later assigned by school system to Chapel Hill)
- 42. CHARLOTTE CATHOLIC: Approved waiver of attendance and transfer rule for Christopher John Walters.
- 43. CHARLOTTE CATHOLIC: Approved waiver of transfer rule for Dustin and Dean Bertelsen.
- 44. CHARLOTTE CATHOLIC: Approved waiver of transfer rule for Rachel Wallson.
- 45. **SOUTH GRANVILLE:** Approved waiver of attendance rule for Jalen Jett.
- 46. **HENDERSONVILLE**: Approved waiver of graduation requirement for Efren Escobar.
- 47. CHARLES B. AYCOCK: Denied waiver of attendance rule for Brittany Leigh Williams.
- 48. **JAY ROBINSON**: Denied waiver of attendance rule for Garrett Daniel Bullard.
- 49. **JAY ROBINSON**: Denied waiver of attendance rule for Elijah Rod Hampton.
- 50. Received request for application and filing fee for 360 Sports All-American Bowl football game at Kings Mountain High School on June 25, 2011.
- 51. **DUDLEY**: Denied waiver of attendance rule for Destene Gay. Approved after receiving additional medical information.
- 52. **WESTERN ALAMANCE**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Robert Dalton Apple.
- 53. **HERTFORD COUNTY**: Denied waiver of attendance rule for Derrick Perry.
- 54. **WEST FORSYTH**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Tekara Williams.
- 55. Approved request to sanction Red-Blue Senior All-Star Volleyball Festival at Greensboro Sportsplex on Saturday, November 13, 2010.
- 56. **NORTH JOHNSTON**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Trenton Hensley.
- 57. **EASTERN GUILFORD**: Denied waiver of scholastic rule for Sean Michael Moore.
- 58. WALTER WILLIAMS: Denied waiver of scholastic rule for Shaquille Holt.
- 59. **WEST STOKES:** Approved waiver of attendance rule for Jalyn Rice.
- 60. BISHOP MCGUINNESS: Approved waiver of transfer rule for Charles Rouleau.
- 61. **RICHLANDS:** Approved waiver of attendance rule for Autumn McKay Marshburn.
- 62. **NORTH JOHNSTON**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Trevor Langston.
- 63. MOUNT PLEASANT: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Haley Love.
- 64. **CARVER**: Denied waiver of attendance rule for Devon Dunlap.
- 65. CARVER: Denied waiver of attendance rule for Jeffery Pearsall.
- 66. **NORTHWOOD**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Grayson Shallo.
- 67. BISHOP MCGUINNESS: Approved waiver of transfer rule for Peter McDonough.
- 68. DRAUGHN: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Taylor Reid.
- 69. **PARKLAND**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Kevin Taylor.
- 70. **J.H. ROSE**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Brittany Harrell.
- 71. **EAST FORSYTH**: Denied waiver of attendance rule for Yahel Flores.
- 72. **CARRBORO**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Virginia Sloan.
- 73. RIVER MILL: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Ashley Ricci.
- 74. **ARDREY KELL**: Denied waiver of attendance rule for Christopher Kuuskvere.
- 75. CARRBORO: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Ashley Ricci.
- 76. **DUDLEY**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Fredrick Moss.
- 77. **NORTH EDGECOMBE:** Denied waiver of attendance rule for Isaac Foster.
- 78. NORTH FORSYTH: Denied waiver of attendance rule for Marvin Young.
- 79. **SWAIN COUNTY:** Approved waiver of attendance rule for Mykaela Bielecki.
- 80. **SWAIN COUNTY:** Denied waiver of attendance rule for Kirsten Parker.

- 81. R.J. REYNOLDS: Approved waiver of eight semester rule for Erica Lane Clinard.
- 82. TARBORO: Denied waiver of attendance rule for Chris Epps.
- 83. Approved sanctioning for 2011 North Carolina Coaches Association all-star games, including the East-West all-star
- 84. games in football, men's and women's basketball and men's and women's soccer (July 18,19 and 20, 2011) and the Carolinas Basketball Classic (March 19, 2011) between North Carolina and South Carolina.
- 85. **CREST**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Auston Robert Burgess.
- 86. **CONCORD:** Approved waiver of attendance rule for Jomall Glenn.
- 87. MOUNT AIRY: Approved waiver of residence for Terry Level Adams.
- 88. **MOUNT PLEASANT:** Approved waiver of attendance rule for Kyle Perry.
- 89. EAST COLUMBUS: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Sarena Garrell.
- 90. HARNETT CENTRAL: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Anthony Miller.
- 91. SOUTHWEST EDGECOMBE: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Amanda Demers.
- 92. ATHENS DRIVE: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Andrew Mitchell.
- 93. R.J. REYNOLDS: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Otto Steele.
- 94. **HILLSIDE**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Courtney Mercado.
- 95. **DUDLEY:** Denied waiver of scholastic rule for Brandon Reynolds.
- 96. **HIBRITEN:** Approved waiver of scholastic rule for Jesse Marie Bruce.
- 97. NORTH MECKLENBURG: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Nicolas Valdivieso.
- 98. ALBEMARLE: Denied waiver of attendance rule for Tanisha Deshell Blackmon.
- 99. MYERS PARK: Approved waiver of attendance rule for George Margiotis.
- 100. CARVER: Denied waiver of attendance rule for Demecia Scales.
- 101. CARVER: Denied waiver of attendance rule for Lewun McKoy.
- 102. CARVER: Denied waiver of attendance rule for Abadi Enrichez.
- 103. NORTH FORSYTH: Denied waiver of rule for Deonna Covington.
- 104. CHARLOTTE CATHOLIC: Approved waiver of transfer rule for Joseph Corso.
- 105. CHARLOTTE CATHOLIC: Approved waiver of transfer rule for Zachary Thompson.
- 106. **NORTHWEST GUILFORD**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Alex McLauchlin.
- 107. JACKSONVILLE: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Emilio Basilio.
- 108. **JACKSONVILLE**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Brittany Steele.
- 109. Approved sanctioning of annual high school all-star baseball game in Fayetteville at Riddle Stadium in June 2011.
- 110. NORTHERN DURHAM: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Kelly Rose.
- 111. PENDER: Could not act on request for waiver of local promotion standards for Freds Naranjo.
- 112. MOORESVILLE: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Robert John Barry.
- 113. BROUGHTON: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Tiffany Cifers.
- 114. **BROUGHTON**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Alexis Hicks.
- 115. BROUGHTON: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Nicole Wrenn.
- 116. **GLENN**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Ryan Burdick.
- 117. CHARLOTTE CATHOLIC: Approved waiver of transfer rule for Jacqueline Carroll.
- 118. ASHBROOK: Denied waiver of scholastic rule for Santiago Asprilla.
- 119. **EAST FORSYTH**: Denied waiver of attendance rule for Travis Cuthbertson.
- 120. WALLACE-ROSE HILL: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Luis Perez.
- 121. NORTHERN GUILFORD: Denied waiver of attendance rule for William Chase Price.
- 122. BERTIE: Denied waiver of eight-semester rule for Devonte Wiggins.
- 123. **SOUTHERN ALAMANCE**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for J.D. Pruitt.
- 124. GARINGER: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Cameron Michelle Jackson.
- 125. LAKE NORMAN: Approved waiver of residence rule for Jeffrey Shane Culbertson.
- 126. DAVIE COUNTY: Approved waiver of residence rule for Israel and Cruz Salazar.
- 127. PANTHER CREEK: Denied waiver of eight-semester rule for Kristian Tremayne Thomas.
- 128. CAPE HATTERAS: Denied waiver of attendance rule for Christopher James Bateman.
- 129. LUMBERTON: Denied waiver of attendance rule for Lonnie Neely.
- 130. HOUGH: Denied waiver of academic rule for Joseph lanniello.
- 131. **GARINGER**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Chalandis Farmer.
- 132. EASTERN GUILFORD: Approved waiver of residence rule for Kwizera Jesus Marie.
- 133. **SOUTHEAST GUILFORD:** Approved waiver of residence rule for Chris Barnes.
- 134. NORTHSIDE (ONSLOW): Approved waiver of attendance rule for Rebecca Starr Brumley.
- 135. CHARLOTTE CATHOLIC: Approved waiver of transfer rule for Elizabeth Panto.
- 136. **NORTH STANLY**: Denied waiver of academic rule for Christopher Edwards.
- 137. **NORTH PITT:** Denied waiver of academic rule for Adarries Lawrence.
- 138. **WEDDINGTON**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Logan Rase.
- 139. WAKE FOREST-ROLESVILLE: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Mecca Hicks; later it was determined by the school system that the student was not eligible to go to Wake Forest-Rolesville due to residence.
- 140. R-S CENTRAL: Denied waiver of eight-semester rule, attendance and scholastic rules for Nicholas Allen Houser.
- 141. Received request for application for admission to NCHSAA from Voyager Academy in Durham.

The Board then broke for its committee work.

**FINANCE AND PERSONNEL**: chairperson Brooks Matthews, vice-chairman Stewart Hobbs, recorder Kathy Spencer, Bill Miller, Ralph Holloway, Shelly Marsh, staff advisors Davis Whitfield and Karen DeHart;

**POLICY:** chairperson Regina Lambert, vice-chairperson Dwayne Stallings, recorder Ernie Purnsley; Joe White, Maurice Green, Dal Edwards, staff advisor Carolyn Shannonhouse;

**REVIEW/ OFFICIATING/STUDENT SERVICES**: chairperson Chris Skabo, vice-chairperson Rexanna Lowman, recorder Roger Morton, Leon Mack, Herman Little, staff advisor Mark Dreibelbis;

**SPORTS:** chairperson Bobby Guthrie, vice-chair Chris Norman, recorder Pat Burden, Page Carver, David Ball, Mac Morris, staff advisor Que Tucker.

The Board then heard lengthy committee reports on individual agenda items.

**INVESTMENT REPORT:** Representatives of Morgan Stanley, Jeff Hudson and Gayle Bomar, presented their report to the Board. Jeff pointed out that the last 12 months have been very successful for the Endowment investments and they have rebounded nicely, although he did point out there is still a great deal of uncertainty in the economy.

Interest rates are low, however, and retail numbers have been very positive. But government debt is way to high and there is uncertainty in the tax code. Bond yields are the lowest they have been since the 1940's. At some point when interest rates go up and bonds fall further, it could create even more volatility in the next year or two. Keeping the portfolio balanced and keeping risk low will be a continuing challenge for the NCHSAA investments. "There are opportunities but there are potholes we have to avoid," said Hudson, and they would be consulting with the Investment Committee to make sure that the Association is best positioned.

Dara Haney and Peggy Brady with BB&T Asset Management (now known as Sterling Capital Management as of October 1) presented information about the Endowment and the assets they hold for the NCHSAA. Dara noted there was turbulence in the market, especially overseas, but some good news domestically. She analyzed the portfolio they hold, including money market and equity funds, and how it has changed in the last year. It is up in the last 12 months, but still down compared to three years ago and then went through specific funds in the portfolio.

**AUDIT REPORT**: Rob Lewis and Andrea Woodell Eason from Blackman and Sloop presented audit information to the Board. The audit report is an unqualified opinion, which is always good in accounting terms. The total assets of the organization are primarily in cash and in investments. Rob said the NCHSAA is in a strong financial position with liabilities far outweighed by assets, and no long-term debt. The largest percentage of expenses naturally come in program expenses, which have been hovering around three million dollars or so the last four years and have remained well controlled.

Findings include segregation of duties, which Rob said is a situation that all organizations deal with; financial statement preparation, in which there have been major strides; outstanding checks sent to schools which actually have not been cashed; and development of an accounting manual.

After lunch, the Board heard appeals for realignment, as is customary at the December meeting in the second year of the four-year realignment period.

**REALIGNMENT APPEALS:** The Board heard five appeals, including one from the Carolina 10 Conference, Smithfield-Selma, South Stokes, Greenville Rose and Berry Academy. All of the appeals were submitted in writing and two of them, Smithfield-Selma and Rose, made presentations in person.

Rick Strunk and Que Tucker provided an overview of the appeals before they began, and then they were considered one by one.

- --Carolina 10 splitting into two different conferences; a 1-A including Raleigh Charter, NCSSM, Roxboro Community, River Mill, Voyager Academy and Franklin Academy; the 2-A would be Cedar Ridge, Durham School of the Arts, Carrboro, Granville Central, South Granville and Northwood
- --Smithfield-Selma: dropping from 4-A to 3-A; Mike Joyner, athletic director, and principal Michael Taylor made the presentation; opening of Corinth-Holders and changed attendance zone lines are part of the appeal; Greater Neuse did not vote to release SSS; school indicated interest in going to Eastern Carolina 3-A (no letter to that effect)

- --South Stokes: dropping from 2-A to 1-A, staying in same conference which would be three in 2-A and six in 1-A, based on changed attendance lines and original projections in realignment for ADM based on county policy being substantially too high
- --Greenville Rose: seeking relief from their current Mideastern Conference placement which involves extensive travel; their 11-person delegation included Rose athletic director Tommy Peacock, principal Charlie Langley, Pitt County athletic director Ron Butler, including some parents; Rose student-athletes Tyrese Little and Lauren Frazier, who addressed the Board; possible proposals were presented as Peacock spoke; staying in the Mideastern for football but seek another placement for other sports, possibly 3-A Big East (which has voted no) or Coastal; or to play down as 3-A school in all sports but football
- --Berry Academy: to leave Rocky River 1-A/2-A and move to 3-A, as Berry's enrollment will change dramatically with the closing of E. E. Waddell. ME-GA 7 would accept Berry.

## Board action on appeals:

- --motion to allow Berry Academy to leave Rocky River 1-A/2-A and move to ME-GA 3-A (motion by Carver, second by Lowman, approved 22-1)
- --motion to approve Carolina 10 to split into two conferences, a 1-A including Raleigh Charter, NCSSM, Roxboro Community, River Mill, Voyager Academy and Franklin Academy; the 2-A would be Cedar Ridge, Durham School of the Arts, Carrboro, Granville Central, South Granville and Northwood (motion by Morris, second by White, approved 23-0)
- --motion to approve Smithfield-Selma move to 3-A (motion by Marsh, second by Lambert, defeated 1-22)
- --motion to approve South Stokes dropping from 2-A to 1-A, staying in the same conference (motion by Morris, second by Hobbs, approved 21-2)
- --motion relative to Greenville Rose; give Rose the option to be independent in all sports except for football and basketball, which would remain in Mideastern Conference, with recommendation that their long trips be scheduled on Friday nights for basketball; staff would develop mechanism for Rose to qualify for playoffs in team sports (one example could be comparing Rose's overall record to the lowest automatic qualifier from a conference and would have to have at least a .500 overall record for consideration, although this has not been established), effective with the 2011-12 academic year. Rose has until January 1 to accept that option or remain in the Mideastern for the remainder of the alignment for all sports (motion by Skabo, second by Mack, approved 18-5)

### Other related information:

- --Tideland Athletic Conference: now the conference has only four schools in several sports, one below the minimum for automatic playoff berth; motion to allow two playoffs berths in all sports applicable besides football, which would have one berth (motion by Mack, second by Guthrie, approved 22-1).
- --Thomas Jefferson Classical Academy: issue is that some schools in certain counties will not compete with TJCA in non-conference contests, but the NCHSAA has not mandated who plays whom in non-conference events
- --Highland Tech of Gaston County; issue with Highland Tech playing football as an independent but plays as conference member in other sports; now wants to play full conference football schedule but contracts for other non-conference games already in place

# NCHSAA Board of Directors Meeting Wednesday, December 1, 2010

The winter meeting of the North Carolina High School Athletic Association Board of Directors was called to order by President Allison Sholar at 8:30 a.m. at the Simon F. Terrell Building. Members in attendance included Brooks Matthews, Chris Skabo, Stewart Hobbs, Bobby Guthrie, Page Carver, Pat Burden, Rexanna Lowman, Regina Lambert, Kathy Spencer, Ernie Purnsley, Herman Little, Bill Miller, Dwayne Stallings, Maurice Green, Leon Mack and Shelly Marsh. Ex-officio members included Roger Morton of the Piedmont Officials Association, representing booking agents and officials, Dr. Rebecca Garland of the North Carolina Department of Public Instruction, Mac Morris of the North Carolina Coaches Association, Joe White of the North Carolina School Boards Association, and David Ball of the North Carolina High School Athletic Directors Association.

NCHSAA staff in attendance included Davis Whitfield, Carolyn Shannonhouse, Rick Strunk, Mark Dreibelbis, Karen DeHart, Que Tucker, and Pepper Hines.

Media members in attendance included Tim Stevens of the Raleigh News and Observer, Chris Hughes of Carolina Preps, Joe Johnson of the Durham Herald-Sun, and Alex Bass representing the Charlotte Observer.

### **SPECIAL REPORTS:**

**COMMISSIONER'S REPORT:** Davis shared some of the information from the survey that was done with the membership. He directed the Board to the potential Board meeting dates for the future, which might shift to Tuesday-Thursday and would be after the football championships.

He talked about the age rule and some concerns that the Department of Public Instruction has about it, and a potential change may come in terms of the date that the age rule is implemented, since the age rule for entry into school has been changed.

(Motion by Skabo, second by Mack for the Board to support the DPI request relative to the age rule, approved 23-0).

Task force will be established to work on emerging issues in education. It will include Board members who are superintendents, principals, athletic directors and coaches and some non-Board members, which would bring recommendations to the Board. More information will be forthcoming.

He discussed his feelings about live television for championships. Currently one game is on live (for football) and others on video on demand. The proposal from Time Warner could offer three different channels on the digital tier to show games simultaneously and then they would still be offered on demand. There is also discussion on expanding live streaming for championships.

**STUDENT ATHLETE ADVISORY COUNCIL**: Nassar Omar of Carrboro High School addressed the Board with a report from the council. The SAAC will have a web presence later in December, and SAAC members have been doing community service projects in their respective areas. Future plans include PSAs, a finalized SAAC logo, some Dream Team work in various areas, and to begin work on a North Carolina Student Leadership Conference.

**APPEALS REPORT:** The realignment appeals from Tuesday were reviewed and are noted earlier in the minutes.

**STATE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION:** Dal Edwards reported for DPI. He noted that with downsizing at DPI he and others have had to take on additional duties, so he is working with middle school athletics as well and is the contact there.

First, he talked about "Race To The Top" and the funding implications. All North Carolina school systems as well as 32 charter schools have applied for money from that fund, which must be spent on "four pillars" which were highlights. LEAs should hear in early December about the grants themselves.

North Carolina will be the first state to offer Microsoft IT Academy, as part of a partnership, for high schools. There are 37 high schools that have been piloting the program.

In terms of the "bad," Edwards noted the budget struggles and cuts looming in education. Scenarios for cutting budgets 5% or 10% were discussed and how they might effect LEAs. A 10% cut could effect 560 teaching positions in Wake County alone as one example. DPI has already lost 87 positions since 2008.

**NORTH CAROLINA SCHOOL BOARDS ASSOCIATION:** Joe White addressed the Board, noting what a pleasure it is for him to represent the NCSBA on the Association Board. He talked about the recently completed NCSBA state conference.

He talked about the changing economic climate as well as the different political climate. He said that it appears the cap on charter schools will be lifted and the NCSBA does have concerns about how some newly elected officials will approach education. In many ways, he said, public schools are under attack and we need to recognize some of that.

Joe also mentioned some other NCSBA involvement in national and regional conferences.

**NORTH CAROLINA COACHES ASSOCIATION**: Mac Morris reported to the Board. He also highlighted the wonderful relationship among the NCCA, the NCADA and the NCHSAA.

The 2010 clinic had 7610 registrants, up from the year before. Dates for next year's clinic are July 18-21, 2011. Registration is \$55 prior to July 1 and it is always useful if the schools help with registration, eliminating bad checks written by individuals. He highlighted some of the information contained in the NCCA Directory.

Mac mentioned *The Gym To The Jury,* a newsletter written by Dr. Herb Appenzeller, one of the nation's foremost authorities in this area. The NCCA makes that available.

**BOOKING AGENTS AND OFFICIALS:** Roger Morton reported to the Board on behalf of booking agents and officials. He noted how officiating had moved so well into technology in the last six years, with everything from on line testing to the assigning through the Arbiter system. He said this would be helpful to the schools in many ways as well as assisting booking agents as well as being a cost savings, no longer mailing out a lot of things.

He highlighted concerns in sportsmanship and what has been done with student-athletes, but the numbers of ejections are up, including instances of student-athletes actually physically confronting officials. Perhaps we need to address coaches more specifically as well to make sure appropriate values are being fostered, he noted.

**NORTH CAROLINA ATHLETIC DIRECTORS ASSOCIATION:** David Ball addressed his colleagues on the Board; he is currently the vice-president of the NCADA. He brought greetings from Jerry McGee, executive director of the NCADA who served on the Board from 1991 to 2010, and is a major force nationally.

David noted Bobby Guthrie's NFHS National Coach Educator of the Year Award and the NFHS Citation he will receive in Orlando later in December. He also noted national involvement of Roy Turner of Ashley, Angie Miller of Nash-Rocky Mount, and Rusty Lee of Page, along with awards received by David Rothwell of Iredell County and Rex Wells of Asheville.

Ongoing goals for the organization include fostering a close relationship with the NCHSAA and the NCCA; to provide opportunities to their membership to grow professionally and personally, with such offerings as the leadership training classes; a strong emphasis on national certification and the use of technology.

The 40<sup>th</sup> NCADA Annual Conference is scheduled for the Wilmington Hilton Riverside on April 10-13, 2011.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS** (action items are recorded here; other items may have been discussed in committee but not referred to full Board for action):

**FINANCE AND PERSONNEL COMMITTEE**: Brooks Matthews recognized members of the committee and made this report:

- 1. The committee responded to some questions from earlier, including maintaining two years of operating budget in sweep account and examining investment strategy.
- 2. Recommend approval of 2010-11 action budget
- 3. Studied comparison of sporting event revenues/expenses for 2009-10 versus previous years.
- 4. Continue upgrades to web site and other technology advances.
- 5. Karen reported to committee, updating on scholarship opportunities and corporate sponsorships. Corporate revenue is up 17.5% over previous year, despite some sponsorship loss.
  - 6. Committee tabled investment policy review.
- 7. Additional ways to return money to schools were discussed but the committee will meet again prior to May meeting and come up with recommendations.
- 8. Mandy Lance provided information on insurance; current carrier of catastrophic insurance has agreed to continue with same rates for another year as part of two-year agreement; United Health Care is no longer going to offer the same insurance package to schools in other areas in the 0 to \$25,000 area, but recommendation is to go with Nationwide for the supplementary program at the same premium as previous
  - 9. Recommend adoption of document retention policy, recommended by auditors.
- 10. Recommend reclassification of two positions, which was recommended prior to the transition away from the university; raises had been approved but frozen for two employees during transition away from university and now will be in place
- 11. Approved reimbursement to Deputy Commissioner for money lost in transition away from university due to retirement plan restructuring
- 12. Recommend incentive plan for Assistant Commissioner in terms of development and also to add to duties as human resources coordinator.

13. Adoption of whistle blower policy document Motion to approve actions as above, motion by Matthews, second by Morton, approved 23-0)

# **POLICY COMMITTEE:** Regina Lambert thanked her committee and presented the report:

- 1. Recommend that transfer students to non-boarding parochial must go through full hardship process, including transcript and appropriate form.
- 2. No change in second school/same sports season policy.
- 3. No change in enforcement of eight-semester rule.
- 4. Attendance policy was discussed, including impact of virtual classes, etc. Recommend establishing ad hoc committee to discuss on line classes, attendance and how these changes may impact on athletic eligibility.
- 5. No change for spring eligibility requirements for seniors.
- 6. No change in allowing schools to play non-interscholastic teams.
- 7. Ineligibility regarding EOC's: discussed with Hope Tesh with DPI via conference call; current NCHSAA incomplete policies can still be applicable and no action was taken.
- Check with other state associations to see if there is any way to avoid conflicts of championships with certain national testing dates.
   Motion for action by Lambert, second by Burden, approved 23-0).

## SPORTS COMMITTEE: Mac Morris presented his report after thanking committee members:

- 1. Recommend approval of 2011-12 playoff calendar (motion by Morris, second by Hobbs, approved 23-0).
- 2. Discussion of NFHS championships in golf, cross country with appropriate National Federation by law change.
- 3. Recommend adjustment in eight-quarter rule for football, limiting the number of individuals a school can use during a season to 12 players (motion by Morris, second by Holloway, 23-0).
- 4. To amend amateur rule that player may receive merchandise, etc. not to exceed \$20 per season (motion by Morris, second by Morton, 22-1).
- 5. To abolish the non-football playing rule for starting basketball practice early and the six additional games that those schools have been allowed, based on request from a particular conference; all basketball teams would start practice on same date and have same number of game limitations (motion by Morris, second by Lambert, approved 23-0).
- 6. Amend Handbook to say that all regular season contests and conference tournaments must be completed before playoff reporting deadlines and the season ends with the last regularly scheduled game or when defeated in the playoffs, effective immediately (motion by Morris, second by Hobbs, approved 23-0).
- 7. Recommend change in format for softball to change playoff format to best of three series at regional and state level (motion by Morris, second by Guthrie, approved 23-0).
- 8. For Eastern Regional basketball this year: one ticket for Eastern Regional final day, due to the proximity of the two venues, and allow spectators to go to either women and/or men and then evaluate (motion by Morris, second by Mack, 21-1)
- 9. State championship football for December 11 (one game on Friday); NCSU: 11am 4AA, 3 pm 3A, 7 pm 3AA; Wake Forest: 11 am 4A, 3 pm 2A, 7 pm 2AA; UNC: 7:30 pm Friday 1AA, noon 1A.
- 10. Staff will bring in golf coaches to tweak qualifying system for both men and women's golf. In addition, due to numbers will add 3A classification in women's golf (motion by Morris, second by Carver, approved 23-0).

**REVIEW/OFFICIATING/STUDENT SERVICES COMMITTEE**: Chris Skabo made the presentation for his committee after thanking his members:

1. Approval of incident and penalty report as well as ejection report as presented, noting that fighting numbers were high (motion by Skabo, second by Lowman, approved 22-0).

The incident and penalty report includes the following:

Albemarle, T.W. Andrews, Ardrey Kell, A.L. Brown, Cape Hatteras, Carrboro (2), Clinton, Cox Mill, Dudley, East Henderson (2), East Mecklenburg, East Montgomery, Garinger (3), Gates County, Gray Stone Day, Greene Central, Harding University, Hillside, Thomas Jefferson Classical Academy (2), KIPP Pride, Leesville Road (2), Louisburg, Madison (2), McMichael, Morehead, Mount Pleasant, New Hanover, North Iredell

- (2), North Lenoir, North Lincoln, North Pitt, Northampton-East, Northside (Onslow), Overhills, Pamlico, Panther Creek, Pender, Piedmont, Pinecrest (3), Polk, Porter Ridge, Randleman, A.C. Reynolds, R.J. Reynolds, Richlands, T.C. Roberson, Sanderson, Scotland, South Granville, South Robeson, South Stokes, Southern Durham, Southern Wayne, St. Pauls, Heide Trask, Union Pines, E.E. Waddell, Watauga, West Montgomery, West Stanly, Western Harnett.
- 2. Recommend revision of application process for booking agent, eliminating "in good standing as an NCHSAA official." Also recommend all booking agents use the Arbiter assigning program, making it mandatory (since 65% of booking agents already use it), effective May 15, 2011.

New booking agent recommendations, to approve:

Alan Walwork in Metrolina soccer; Scott Wahlers in Metrolina volleyball; Rodney Burnett in Metrolina football; Rick Ridenhour in Metrolina basketball; Jerry Talley in ALCO baseball/softball. Motion for booking agent items (motion by Skabo, second by Mack, approved 22-0).

- 3. Discussed sex offender law and how it relates to officiating.
- 4. Accepted student services report.

There was some discussion about potential Board of Directors dates for the next winter meeting. To avoid dates for the football championships as well as other potential conflicts, the dates for the December 2011 meeting have been set for December 6-8.

The meeting was adjourned prior to lunch at 11:40 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Rick Strunk Associate Commissioner

## NORTH CAROLINA HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS SPRING MEETING Tuesday, May 3, 2011

The spring meeting of the North Carolina High School Athletic Association Board of Directors was called to order by President Allison Sholar at 8:34 a.m. at the Simon F. Terrell Building. Members in attendance included Brooks Matthews, Chris Skabo, Bobby Guthrie, Stewart Hobbs, Page Carver, Pat Burden, Rexanna Lowman, Regina Lambert, Kathy Spencer, Ernie Purnsley, Herman Little, Bill Miller, Dwayne Stallings, Maurice Green, Leon Mack, and Shelly Marsh. Ralph Holloway was absent to the death of a faculty member at his school. Ex-officio members included Roger Morton of the Piedmont Officials Association, representing booking agents and officials, Mac Morris of the North Carolina Coaches Association, Joe White of the North Carolina School Boards Association, and David Ball of the North Carolina High School Athletic Directors Association.

NCHSAA staff in attendance included Davis Whitfield, Carolyn Shannonhouse, Rick Strunk, Mark Dreibelbis, Karen DeHart, Que Tucker, and Pepper Hines.

Allison Sholar welcomed the group and shared a few housekeeping items.

Motion to approve consent agenda items (motion by Hobbs, second by Guthrie, approved 20-1).

# CONSENT AGENDA NORTH CAROLINA HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION 2011 BOARD OF DIRECTORS SPRING MEETING

(Cases handled since November 1, 2010 and before April 1, 2011)

- 1. **JORDAN:** Approved waiver of attendance rule for Chandler Anderson.
- 2. ALBEMARLE: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Sasha Locklear.
- 3. **SOUTHWEST ONSLOW**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Davonte' Marcell Brooks.
- 4. **MCMICHAEL**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Monteco Davis.
- 5. **KNIGHTDALE**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Christian Gamble.
- 6. **HIBRITEN**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Jessica Maupin.
- 7. PARKLAND: Denied waiver of scholastic rule for Kewau Gist.
- 8. WEST MECKLENBURG: Approved waiver of residence rule for Julius Hamilton.
- 9. **WEST MECKLENBURG**: Approved waiver of residence rule for Tyrue Rembert.
- 10. WEST MECKLENBURG: Approved waiver of residence rule for Shanika Hines.
- 11. **BROUGHTON**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Emily Newton.
- 12. **RIVERSIDE**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Daniel Hilliard.
- 13. WEST CARTERET: Denied waiver of attendance rule for Ashley Noel Reaume.
- 14. **BISHOP MCGUINNESS:** Approved waiver of transfer rule for Daniel Perry Gomez.
- 15. EAST HENDERSON: Approved waiver of eight-semester rule for Eramo Cesar Owate-Campbell.
- 16. **W.A. HOUGH:** Approved waiver of attendance rule for Austin Story.
- 17. **SOUTH MECKLENBURG**: Approved waiver of residence rule for Marcus Hudson.
- 18. **WEST FORSYTH:** Approved waiver of attendance rule for Malcolm Springs.
- 19. **EAST RUTHERFORD:** Approved waiver of attendance rule for Cheyenne Miller.
- 20. **EAST FORSYTH:** Denied waiver of attendance rule for Erica Anderson.
- 21. EAST FORSYTH: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Melvin Alicea.
- 22. **PARKLAND:** Denied waiver of scholastic rule for Jerrae Timmons.
- 23. WESTERN ALAMANCE: Denied waiver of attendance rule for James Kendricks.
- 24. **FRANKLINTON:** Approved waiver of attendance rule for Mecca Hicks.
- 25. **MOUNT PLEASANT**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Kaitlyn Seymour.
- 26. WEST FORSYTH: Denied waiver of eight-semester rule for Sean Goode.
- 27. **WEST FORSYTH:** Denied waiver of attendance rule for Nigel Duncan.
- 28. **FARMVILLE CENTRAL**: Denied waiver of eight-semester rule for Alisha Brown.
- 29. CARRBORO: Approved waiver of residency rule for Ishmael Brown.
- 30. **BERRY ACADEMY**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Destani Burton.
- 31. **CAPE FEAR**: Approved waiver of scholastic rule for Robert Stens.
- 32. SOUTHWEST GUILFORD: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Melanie Walker.
- 33. DAVIE COUNTY: Denied waiver of attendance rule for Myshia Turner.
- 34. **DAVIE COUNTY**: Took no action on request for waiver of age case for Nick Sizemore, since the age rule cannot be waived.
- 35. **NEW BERN**: Approved request to waive attendance rule for Ashlev Belt.
- 36. NORTHWEST CABARRUS: Approved request to waive attendance rule for Corey Drew Seager.

- 37. WARREN COUNTY: Approved request to waive attendance rule for Elzia Silver Jr.
- 38. **EAST BURKE**: Approved request to waive attendance rule for Christina Collins.
- 39. MYERS PARK: Denied request to waive attendance rule for Rodreka Rogers.
- 40. **RIVERSIDE**: Approved request to waive attendance rule for Jeremy Lewis.
- 41. **NORTH STANLY**: Approved request to waive attendance rule for Cara Mason.
- 42. GATES COUNTY: Approved request to waive attendance rule for Stephen Anthony Umphlett.
- 43. WEST CALDWELL: Approved request to waive attendance rule for Matt Wooten.
- 44. EASTERN GUILFORD: Approved request to waive attendance rule for Alyssa Pike.
- 45. WHEATMORE: Approved request to waive attendance rule for Chanley Hanes.
- 46. SOUTHEAST RALEIGH: Approved request to waive attendance rule for Connor Quillen.
- Approved sanctioning of 20<sup>th</sup> annual Charlotte All-Star Classic men's and women's senior basketball game for April 2, 2011.
- 48. **EASTERN GUILFORD**: Approved request to waive attendance rule for Zachary Draper.
- 49. NORTHSIDE (Pinetown): Approved request to waive attendance rule for Kevin Neal Gibbs, Jr.
- 50. NORTHERN GUILFORD: Approved request to waive attendance rule for Morgan West.
- 51. CHARLOTTE CATHOLIC: Approved request to waiver transfer rule for Roger Loesch.
- 52. NORTHWEST CABARRUS: Denied request to waive scholastic rule for Shannon Lefleur.
- 53. LANEY: Approved request to waive attendance rule for Madison Johnston.
- 54. **SMOKY MOUNTAIN:** Approved request to waive attendance rule for Jeffery Denton.
- 55. **SMOKY MOUNTAIN:** Approved request to waive attendance rule for Christopher Maney.
- 56. **LEJEUNE:** Approved request to waive attendance rule for Kenny N. Kiriu.
- 57. **CEDAR RIDGE:** Approved request to waive attendance rule for Trayvon Washington.
- 58. Received letter from Southern Piedmont Conference accepting Lake Norman Charter School into the conference beginning with the 2011-12 academic year.
- 59. ASHEVILLE: Approved request to waive attendance and scholastic rules for Kia Baden.
- 60. ROCKY MOUNT: Approved request to waive attendance rule for Devonte Jenkins.
- 61. **DIXON:** Approved request to waive attendance rule for Victoria A. McCarty.
- 62. HOKE COUNTY: Approved request to waive attendance rule for Cameron Austin.
- 63. **NEW HANOVER**: Approved request to waive attendance rule for Sarah Lanier.
- 64. NORTH DAVIDSON: Approved request to waive attendance rule for Justin Yarbrough.
- 65. **MONROE:** Approved request to waive attendance rule for William Brown.
- 66. **LEJEUNE:** Approved request to waive attendance rule for Anton Crutcher.
- 67. **MURPHY:** Approved request to waive attendance rule for Justin Coker.
- 68. **WEST FORSYTH**: Denied request to waive attendance rule for T.K. Williams.
- 69. CARDINAL GIBBONS: Denied request to waive transfer rule for Mary Bernal.
- 70. **SOUTHEAST RALEIGH:** Approved request to waive attendance rule for Alexander Wasleski.
- 71. **ASHEBORO:** Approved request to waive attendance rule for Elizabeth Applegate.
- 72. BESSEMER CITY: Approved request to waive attendance rule for Clayton Johnson.
- 73. **LEJEUNE**: Approved request to waive attendance rule for Kendra Coates.
- 74. **FORBUSH:** Denied request to waive attendance rule for Montana Cowan.
- 75. **HOLLY SPRINGS:** Approved request to waive attendance rule for Susana Zigante.
- 76. **JAMES KENAN:** Approved request to waive attendance rule for Yanetzy Bonilla.
- 77. CHATHAM CENTRAL: Approved request to waive attendance rule for Sarah Thompson.
- 78. R.J. REYNOLDS: Approved request to waive attendance rule for Preston Slawter.
- 79. CARRBORO: Approved request to waive attendance rule for Seungbin (Jordan) Yang.
- 80. CEDAR RIDGE: Approved request to waive attendance rule for Eli MacDonald.
- 81. TRITON: Approved request to waive attendance rule for Kelsey Lee.
- 82. **SOUTH POINT**: Approved request to waive attendance rule for Zack Cooney.
- 83. **MURPHY:** Approved request to waive attendance rule for Lea Anna Stafford.
- 84. **RONALD REAGAN:** Denied request to waive scholastic rule for Joseph Cameron.
- 85. EASTERN ALAMANCE: Approved request to waive attendance rule for Destanie Fisher.
- 86. MYERS PARK: Approved request to waive attendance rule for Catherine Hyland.
- 87. **GLENN:** Approved request to waive attendance rule for Emmanuel Valerio.
- 88. CHARLOTTE CATHOLIC: Approved request to waive transfer rule for Megan Patterson.
- 89. MYERS PARK: Approved request to waive attendance rule for Alexis Chandik.
- 90. HAYESVILLE: Denied request to waive attendance rule for Jerry Sheppard.
- 91. **NEW HANOVER**: Approved request to waive attendance rule for Blair Wilkins.
- 92. **NEW HANOVER**: Approved request to waive attendance rule for James Brooks.
- 93. ATHENS DRIVE: Approved request to waive attendance rule for Olivia Baratta.
- 94. **SMOKY MOUNTAIN:** Denied request to waive attendance rule for Andrew Wheatley.
- EAST WILKES: Approved request to waive attendance rule for Hayley Loffman.
   WEST FORSYTH: Approved request to waive attendance rule for Sarah Reavis.

- 97. NORTH LINCOLN: Approved request to waive attendance rule for Alexander Ashby.
- 98. **PARKLAND:** Approved request to waive attendance rule for Kelly Bauserman.
- 99. PARKLAND: Denied request to waive scholastic rule for Wajiha Zahra.
- 100. CARDINAL GIBBONS: Approved request to waive transfer rule for Margaret Fisher.
- 101. **ASHLEY:** Approved request to waive attendance rule for Emma Joan Keenan.
- 102. Received \$250 filing for sanctioning of Jordan Brand Classic in Charlotte scheduled for April 16, 2011, and then got \$750 approval fee.
- 103. WAKE FOREST-ROLESVILLE: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Alexander Murray.
- 104. E.E. SMITH: Denied waiver of attendance rule for Dustin Adcock.
- 105. NASH CENTRAL: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Joel Spencer Taylor.
- 106. NASH CENTRAL: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Devonte Rashad Leonard.
- 107. BISHOP MCGUINNESS: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Caitlin Moira O'Neil.
- 108. **HOGGARD:** Approved waiver of attendance rule for Erin Thayer.
- 109. RIVERSIDE: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Ashley Latson.
- 110. SWANSBORO: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Kylie Siggers.
- 111. **SOUTH JOHNSTON**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Johnathan Strickland.
- 112. **SOUTH JOHNSTON**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Alexander Dewey.
- 113. WEST CALDWELL: Denied waiver of attendance rule for Samantha Steven.
- 114. FAIRMONT: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Ricky Morgan.
- 115. **CUMMINGS**: Denied waiver of attendance requirement for Brandi Royster.
- 116. TOPSAIL: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Kelsey Gaylor.
- 117. FORBUSH: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Alicia Brody.
- 118. PORTER RIDGE: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Rebecca Zielke.
- 119. **SOUTHERN ALAMANCE**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Ethan McPherson.
- 120. APEX: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Nicholas Burke.
- 121. **CARDINAL GIBBONS:** Approved waiver of transfer rule for Morgan Kunsman.
- 122. GRAY'S CREEK: Approved waiver of scholastic and attendance rules for Jesse Smith.
- 123. **SWAIN COUNTY**: Denied waiver of attendance rule for Bryan Wade.
- 124. **SWAIN COUNTY**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Dylan Morgan.
- 125. **NEW HANOVER**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Cody Mason.
- 126. Received request for sanctioning and initial filing fee for senior girls all-star soccer game in Advance, N.C., on June 2, 2011.
- 128. BARTLETT YANCEY: Denied request to waive attendance rule for Kristopher Williamson.
- 129. ATHENS DRIVE: Denied request to waive eight-semester rule for Brandon Burwell.
- 130. NORTHSIDE (JACKSONVILLE): Approved waiver of attendance rule for Kaitlynn Smith.
- 131. WATAUGA: Approved request to waive attendance rule for Patrick Coston.
- 132. **INDEPENDENCE:** Approved waiver of attendance rule for Stephen Thomas.
- 133. CHATHAM CENTRAL: Denied waiver of residence rule for Chris Davitt.
- 134. SOUTHWEST EDGECOMBE: Approved waiver of attendance and scholastic rules for Taylor Andrews.
- 135. Received request from Challenger Early College High School to withdraw from Southern Piedmont 1-A/2-A Conference and return to independent status. The conference has approved the request.
- 136. Sanctioned showcases being operated by the North Carolina Basketball Coaches Association; South Central HS on April 9; East Chapel Hill HS on April 16; Westover HS in Fayetteville on April 30; Olympic HS in Charlotte on April 30.
- 137. **SOUTH JOHNSTON:** Approved waiver of attendance rule for Dava Johnston.
- 138. **LANEY**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Taylor Blanton.
- 139. Received request for sanctioning of women's North Carolina High School all-star lacrosse game for Saturday, May 21, 2011 at Wake Med Soccer Park in Cary.
- 140. Received request for sanctioning North Carolina-South Carolina "Clash of the Carolinas" all-star soccer games at Blackbaud Stadium in Charleston, S.C. The event is sponsored by the North Carolina Soccer Coaches Association and South Carolina Soccer Coaches Association and has previously been approved.

**COMMISSIONER'S INFORMATION**: Davis Whitfield described to the Board some of the things which have been going on with the NCHSAA.

Board meeting dates for 2011 will be December 6-8 (Tuesday through Thursday), with the 2012 spring meeting May 1-2 with the Annual Meeting on May 3.

He described the Tornado Relief Fund that has been established to assist NCHSAA member schools which have had damage due to the storms. He also had some personnel matters to discuss.

He mentioned the ticket program and that Wendy's is not going to continue the statewide sponsorship of that, which it had done through Huddle, Inc. But Huddle is planning to continue the sponsorship of the program

on its own and there should be no loss in revenue for the NCHSAA and the schools will continue to get the tickets.

Concussion legislation is in the news, and there is a press conference today (May 3) relative to that. Whitfield indicated that the Association supports anything that is good for the health and safety of student-athletes but did mention that this particular legislation tends to address high school athletics where a number of things have already been put into place in terms of concussion management.

He noted that four of the eight members of the Nominating Committee will be leaving, either by retirement or by coming forward to the membership as candidates as Board members, so there will be some transition there.

The Board then broke into its committees for their individual work. The committees include:

**FINANCE AND PERSONNEL**: chairperson Brooks Matthews, vice-chairman Stewart Hobbs, recorder Kathy Spencer, Bill Miller, Shelly Marsh, staff advisors Davis Whitfield, Karen DeHart;

**POLICY/STUDENT SERVICES:** chairperson Regina Lambert, vice-chairperson Dwayne Stallings, recorder Ernie Purnsley, Joe White, Maurice Green, staff advisor Carolyn Shannonhouse;

**REVIEW/ OFFICIATING/STUDENT SERVICES**: chairperson Chris Skabo, vice-chairperson Rexanna Lowman, recorder Roger Morton, Leon Mack, Herman Little, staff advisor Mark Dreibelbis;

**SPORTS:** chairperson Bobby Guthrie, vice-chair Chris Norman, recorder Pat Burden, Page Carver, Mac Morris, David Ball, staff advisor Que Tucker.

**SANCTIONING DISCUSSION:** the Board discussed the current policies for approving all-star games. Carolyn gave an overview of the current sanctioning procedure. Mac Morris talked about the challenges that the NCCA has had with its all star games and the fact that many Division I athletes don't play in them any more since they often are enrolled in summer school, and those coaches actually can't attend the summer NCCA all-star games due to the NCAA dead period. He also talked about the purpose of all-star games and the fact that they are not moneymakers.

Carolyn also shared what many of the Section 3 states are doing with all-star games, since many have gotten out of the sanctioning business.

Lengthy discussion ensued, and more information will be sought, including current NCAA regulations for all-star games. No recommendation was established.

**NOMINATING COMMITTEE**: Donnie Baxter presented for this committee, outlining the work that the committee had done. There are ten voting members of the committee, including one from each region. Members include Scott Jones, Fred Lynch, Rick McMahon, Ronnie Chavis, Robert Logan, Carla Black, Marc Payne, Bobby Wilkins along with Jimmy Tillman and Baxter.

Voting from regional meetings is strongly considered along with input from committee members. Recommendations: for president, Brooks Matthews; vice-president, Stewart Hobbs; past president, Allison Sholar; Region 6, Carla Black, principal, Concord; Region 3, Angie Miller, athletic director, Nash-Rocky Mount; Region 5, Robert Logan, superintendent, Chatham County Schools; Region 6: Bill Rogers, athletic director, Porter Ridge; Region 7, Sally Bradshaw, principal, Fred T Foard. Reelect Dwayne Stallings for a complete term from Region 1.

Ed Croom, superintendent of Johnston County schools, and Michael Baker of Fairmont would fill retirement slots on the nominating committee. Lynn Rhymer of Northwest Cabarrus and Kent Byrd of the Alamance-Burlington system will join the nominating committee to fill slots of people moving from the nominating committee to the Board, if approved.

**REALIGNMENT PRESENTATION**: Dr. Scott McQuiggan of SAS made the presentation, along with Lisa Norton, about the work that had been over the last several months in this area with an overview, primarily including data exploration and analysis, in a power point presentation. A variety of systems were explored in the presentation, including three, four and five classes as well as classifications uneven in number of schools. He talked about the balance of travel versus the ADM ranges and how the different systems fall on that continuum.

The Board engaged in lengthy discussion about various pros and cons of the different systems.

**STUDENT SERVICES UPDATE:** Mark Dreibelbis made the presentation to the Board, talking about how the program makes a difference in the lives of students. He outlined the different programs available, including Student Athlete Summer Institute (SASI), Coach-Captain Retreat, DREAM (Daring To Role Model Excellence As Athletic Mentors) team, STAR Sportsmanship, PATH (Peer Athletic Team Helpers) Program, topical workshops, and NFHS Coaches Education, which are all included as part of the Student Services offerings.

He outlined potential budget adjustments for the Student Services program.

**DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION:** Paula Hildebrand addressed the Board for DPI and thanked it for its work. She spoke about the concussion legislation that had just been passed.

The committees reported from their discussion during the afternoon sessions.

# NCHSAA Board of Directors Meeting Wednesday, May 5, 2010

The spring meeting of the North Carolina High School Athletic Association Board of Directors was called to order by President Allison Sholar at 8:30 a.m. at the Simon F. Terrell Building. Members in attendance included Brooks Matthews, Chris Skabo, Stewart Hobbs, Bobby Guthrie, Page Carver, Chris Norman, Pat Burden, Rexanna Lowman, Regina Lambert, Kathy Spencer, Herman Little, Ernie Purnsley, Bill Miller, Dwayne Stallings, Leon Mack, Ralph Holloway and Shelly Marsh. Ex-officio members included Roger Morton of the Piedmont Officials Association, representing booking agents and officials, Mac Morris of the North Carolina Coaches Association, David Ball of the North Carolina Athletic Directors Association and Joe White of the North Carolina School Boards Association.

NCHSAA staff in attendance included Davis Whitfield, Carolyn Shannonhouse, Rick Strunk, Mark Dreibelbis, Karen DeHart, Que Tucker, and Pepper Hines.

Media members in attendance included Stephen Schramm of the Burlington Times-News, Nick Stevens of High School OT, Alex Bass representing the Charlotte Observer, and J. Mike Blake of the Cary News.

**COMMISSIONER'S REPORT**: Davis Whitfield addressed the board. He presented an outline for an NCHSAA strategic plan to the Board and asked that Board members react to the outline.

Discussion moved to regular season television for football and basketball and a request from the N.C. Football Coaches Association. Motion from sports committee to allow regular season football games to be televised on Saturday only (motion from committee and seconded by Morton, defeated 1-22).

Video streaming was discussed, with the presentation that had been made by PlayOn Sports at the athletic directors association. After sharing some information, motion from sports committee and second by Morton to allow live video streaming of regular season contests (including football and basketball). Discussion followed, motion passed 14-8.

Realignment timeline was distributed. Motion by Hobbs, second by Burden, to approve realignment timeline as distributed, approved 23-0. Motion was made by Carver, second by Stallings, to approve members of realignment committee as distributed, approved 23-0. The chairman would be George Norris, superintendent of Richmond, with the East chair Ed Croom of Johnston County and the West chair Donald Andrews of Randolph County.

The consensus of the Board is to remain with four classifications for realignment, after discussion of the SAS presentation.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS** (action items are recorded here; other items may have been discussed in committee but not referred to full Board for action):

**SPORTS COMMITTEE:** Bobby Guthrie presented his report after thanking his committee members: 1, Received request from Mountain Athletic Conference to change sectional basketball playing dates; no change recommended.

- 2. Recommend removal of "grandfather" clause for skill development for baseball and softball, so now all sports would have the same restrictions relative to out of season rules and regulations, starting with 2011-12 academic year (motion by Guthrie, second by Morris, approved 21-2).
- 3. Recommend start football practice on July 30 for 2011 only to provide more days to get scrimmages in (motion by Guthrie, second by Norman, approved 21-1).
- 4. Recommended start all fall sports for 2011 on July 30 to coincide with football (motion by Green, second by Spencer, approved 22-1).
- 5. Several other recommendations from the football coaches association were not advanced out of committee, including spring practice.
- 6. Sports medicine committee recommendation for wrestling; recommend adjustment in weekly weigh in procedure; once matches begin, match weigh ins should be used and must be entered into OPC within 24 hours of match; mandated Friday weigh ins up to beginning of regular season competition; if no matches in a week, must have a weigh in during the week; if wrestler absent and does not weigh in at match, must have one during week (motion by Guthrie, second by Holloway, approved 23-0).
- 7. Recommend change in hot weather and football conditioning guidelines based on National Athletic Trainers Association conditioning guidelines, as follows (motion by Guthrie, second by Lowman, approved 22-1).

### HOT WEATHER & FOOTBALL CONDITIONING GUIDELINES

Day 1 & 2: Helmet, shorts and football shoes; 3 hour limit Optional: 1 hour walk-thru; 3 hours must separate

Day 3-5: Helmets and shoulder pads; 3 hour limit Optional: 1 hour walk-thru; 3 hours must separate

Day 6-8: Full gear and contact

Optional: double practice: if held, maximum of 5 hours combined

Neither of the 2 can exceed 3 hours must be separated by 3 "cool" hours

OR

single practice:

3 hours maximum

1hour walk-thru; 3 "cool" hours must separate

NOTE:

- Double practice days must be followed by a single practice day (with 1 hour walk-thru option)
- Double practice day followed by an OFF DAY allows for following day to be double practice day
- All double practice days limited to 3 hours per practice, but no more than 5 total hours of both

practices

3 "cool hours" must separate a double practice and 1 hour walk-thru

Day 9: Full gear and contact

1st available scrimmage

7 hours of pre-season scrimmage time is allowed.

Day 9 -14: Follow double practice/single practice rotation options

NOTE: Beginning with day 6-14, or up to the beginning of the 180 day school year—whichever occurs first, the double practice/single practice option must be followed

Reminders:

- Walk-thrus can be no more than 1 hour in length; no equipment can be used (helmets, shoulder pads, etc.)
  - Double practice days must be followed by a single practice day (with 1 hour walk-thru option)
  - Double practice day followed by an OFF DAY allows for following day to be double practice day
  - All double practice days limited to 3 hours per practice, but no more than 5 total hours of both

practices

Double practices and 1 hour walk-thrus must be separated by 3 "cool hours"

- Warm up, stretching, cool-down, walk-thru, conditioning, and weight room activities are part of practice limits
- 8. Recommend approve request to allow wrestling for 3A, 2A and 4A all to wrestle on Thursday of state individual wrestling championships (motion by Guthrie, second by Carver, approved 23-0).

## **POLICY COMMITTEE:** Regina Lambert made the report for her committee:

- 1. Recommend approval of non sports calendar for 2011-12 as distributed (motion by Lambert, second by Lowman, approved 21-0).
- 2. Recommend that NCHSAA no longer sanction all-star games but will continue to endorse the North Carolina Coaches Association events; information will be posted on web site for players, parents and coaches to consider when playing in an event of this nature; senior still must have completed eligibility in that sport, and play in no more than two games (football or basketball) during school year; those involving interstate competition (Shrine Bowl, etc) will be sanctioned as interstate events (motion by Lambert, second by Morton, approved 23-0).
- 3. Recommendations from special task force concerning academic eligibility; add to exception for incomplete: "or is awaiting a final grade due to EOC re-testing or any other state-mandated testing"; also add paragraph "any student, including seniors, must also pass that minimum load, even if they need fewer for graduation" (motion by Lambert, second by Norman, approved 23-0).
- 4. Recommend addition of hybrid examples to Handbook under Scholastic Requirements as distributed (motion by Lambert, second by Skabo, approved 23-0).
- 5. Recommend addition to paragraph about other "unsanctioned" sports, to add additional information on current page 111 of Handbook:
- "Even though such sports are not sanctioned by the NCHSAA, member schools should work, wherever possible, to adhere to the ideals and guidelines established by the NCHSAA for their member schools in sports which they do sanction. The need to promote sportsmanship, to protect instructional time, or the physiological and emotional needs of maturing teens should not disappear simply because it is not a sport sanctioned by the NCHSAA." (motion by Lambert, second by Mack, approved 23-0).
- 6. Senior citizen pass will continue to be honored at NCHSAA playoff games but identification should be requested.
- 7. Appealing penalties levied by the NCHSAA, such as fines for fighting; to craft policy similar to Hardship procedure to allow schools to appeal a penalty, but does not wish to wait until the Board meets; take that language and place in Penalty Code section (motion by Lambert, second by Burden, approved 23-0).
  - 8. Noted change made by State Board of Education in age rule.

**FINANCE AND PERSONNEL COMMITTEE**: Brooks Matthews recognized members of the committee and made this report:

- 1. Reviewed 2010-11 financial items; additional \$125,000 went back to schools with change in percentage of basketball shares and other adjustments.
- 2. Review of accounts; investments are beginning to rebound; Endowment continues to grow with dollar surcharge and Endowment games.
- 3. Reviewed some championship information and other budget information; cross country gate at championships one of highest ever; cheerleading invitational revenue increasing; attendance up overall in football playoffs; volleyball shares up for schools with change in percentage. Football and wrestling revenue up, corporate sponsorships continue to stay strong.
- 4. Recommend formally approving recommendation from investment policy review; Morgan Stanley made some suggestions for revisions in asset allocation, to include alternative strategies and reduce bond allocation (motion by Matthews, second by Spencer, approved 22-1).
- 5. Student Services action item; what to do if state budget cuts eliminate grant for Student Services; adjusted budget for that and how NCHSAA will address that if it happens; recommend NCHSAA absorb cost of that adjusted budget if grant is not continued (motion by Matthews, second by Stallings, approved 23-0).

- 6. Financial relief for schools: to return additional money to schools for 2011, which would give \$1000 to each member school for 2010-11; recommendation that 25% of dollar surcharge to go back to schools over next four years (motion by Matthews, second by Hobbs, approved 23-0).
- 7. Discussion regarding further diversification of investments; recommendation that 50% of additional money for investment to go to Morgan Stanley; take other 50% and divide it among BB&T and Wittenburg Priddy Blankenship (motion by Matthews, second by Burden, approved 23-0).
  - 8. Review of budget from transition to private entity, which was really right on the mark.
  - 9. Elizabeth Lancaster has filled staff position previously held by CeCe White.

**REVIEW AND OFFICIATING COMMITTEE**: Chris Skabo made the presentation for his committee after thanking his members:

1. Review and accept incident/penalty report and review and accept ejection report; unpaid fines as of April 30, 2010, including:

Cuthbertson, Hoggard, KIPP Pride, Ocracoke, Pamlico, Princeton, Seventy-First, E.E. Smith, Warren County, West Stanly and Wilkes Central;

Incidents and penalty report includes:

Baseball: Jack Britt, Cardinal Gibbons, Webb

Cheerleading: Millbrook

Football: Albemarle, Ardrey Kell, Carrboro, Clinton, Cox Mill, East Montgomery, Garinger (2), Gates Hillside, North Lenoir, North Lincoln, Northside, Page, Piedmont, Pinecrest (2), Porter Ridge,

Randleman, A.C. Reynolds, R.J. Reynolds, Sanderson, South Brunswick, Southern Durham, Union

Pines, West Montgomery Indoor track: Hopewell

Men's basketball: Andrew, Franklin, Kings Mountain, Northside, Riverside-Martin, Robbinsville,

South Granville, South Robeson, Wheatmore Men's cross country: Madison, Panther Creek

Men's indoor track: Southeast Raleigh

Men's lacrosse: Williams

Men's outdoor track: West Stanly

Men's soccer: East Mecklenburg, Greene Central, KIPP Pride, Louisburg, Morehead, North Iredell

(2), Overhills, South Granville, South Stokes, Statesville, West Craven

Softball: Cherokee

Spring sports: Creswell, Weldon

Volleyball: Harding, T.C. Roberson, Southern Wayne

Winter sports: Jones, Pine Lake Preparatory, Rocky Mount Preparatory Women's basketball: Enloe, Hough, North Edgecombe, North Pitt

Women's cross country: Mount Pleasant, Richlands

Women's golf: Polk

Women's indoor track: Clayton, Hendersonville

Women's lacrosse: East Chapel Hill, Lake Norman, North Mecklenburg, Page

Women's outdoor track: Asheboro, Webb

Women's soccer: A.L. Brown, Cardinal Gibbons, Thomas Jefferson Classical, McMichael, Western

Harnett, Bartlett Yancey Women's swimming: Clayton

Women's tennis: East Henderson, St. Pauls

Wrestling: Ashley, Carrboro, East Rutherford, Hunt, Jacksonville, McMichael, North Davidson,

Pender, Pinecrest, Salisbury, Watauga

(motion by Skabo, second by Lowman, approved 23-0).

- 2. Recommend approve new booking agents, including: James Peyton for Triangle Basketball; Jerry Talley of ALCO Volleyball; Gary Swanson of Metrolina Baseball; Julie Rowland for Metrolina Softball; Tom McKimmey for Outer Banks Volleyball. Other vacancies are coming up in baseball and basketball. (motion by Skabo, second by Morton, approved 23-0).
- 3. Recommend requiring booking agents to certify their roster against sex offender registry list (motion by Skabo, second by Lowman, approved 23-0).

- 4. Recommend going to seven man crew in football state championships; no increase in overall cost to NCHSAA as individual payment will be adjusted; will be optional to use seven man crew in rounds three and four of playoffs, with booking agent absorbing cost (motion by Skabo, second by Lowman, approved 23-0.)
- 5. Ejection/disqualification; require coaches, head or assistant, who are ejected or disqualified, to take STAR Sportsmanship program (now will be seven dollar fee) before coaching in next contest; if a team has players who are ejected due to fighting, coach must take NFHS Learning Course "Teaching and Modeling Behavior" course (\$20 fee). Must be completed before coaching next game (motion by Skabo, second by Morton, approved 23-0).
- 6. Any player ejected must take STAR Sportsmanship, which is currently required, but now there will be seven dollar fee as charged by STAR (motion by Skabo, second by Burden, approved 23-0).

After a break, then Hobbs made a motion to require background checks of all NCHSAA-registered officials, second by Morton; approved 22-0 with one abstention.

### **SPECIAL REPORTS:**

**NORTH CAROLINA SCHOOL BOARDS ASSOCIATION:** Joe White addressed the Board, noting what a pleasure it is for him to represent the NCSBA on the Association Board. He currently serves as president of the NCSBA. He noted the challenges schools and school boards face with the legislature and the current budget situations. He said that the issues facing schools across the country, whether large or small units, are really similar.

The regional school boards association meeting for 13 states in the Southeast will be held at the Grove Park Inn in Asheville in July.

**NORTH CAROLINA COACHES ASSOCIATION**: Mac Morris reported to the Board for his organization. He noted that the web site for the NCHSAA really has some nice features with video and the like.

He distributed the NCCA newsletter to the Board as well as the 2011 clinic brochure, a student trainer symposium brochure and the adult injury symposium for first responders. First responders can no longer be a full member of the NCCA but can be associate members. College coaches may also join as associate members.

**BOOKING AGENTS AND OFFICIALS:** Roger Morton reported to the Board. He noted there are about 10 new booking agents in place who have been hired over the last year or so. All booking agents and assigners will be using the Arbiter on line tool for booking, etc., starting in fall of 2011 and he noted that should be great for both officials and schools with access to information. Many are always using it.

Roger said that all the different groups represented on the Board are in the service of the young people in our charge.

**NORTH CAROLINA ATHLETIC DIRECTORS ASSOCIATION**: David Ball made the presentation for his organization, including greetings from former NCHSAA Board member Jerry McGee. There were 205 athletic directors at the recent state conference in Wilmington and there were 49 who took LTC courses, which are produced by the NIAAA.

Three people, including Guy Mendenhall, Joe Miller and Carolyn Shannonhouse, were inducted into the NCADA Hall of Fame. Mark Payne is the NCADA Athletic Director of Year, Angie Miller earned the NIAAA Award of Merit, and Bobby Guthrie received an NFHS Citation at the national AD's conference in Orlando.

Officers for the coming year will include David Ball as NCADA president, Angie Miller as vice-president and Rex Wells of Asheville as secretary. The NIAAA national conference is December 9-13, 2011 in Indianapolis and the state conference will be at the Grove Park Inn in Asheville in March of 2012.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:24 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Rick Strunk Associate Commissioner

## NORTH CAROLINA HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS WINTER MEETING Wednesday, December 7, 2011

The winter meeting of the North Carolina High School Athletic Association Board of Directors was called to order by President Brooks Matthews at 8:30 a.m. at the Simon F. Terrell Building. Members in attendance included Stewart Hobbs, Rexanna Lowman, Ernie Purnsley, Herman Little, Bill Miller, Dwayne Stallings, Maurice Green, Leon Mack, Shelly Marsh, Allison Sholar, Sally Bradshaw, Carla Black, Robert Logan, Angie Miller and Bill Rogers. Kathy Spencer was absent. Ex-officio members included Roger Morton of the Piedmont Officials Association, representing booking agents and officials, Les Spell of the North Carolina Department of Public Instruction, Mac Morris of the North Carolina Coaches Association, Wendell Hall and Joe White representing the North Carolina School Boards Association, and David Ball of the North Carolina High School Athletic Directors Association.

NCHSAA staff in attendance included Davis Whitfield, Carolyn Shannonhouse, Rick Strunk, Mark Dreibelbis, Karen DeHart, Que Tucker, and Pepper Hines.

Matthews welcomed the new members to the Board.

The minutes of the previous Board meeting and the annual meeting were also approved as distributed previously (motion by Marsh, second by White, approved).

Executive Committee recommendation from Carrboro appeal on hardship case 173 was to deny appeal. The Board voted to uphold the committee recommendation (motion by White, second by Morris, approved).

Motion to approve consent agenda items as distributed with the exception of the case above, which was heard separately (motion by Hobbs, second by White, approved).

# CONSENT AGENDA NORTH CAROLINA HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION 2011 BOARD OF DIRECTORS WINTER MEETING

(Cases handled since April 1, 2011 and before November 1, 2011)

- 1. HOPEWELL: Denied waiver of eight-semester rule for Patrick Leonard.
- 2. EASTERN GUILFORD: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Alexandra Morataya.
- 3. PENDER: Denied waiver of scholastic rule for Danielle Hunter Meshaw.
- 4. Received \$250 filing fee and request for sanctioning for 2012 Triad High School Men's Lacrosse All-Star Game by the Old North State Lacrosse Foundation.
  - 5. RIVERSIDE-MARTIN: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Jadarian Brown.
  - 6. JOHN HOLMES: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Javonte Sutton.
  - 7. BISHOP MCGUINNESS: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Brynna Tremblay.
  - 8. BISHOP MCGUINNESS: Approved waiver of transfer rule for Thomas Valle.
  - BISHOP MCGUINNESS: Approved waiver of transfer rule for Evan Starks.
  - 10. BISHOP MCGUINNESS: Approved waiver of transfer rule for Christian Stoltz.
  - 11. BISHOP MCGUINNESS: Approved waiver of transfer rule for Andrew Rikard.
  - 12. SOUTH POINT: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Troy Leeper.
  - 13. SMOKY MOUNTAIN: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Renee' Provost.
  - 14. FORBUSH: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Alan Andrew Clark.
  - 15. MANTEO: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Rasheed Bryant.
  - 16. MOUNTAIN HERITAGE: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Taylor Parker.
  - 17. LOUISBURG: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Steven Burnette.
  - 18. LOUISBURG: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Thomas Collier.
  - 19. LOUISBURG: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Lindsay Johnson.
  - 20. SOUTH POINT: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Richard Deese.
  - 21. EAST SURRY: Denied waiver of attendance rule for Cole Alexander Watson.
  - 22. LANEY: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Meghan Lindner.
  - 23. SALISBURY: Approved waiver of attendance and scholastic rule for John Robert Canipe.
  - 24. CENTRAL CABARRUS: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Ashlyn Genova.
  - 25. WEST CALDWELL: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Tyri Dula.
  - 26. SOUTH GRANVILLE: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Tyler Parker.
  - 27. SOUTHERN ALAMANCE: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Brittney Vann.
  - 28. SOUTHERN ALAMANCE: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Jeremiah Jackson.
  - 29. LEESVILLE ROAD: Approved waiver of scholastic rule for Nathan LaFuria.
  - 30. PERQUIMANS: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Cody Sawyer.
  - 31. MOUNT PLEASANT: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Thomas McCrimmon.
  - 32. REAGAN: Denied waiver of attendance rule for Loren Larson.
  - 33. REAGAN: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Tristin Midkiff.

- 34. BUNKER HILL: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Dylan Scalf.
- 35. EAST ROWAN: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Bart Kelly.
- 36. SOUTHEAST GUILFORD: Denied waiver of attendance rule for Malissa Robbins.
- 37. WESTERN ALAMANCE: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Dalton Apple.
- 38. ASHLEY: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Justin Savinon.
- 39. SOUTHSIDE: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Brian Ward.
- 40. ALBEMARLE: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Anterio Nelson.
- 41. WEST WILKES: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Corey Finn.
- 42. HARNETT CENTRAL: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Melissa Bridges.
- 43. MYERS PARK: Denied waiver of eight-semester rule for Alan Cremisi.
- 44. WESTERN GUILFORD: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Lamar Lavar Smith
- 45. NORTH STANLY: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Megan McSwain.
- 46. REAGAN: Denied waiver of attendance rule for Darius Warner.
- 47. LEJEUNE: Approved waiver of attendance rue for Miguel Borja.
- 48. TRITON: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Martina Marler.
- 49. CONCORD: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Hunter White.
- 50. HARNETT CENTRAL: Denied waiver of attendance rule for Prince Logan, Jr..
- 51. WEST FORSYTH: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Hannah Stewart.
- 52. SWAIN COUNTY: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Kelley Brown.
- 53. MOUNT TABOR: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Dale Martin.
- 54. APEX: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Brett Gardner.
- 55. PURNELL SWETT: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Telvin Clark.
- 56. MARVIN RIDGE: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Kristen Marten.
- 57. PIEDMONT: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Ebighe Emafo.
- 58. WESTERN ALAMANCE: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Justin Nelson.
- 59. KINGS MOUNTAIN: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Natalie Elizabeth Fedyschyn.
- 60. WEST FORSYTH: Approved waiver of attendance rue for James Luke Peterson.
- 61. MOUNT TABOR: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Al Lipscomb IV.
- 62. MOREHEAD: Approved waiver of attendance rule for James Andrew Thacker.
- 63. EASTERN WAYNE: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Jacob William Sarvey.
- 64. WESTERN ALAMANCE: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Ethan Johns.
- 65. NORTHERN GUILFORD: Denied waiver of attendance rule for Wade William Churchill.
- 66. HOBBTON: could not hear age case of Brett Bowden.
- 67. CHAPEL HILL: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Darrell Parker.
- 68. SOUTH CENTRAL: Denied waiver of eight-semester rule for A.J. Kush.
- 69. REAGAN: Denied waiver of scholastic rule for Antonio Younger.
- 70. LANEY: Approved waiver of attendance rule for James Blanton.
- 71. FIRST FLIGHT: Denied waiver of attendance rule for Eric McCurdy II.
- 72. RAGSDALE: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Ernest Bowie IV.
- 73. EAST FORSYTH: Denied waiver of attendance rule for Alex Lawrence.
- 74. NORTH FORSYTH: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Todd O'Leary.
- 75. GRAHAM: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Tamarcus Corbett.
- 76. HOLLY SPRINGS: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Matthew Wallis.
- 77. EAST ROWAN: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Hannah Pressley.
- 78. CARDINAL GIBBONS: Approved waiver of transfer rule for Lauren Brooker.
- 79. SOUTHEAST RALEIGH: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Kamir Bernardo Bowen.
- 80. GLENN: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Lauren Biesemeyer.
- 81. FARMVILLE CENTRAL: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Destyni Martin.
- 82. CARDINAL GIBBONS: Approved waiver of transfer rule for Zack Smith.
- 83. CARDINAL GIBBONS: Approved waiver of transfer rule for Dante DiMaggio.
- 84. GRAY'S CREEK: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Joseph Wallace II.
- 85. GRAY'S CREEK: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Tyler Start.
- 86. WEST LINCOLN: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Adam Helms.
- 87. EAST COLUMBUS: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Carlos Campbell.
- 88. WATAUGA: Denied waiver of attendance rule for Quaeleb Montifson.
- 89. HOGGARD: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Nicholas Fontana.
- R.J. REYNOLDS: Denied waiver of attendance rule for Chloe Willetts.
   CARDINAL GIBBONS: Approved waiver of transfer rule for Michael Fox.
- 92. CARDINAL GIBBONS: Approved waiver of transfer rule for Rachel Bartolomeo.
- 93. HICKORY: Denied waiver of eight-semester rule for Austin Tummelson.
- 94. MURPHY: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Chandler Dale Gooch.
- 95. MURPHY: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Kathryn Micheala King-Hopkins.
- 96. SOUTH MECKLENBURG: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Elizabeth Kasten.
- 97. INDEPENDENCE: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Antonio Sanchez.

- 98. PARKLAND: Denied waiver of scholastic rule for Omar Perez.
- 99. PARKLAND: Denied waiver of scholastic rule for Trazine Charmaine Wagner.
- 100. WILLIAMS: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Anna Bearden.
- 101. CARVER: Denied waiver of attendance rule for Derek Anthony II.
- 102. CARVER: Denied waiver of attendance rule for Jade Carpenter.
- 103. BISHOP MCGUINNESS: Approved waiver of transfer rule for Justin Lechner.
- 104. BISHOP MCGUINNESS: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Eric Forrester.
- 105. BISHOP MCGUINNESS: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Megan Cardwell.
- 106. ROSEWOOD: Approved waiver of residence rule for emancipation for Shaquan Taylor.
- 107. WESTERN GUILFORD: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Patrick Hazelman.
- 108. WESTERN GUILFORD: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Mary Lewis.
- 109. HIBRITEN: Approved waiver of scholastic rule for Jason Corpening, based on transfer from block to traditional format; passed all courses that matched with previous schedule.
  - 110. CARDINAL GIBBONS: Approved waiver of transfer rule for Mario Lund.
  - 111. ATHENS DRIVE: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Morgan Peek.
  - 112. NORTH SURRY: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Kasie Lynn Tolbert.
  - 113. DOUGLAS BYRD: Denied waiver of attendance rule for Yedyliann Santiago-Navarro.
  - 114. HOGGARD: Approved waiver of attendance rule for William Harris.
  - 115. WHEATMORE: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Chanley Hanes.
  - 116. PARKLAND: Denied waiver of attendance rule for Sydnei Rosenbalm.
  - 117. CONCORD: Denied waiver of attendance rule for Jerrick Grier.
  - 118. ENLOE: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Brinal Brown.
  - 119. NEW HANOVER: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Kassie McRostie.
  - 120. EASTERN GUILFORD: Approved waiver of residence rule for Jawara Mills.
  - 121. EASTERN GUILFORD: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Brittney Boney.
  - 122. CARRBORO: Approved waiver of scholastic rule for Molly O'Connell.
  - 123. CARRBORO: Denied waiver of attendance rule for Michael Thornton.
  - 124. CARRBORO: Denied waiver of scholastic rule for Macaire Castle.
  - 125. CARRBORO: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Nia Johnson.
  - 126. CHARLOTTE CATHOLIC: Approved waiver of transfer rule for Jon Wohlfert Jr.
  - 127. CHARLOTTE CATHOLIC: Approved waiver of transfer rule for David Belfield.
  - 128. LANEY: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Cole Diehl.
  - 129. BURNS: Denied waiver of attendance rule for Rush Mull.
  - 130. HARNETT CENTRAL: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Tashayveon McLean.
  - 131. NORTH MECKLENBURG: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Rashaan Brown.
  - 132. CHARLOTTE CATHOLIC: Approved waiver of transfer rule for Colin Wohlfert.
  - 133. MOORESVILLE: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Robert Cush.
  - 134. WAKE FOREST-ROLESVILLE: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Katie Payne.
  - 135. REAGAN: Denied waiver of attendance rule for Amy Wolff.
  - 136. REAGAN: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Justin Posey.
  - 137. FIRST FLIGHT: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Hunter Brake.
  - 138. HOLLY SPRINGS: waiver of attendance rule for Emmanuel Sanders did not have complete information.
  - 139. NORTHWEST CABARRUS: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Joseph Tucker Zufall.
  - 140. EAST MECKLENBURG: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Austin Littler.
  - 141. GLENN: Denied waiver of attendance rule for Ralph Van Eaton.
  - 142. EASTERN GUILFORD: Approved of waiver attendance rule for Joseph Henshaw.
  - 143. PARKLAND: Denied waiver of attendance rule for Reginald Goldsmith.
  - 144. PARKLAND: Denied waiver of attendance rule for Alma Alberto.
  - 145. CARRBORO: Approved waiver of residence rule for Tommy Daniel.
  - 146. NORTH LINCOLN: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Tyler C. Wolfe.
  - 147. SOUTH ROBESON: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Vantazia Campbell.
  - 148. MILLBROOK: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Katherine Reith.
  - 149. FIRST FLIGHT: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Michael Coyne.
  - 150. FUQUAY-VARINA: Approved waiver of residence rule for Idris Jarely Parada.
  - 151. HOGGARD: Denied waiver of attendance rule for Taryn Noves.
  - 152. EAST SURRY: Approved waiver of residence rule for Joseph Hodges.
  - 153. MALLARD CREEK: hardship not necessary since student meets non-resident status.
- 154. MALLARD CREEK: waiver of scholastic rule for Timmy Lamar would be approved, but cannot waive local promotion standards.
  - 155. FORBUSH: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Chloe Mabe.
  - 156. GRIMSLEY: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Madison Campbell.
  - 157. CARVER: Denied waiver of attendance rule for Hildred Boston.
  - 158. ROSEWOOD: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Eric Campbell.
  - 159. CARVER: Denied waiver of attendance rule for Anthony Shakir.

- 160. NORTHERN DURHAM: Denied waiver of attendance rule for Marquis Newell.
- 161. NORTHERN DURHAM: Denied waiver of attendance rule for Johnathan Newell.
- 162. CARDINAL GIBBONS: Approved waiver of transfer rule for Kevin Buckley.
- 163. LANEY: waiver of attendance rule for Christian Cloutier did not have complete information.
- 164. NORTH LINCOLN: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Giles Joseph Crooks.
- 165. TRITON: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Tony McNeill.
- 166. Received application for membership and application fee from Queen's Grant Charter High School in

# Matthews.

- 167. NORTH FORSYTH: Denied waiver of attendance rule for Janae Walker.
- 168. NORTH FORSYTH: Denied waiver of attendance rule for Mario Gibson.
- 169. Received application for membership and application fee from Community School of Davidson.
- 170. Received application for membership and application fee from Stuart Cramer High School in Gaston

### County.

- 171. Received application for membership from Rolesville High School in Wake County.
- 172. NORTHERN GUILFORD: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Malik Hampton-Prioleau.
- 173. CARRBORO: Denied waiver of scholastic rule for Pasquale Veltri.
- 174. Received application fee and membership application from Christ The King High School.
- 175. WEST MECKLENBURG: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Kenneth Webster.
- 176. SEVENTY-FIRST: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Quaddira Jacobs.
- 177. Received application for membership and application fee from Woods Charter School in Chatham County.
- 178. Received application for membership and application fee from Neuse Charter School in Johnston County.
- 179. MILLBROOK: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Jaylaan Dillard.
- 180. Received application for membership and application fee from East Wake Academy.
- 181. SMOKY MOUNTAIN: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Austin Davis.
- 182. Received application for membership and application fee from Walkertown High School.

The Board then moved into its committee work.

**FINANCE AND PERSONNEL**: chairperson Stewart Hobbs, recorder Bill Miller, Allison Sholar, Shelly Marsh, staff advisors Davis Whitfield and Karen DeHart;

**POLICY:** chairperson Dwayne Stallings, vice-chairperson Ernie Purnsley, recorder Maurice Green; Joe White, Maurice Green, Sally Bradshaw, Les Spell, staff advisor Carolyn Shannonhouse;

**REVIEW/ OFFICIATING/STUDENT SERVICES**: chairperson Rexanna Lowman, vice-chairperson Roger Morton, recorder Leon Mack, David Ball, Bill Rogers, staff advisor Mark Dreibelbis;

**SPORTS:** chairperson Herman Little, vice-chair Mac Morris, recorder Angie Miller, Carla Black, Robert Logan, staff advisor Que Tucker.

The Board later heard lengthy committee reports on agenda items.

### FINANCIAL/INVESTMENT REPORTS:

**Morgan Stanley:** Jeff Hudson presented to the Board. He noted that the Endowment portfolio showed an increase of 17%, an exceptional year considering the economy. Bonds had positive returns, and stocks did well over that period. The Association fund was up over 19%.

Since June, the portfolios have been flat and there has been a lot of volatility. But there have been some good numbers from corporate earnings (all-time high) and retail sales in the United States are at an all-time high. Valuations of equities are very reasonable, so there are many good signs. Among the bad signs are activities in Europe with issues with debt, bond structure, etc., over the last five months.

Long term outlook is still good, but over near term there will be volatility and short term headlines can rattle the markets. The portfolios are adjusted to help weather the up and down periods, and right now appear to be positioned appropriately.

**BB&T Trust:** The presentation was made by Dara Haney and James Luke, representing Sterling Capital Management LLC, a subsidiary of BB&T. He noted it had been a difficult year up until about September 30 for this particular type of mutual fund, but rebounded tremendously since then. The investment has outperformed the Russell Midcap Index since that time. There are four midcap funds in this portfolio, two in growth and two in value.

It is an uncertain time in portions of the global economy, as others had pointed out in their reports, especially in Europe. Those problems are not quickly solvable in many of those countries, but they can be

stabilized. The domestic side is doing better, although there are some indicators of a shallow recession, but their thinking is that it might be averted here.

**Wittenburg, Priddy and Blankenship:** Mike Wittenburg and Jeff Priddy addressed the Board. Mike shared similar concerns as other investment reports, such as the worsening European sovereign debt crisis. This, Mike said, is one of the greatest external threat to U.S. markets in his 28 years in the business. There has also been little improvement in the U.S. housing market and China's economy has slowed.

In terms of areas of improvement, unemployment is the United States is beginning to improve, interest rates are expected to stay low and a big recession in our nation appears to be "off the table."

The investment that the group has done on behalf of the NCHSAA, which did not take place for the first time until June, after it had been approved to work with Wittenburg, Priddy and Blankenship, has done well considering what has happened in the last six months. He said the portfolio is well diversified. He said they were very grateful for the opportunity and look forward to a long term relationship with excellent returns.

**Audit:** Blackman and Sloop presented to the Board about the audit, with Rob Lewis and Andrea Woodell Eason, making the report for the fiscal year 2010-11. Rob outlined just exactly what the firm is hired to do, the communications required relative to the audit and the requirement to prepare the IRS Form 990. There were no significant audit adjustments, and the form issued an "unqualified opinion," which is the goal of any audit.

Market value of investments has gone up over the last couple of years after big drops in 2008 and '09. The net assets include permanently restricted funds (like the Endowment, representing 39%), temporarily restricted or unrestricted. Playoff revenue and contributions seem to be complementing one another. Main sources of revenue include playoffs, corporate sponsorships, and other revenue (like dues, officials registration, etc.). Vast majority of money spent is on programs that go to or benefit the schools directly.

The auditors noted some performance observations, such as following up on old outstanding checks that have been issued to schools but hadn't been cashed or voided out, that will be followed up on.

**Centennial Celebration:** Karen DeHart made a presentation about the 100-year celebration of the NCHSAA. A long list of ideas and suggestions was presented to the Board about possibilities for the centennial celebration. Some are related to media, such as a tagline or theme; a special 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary logo; highlight DVD, PSAs, commemorative book, or governor's proclamation. Commemorative coin for coin toss or other promotional items would be possible.

Championship team reunions and recognition; "Centennial Teams" in some sports similar to the Notable Ninety, top 100 coaches or administrators or other categories were mentioned.

Other items on the general list: some kind of gala/celebration either to kick off and/or to close out year; themed annual solicitation for Endowment, and some community relations/service related ideas (food drive coordinated statewide, military appreciation, etc.).

The list will be narrowed and focused in months to come.

Commissioner Whitfield distributed some other information, including a conflict of interest statement and other information. He also made a special presentation to Joe White, who will be retiring and leaving the Board. The meeting adjourned at 4:55 pm.

# NCHSAA Board of Directors Meeting Thursday, December 8, 2011

The winter meeting of the North Carolina High School Athletic Association Board of Directors was called to order by President Brooks Matthews at 8:00 a.m. at the Simon F. Terrell Building. Members in attendance included Stewart Hobbs, Rexanna Lowman, Ernie Purnsley, Herman Little, Bill Miller, Dwayne Stallings, Maurice Green, Leon Mack, Shelly Marsh, Allison Sholar, Sally Bradshaw, Robert Logan, Carla Black, Angie Miller and Bill Rogers. Kathy Spencer was absent. Ex-officio members included Roger Morton of the Piedmont Officials Association, representing booking agents and officials, Les Spell of the North Carolina Department of Public

Instruction, Mac Morris of the North Carolina Coaches Association, Wendell Hall and Joe White representing the North Carolina School Boards Association, and David Ball of the North Carolina High School Athletic Directors Association.

NCHSAA staff in attendance included Davis Whitfield, Carolyn Shannonhouse, Rick Strunk, Mark Dreibelbis, Karen DeHart, Que Tucker, and Pepper Hines.

Media members in attendance included Tim Stevens of the Raleigh News and Observer, Chris Hughes of Carolina Preps, and Nick Stevens of WRAL/HighSchoolOT.com.

### **SPECIAL REPORTS:**

STUDENT ATHLETE ADVISORY COUNCIL: Page King, the Region 5 representative on the SAAC from Eastern Alamance High School, reported to the Board. She highlighted the SAAC page on the NCHSAA web site and email addresses for members of the group. The group recorded a PSA with Time Warner Cable and is working with AAA to develop a focus group for the NCHSAA sponsor on their "You Text, You Drive, You Die" campaign. She also had several questions about eligibility, some of which were local situations rather than NCHSAA policy, as well as football seeding, and said that student-athletes just don't understand certain rules and regulations. Commissioner Whitfield mentioned that some of those could be directly answered at the next SAAC meeting.

**STATE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION:** Les Spell reported to the Board, in his initial meeting in this role. He first talked about the Gfeller-Waller Concussion Act and how it applies to member schools, including an audit list to help schools remain in compliance. He also mentioned middle school athletics, a topic that was discussed on the first day of the meeting.

He also noted that the change of the date for eligibility/age rule (from October 16 to August 31) has been well received, according to DPI.

**NORTH CAROLINA SCHOOL BOARDS ASSOCIATION:** Joe White addressed the Board, noting what a pleasure it has been for him to represent the NCSBA on the Association Board, and he brought greetings from Ed Dunlap, executive director of the NCSBA. He said that Wendell Hall, who will take over this spot on the Board, would be an outstanding Board member.

He described the continued work on the school calendar bill and the situation concerning the additional five days that had been proposed for the school year, as well as the date for the start of school. Joe noted that he believed schools had had an excellent year despite the adversities they had faced, including budget challenges. He is concerned about what he has seen on several fronts as "a war on public education."

Charter schools, he said, are here to stay so we have to continue to figure out the best ways to work with them, trying to be "aggressive as well as progressive."

**NORTH CAROLINA COACHES ASSOCIATION**: Mac Morris reported to the Board, first thanking Joe White for his great service. He noted two items he had distributed to the Board, including the NCCA Directory, which contains a great deal of information, and a copy of the NCCA newsletter.

The clinic is July 16-19, 2012, in Greensboro. Mac also talked about some sentiment to move all-star games from July to December, but the NCCA does not want to have their participants involved with losing school time.

Mac noted an idea about reunions that the NCCA are considering to have for former East-West all-star participants. The NCCA Board has also made a change to allow all preregistrations for the clinic to be made by schools at \$55 each, whether they are faculty or non-faculty.

**BOOKING AGENTS AND OFFICIALS:** Roger Morton addressed the Board on behalf of booking agents and officials. He noted that background checks for officials was one of the major changes as well as the use of The Arbiter system, both of which have gone very well.

He talked some about the results for officials on the national rules testing. North Carolina officials performed very well on the national tests, with our state's officials ranking first in test scores in the country in several different sports.

**NORTH CAROLINA ATHLETIC DIRECTORS ASSOCIATION:** David Ball, who is president of NCADA, spoke on behalf of the NCADA and executive director Jerry McGee.

He noted that the NCADA conference will be March 24-27, 2012, the 41<sup>st</sup> annual, at the Grove Park Inn in Asheville. Fred McDaniel of Cumberland County will receive an NFHS Citation at the NIAAA national conference. Roy Turner is on the NIAAA Board of Directors and Bobby Hill of Hillside is also being recognized. NCHSAA Board member Angie Miller is vice-president of the NCADA.

David said the turnout for the 2011 Summer Institute at the coaches' clinic was the best ever. He said that the work among the NCCA, NCADA and the NCHSAA is a model of teamwork.

**COMMISSIONER'S REPORT**: Davis noted progress on the strategic plan, with the committee established that would come in for a couple days in February. He said that the televising of regional football championships for the first time had been very successful, although the final numbers are not yet in from Time Warner Cable, and that the recently completed football championships were well attended and that the TWC television of those was very well received.

The realignment process continues and Davis noted its "inclusiveness," with the broad nature of the realignment committee, the feedback being received from member schools, the numerous opportunities to share input, and then the ultimate involvement of the Board of Directors. He called realignment a "nine-inning game" and that we were really just in the second inning, so there is a long way to go.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS** (action items are recorded here; other items may have been discussed in committee but not referred to full Board for action):

**FINANCE AND PERSONNEL COMMITTEE**: Stewart Hobbs recognized members of the committee and made this report:

- 1. follow up from last May's meeting; noted money that was sent back to the schools in the past year, over \$524,000, including increased travel reimbursements, new revenue divisions in various sports, and the one-time \$1000 payment to each school; 25% of the \$1 surcharge will be distributed to schools at end of school year as per new NCHSAA policy.
- 2. actual revenue exceeded budgeted amount; only thing that was down in playoff revenue was basketball, with gross revenues down over \$75,000. Team expenses increased, but that was based on board changes to reimbursement plan.
- 3. Gear Effect, CFA Medical, Town of Chapel Hill had reductions or changes in their corporate standing but some other partners have made some increases which offsets some losses there.
- 4. Recommend increasing to \$2 million for catastrophic plan and to go with K&K Insurance/Nationwide; will not increase premium being paid by schools, remaining at \$3.75 per student-athlete; increased medical cost is rationale for the change (motion from committee, approved 21-0).
- 5. Recommend business continuity/recovery plan to be developed and then reviewed in May (motion from committee, approved 21-0).
- 6. Jerry McGee Scholarship--NCADA has set up scholarship in his honor; recommend the NCHSAA make \$3000 donation to scholarship fund effort done by NCADA (motion from committee, approved 21-0).
- 7. Approve potential compensation adjustments for staff of up to 3%, first increases in several years (motion from committee, approved 21-0).
- 8. Centennial Celebration; recommendation from committee is to hire intern for a two-year basis to spearhead the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary activities and celebration, beginning in January 2012 (motion from committee, approved 21-0).
- 9. Recommend filling receptionist position that has been vacant for some time (motion from committee, approved 21-0).

### POLICY COMMITTEE: Dwayne Stallings thanked his committee and presented the report:

- 1. Member school students participating on non-member school team-- recommendation is not to take formal position on this particular item at this time, but it will be further discussed.
- 2. Middle school athletics-- recommend a study committee be established, including DPI, State Board of Education, and the NCHSAA, to study potential for middle school athletics to come under

- jurisdiction of NCHSAA; this request for study came from LEA. Committee then will report back to Board (motion from committee, approved 21-0).
- 3. No recommendation on mandatory statewide drug testing but will continue educational efforts through Student Services.
- 4. Recommend fee for video streaming of playoff contests-- add that specifically to Handbook policy; \$100 for delayed video streaming of playoff in any sport (motion from committee, approved 21-0).
- 5. No recommendation on requiring minimum number of sports for NCHSAA membership.
- 6. Inappropriate behavior or conduct by coaches with student-athletes discussion; policy statement would be prepared by staff to be added to Handbook and will come back to May meeting.

## SPORTS COMMITTEE: Herman Little presented his report after thanking committee members:

- 1. Recommend approval of 2012-13 playoff calendar as presented, although could be a change in date of cheerleading invitational on November 10 (motion from committee, approved 21-0).
- 2. Tabled a request to institute a soccer mercy rule until the spring, to get more information and develop potential policy.
- 3. Tabled request on reclassification on indoor track until numbers can be further studied, to see in fact how many teams there are, according to policy, versus just individual participants.
- 4. No action on changing format to qualify for individual tennis.
- 5. Recommend approving request to seed 2012 basketball playoffs (this season) as a one-year trial that would then be reviewed; members of NC Basketball Coaches Association may assist. Will be similar to football "pod" system, with East, Mideast, Midwest and West sectionals (motion from committee, approved 19-1, one abstention).
- 6. Recommend approval of request two separate conference basketball tournaments for each side of split in Mountain Athletic Conference; recommendation for all split conferences for basketball only in 2012, if they elect to use this option; all sports with conference tournaments in split conferences, if conference wants to exercise the option, in 2012-13 (motion by committee, approved 21-0).
- 7. Recommend eliminating mandatory dropping of Endowment game for football playoff seeding; allow school to drop any non conference football game for seeding purposes, provided they play 11 games (go back to previous policy) for 2012 (motion from committee, approved 17-4)
- 8. No change in policy for placing schools in regionals in non-bracketed sports (cross country, track, etc).
- 9. Saturday playoff game time-- no change in current policy.

# **REVIEW/OFFICIATING/STUDENT SERVICES COMMITTEE**: Rexanna Lowman made the presentation for her committee after thanking his members:

1. Approval of incident and penalty report as well as ejection report as presented;

Schools listed on the Incident/Penalty Report include: Alleghany, Brevard, Broughton, Butler, Douglas Byrd, Cary, Cedar Ridge, Central Davidson, Creswell, East Henderson, East Lincoln, Eastern Guilford, Enloe, Fike, Freedom, Fuquay-Varina, Garinger, Goldsboro, Granville Central, Harding University, Havelock, Hendersonville (3), High Point Central, Highland Tech, Holly Springs, Holmes, Kestrel Heights (3), Lexington, Maiden, McDowell, Mitchell (2), Nash Central, North Davidson, North Gaston, North Lincoln, North Surry, Northampton-East, Northern Guilford, Northern Nash, Northwest Halifax, Owen, Page (2), Parkland, Plymouth, Reidsville, Rocky River (2), Terry Sanford, Ben Smith, E.E. Smith, South Caldwell, South Davidson, South Johnston, South View, Southwest Guilford, Surry Central, Swansboro, Vance, Warren, Watauga, Weldon, West Bladen (2), West Charlotte.

Recommend acceptance of report (motion from committee, approved 21-0)

Unpaid fines include: Alleghany, Douglas Byrd, Cedar Ridge, Freedom, Goldsboro, Harding University, Havelock, Hendersonville (2), High Point Central, Highland Tech, Holmes. Kestrel Heights, Lexington, Mitchell (2), Nash Central, North Davidson, North Gaston, Northampton-East, Northern Guilford, Northern Nash, Page (2), Rocky River (2), Terry Sanford, E.E. Smith, South View.

- 2. Accepted fall 2011 ejection report, which included 317 total ejections, of which 43% (137) were for fighting. The increase in fighting was 22% over last year. Recommend acceptance of report (motion from committee, approved 21-0).
- 3. Recommend approval of two new booking agents; Rick Cataldo, Women's Lacrosse Coastal Officials Association, Seth Keener of Western Piedmont Baseball Officials Association (motion by committee, approved 21-0).
- 4. Recommend new policy that any official charged with a felony will be ineligible to officiate until the charge is settled or dismissed (motion by committee, approved 21-0).
- 5. Recommend that all non-school employee coaches must complete NFHS Fundamentals of Coaching course prior to coach any NCHSAA team. Cost is \$40. Course must be completed before coach can assume duties unless special needs consideration is requested and granted by NCHSAA. Goes into effect for 2012-13 academic year, with the effective date to start May 15, 2012. After discussion of motion, committee then withdrew motion (motion by Marsh, second by Hobbs, approved 19-2) and then will present the revised plan to the Board at May meeting.
- 6. No action on recommendation to initiate fitness testing for officials, based on legal ramifications and other considerations.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:30 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Rick Strunk Associate Commissioner

### NORTH CAROLINA HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS SPRING MEETING Tuesday, May 1, 2012

The spring meeting of the North Carolina High School Athletic Association Board of Directors was called to order by President Brooks Matthews at 8:02 a.m. at the Simon F. Terrell Building. Members in attendance included Stewart Hobbs, Rexanna Lowman, Ernie Purnsley, Herman Little, Bill Miller, Dwayne Stallings, Maurice Green, Leon Mack, Shelly Marsh, Allison Sholar, Sally Bradshaw, Carla Black, Robert Logan, Angie Miller and Bill Rogers and Kathy Spencer. Ex-officio members included Roger Morton of the Piedmont Officials Association, representing booking agents and officials; Les Spell of the North Carolina Department of Public Instruction, Mac Morris of the North Carolina Coaches Association, and David Ball of the North Carolina High School Athletic Directors Association.

NCHSAA staff in attendance included Davis Whitfield, Carolyn Shannonhouse, Rick Strunk, Mark Dreibelbis, Karen DeHart, Que Tucker, and Pepper Hines. Also in attendance was NCHSAA legal counsel Jim Maxwell.

The minutes of the previous Board meeting were approved as distributed previously (motion by Spencer, second by Hobbs, approved).

Motion to approve consent agenda as distributed (motion by Morton, second by Mack, approved).

# CONSENT AGENDA NORTH CAROLINA HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION 2012 BOARD OF DIRECTORS SPRING MEETING

(Cases handled since November 1, 2011 and before April 1, 2012)

- 1. RED SPRINGS: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Robyn McPhaul
- 2. R.J. REYNOLDS: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Frances Hamilton Smith
- 3. PERQUIMANS: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Daniel Heath
- 4. WEST LINCOLN: waiver of attendance rule for Landon Mosteller lacked several pieces of information
- 5. CURRITUCK: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Colby Clements
- 6. HARNETT CENTRAL: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Edwin Logan Teal
- 7. GLENN: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Gia Pollosco
- 8. NORTHWEST GUILFORD: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Beatriz Shropshire
- 9. WEST FORSYTH: Denied waiver of attendance and eight semester rule for lan Rich
- 10. HOLLY SPRINGS: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Seth English
- 11. SOUTH JOHNSTON: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Quentin McDougald
- 12. SOUTH JOHNSTON: Approved waiver of attendance rule for J.P. Strickland
- 13. TRITON: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Joshua Dunlow
- 14. NORTH FORSYTH: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Elizabeth Jane Johnson
- 15. NORTHSIDE (JACKSONVILLE): Approved waiver of attendance rule for John Rolla
- 16. BROUGHTON: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Emily Newton
- 17.WEST FORSYTH: Denied waiver of attendance rule for Trent Little
- 18. EASTERN ALAMANCE: Denied waiver of attendance rule for C.J. Justice
- 19. CARRBORO: waiver of attendance rule for Flora Barrow must await end of first semester
- 20. BUNKER HILL: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Joshua Moore
- 21. BURNS: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Jeremy Nance
- 22. T.C. ROBERSON: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Morgan Birchfiel
- 23. CARDINAL GIBBONS: Approved waiver of transfer rule for Moses Romocki
- 24. CARDINAL GIBBONS: Approved waiver of transfer rule for Gabriella Richard
- 25. CHAPEL HILL: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Brittany Bobeck
- 26. GLENN: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Tatianna Oquendo
- 27. WEST WILKES: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Justin St. Germain
- 28. INDEPENDENCE: Approved waiver of residence rule for Waleed Alkoor
- 29. ANDREWS: Approved waiver of residence rule for Mariah Elkins
- 30. CAPE FEAR: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Natalie Jones
- 31. CARDINAL GIBBONS: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Morgan Reid
- 32. SWANSBORO: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Rebecca Burns
- 33. NORTHERN NASH: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Shelby Erin Godwin
- 34. BANDYS: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Jackson Gilliam
- 35. CHARLOTTE CATHOLIC: Approved waiver of transfer rule for Jennifer Ciesielski
- 36. CHARLOTTE CATHOLIC: Approved waiver of transfer rule for Jeffrey Ciesielski

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37. CARDINAL GIBBONS: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Samiiah Wilson
38. PANTHER CREEK: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Waverly Peng
39. WESTERN ALAMANCE: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Samantha Hannah
40. AVERY: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Christian Eli Bare
41. ROCKY MOUNT: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Kiaerica Bateman
42. GRAY'S CREEK: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Colton Phillips
43. GRAY'S CREEK: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Taylor Guyton
44. T.C. ROBERSON: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Brannyn McKendrick
45. TUSCOLA: Denied waiver of attendance rule for Jeffrey VanLandingham
46. CHAPEL HILL: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Peter Dreher
47. CURRITUCK: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Colby Clements
48. BISHOP MCGUINNESS: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Raven Sexton
49. LANEY: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Daisha Jordan
50. LANEY: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Richard Sander
51. GLENN: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Nicholas Shuping
52. MILLBROOK: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Sydney Paladino
53. CAPE HATTERAS: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Kailee Pieno
54. CAPE HATTERAS: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Lorraine Turick
55. SOUTH LENOIR: Approved waiver of residence rule for Dany Ramirez
56. PAGE: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Halie Beeler
57. GARNER: Approved waiver of residence rule for Trey Thompson
58. LEJEUNE: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Zachary Cox
59. BURNS: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Jonathan Hoppes
60. HOLLY SPRINGS: Approved waiver of attendance and scholastic rule for Joel Hoffert
61. HOLLY SPRINGS: Approved request to waive attendance rule for Susana Zigante
62. HIGH POINT CENTRAL: Approved request to waive attendance rule for Kelly Stewart
63. ROSE: Approved request to waive attendance and scholastic rule for Nixon Floyd
64. R.J. REYNOLDS: Denied waiver of attendance rule for Armando Aroche
65. R.J. REYNOLDS: Denied waiver of scholastic rule for Kennetv "Blakelv" Tucker
66. REAGAN: Denied waiver of attendance rule for Eric Smitherman
67. DOUGLAS BYRD: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Tayler Sanders
68. OLYMPIC: Denied waiver of scholastic rule for Kathleen Matthews
69. OLYMPIC: Denied waiver of scholastic rule for Kenny Chu
70. OLYMPIC: Denied waiver of scholastic rule for Kali Pura
71. OLYMPIC: Denied waiver of scholastic rule for Jamie Dey
72. OLYMPIC: Denied waiver of scholastic rule for Jessica Norman
73. T.C. ROBERSON: Approved waiver of residence rule for Jeff Watkins
74. MITCHELL: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Jacqueline Wiseman
75. WEST MECKLENBURG: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Hunter Moody
76. BURNS: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Nicholas Robbins
77. EAST FORSYTH: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Bradley Lovings
78. EAST FORSYTH: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Jordan Powell
79. EAST FORSYTH: Denied waiver of attendance rule for Jonathan Mitchell Scott
80. SOUTHEAST RALEIGH: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Trevante Hill
81. SOUTH DAVIDSON: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Dylan Trey Morrison
82. MANTEO: Approved attendance rule for Lindsay Granger
83. HAVELOCK: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Nancylee Jaworski
84. SPRING CREEK: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Mayra Elena Barajas
85. NORTH JOHNSTON: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Kayla Pilkington
86. EASTERN ALAMANCE: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Jenna Goode
87. EASTERN ALAMANCE: Denied waiver of attendance rule for Matt O'Connor
88. GREEN HOPE: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Alexis Paige Shaffer
89. SHELBY: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Rebecca Peters
90. REAGAN: Denied waiver of scholastic rule for Alex Shiroma
91. REAGAN: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Brian Grogan
92. D.H. CONLEY: Denied waiver of attendance rule for Andrew Edson
93. SOUTH CALDWELL: Approved waiver of residence rule for Uriel Emmanuel Cordoba
94. BISHOP MCGUINNESS: Approved waiver of transfer rule for Sang Yeong Kim
95. NEW HANOVER: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Taylor Blanton
96. R.J. REYNOLDS: Denied waiver of scholastic rule for Anna Welborn
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97. CARDINAL GIBBONS: Approved waiver of transfer rule for Ryan McCarthy 98. WEST WILKES: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Pablo Mejia-Hernandez

100. NORTH GASTON: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Christopher Wery

99. GREEN HOPE: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Kelly Patch

- 101. WILLIAMS: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Christian Miles
- 102. HOLLY SPRINGS: Denied waiver of scholastic rule for David Lorenzen
- 103. WHITE OAK: Approved waiver of attendance rule for James Shackleford
- 104. MAIDEN: Approved waiver of residence rule for Destiny Nicole Robison
- 105. WEST HENDERSON: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Jason Taylor
- 106. RICHMOND: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Andrew Horton
- 107. MONROE: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Sandra Megill
- 108. RAGSDALE: Approved waiver of residence rule for Sybrina Walter
- 109. NORTHWEST GUILFORD: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Taryn Kincaid
- 110. SOUTHEAST GULFORD: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Lauren Hart
- 111. TRITON: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Lindsey Westbrook
- 112. SOUTH JOHNSTON: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Johnathan Strickland
- 113. EAST FORSYTH: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Benjamin McGee
- 114. AVERY COUNTY: Denied waiver of scholastic rule for Gabriel Stanley
- 115. SOUTHEAST GUILFORD: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Amanda Levesque
- 116. CHARLES B. AYCOCK: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Taylor Mitchell
- 117. DAVIE: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Jason Lewis
- 118. NORTHSIDE (JACKSONVILLE): Approved waiver of attendance rule for Alexus Robinson
- 119. WEST MONTGOMERY: Approved waiver of scholastic rule for Collin Andrew Aury
- 120. EAST FORSYTH: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Chelsea Hinesley
- 121. EASTERN GUILFORD: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Zachary Draper
- 122. NEW HANOVER: Denied waiver of attendance for Ebony Troy-Bailey
- 123. SALISBURY: Denied waiver of attendance and scholastic requirements for Nolan Meyerhoeffer
- 124. PINE FOREST: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Christopher Albanese
- 125. WEST FORSYTH: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Amira Elmalawny
- 126. NORTH STANLY: Approved waiver of attendance and scholastic rule for Morgan Shue
- 127. NEW HANOVER: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Hagan Beller
- 128. SOUTHWEST ONSLOW: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Tyler Devor
- 129. T.C. ROBERSON: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Morgan Burchfiel
- 130. WEST STANLY: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Whitney McCormick
- 131. TRITON: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Brittany Elliott
- 132. TUSCOLA: Denied waiver of scholastic rule for Brent Rathbone
- 133. WEST CARTERET: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Nadia Mendoza
- 134. CORINTH-HOLDERS: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Dale Robert Storey
- 135. LINCOLN CHARTER: Denied waiver of attendance rule for Bailey Parton
- 136. NEW HANOVER: Denied waiver of attendance rule for Dequan Norman

**COMMISSIONER'S REPORT:** Davis Whitfield gave some introduction and background to the procedural appeals for realignment. He outlined the whole process for realignment, starting with the SAS model and then the staff model. The SAS plan had no split conferences and the staff model did include split conferences. Then there were the two mandatory regional meetings where schools could provide feedback for the realignment committee.

The committee then came in and made adjustments to the plans, issuing its own realignment committee draft. After that draft, schools could appeal to the committee and a total of 30 appeals were heard at its March 15 committee. After those appeals, the committee made adjustments and that plan was distributed to the membership and posted.

That brings the Board to this point and the question of "procedural appeals" which the Board is supposed to hear. Discussion ensued.

#### **REALIGNMENT APPEALS:**

**Jordan-Matthews**: Sandy Morse, athletic director of Jordan-Matthews, began the presentation. Mark McDonald, principal; and David Moody of the Chatham County schools were among those in the delegation. McDonald went through the packet which was presented to the Board. He pointed to some mileage figures in the packet. He said they were an "outlier not by location but by design" in the adjusted plan.

One suggestion was to swap Reidsville and Eastern Randolph between two conferences.

Steve Johnson of Cummings also addressed the Board about his concerns, not being able to get games. He thought the earlier models were better in this area than the final plan from the committee. Clay Jones of Bartlett Yancey also spoke, as did Mike Williams of Graham.

**Chatham Central:** Freddie Little, athletic director, addressed the Board. He retraced the steps throughout the realignment process. He noted that the River Mill move in March (River Mill had appealed to the Realignment Committee) affected Chatham Central greatly in terms of travel and it wound up in an 11-team conference. He noted greatly increased travel (if every conference member plays everybody in every sport, but some of those schools don't have all sports) and loss of school time.

Solution it offers is to move River Mill back or to be put back into a six-team conference. Suggests to leave 11 schools together for football only (eight conference games) and to separate for all other sports.

**Green Hope and Panther Creek:** Rodney Nelson, principal of Panther Creek; and Jim Hedrick, principal of Green Hope, addressed the Board. A contingent from Wake County schools and the school system, including Dr. Tony Tata, superintendent, was present.

Hedrick and Nelson walked the Board through the packet which had been distributed and the exhibits contained therein. They are asking that Green Hope and Panther Creek be placed in 13C and to move East Chapel Hill into 4-A due to the mistake in its ADM numbers which would have placed them in 4-A originally, and it would make the conference to which they would move (and if Green Hope and Panther Creek are moved out) with a total of six schools. The error has to do with the incorrect data which had been submitted to DPI for the first month ADMs, which was substantiated. They also touched on revenue projections, rivalries and tradition.

**Salisbury:** Salisbury athletic director Joe Pinyan addressed the Board and pointed out what he saw were several problems with what had happened before in the process. He questioned the validity of the vote reported to the realignment committee involving the Randolph plan. He said the cross scheduling with the Randolph based conference has not happened. He is very upset with six-school conferences and proposes going back to eight-team leagues.

**Draughn and East Burke:** Pat Draughan, Draughan athletic director; Emily Garrison, principal at Draughan; Debbie Jennings, principal at East Burke, and Larry Putnam, superintendent of Burke County. The two schools were appealing together.

The complaint was about the final realignment committee plan that was different from the other plans and, and the appeal noted Draughn and East Burke did not have a chance to react to a "radical new plan," although East Burke did appeal its placement to the realignment committee in March from which came a number of changes. Draughn and East Burke had been in several different configurations throughout the realignment process. Financial hardships in the county due to unemployment and for the school system were pointed out. There has been a 20% cut in coaching supplements and there is "pay to play" in Burke County for student-athletes.

Request is to place Draughn and East Burke in "appropriate conferences", which they went on to explain as the CVAC, although its configuration will be different in the upcoming realignment.

Lake Norman Charter: Matt Schlagel, athletic director and Shannon Stein, managing director of the school, presented to the Board. They discussed ADM size and how they would struggle in a split conference like the one it has been assigned. Lake Norman Charter was moved in the final realignment committee draft after the final rounds of appeals.

School wants to go back to earlier plan.

**North Buncombe:** Jack Evans, principal, and Rick High, athletic director, were on hand for its appeal. The appeal outlined two major concerns: (1) clarity in the previous drafts, outlining exactly what they were; (2) the final realignment committee draft after the appeals, which Evans called "a radical draft". They say they were satisfied with earlier drafts.

Concerned about ADM size, with 4A schools in their proposal. Prefer to be in 1C in March 15 plan, rather than 2C.

**Brevard:** Jeff McDaris, superintendent of Transylvania County schools. He said they did not have "adequate notice" of changes that were made, which again happened at last plan from realignment committee. He says that perhaps the procedure needs to be altered in some way although he didn't make a specific suggestion.

He says that Brevard will be at a competitive disadvantage in the conference to which it had been assigned. They want to be placed in Western Highlands Conference.

Jeremy Gibbs, principal of Brevard, also spoke and Allen Justice, county athletic director, was present. They do not believe that moving Brevard will have a "domino effect" on realignment and would not create many issues.

Deliberations on the realignment appeals followed.

Motion by Greene, second by Logan, to return these appeals to the Realignment Committee for consideration. Motion defeated.

Jordan-Matthews: Logan and Morton recused themselves. Discussion ensues. Motion to deny appeal by Spencer, second by Hall, approved.

Chatham Central: Logan and Morton recused themselves. Discussion ensues. Motion to deny appeal by Miller, second by Spencer, approved, one abstain.

Green Hope and Panther Creek: Discussion ensues. Motion by Morris, second by Marsh, that East Chapel Hill's accurate ADM number would have put it into the 4-A classification, so to place it in 4-A and assign to 10C (current PAC-Six). Approved.

Mack recused himself. No additional motion on Douglas Byrd, so it will drop to 3-A classification.

Green Hope and Panther Creek asked to move to 13C in their appeal since their current conference would now have six schools; motion to approve appeal by Marsh, second by Morton, approved.

Salisbury: motion to deny appeal by B. Miller, second by Marsh, approved.

Draughn and East Burke: Lowman recused herself. Motion to deny appeal by Spencer, second by Marsh, approved.

Lake Norman Charter: motion to deny appeal by B. Miller, second by Marsh, approved.

North Buncombe: motion to deny appeal by A. Miller, second by Black, approved.

Brevard: motion by A. Miller to deny appeal, second by Marsh, approved.

Motion to place Byrd into 3-A conference 12C since it dropped into 3-A by earlier action, motion by Hall, second by Rogers, approved.

Motion to approve realignment plan with revisions as above for the years 2013-17, motion by Marsh, second by Morton, approved.

Ask for staff to review realignment process as it is currently configured and suggest potential changes or adjustments.

The full Board then moved into specific topical discussions after lunch.

**STRATEGIC PLAN**: Larry Price talked about the strategic plan with the Board, outlining the process by which the plan was determined, who was involved in the strategic planning committee, and major portions of the plan including the SWOT analysis (strengths, weaknesses, opportunities and threats) for the organization. He provided a great overview of what the committee had discussed and developed into the plan.

Overall the Association received excellent grades in various areas from the committee, but there is room for improvement and the committee set as a goal that the NCHSAA would be the national model.

The group identified five strategic priorities that include three to five year goals and specific items under each one: (1) education and development; (2) communications and public relations; (3) policy and procedures; (4) safety and well being of students; (5) budget, funding and revenue. Each Board member received a complete copy of the strategic plan report.

Motion to approve strategic plan (motion by Spencer, second by Stallings, approved).

**NON BOARDING PAROCHIAL SCHOOL INFORMATION**: Bishop McGuinness, Cardinal Gibbons and Charlotte Catholic had requested a chance to address the Board about certain issues relative to these schools, including tuition reduction at those schools and how that operates.

Representatives from Charlotte Catholic, Bishop McGuinness, and Cardinal Gibbons addressed the Board on several issues. Members of the group included Gerry Healy, principal of Charlotte Catholic; Cecil Harrison, represents diocese of Raleigh; Jason Curtis, principal of Cardinal Gibbons; George Repass, principal of Bishop McGuinness; and Dick Lucey, general counsel for the diocese of Charlotte.

Healy addressed the Board first about the feelings that have resurfaced with the vote that the membership has done, identical to what happened in 1986 with the same sort of amendment proposal. He

reiterated that the schools have never given athletic scholarships, and the tuition-reduction process is done from an outside agency, a blind process that does not identify individual athletes and is based solely on need.

Charlotte Catholic is 93 percent Catholic, so the vast majority of students at the non-boarding parochial schools are of the Catholic faith and have gone through Catholic feeder schools.

Questions ensued about the schools' application process, transfer rules, need-based tuition, etc. Lengthy discussion followed on a number of issues and then branched to schools without boundaries, including charter schools, magnets, etc.

Discussion about appointing a committee to study some of these issues, including boundaries for those schools, charter school, financial aid at non-boarding parochials, etc. Motion that commissioner would convene committee about these topics, with the items to be discussed contingent on vote reported to membership at Annual Meeting (motion by Rogers, second by Hall, approved).

Motion that there would be no sanctions or penalties on non-boarding parochial schools for their past practice related to tuition reduction, and this would go through 2012-13 (motion by Logan, second by Morris, approved).

**FINANCE AND PERSONNEL**: chairperson Stewart Hobbs, vice-chair Kathy Spencer, recorder Bill Miller, Allison Sholar, Shelly Marsh, staff advisors Davis Whitfield and Karen DeHart;

**POLICY:** chairperson Dwayne Stallings, vice-chairperson Ernie Purnsley, recorder Maurice Green; Wendell Hall, Sally Bradshaw, Les Spell, staff advisor Carolyn Shannonhouse;

**REVIEW/ OFFICIATING/STUDENT SERVICES**: chairperson Rexanna Lowman, vice-chairperson Roger Morton, recorder Leon Mack, David Ball, Bill Rogers, staff advisor Mark Dreibelbis;

**SPORTS:** chairperson Herman Little, vice-chair Mac Morris, recorder Angie Miller, Carla Black, Robert Logan, staff advisor Que Tucker.

The Board later heard lengthy committee reports on agenda items.

## NCHSAA Board of Directors Meeting Wednesday, May 2, 2012

The spring meeting of the North Carolina High School Athletic Association Board of Directors was called to order by President Brooks Matthews at 8:16 a.m. at the Simon F. Terrell Building. Members in attendance included Stewart Hobbs, Rexanna Lowman, Ernie Purnsley, Herman Little, Bill Miller, Dwayne Stallings, Maurice Green, Leon Mack, Shelly Marsh, Allison Sholar, Sally Bradshaw, Robert Logan, Carla Black, Angie Miller, Bill Rogers and Kathy Spencer. Ex-officio members included Roger Morton of the Piedmont Officials Association, representing booking agents and officials, Les Spell of the North Carolina Department of Public Instruction, Mac Morris of the North Carolina Coaches Association, Wendell Hall representing the North Carolina School Boards Association, and David Ball of the North Carolina High School Athletic Directors Association.

NCHSAA staff in attendance included Davis Whitfield, Carolyn Shannonhouse, Rick Strunk, Mark Dreibelbis, Karen DeHart, and Que Tucker.

Media members in attendance included Tim Stevens of the Raleigh News and Observer, Nick Stevens of WRAL/HighSchoolOT.com, Erin Summers of WRAL-TV, Powell Latimer of the Wilmington Star News, and Conor McNeil of the Burlington Times News.

#### **SPECIAL REPORTS:**

**STUDENT ATHLETE ADVISORY COUNCIL**: Paige King of Eastern Alamance High School presented to the Board, providing an update on the upcoming activities of the Council. In the future there will be two representatives per region on the council. Plans are being made for a statewide student leadership conference. Members of the SAAC are required to do a service project, and Paige mentioned several examples of what has been done. They always volunteer to work at selected state championships and have provided valuable service at those locations.

**COMMISSIONER'S REPORT**: Davis Whitfield addressed the Board. He noted that Brooks will be retiring at the end of this year and thus will not be serving as past president during the 2012-13 year.

Approval has been given to the North Carolina School of the Deaf and the Eastern North Carolina School of the Deaf to have a composite team in football only. The executive committee had given its approval earlier; these schools do not currently play any NCHSAA member schools in football and the composite team will not.

He discussed continuing dialogue about issues involving AAU and other outside competition. He has also gone on record as approving an affiliate membership by the North Carolina High School Independent School Association with the National Federation.

Whitfield outlined some issues relative to NCAA regulations and hosting certain NCHSAA events on college campuses.

He talked about the upcoming 100<sup>th</sup> year anniversary and plans to do some refurbishing and upgrading of the interior of the Simon F. Terrell Building, which was built in the 1970s.

The Education and Sports committee which will be appointed will be a standing, ongoing committee which will look at the changing landscape in education, examine current rules and regulations, etc. Former NCHSAA president Bill Steed has been contacted about chairing the committee.

Motion by Hobbs, second by Logan, to name Bill Steed as chair of the Education and Sports Committee, approved).

He wants to develop a new video piece that would describe what the NCHSAA is, how it operates, etc., that would be available to help tell the NCHSAA story, especially for new administrators.

**100**<sup>th</sup> **ANNIVERSARY**: Karen Dehart reported to the Board, outlining the schedule of suggested events, a potential 100<sup>th</sup> logo and a tag line. Ralph Holloway, former Board president, will serve as the project coordinator and is working closely with Karen.

Potential sponsors are being identified and Wilson Sporting Goods has already agreed to help sponsor part of the celebration. Centennial teams will be identified and a special committee will be assembled to work on that project. Information will be going out on May 14 related to 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary activities, including an on-line nomination process for those teams.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS** (action items are recorded here; other items may have been discussed in committee but not referred to full Board for action):

**FINANCE AND PERSONNEL COMMITTEE**: Stewart Hobbs recognized members of the committee and made this report:

- 1. Approved way to give additional revenues/funds to member schools; take operating budget overage and also review any extra interest income from Endowment, and half of that, based on a formula, will be distributed to schools which participated in bracketed team sports playoffs only. Schools traveling would receive full share, hosting school would receive half share (motion by Spencer, second by Stallings, approved).
- 2. Adopt structured rate of expense reimbursements for football playoffs from first round through regionals; recommend adopting fees for football from chart distributed and placing in Handbook. Would be based on one-way travel, with different levels for zero to 75 miles, 76-149 miles, and 150 plus miles, and will start in 2012-13 (motion by Miller, second by Marsh, approved).
- 3. Increase late registration fee in cheerleading from \$100 to \$150, to start in 2012-13 (motion by Mack, second by Morton, approved).
- 4. Grant commissioner authority to hire full time receptionist at time he deems appropriate and as needed (motion by Logan, second by Morton, approved).
- 5. Recommend approval of four-year contract for commissioner (motion by Stallings, second by Morton, approved).

#### POLICY COMMITTEE: Dwayne Stallings thanked his committee and presented the report:

- 1. Recommend continuing dialogue about middle school athletics with State Board of Education and Department of Public Instruction (motion by Mack, second by Lowman (approved).
  - 2. Approval of non-sports calendar as distributed (motion by Logan, second by Spencer, approved).
- 3. Approval of statement for Handbook concerning inappropriate behavior/misconduct statement as distributed (motion by Lowman, second by Black, approved).

- 4. Recommend staff to develop draft language about participation of out of state students on NCHSAA member school teams for consideration in December (motion by Miller, second by Greene, approved).
- 5. Request to review section of by laws relative to the referendum process and suggest possible revisions (motion by Green, second by Morton, approved).

#### SPORTS COMMITTEE: Herman Little presented his report after thanking committee members:

- 1. Recommend approval of "mercy rule" for soccer; if goal differential of nine is reached by halftime or at any time in the second half, the game shall be terminated, to go into effect for 2012-13 year (motion by Morton, second by Black, approved).
- 2. Recommend approval of 12 weeks to play 11 games in football, starting with 2013 season and for at least two years, through 2014 season (motion by Ball, second by Rogers, approved).
- 3. Recommend continuing with seeding process for basketball for 2012-13 season, with tweaks to be made by staff to accommodate potential changes working with the North Carolina Basketball Coaches Association (motion by Logan, second by Hall, approved).
- 4. Recommend allowing additional scheduling allowance for wrestling for one tri meet and one "multi team event" per week, starting with 2012-13 season (motion by Marsh, second by Spencer, approved).
- 5. Recommend moving start date for two pound growth allowance for wrestling from January 1 to December 25 (motion by Mack, second by Morton, approved).
- 6. Allow staff permission and flexibility to review formula and make adjustments for determining automatic playoff berths based on needs of each classification (motion by Logan, second by Morris, approved). Other items were discussed but were not brought forth out of committee.

# **REVIEW/OFFICIATING/STUDENT SERVICES COMMITTEE**: Rexanna Lowman made the presentation for her committee after thanking her members:

- 1. Approval of incident and penalty report as well as ejection report as presented; the incident and penalty report included the following:
  - --baseball (4): Hillside, Independence, Terry Sanford, Surry Central
  - --cheerleading (2): Ben Smith, West Iredell
  - --football (24): Broughton, Central Davidson, Creswell, East Lincoln, Eastern Guilford, Enloe, Freedom, Garinger, Hickory, Holly Springs, Kestrel Heights, Maiden, North Davidson, North Lincoln, Northwest Halifax, Owen, South Davidson, Southwest Guilford, Swansboro, Vance, Weldon, West Bladen (2)
  - --swimming (1): Shelby
  - --men's basketball (9): Chapel Hill, Eastern Wayne, Thomas Jefferson, Kestrel Heights, Rocky River, South Granville, Union Pines, West Charlotte, Wheatmore
  - --men's cross country (2): Cary, Watauga
  - --men's soccer (11): David Butler, Dixon, East Henderson, Granville Central, Hendersonville, McDowell, North Surry, Parkland, Reidsville, South Caldwell, Warren County
  - --softball (8): Cleveland, Mooresville, North Brunswick, North Davidson, Salisbury, Southern Durham, Southern Lee, Southside
  - --track and field (2): Jordan, Kestrel Heights
  - --volleyball (5): Fike, Fuguay-Varina, Kestrel Heights, Mount Tabor, Plymouth
  - --volleyball and softball (1): Eastern Wayne
  - --winter sports (17): Cherokee, Kestrel Heights, KIPP Pride, Laney, Lumberton, Mattamuskeet, Nantahala, North Henderson, Northampton-East, Northampton-West, Ocracoke, Owen, Parkland, Robbinsville, Shelby, Southern Nash, Weldon
  - --women's basketball (6): Brevard, Hunt, Jordan, North Gaston, Richlands, Rocky River
  - --women's cross country (2): Douglas Byrd, Goldsboro
  - --women's outdoor track (2): Rockingham County, Southern Alamance
  - --women's soccer (2): Enka, Walter Williams
  - --women's swimming (2): Olympic, South Brunswick
  - --wrestling (11): Cox Mill, Durham School of the Arts, Heritage, High Point Central, Laney, Middle Creek, New Bern, Pasquotank, Terry Sanford, South Central, Trinity

Recommend acceptance of report (motion by Morton, second by Hobbs, approved).

Unpaid fines include Durham School of the Arts, East Chapel Hill, Hibriten, Hickory, Hillside, Lexington, Madison, North Gaston, Northwood, Page, Pisgah, Polk, Richlands, Ben Smith, E.E. Smith (2), South Point (2).

- 2. Approval of ejection report, with noted increases (motion by Mack, second by Morton, approved).
- 3. Recommend approval of four booking agents who went through to appropriate process, including Mark Kadlecik in soccer, Triangle Officials Association; Leigh Harris in wrestling, Mountain Officials Association; David Culbreth in wrestling, Southeastern Officials Association; Brad Allen in basketball, Southeastern Officials Association (motion by Morton, second by Mack, approved).
- 4. Recommend requiring each non-faculty coach (individual who is not teacher certified)) and each newly hired coach to take "Fundamentals of Coaching" certification course on-line course through the National Federation within 60 days of being hired in order to coach an NCHSAA team; recommend all coaching staffs be certified in this area within three years. Currently 43 states do require some sort of certification for coaches (motion by Hall, second by Morton, approved).
- 5. Recommend adding fine of \$250 to Handbook if teams have non-compliant uniforms according to NFHS rule codes, starting in the 2013-14 academic year (motion by Morton, second by Mack, approved).

#### STATE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION: Les Spell reported to the Board.

He discussed the middle school/junior high athletics manual, which will go to the State Board of Education in the immediate future. Many, including some on Board, have contributed to the manual, which has not been updated since 2005.

He outlined some adjustments made in State Board policies, which doesn't change the policies but makes them more consistent and easier to find.

DPI will send out a survey to its middle schools and junior highs about potential NCHSAA assistance or involvement in that area, as per previous discussion.

**NORTH CAROLINA SCHOOL BOARDS ASSOCIATION:** Wendell Hall addressed the Board, noting he represented the 115 school districts in the state.

The Association continues to deal with the General Assembly and potential legislative activity, such as around school calendars. He also talked about the core curriculum on a national basis.

This is the 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary for the organization, which was started on the UNC campus by Dr. Guy Phillips.

He also mentioned about working with the charter schools, and that it will take some ongoing dialogue.

**NORTH CAROLINA COACHES ASSOCIATION**: Mac Morris reported to the Board, noting that he distributed a clinic brochure. Gene Keady in basketball and the UNC football staff will be among the clinicians July 16-19. He noted that clinic registration is \$75 but members from previous year can register for \$55 prior to July 1. If school registers all of its coaches, it can register non-faculty coaches at discount as well.

He also distributed the newsletter to Board members.

There will be reunions of all-star teams at this year's NCCA all-star games, a new addition to the schedule.

He noted the new Olympic development program for soccer will be a 10-month program and will not allow its participants to play any high school athletics, and he said that it was "criminal" that would happen.

**BOOKING AGENTS AND OFFICIALS:** Roger Morton addressed the Board on behalf of booking agents and officials. He noted the four new booking agents that had just been approved and that the officiating program continues to move in a positive direction.

**NORTH CAROLINA ATHLETIC DIRECTORS ASSOCIATION:** David Ball, who is president of NCADA, spoke on behalf of the NCADA and executive director Jerry McGee. He recognized Jerry's great work over the years with the NCADA.

Ball highlighted the recent conference at the Grove Park Inn in Asheville on March 24-27. A total of 82 different LTC's were completed during the conference. Jim Grobe from Wake Forest and Brad Allen, one of the new NCHSAA booking agents and a Rose Bowl official, addressed the conference. Herb Goins, Babe Howell and Leroy Holden joined the NCADA Hall of Fame.

New officers include president Angie Miller of the Nash-Rocky Mount system, vice-president Rex Wells of Asheville, secretary Bobby Hill of Hillside, David Ball as past president.

The NIAAA conference will be December 14-18, 2012, in San Antonio and March 17-20, 2013 will be the 42<sup>nd</sup> annual NCADA Conference at the Wilmington Hilton Riverside.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:41 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Rick Strunk Associate Commissioner

### NORTH CAROLINA HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS WINTER MEETING Wednesday, December 5, 2012

The winter meeting of the North Carolina High School Athletic Association Board of Directors was called to order by President Stewart Hobbs at 8:30 a.m. at the Simon F. Terrell Building. Members in attendance included Kathy Spencer, Rexanna Lowman, Ernie Purnsley, Bill Miller, Dwayne Stallings, Maurice Green (who listened via phone conference before joining the meeting), Leon Mack, Allison Sholar, Carla Black, Shelly Marsh, Robert Logan, Angie Miller, Bill Rogers, Ron Butler, Tony Baldwin, Joe Poletti, M.D. Guthrie, and Teresa Evans.

Ex-officio members included Roger Morton of the Piedmont Officials Association, representing booking agents and officials, Les Spell of the North Carolina Department of Public Instruction, Mac Morris of the North Carolina Coaches Association, Wendell Hall representing the North Carolina School Boards Association, and David Ball of the North Carolina High School Athletic Directors Association.

NCHSAA staff in attendance included Davis Whitfield, Carolyn Shannonhouse, Rick Strunk, Mark Dreibelbis, Karen DeHart, and Que Tucker. Randolph Cloud, the NCHSAA's legislative liaison, was also on hand.

Hobbs welcomed the new members to the Board and then Board members introduced themselves.

The minutes of the previous Board meeting and the annual meeting were also approved as distributed previously (motion by Miller, second by Lowman, approved 24-0).

Motion to approve consent agenda items (motion by Miler, second by Lowman, approved 24-0).

# CONSENT AGENDA NORTH CAROLINA HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION 2012 BOARD OF DIRECTORS WINTER MEETING

(Cases handled since April 1, 2012 and before November 1, 2012)

- 1. EAST LINCOLN: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Kristin Atwell
- 2. CARDINAL GIBBONS: Approved waiver of transfer rule for Selena Smith
- 3. CARDINAL GIBBONS: Approved waiver of transfer rule for Isabella Zawistowska
- 4. EAST BURKE: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Heather Lockee
- 5. **SOUTHERN NASH**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Brandon Harris
- 6. BISHOP MCGUINNESS: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Joseph Santarelli
- 7. **PERQUIMANS:** Approved waiver of residence rule for Jordan Whitcomb
- 8. **PERQUIMANS**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Daniel Heath
- 9. **APEX**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Brett Gardner
- 10. **BISHOP MCGUINNESS**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Samantha Pelc
- 11. DIXON: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Ericka Wilson
- 12. **NORTH MOORE:** Approved waiver of attendance rule for Tyisha Horn
- 13. JAY ROBINSON: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Cassandra Nelson
- 14. **SOUTH POINT:** Approved waiver of attendance rule for Addison Taylor McElveen
- 15. **RICHLANDS**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Trey Thompson
- 16. BISHOP MCGUINNESS: Approved waiver of transfer rule for James Dunn
- 17. HARNETT CENTRAL: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Ryan William Smith
- 18. FRANKLINTON: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Jessica Honhart
- 19. NORTH BRUNSWICK: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Destinee Leanne Nelson
- 20. RONALD REAGAN: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Alicia Fazenbaker
- 21. **NORTHERN GUILFORD**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Courtney Toker
- 22. WEST HENDERSON: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Ahnee Haynes
- 23. PIEDMONT: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Wyatt Salley
- 24. **LEJEUNE**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Stephen DiCenso
- 25. NORTHSIDE (ONSLOW): Denied waiver of attendance rule for Laura Jean Harkleroad
- 26. SOUTHERN ALAMANCE: Approved waiver of attendance rule for William "Landon" Hinely
- 27. **ELKIN**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Hannah Barron
- 28. **ST. PAULS:** Approved waiver of residence rule for Jordan Montrice Hinton
- 29. **GRAHAM**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Jonathan Milan
- 30. HIGH POINT CENTRAL: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Michael Verdi
- 31. WEST FORSYTH: Denied waiver of eight semester rule for Aryan Karvani

- 32. SWAIN COUNTY: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Dylan Morgan
- 33. HICKORY RIDGE: Denied waiver of scholastic rule for Jared Diehl
- 34. MOUNT PLEASANT: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Kevin J. Crisco
- 35. EAST FORSYTH: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Lavaughnte Smith
- 36. **EAST FORSYTH**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Landon Nelson
- 37. A.L. BROWN: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Zachary Yost
- 38. CAPE HATTERAS: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Shelby Otto
- 39. SOUTH CENTRAL: Approved waiver of attendance rule for David Lee Fulcher
- 40. WAKE FOREST-ROLESVILLE: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Jacob Howard
- 41. CARRBORO: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Claire Miller
- 42. **CEDAR RIDGE:** Approved waiver of attendance rule for Kya Hartkopf
- 43. WEST WILKES: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Lauren Wentz
- 44. GLENN: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Najee Hairston
- 45. **LEJEUNE**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Michaela Johnson
- 46. **LEXINGTON**: Denied waiver of residence rule for Nicholas Pulizzotto
- 47. **SHELBY**: Approved waiver of scholastic rule of Dontavis Pressley
- 48. **LOUISBURG**: Denied waiver of attendance rule for Montre Lewis
- 49. MOORESVILLE: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Robert Cush
- 50. WEST FORSYTH: Denied waiver of attendance rule for James Luke Peterson
- 51. **LEJEUNE**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Abigail Moorman
- 52. WATAUGA: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Alexandra Ellis
- 53. WEST CARTERET: Approved waiver of attendance rule for David Anthony Elliott
- 54. **GLENN**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Shaquan Gadsen
- 55. ROCKY MOUNT: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Lillian Scott
- 56. MOUNT TABOR: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Chrishun Lamonte' Thomas
- 57. MOUNT TABOR: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Kaylon Summers
- 58. SMOKY MOUNTAIN: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Katlan Davis
- 59. NORTH MECKLENBURG: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Zore Walker
- 60. NORTH MECKLENBURG: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Isaiah Campbell
- 61. WESTERN ALAMANCE: Denied waiver of attendance rule for Tyler Troxler
- 62. MILLBROOK: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Katherine Reith
- 63. MILLBROOK: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Jade Clement
- 64. PERSON: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Mikayla Long
- 65. **CONCORD**: Denied waiver of attendance rule for Darnell Cassell
- 66. CONCORD: Denied waiver of attendance rule for Terry Cassell
- 67. FIRST FLIGHT: Approved waiver of attendance rule for McKenna Brenner
- 68. **WEST MECKLENBURG:** Approved waiver of attendance rule for Starasia Baskins
- 69. CARDINAL GIBBONS: Approved waiver of transfer rule from Lawrence Adebayo Tairo
- 70. CENTRAL ACADEMY OF TECHNOLOGY AND ARTS: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Connor James

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- 71. WEDDINGTON: Approved waiver of attendance and scholastic requirements for Morgan Grieco
- 72. **ENLOE**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Markus Hedgepeth
- 73. WEST MECKLENBURG: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Chelsea Thompson
- 74. MAIDEN: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Preston Hester
- 75. FRED T. FOARD: Approved waiver of attendance to Kasey Dominique Sims
- 76. **JAMES KENAN:** Approved waiver of attendance rule for Kevon Miller
- 77. CARVER: Denied waiver of attendance rule for Charles Culp
- 78. CARVER: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Devin Cross
- 79. **CARVER**: Denied waiver of attendance rule for Stephon Brown
- 80. CARDINAL GIBBONS: Approved waiver of transfer rule for Carson Lydon
- 81. HILLSIDE: waiver of attendance rule for Austin Weeks was withdrawn
- 82. HILLSIDE: Denied waiver of attendance rule for Erick Hunt
- 83. CORINTH HOLDERS: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Kyleigh Herzon
- 84. **TRITON**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Jacob Tyler Tyndall
- 85. WEDDINGTON: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Marissa Van Horn
- 86. **REAGAN**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Keshun Miley
- 87. CAPE FEAR: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Jesse Brantley
- 88. CURRITUCK: Approved waiver of residence rule for Jason Lindner
- 89. MYERS PARK: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Elizabeth Shannon
- 90. GARINGER: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Cameron Jackson
- 91. **PROVIDENCE GROVE:** Approved waiver of attendance rule for Erin Cox

- 92. ALLEGHANY: waiver of attendance rule for Sidney Moxley was withdrawn.
- 93. CARDINAL GIBBONS: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Cameron Steele
- 94. MARVIN RIDGE: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Carter Hill
- 95. MALLARD CREEK: Approved waiver of eight-semester rule for Ronald Evins
- 96. **ATKINS:** Approved waiver of attendance rule for Khasity Patterson
- 97. NORTH MECKLENBURG: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Deondre Walker
- 98. MANTEO: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Cullen Davis Malarney
- 99. WATAUGA: Denied waiver of attendance rule for Avery Pitts
- 100. WATAUGA: Denied waiver of attendance rule for Vicente Montelongo-Rangel
- 101. **HARNETT CENTRAL:** Approved waiver of attendance rule for Dean Kinton
- 102. NORTH MECKLENBURG: Denied waiver of eight semester rule for Jordan Holmes
- 103. CARDINAL GIBBONS: Approved waiver of transfer rule for Taylor Dunphy
- 104. ENLOE: Approved waiver of residence rule for Devon Tyler Lewis
- 105. PINE LAKE PREPARATORY: Approved waiver of scholastic rule for Jordan Smithson
- 106. HOLLY SPRINGS: Approved waiver of attendance and scholastic rule for Garrett Wilson
- 107. LEE: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Briana Lou Ann Potter
- 108. TRITON: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Shawn Lemon
- 109. NORTH DUPLIN: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Raquel Quintanilla
- 110. APEX: waiver of attendance rule for Kemonte Burnette was withdrawn.
- 111. **HOGGARD:** Approved waiver of attendance rule for Holly Porter
- 112. HOGGARD: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Larry Rouse
- 113. BURNS: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Logan Pierce
- 114. BISHOP MCGUINNESS: Approved waiver of transfer rule for Jason Lee
- 115. MILLBROOK: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Emalee Smith
- 116. WEST BRUNSWICK: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Saleena Ann Lent
- 117. PATTON: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Emily Fisher
- 118. PATTON: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Elizabeth Fisher
- 119. WEST MECKLENBURG: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Dontae Blair
- 120. ROCKY RIVER: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Erick Salguero
- 121. CURRITUCK: Denied waiver of attendance rule for Colby Clements
- 122. NORTH EDGECOMBE: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Travonte Collins
- 123. MANTEO: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Avery Birch
- 124. MANTEO: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Lily Gagwell
- 125. ORANGE: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Emily Swink
- 126. CARDINAL GIBBONS: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Mary Elizabeth Zirker
- 127. CARDINAL GIBBONS: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Morgan Reid
- 128. CARDINAL GIBBONS: Approved waiver of transfer rule for Sierra Wagner
- 129. **EAST FORSYTH**: Denied waiver of attendance rule for Chase Cockerham 130. **ALLEGHANY**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Guillermo Camacho
- 131. **MONROE**: Approved waiver of residence rule for Jametrius Cousar
- 132. GARINGER: Denied waiver of attendance rule for Dre-Shawn Baker
- 133. BISHOP MCGUINNESS: Approved waiver of transfer rule for Edward Kim
- 134. **LOUISBURG**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Rhaniqua Clemonts
- 135. CROATAN: Approved waiver of attendance, academics and eight semester rule for Nathan Fallon
- 136. JORDAN: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Timonthy Jamia Williams
- 137. GARINGER: Denied waiver of residence rule for Demetrius Johnson
- 138. CARRBORO: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Drew Cartwright-Caldwell
- 139. CHARLOTTE CATHOLIC: Approved waiver of transfer rule for Sara Ann Wetzler Stranick
- 140. **NORTH IREDELL**: Approved waiver of residence rule for Lorenzo Estrada Jr.
- 141. GLENN: Denied waiver of attendance rule for Sam Switzer
- 142. **TRITON:** Approved waiver of attendance rule for Malcalm J. Eason
- 143. WHITEVILLE: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Tylanda Smith
- 144. **BEN SMITH:** Approved waiver of attendance rule for Allen Little
- 145. MYERS PARK: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Carter Miller
- 146. **LEJEUNE**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Amber Overton
- 147. BARTLETT YANCEY: Approved waiver of residence rule for Connor Hudson
- 148. SMITHFIELD-SELMA: waiver of residence rule for Hisaun Yates was withdrawn.
- 149. Received application for membership and membership fee for Bear Grass Charter School.
- 150. ROSE: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Paul Paige
- 151. SURRY CENTRAL: Approved waiver of residence rule for Albert Paul Pari II
- 152. CEDAR RIDGE: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Evan Kottiel

- 153. DOUGLAS BYRD: Approved waiver of attendance rule for De'Quardre Hart
- 154. CARDINAL GIBBONS: Approved waiver of transfer rule for John Peter Cunningham
- 155. SOUTH MECKLENBURG: Approved waiver of residence rule for Alexandra Martelle
- 156. Received application for membership and membership fee from Research Triangle High School of Durham.

**PROPOSALS FROM SPECIAL COMMITTEES:** The Board looked at Attachment 1 as distributed, the recommendations from the non-traditional schools committee. The complete text of the proposal is located under School Central on the NCHSAA website.

Lengthy discussion ensued and questions entertained.

The Board then looked at Attachment 2, which comes from the Education and Athletics Committee. The complete text of the proposal is located under School Central on the NCHSAA website.

The Board did go back on Wednesday to discuss the proposals that had been discussed at length on Tuesday and had not been voted upon. Discussion ensued.

Motion to approve **Attachment 1** in principal, upon first reading as draft by Board, and then to take final action at spring meeting (motion by Guthrie, second by Logan, approved 20-3).

Motion to approve **Attachment 2** in principal, upon first reading as draft by Board, and then to take final action at spring meeting (motion by Mack, second by Morton; amendment to motion for language in transfer policy; using word "exceptions" instead of hardship in the original language, approved 21-3).

The Board then moved into its committee work.

**FINANCE AND PERSONNEL**: chairperson Kathy Spencer, vice-chair Bill Miller, Allison Sholar, Shelly Marsh, Robert Logan, staff advisors Davis Whitfield and Karen DeHart;

**POLICY:** chairperson Mo Green, vice-chair Carla Black, Bill Rogers, David Ball, Teresa Evans, Les Spell, staff advisor Carolyn Shannonhouse;

**REVIEW/ OFFICIATING/STUDENT SERVICES**: chairperson Rexanna Lowman, vice-chair Leon Mack, Joe Poletti, M.D. Guthrie, Roger Morton, Wendell Hall, staff advisor Mark Dreibelbis;

**SPORTS:** chairperson Ernie Purnsley, vice-chair Dwayne Stallings, Angie Miller, Ron Butler, Mack Morris, Tony Baldwin, staff advisor Que Tucker.

The Board later heard lengthy committee reports on agenda items.

**SPECIAL INFORMATION CONCERNING DRAUGHN HIGH SCHOOL**: Commissioner Whitfield reported on information from Draughn to members of the Board.

Draughn wants to be reassigned to the Western Highlands Conference, which is not where it was assigned in realignment (South Mountain Athletic Conference). Lengthy discussion ensued.

Motion that appeal be denied by Marsh, second by Hall, approved 23-1.

**COMMISSIONER'S REPORT**: Davis Whitfield presented to the Board, primarily about the strategic plan. The handout listed a number of things completed and a number of things that are in progress, along with others being discussed.

The Board meeting for 2013 in the winter will be December 2-4; spring dates are April 30-May 1 with annual meeting May 2 of 2013.

**SPECIAL PRESENTATION**: Rick Wooten, a regional supervisor of officials, on behalf of the Tony Cullen Memorial Scholarship Fund, which honors a former player and coach. He made a presentation to Commissioner Whitfield. There will be one or two scholarships to lacrosse players given annually out of the fund and based on criteria developed for the award. A special committee will determine recipients for the award. Wooten presented a check of \$20,197 for the Endowment, and Commissioner Whitfield thanked him for the generosity demonstrated in the gift.

100<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION: Karen Dehart reported on the development of different aspects of the centennial celebration. Ralph Holloway has been working with Karen on the event. There is a special web portal for a mini-site for the 100<sup>th</sup>, a special coffee-table type book in production, and a Time Warner Cable production of a DVD that will highlight the history of the NCHSAA is being worked on.

She talked about the "100 To Remember" in various categories (coaches, administrators, players will be forthcoming) being developed by the special selection committee.

A number of different promotional items have been developed. The kickoff event is slated for January at the Friday Center, with about 350 RSVPs for the event to date.

Work is being done on a voluntary food drive that schools could participate in during the 2013 football season. The celebration will end in January 2014 with a gala at the Embassy Suites in Cary.

## NCHSAA Board of Directors Meeting Thursday, December 6, 2012

The winter meeting of the North Carolina High School Athletic Association Board of Directors was called to order by President Stewart Hobbs at 8:00 a.m. at the Simon F. Terrell Building. Members in attendance included Kathy Spencer, Rexanna Lowman, Ernie Purnsley, Bill Miller, Dwayne Stallings, Maurice Green, Leon Mack, Allison Sholar, Carla Black, Shelly Marsh, Robert Logan, Angie Miller, Bill Rogers, Ron Butler, Tony Baldwin, Joe Poletti, M.D. Guthrie, and Teresa Evans.

Ex-officio members included Roger Morton of the Piedmont Officials Association, representing booking agents and officials, Les Spell of the North Carolina Department of Public Instruction, Mac Morris of the North Carolina Coaches Association, Wendell Hall representing the North Carolina School Boards Association, and David Ball of the North Carolina High School Athletic Directors Association.

NCHSAA staff in attendance included Davis Whitfield, Carolyn Shannonhouse, Rick Strunk, Mark Dreibelbis, Karen DeHart, and Que Tucker.

Media members in attendance included Tim Stevens of the Raleigh News and Observer and Connor O'Neill of the Burlington Times-News.

**SPECIAL REPORTS: STUDENT-ATHLETE ADVISORY COMMITTEE:** Anna Broome of Carrboro High School presented for the council.

Plans for the Student Leadership Conference in Greensboro in April are coming along well, and two students from each school will be invited with a cap of 150. A youth ticket rate will be developed for state championships with the SAAC promoting.

She expressed some concerns from the council, which will be directed to appropriate areas. They included overlapping between seasons and lengths of season was one that she mentioned, how suspensions in school carry over into athletics, as well as bullying and intimidation from spectators during contests.

**STATE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION**: Les Spell reported to the Board from DPI. There are lots of legislative changes underway as well as changes on the State Board of Education, and no one really knows exactly how that will shake out.

Race To The Top initiatives continue. The move from NCWise to PowerSchools is being worked on, and PowerSchools should be much more powerful, with a very aggressive time line. It is hoped to be in place by the beginning of the next school year.

House Bill 1837 made CPR a high school graduation requirement, and will begin with students currently in ninth and 10<sup>th</sup> grade. The whole issue of charter schools and their beginning athletic programs is certainly out there, and Les says that he gets calls about that frequently.

The survey went out to middle schools about regulation of middle school athletics and the discussion that the Board had last year; 305 surveys were completed by schools who do participate in athletics, averaging about 150 athletes and 15 coaches per school. A total of 86% indicated they were adequately prepared to operate their athletic programs and a vast number were very aware of the new middle school handbook for athletics. Only 16% of respondents, though, said they wanted an "outside agency" (such as the NCHSAA) to regulate middle school athletics.

He also mentioned that Paula Hildebrand would be retiring from DPI when the Healthy Schools grant expires at the end of February.

**NORTH CAROLINA SCHOOL BOARDS ASSOCIATION:** Wendell Hall addressed the Board on behalf on his organization. He thanked the Board for the opportunity to represent this segment of the 115 LEAs.

The state conference has just been completed, with about 550 school board members from across the state in attendance. Teacher tenure, as it currently exists, appears to be on the way out and the School Boards Association is concerned about it and trying to figure out what it might look like. Charter schools and virtual schools are also being discussed.

The NCSBA had a video contest for high schools, to talk about what's good about public education. Millbrook was third, Polk County second and Laney High School was first (for \$5,000 first prize). Warren County county commissioners were recognized for their help with the school system there.

The theme of the NCSBA this year is "Stand Up for Public Education."

**NORTH CAROLINA COACHES ASSOCIATION**: Mac Morris thanked the NCHSAA for the opportunity to serve.

Mac noted the vision that Bob Jamieson had to start the NCCA was unbelievable in starting the organization 65 years ago.

The 2012 clinic had over 7,500 attendees. Associate status has been created for non-faculty coaches and that number is continuing to grow. July 22-25 will be the dates of the 2013 clinic.

This coming year the game will be moved, since Jamieson Stadium will not be available. It will be played at Simeon Stadium in 2013.

He highlighted the free subscription that all members have for "Gym To The Jury," Herb Appenzeller's newsletter, and how helpful a tool it can be.

**BOOKING AGENTS AND OFFICIALS:** Roger Morton made the report to the Board. He said it had been a very busy and exciting year in officiating with the NCHSAA. He talked about a special strategic plan that has been developed for officiating.

Morton mentioned educating, teaching and developing officials, which is a primary goal in this area, and that some of the "best of the best" help to do that.

He said he was proud that the Board continues to make a difference for young people.

**NORTH CAROLINA ATHLETIC DIRECTORS ASSOCIATION**: David Ball made the presentation on behalf of his organization and gave greetings from executive director Jerry McGee. Angie Miller on the Board of Directors is president of the NCADA.

The 12<sup>th</sup> annual Summer Institute was held in Greensboro with six LTC classes being taught during the coaches' clinic.

The 43<sup>rd</sup> annual national AD conference is being held in San Antonio on December 14-18, and then the 42<sup>rd</sup> annual NCADA annual conference will be held at the Hilton Riverside in Wilmington on March 17-20, 2013. Former NFHS executive director Bob Kanaby and former NCHSAA executive director Charlie Adams will be among the keynote speakers at the state conference. The 19<sup>th</sup> class of the NCADA Hall of Fame will be inducted, including Catherine Armwood, Ronnie Chavis and Fred McDaniel.

**FINANCE AND PERSONNEL COMMITTEE**: Kathy Spencer recognized members of the committee and made this report:

- 1. Information shared about 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebration.
- 2. Information regarding giving money back to schools; over \$564,000 went back to schools in 2010-11; almost \$600,000 back to schools in 2011-12, based on previous Board actions. 2011-12 year end budgets versus actual--budgeted expenses at 3.63 million, expended at 4.1 million with additions to travel money for schools, but revenue was also up to cover that so that the budget finished in the black by \$47,000; made appropriate adjustments in 2012-13 budget; new budget will also reflect in house counsel.
- 3. Recommend approval of 2012-13 action budget; noted additional revenues from sponsors; \$200,000 added for 100th anniversary expenditures, legislative liaison as well as in house counsel listed in potential wages (motion by Logan, second by Hall, approved 24-0).
- 4. Sports comparisons: school shares here over \$2.2 million and overall looks very positive; amount being spent on travel for schools has doubled.
- 5. Reviewed business continuity/recovery plan; discussion began a year ago and now there is written document if there is natural disaster, records destroyed, etc.
- 6. Information on investment updates--Morgan Stanley, Smith Barney, BB&T, Wittenburg, Priddy and Blankenship all shared with Finance Committee-- growth in each fund, average return between 2% and 10%.

- 7. Committee received audit report; auditors gave unqualified opinion, made a few recommendations. Checks amounting to a total of \$36,000 have never been cashed by member schools, and that did come up in audit report, something that needs to be resolved.
- 8. Recommend staff move forward with building renovation plans (motion by Morton, second by Stallings, approved 24-0).
- 9. Miscellaneous--to review ticket prices at playoffs, since some schools are charging more during regular season games than NCHSAA has set in playoffs. A staff succession plan is also under discussion.

#### POLICY COMMITTEE: Mo Green thanked his committee and presented the report

- 1. Handbook changes: changing By Laws by changing time period for submitting proposed amendments; to change "no less than 20 days" to "by November 1" on page 23 under Amendments. This would be balloted to full membership, for 2013-14 school year (motion by Mack, second by Black, approved 20-0).
- 2. Making editorial changes in By Laws in clarifying second and third paragraph on current page 23: "Executive Director shall **distribute** (currently says "mail"); the other adjustment would be "...three fourths of the total ballot **distributed**," effective for 2013-14 academic year (motion by Morton, second by Poletti, approved 22-0)
- 3. Clarifying language on page 118 of current edition of handbook in (C): "athletes shall not be given scholarship aid or other financial considerations with **the exception of need-based aid as determined by an independent agency"**; change for 2013-14 academic year (motion by Morton, second by Purnsley, approved 23-0).
- 4. Change language throughout Handbook in By Laws to update job titles to Commissioner from Executive Director (motion by Mack, second by Poletti, approved 23-0).
- 5. Participation After Graduation--issue really relates to winter sports (swimming, etc)--did not come out of committee.
- 6. Delayed 2012-13 EOC scores--see attachment 16 to Board, which is in keeping with previous policy: Students assessed on the Algebra I/Integrated I, English II and Biology EOCs during fall 2012-13 should be assigned "incompletes" until the 0-100 score for each assessment is available (i.e., late January). The NCHSAA will allow special dispensation for students who receive incompletes on EOC tests. Students who might be affected by these incompletes in this situation only will still be eligible if that course alone makes the difference. The NCHSAA will allow students affected by this delay to continue to participate in athletics if they meet all other eligibility requirements. Once the score is available, schools are to use it to calculate the final grade for the course. Each NCHSAA member school must take action on the affected students' eligibility by the day after the scores are determined.

#### 7. Local promotion standards

See page 121 of Handbook; issue involves failing a grade and then eligibility for second semester after passing minimum load, changing the practice for how it has been interpreted. Adjustment will be forthcoming.

The Board's policy would simply leave it that the student "must meet local promotion standards." The example discussed was that a student-athlete failed ninth grade and is repeating it, and then passes all of his or her classes in the first semester of the second year of the ninth grade. The interpretation now would be that, unless the student "meets local promotion standards" or is actually mid-year promoted, he or she would not be eligible for the second semester of the second ninth grade year in this example.

#### **SPORTS COMMITTEE:** Ernie Purnsley presented his report after thanking committee members:

- 1. Recommend approval of 2013-14 playoff calendar (motion by Morton, second by Ball, approved 23-0).
- 2. Allow baseball and softball playoffs to begin earlier as outlined by NC Baseball Coaches Association to allow playoffs to go to Wednesday/Saturday and adjust dates; approved calendar reflects this change (motion by Morris, second by Morton, approved 23-0).
- 3. No change in start date adjustment for 2013 spring sports.
- 4. Recommend change in basketball start date for non-football playing schools; they may start practice on October 15 and start playing games on first day of basketball practice for football playing schools. Extra games must be completed prior to first basketball playing date for football playing schools; those games will not count for seeding (motion by Black, second by Morris, approved 23-1).

- 5. No change in wild card eligibility; no change in playoff berths for independent schools; suspended game rules during playoffs-- no change in current rule, is not required to play complete game if winner can be determined by NFHS rules; request denied to led underclassmen participate in bowl games/all star events--did not come out of committee.
- 6. Continue to use the pod system for the 1-A and 1-AA football playoffs and return to straight seeding 1-16 (without pods) for 2-A, 2-AA, 3-A, 3-AA, 4-A and 4-AA playoffs for next two years. Will increase travel and could be some loss of school time, but schools are now receiving more money from NCHSAA (motion by Mack, second by Ball, approved 21-3).
- 7. Different regional concept in basketball playoffs; staff will explore this idea of schools playing at home of higher seed until regional finals, then all games on Saturday at neutral site; will be more discussion in spring.
- 8. No action out of committee on soccer idea about point system for playoffs for determining playoff representatives.
- 9. Increase length of both men's and women's lacrosse seasons by one week, with no increase in number of games, effective 2014 season (motion by Morris, second by Morton, approved 23-1).
  - 10. No change in number of qualifiers in women's golf--did not come out of committee.
- 11. Recommend approval summer dead period of two weeks for all sports; one week during the week of the fourth of July and one week during NCCA coaches clinic, effective summer 2013. If Fourth is on Saturday, it is the week before Fourth; if Fourth is on Sunday, it's the week after (motion by Morris, second by Marsh, approved 21-3).
  - 12. No change in body paint rule.
- 13. Other discussion items--received resolution from some superintendents in western part of state that all football championships be returned to high school sites; to look at playoff ticket prices; have not increased in many years and in some cases playoffs are less than regular season ticket prices (see earlier discussion).

# **REVIEW/OFFICIATING/STUDENT SERVICES COMMITTEE**: Rexanna Lowman made the presentation for her committee after thanking her members:

- 1. Approval of incident and penalty report as presented; the incident and penalty report included the following; she noted that all fines from 2011-12 were paid (motion by Poletti, second by Mack, approved 23-0):
  - --Louisburg in cheerleading
  - --E.E. Smith for fall sports eligibility form
  - --Alleghany, Bunn, D.H. Conley, Fairmont, Fike, Graham, Lake Norman Charter, Lumberton, Marvin Ridge, Mount Tabor, North Forsyth, North Lenoir, Olympic, Perquimans, Reagan, Smithfield-Selma and Southside
  - --Atkins, Chapel Hill, Clayton, Fuquay-Varina, Midway, Monroe, North Henderson, Northern Nash, Northside (Jacksonville), Seventy-First, South Point, and Southern Wayne
  - -- T.W. Andrews, Ashley, Clayton, Glenn, Grimsley, Hunt, Maiden, Mallard Creek, New Hanover, and South View in men's basketball
  - --Holly Springs in men's cross country
  - --Anson, Burns, Cedar Ridge, Cummings, Leesville Road, Maiden, North Henderson, Northern Durham, Orange, Providence Grove, Tuscola, Wakefield and Western Guilford in men's soccer
  - --Southwestern Randolph and Westover in softball
  - --Garinger, Mallard Creek and Millbrook in volleyball
  - --Ashley, Hunt, Hunter Huss, Madison, North Duplin, Pender, Reidsville, River Mill Academy, and South Johnston in women's basketball
  - --SouthWest Edgecombe and Wallace-Rose Hill in women's tennis
  - --Athens Drive, Hibriten, Highland Tech, North Lenoir, Northern Nash, Page, South View, Southern Wayne, Spring Creek, Heide Trask, Wakefield and West Forsyth in wrestling
- 2. Recommend acceptance of ejection report (motion by Mack, second by Black, approved 23-0).
- 3. Create new booking association in football since the North State Officials Association currently has 129 schools; North State will then have 73 schools and new agency 48 (motion to Mack, second by Morton, approved 24-0).

- 4. To dissolve Twin City Baseball Umpires Association--only four schools using it in baseball, and current requirement is to have two conferences and 14 schools (motion by Poletti, second by Butler, approved 24-0).
- 5. Change title from "booking agent" to "regional supervisor of officials"-- reflects duties more accurately and the expectations to teach, train and supervise, and has been endorsed in a poll of current booking agents (motion by Butler, second by Logan, approved 24-0).
- 6. Restructure promotional points system for officials; proposal places emphasis on earning points in clinics, state rules clinics and scrimmages, reduces weight on exam (which is on line) and adds points for varsity games worked (motion by Morton, second by Poletti, approved 24-0).
- 7. Amend current ejection criteria in Handbook: in Penalties and Fines: \$500 fine for "player(s) leaving bench if unauthorized and there is no fight associated" (motion by Mack, second by Morton, approved 23-0). Also add bullet in Ejection criteria for "leaving the bench if unauthorized and there is no fight associated"; same as profanity/baiting, etc., to cover this change.
- 8. Fee structure for officials--propose officials increase; no increase in football, for instance since 2006; 10% increase per game fee per sport beginning 2014-15 school year (average \$6 per game), and fees remain the same until realignment year 2018-19. North Carolina is also one of few states that does not have travel fees for officials (motion by Morton, second by Spencer, approved 15-9).
- 9. For information-- there have been 4,084 coaches that have received certification in the Fundamentals of Coaching Course.

Commissioner Whitfield presented a lifetime pass to Shelly Marsh since he is retiring and the group gave Shelly a standing ovation.

The meeting was then adjourned at 12:13 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Rick Strunk Associate Commissioner

### NORTH CAROLINA HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS SPRING MEETING Tuesday, April 30, 2013

The spring meeting of the North Carolina High School Athletic Association Board of Directors was called to order by President Stewart Hobbs at 8:20 a.m. at the Simon F. Terrell Building. Members in attendance included Kathy Spencer, Rexanna Lowman, Ernie Purnsley, Bill Miller, Dwayne Stallings, Leon Mack, Allison Sholar, Carla Black, Shelly Marsh, Robert Logan, Angie Miller, Bill Rogers, Ron Butler, Tony Baldwin, Joe Poletti, M.D. Guthrie, and Teresa Evans. Absent was Maurice Green, but he participated in discussion via speaker phone.

Affiliate representatives included Roger Morton of the Piedmont Officials Association, representing regional supervisors and officials, Les Spell of the North Carolina Department of Public Instruction, Mac Morris of the North Carolina Coaches Association, Wendell Hall representing the North Carolina School Boards Association, and David Ball of the North Carolina High School Athletic Directors Association.

NCHSAA staff in attendance included Davis Whitfield, Carolyn Shannonhouse, Rick Strunk, Mark Dreibelbis, Karen DeHart, Clayton Somers and Que Tucker.

Commissioner Whitfield introduced general counsel Clayton Somers to the Board, as he was attending his first Board meeting, and then did some agenda review. Whitfield reviewed the amendment vote during which the schools passed each of the changes. Item 1 passed 341-0, item 2 passed 336-5, item 3 passed 338-3, item 4 passed 337-4, item 5 passed 338-3, item 6a passed 332-9, item 6b passed 334-7.

He also reviewed some of the legislation currently in the General Assembly, which could effect high school athletics, noting there are several bills in committee. He also mentioned the proposed NFHS Network for television that would include "tier two" sports, sports which we currently do not televise. Our current television vendor, Time Warner Cable, does have some concerns about the implications of the national model.

The minutes of the previous Board meeting were approved as distributed previously (motion by Miiller, second by Logan, approved 18-0).

Motion to approve consent agenda items (motion by Stallings, second by Lowman, approved 19-0).

# CONSENT AGENDA NORTH CAROLINA HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION 2013 BOARD OF DIRECTORS SPRING MEETING

(Cases handled since November 1, 2012 and before April 1, 2013)

- 1. **GLENN**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Stephon Douglas Brown
- 2. WILLIAMS: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Andrew Honeycutt
- 3. PANTHER CREEK: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Samantha Myers
- 4. PATTON: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Diamond Scott
- 5. **NORTH PITT**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Shaquille Barnes
- 6. **SOUTHWEST EDGECOMBE**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Samuel Glenn Eason, Jr.
- 7. GRIMSLEY: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Mary Oppegaard
- 8. **MOUNT TABOR**: Denied waiver of scholastic rule for Victoria Woodcock
- 9. BISHOP MCGUINNESS: Approved waiver of transfer rule of Grace Kelly
- 10. BISHOP MCGUINNESS: Approved waiver of transfer rule for Francis Ladew
- 11. TRITON: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Molly Dunbar
- 12. **LEJEUNE**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Alex Galloway
- 13. **ORANGE**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Kaitlyn Eichelberger
- 14. CARDINAL GIBBONS: Approved waiver of transfer rule for Michael Hoppinger
- 15. ASHLEY: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Taeler Ott
- 16. SOUTH BRUNSWICK: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Caitlin Rose DeMaine
- 17. **NEW HANOVER:** Denied waiver of attendance rule for Kadaisa Ragin
- 18. **PAGE:** Approved waiver of attendance rule for Tyrone Humphries
- 19. WALKERTOWN: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Austin Chase McElveen
- 20. NORTH DAVIDSON: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Kaitlyn Perryman
- 21. **CEDAR RIDGE**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Samuel Rabinowitz

- 22. **JESSE CARSON**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Jana Bradshaw
- 23. CARRBORO: Approved waiver of scholastic and attendance rule for Patrick Francis McCarthy
- 24. NORTH EDGECOMBE: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Randolph Battle
- 25. ALBEMARLE: Denied waiver of attendance rule for Caleb Smith
- 26. **WEST STOKES**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Quintin Booth
- 27. WEST LINCOLN: Approved waiver of residence rule for Daniel Schesny
- 28. **SOUTHERN WAYNE:** Approved waiver of residence rule based on emancipation for Jane Romo Hamilton
  - 30. FORBUSH: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Jessica Rose Powell
  - 31. HIBRITEN: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Paige Blue
  - 32. **HIBRITEN:** Denied waiver of attendance rule for Marilyn Cozart
  - 33. **HIGHLAND TECH**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Bronson Short
  - 34. CARDINAL GIBBONS: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Morgan Reid
  - 35. KINGS MOUNTAIN: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Tara Sikes
  - 36. **SWAIN COUNTY**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Chloe Esquivel
  - 37. **EASTERN ALAMANCE**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Kendra Piccinni
  - 38. SMOKY MOUNTAIN: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Radburn Schutters
  - 39. **ARDREY KELL**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Paris Bloomquist
  - 40. **REIDSVILLE**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Joshua Gwynn
  - 41. NORTHERN GUILFORD: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Amber Crawford
  - 42. **GARNER**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Brooke Kamphius
  - 43. SWANSBORO: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Jonathan Iris
  - 44. KNIGHTDALE: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Jacob Michael Messing
  - 45. **WEDDINGTON:** Approved waiver of attendance rule for Devin Mooney
  - 46. GATES: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Brandon Stifflemire
  - 47. WEST CARTERET: waiver of attendance rule for John Harrell
  - 48. CARRBORO: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Diamond Tatyana Tyson
  - 49. **DIXON**:Approved waiver of attendance rule for Erika Wilson
- 50. Approved continued consolidation of the football programs at North Carolina School for the Deaf and Eastern North Carolina School for the Deaf for the 2013 football season, based on the previous terms and restrictions.
  - 51. FIRST FLIGHT: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Raven Girard
  - 52. ASHLEY: Denied waiver of scholastic rule for Bryan Veals
  - 53. ROBBINSVILLE: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Mabel Caroline Orr
  - 54. SOUTH MECKLENBURG: Denied waiver of attendance rule for Julia Hoekstra
  - 55. **SHELBY**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for John Twiggs
  - 56. PATTON: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Cloe Page Ware
  - 57. **NORTHERN NASH:** Approved waiver of attendance rule for Joey Simpson
  - 58. BREVARD: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Olivia Lowery
  - 59. **PASQUOTANK**: Approved waiver for attendance rule for Bryce Keziah
  - 60. EASTERN GUILFORD: Denied waiver of attendance rule for Zachary Draper
  - 61. **PANTHER CREEK:** Approved waiver of attendance rule for Alex Mastroianni
  - 62. SOUTHWEST EDGECOMBE: Approved waiver of scholastic rule for Tonia Summerlin
  - 63. WEST BRUNSWICK: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Chandler Ross Taylor
  - 64. **UNION PINES:** Approved waiver of attendance rule for Samuel Bartram
  - 65. CARY: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Becca Galt
  - 66. **JORDAN-MATTHEWS:** submitted waiver of age rule but NCHSAA cannot hear age case.
  - 67. MOUNT TABOR: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Aaron Elizabeth Schremp
  - 68. **SOUTHEAST GUILFORD**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Kaylee Shaw
  - 69. **MOUNT AIRY**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Samantha Tickles
  - 70. **ALBEMARLE**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Michael Polk
  - 71. ROCKINGHAM COUNTY: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Cameron Paschal
  - 72. **E.E. SMITH:** Approved waiver of attendance rule for Kendra Baton
  - 73. **NEW BERN:** Approved waiver of attendance rule for Kevin Yandle
  - 74. NORTH STOKES: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Russell Beasley

- 75. CHARLOTTE CATHOLIC: Approved waiver of transfer rule for Riley Andrew Brosnan
- 77. **WEST DAVIDSON**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Jessica James
- 78. SOUTHERN WAYNE: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Thomas Kelly
- 79. **REAGAN**: Denied waiver of scholastic rule for Spencer McNeeley
- 80. **ORANGE**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Nicholas Sutton
- 81. **WEST DAVIDSON**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Chase Coppley
- 82. WEST CHARLOTTE: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Deandra Houston
- 83. FIRST FLIGHT: Denied waiver of attendance rule for Tyler Child
- 84. BISHOP MCGUINNESS: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Samuel Williams
- 85. **LEE SENIOR**: waiver of attendance rule for Mary Grace Beard was withdrawn
- 86. FIRST FLIGHT: Approved waiver of attendance rule for John Goiliday
- 87. **WESTERN ALAMANCE**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Haley Terry
- 88. SOUTHWEST EDGECOMBE: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Tyler Lee O'Neal
- 89. FIRST FLIGHT: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Alissa Pawid
- 90. **CARRBORO**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Paul Flournoy
- 91. ROSE: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Rebeca Bick-Chevez
- 92. **EAST DAVIDSON**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Alicia Hawkins
- 93. **INDEPENDENCE:** Approved waiver of attendance rule for Madison Comer
- 94. **SOUTHERN NASH**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Bradley Worrell
- 95. GRIMSLEY: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Davis Castelli
- 96. ARDREY KELL: Denied waiver of attendance rule for Michael Roberts
- 97. PINE FOREST: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Caitlyn Stakeley
- 98. MYERS PARK: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Blaise Robert
- 99. WEST BRUNSWICK: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Kasey Piver
- 100. WEST BRUNSWICK: Denied waiver of academic rule for Christopher Dalton Grant Clendenin
- 101. WEST STOKES: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Ricki Kirchenbauer
- 102. PURNELL SWETT: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Christen Locklear
- 103. **CLEVELAND**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Sarah Beckmann
- 104. **MOUNT TABOR**: Denied waiver of scholastic rule for Austin Fleming
- 105. MOUNT TABOR: Denied waiver of attendance rule for Al Lipscomb Jr.
- 106. **CARRBORO**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Garrett Grinnell
- 107. WILLIAMS: Denied waiver of scholastic rule for Meliisa Mateus
- 108. CARDINAL GIBBONS: Approved waiver of transfer rule for Nicole Elder
- 109. **CARDINAL GIBBONS:** Approved waiver of transfer rule for Douglas Schuett
- 110. CARDINAL GIBBONS: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Logan Washle
- 111. **DUDLEY**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Ivory Gladden
- 112. **DUDLEY**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Pella Stokes
- 113. **SOUTHWEST GUILFORD**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Zack Waldroup
- 114. SOUTHWEST EDGECOMBE: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Jessica Jacobs
- 115. NORTHEASTERN: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Dylan Pierce
- 116. CARRBORO: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Jacob Scarlett
- 117. **CURRITUCK**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Alexandra Archer
- 118. HARNETT CENTRAL: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Asheley McNeill
- 119. BISHOP MCGUINNESS: Approved waiver of transfer rule for Isabella Bedoya Patino
- 120. **HOLLY SPRINGS:** Approved waiver of attendance rule for Ethan Brantley
- 121. **SOUTHEAST GUILFORD**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Machenzie Bowman
- 122. WEST JOHNSTON: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Megan Sabatino
- 123. WALTER WILLIAMS: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Steve Clark
- 124. FARMVILLE CENTRAL: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Katelynn Croom
- 125. CARDINAL GIBBONS: Approved waiver of transfer rule for Benjamin Gravel
- 126. CARDINAL GIBBONS: Approved waiver of transfer rule for Logan Rigney
- 127. **GREEN HOPE**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Brianna Allaman 128. **WEST CALDWELL**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Ashlyn Miller
- 129. MYERS PARK: Approved waiver of attendance for Conor McAvoy
- 130. **WEST CARTERET**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Brian Harrell

- 131. GRAHAM: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Daniel Graves
- 132. T.C. ROBERSON: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Sam Wells
- 133. **EAST COLUMBUS:** Approved waiver of attendance rule for Brian Harrell
- 134. CARVER: Approved waiver of scholastic rule for Jasmine Jones
- 135. SOUTHWEST GUILFORD: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Anthony Lilly
- 136. LOUISBURG: Denied waiver of attendance rule for Octavio Dorteh
- 137. **HOPEWELL**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Luis Martinez
- 138. MYERS PARK: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Will Hendrix
- 139. WILLIAMS: Denied waiver of attendance for Noell Cunningham
- 140. **DOUGLAS BYRD**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Ajani Hodge
- 141. CARDINAL GIBBONS: Approved waiver of transfer rule for Allie Brown
- 142. HOGGARD: Denied waiver of scholastic requirements for Hunter Gowdy
- 143. MILLBROOK: Approved waiver of attendance requirements for Aaron Leach
- 144. **WEDDINGTON:** Approved waiver of attendance rule for Dontarius Blakeney
- 145. EAST FORSYTH: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Dyan Egan
- 146. MATTAMUSKEET: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Dreunia TaShaye Copper
- 147. Approved request from Christ The King High School to withdraw from the Southern Piedmont Conference for the 2013-14 year and to have independent status in the NCHSAA. The conference has approved the withdrawal as well and would reconsider the school for membership in 2015-16 in the event student enrollment is up.
- 148. Accepted Challenger Early College High School withdrawal as member of the North Carolina High School Athletic Association, effective July 1, 2013.

#### REVIEW OF DECEMBER BOARD ACTION AND COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS:

-- lengthy discussion of non traditional recommendations on boundary criteria (Attachment A, items 1 and 2), live in county where non-traditional is located or within 25-mile radius from non-traditional school as measured by designated computer program, or authorized pastor verification form (for non boarding parochials only, addressing "feeder" schools for parochial high schools)

straw vote on item 1, attachment A, eligible at any (non traditional school) upon initial entry into ninth grade (approved 18-0); boundary criteria 17-1)

discussion on non traditional school playing up in bracketed sports, meeting one of the three criteria (item 3, A); would displace a school in that upper classification (1A school playing up into 2A playoffs will displace a 2A school in brackets); concerns about potential lawsuits are raised; does this "punish success" or is this part of continuing to level the playing field? Straw vote for this is 3 in favor, 13 opposed

- -- discussion on transfer policies, which are different between the non traditional schools committee and the education and athletics committee (item 4 in Attachment B is transfer policy, with 365 day sit out transferring from one member school to another); starting with the 2013-14 academic year; straw vote 15 approved, 1 opposed
- -- non traditional membership (item 4, attachment A); established minimum number of sports would be for consideration for conference membership, not membership in the NCHSAA, and would apply to any school applying for membership. Those not meeting minimum sport number could compete as independent under this.

Straw vote is 17-1 approved

Items 5,6 and 7 in Attachment A, except make item 6 for all schools (not just non-traditional, make item 5 "if requested) instead "have...on file")

- --lengthy discussion of Attachment B, item 1—attendance, making the eligibility requirement local attendance policies. Some local policies are more restrictive. Straw vote is 8 approved, 9 against
  - --add general statement (B, item 2)
  - --B, item 3 about out of state student and clarification

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**NOMINATING COMMITTEE:** Donnie Baxter reported for the committee, which includes Scott Jones, Fred Lynch, Dr. Ed Croom, Mike Baker, Kent Byrd, Lynn Rhymer, Marc Payne and Bobby Wilkins.

He reported on the committee's meeting early in the month. Recommendations included Dr. Kathy Spencer for president, Dr. Bill Miller for vice-president, Dr. Stewart Hobbs for past president; Class 2A, Region 3—Eddie Ingram, superintendent, Franklin County schools; Class 1A, Region 7: Sandy George, principal, Mount Airy; Class 1A, Region 8: David Gentry, Murphy; Class 4A, Region 4: Paul Hoggard, Richmond; reelect Carla Black (Class 3A, Region 6) and reelect Ron Butler (Class 2A, Region 1) for full four-year terms.

**BEAR GRASS CHARTER SCHOOL APPEAL:** A contingent from Bear Grass Charter came to appeal to the Board. David Hostetler, an attorney in Chapel Hill representing Bear Grass came forward; Frank Beck, cochair of Board for the charter school; Jerry Rogerson, athletic director and Donna Moore, principal of the school. They want Bear Grass to be placed in a conference for the coming academic year 2013-14. The school will be an NCHSAA member for next year.

Hostetler said there is a "gap" in the rules since the charter got "fast track" approval to open, with approval in June to open in August of '13, and timing of events did not work in conjunction with realignment process.

He pointed out the "small school conference" legislation that was passed by the General Assembly in 2006. There were several points outlined in written material that they provided to the Board, including that the Board has authority to make conference assignments involving "impractical" circumstances; he noted that Bear Grass has not been able to find conference affiliation.

Hostetler noted the "conference realignment process does not and should not impose rigid barriers to new and fast-track schools like BGCS to join a conference." The Board does have authority to modify or reverse a rule interpretation by the commissioner or staff. He also said, "denying prompt conference membership appears to discriminate against charter and especially fast-track schools like BGCS." He claimed that student-athletes at Bear Grass are being penalized by this action.

He concluded the Board had authority, and there was "no compelling reason" to have to wait for two years to join a conference.

Bear Grass had teams in cross-country, volleyball, basketball, baseball and softball for this academic year, currently with 124 students at high school level.

Lengthy discussion ensued following the presentation. Motion to deny appeal and stay with previous decision (motion by Spencer, second by Logan, 17-0, one abstention.)

The Board then moved into its committee work.

**FINANCE AND PERSONNEL**: chairperson Kathy Spencer, vice-chair Bill Miller, Allison Sholar, Shelly Marsh, Robert Logan, staff advisors Davis Whitfield and Karen DeHart;

**POLICY:** chairperson Mo Green, vice-chair Carla Black, Bill Rogers, David Ball, Teresa Evans, Les Spell, staff advisor Carolyn Shannonhouse;

**REVIEW/ OFFICIATING/STUDENT SERVICES**: chairperson Rexanna Lowman, vice-chair Leon Mack, Joe Poletti, M.D. Guthrie, Roger Morton, Wendell Hall, staff advisor Mark Dreibelbis;

**SPORTS:** chairperson Ernie Purnsley, vice-chair Dwayne Stallings, Angie Miller, Ron Butler, Mack Morris, Tony Baldwin, staff advisor Que Tucker.

The Board later heard lengthy committee reports on agenda items.

# NCHSAA Board of Directors Meeting Wednesday, May 1, 2013

The spring meeting of the North Carolina High School Athletic Association Board of Directors was called to order by President Stewart Hobbs at 8:00 a.m. at the Simon F. Terrell Building. Members in attendance included Kathy Spencer, Rexanna Lowman, Ernie Purnsley, Bill Miller, Dwayne Stallings, Maurice Green, Leon Mack, Allison Sholar, Carla Black, Shelly Marsh, Robert Logan, Angie Miller, Bill Rogers, Ron Butler, Tony Baldwin, Joe Poletti, M.D. Guthrie, and Teresa Evans.

Affiliate representatives included Roger Morton of the Piedmont Officials Association, representing booking agents and officials, Les Spell of the North Carolina Department of Public Instruction, Mac Morris of the North Carolina Coaches Association, Wendell Hall representing the North Carolina School Boards Association, and David Ball of the North Carolina High School Athletic Directors Association.

NCHSAA staff in attendance included Davis Whitfield, Carolyn Shannonhouse, Rick Strunk, Mark Dreibelbis, Karen DeHart, Clayton Somers and Que Tucker.

Media members in attendance included Tim Stevens of the Raleigh News and Observer, David Reynolds of the Greensboro News and Record.

President Hobbs also introduced the members of the NCHSAA staff that were not in the Board meeting itself, and noted that he believes the staff is "one of the best, if not the best, in the country."

**SPECIAL REPORTS: STUDENT-ATHLETE ADVISORY COMMITTEE:** Anna Broome of Carrboro High School presented to the Board. She is a three-sport athlete and a junior at Carrboro.

She said she was honored to serve on the council and said that the Student Leadership Conference was a "huge success."

One of the goals of SAAC is to promote community involvement. Anna highlighted the involvement of one SAAC member at Camden High with Project Unify and Special Olympics. Discussion has also ensued about a special rate for "youth groups" to be able to attend state championships.

Some of the concerns that the group has discussed include intimidation by fans, overlapping seasons and the fatigue it can create, and starting times of contests.

**STATE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION**: Les Spell addressed the Board for SDPI, and said his remarks would be different from others.

Instead of "Race To the Top", he is glad to talk about "racing to the finish line" and the values of high school athletes. Instead of "Common Core", the Board talks about the "Uncommon Core" for those who go beyond as coaches and student-athletes.

The work of the NCHSAA is both necessary and important for schools and what they are trying to do.

NORTH CAROLINA SCHOOL BOARDS ASSOCIATION: Wendell Hall reported for his organization. The NCSBA had a special called meeting in Raleigh recently, concerned by some of the direction being taken by the General Assembly in terms of public education. He cited major concerns about bills on teacher tenure, issues around charter schools and capital outlay, ownership of school buildings (county commissioners vs. school boards), virtual schools, and home school participation in extra curricular activities, just to name a few.

He said in some cases the NCSBA views have been "distorted." For instance, he noted that the Association is very much for small class sizes but also believes in flexibility for superintendents and school boards to be able to do what they need.

The NCSBA will continue to advocate for public education, and Hall urged Board members to continue to speak up about the good things happening in public education. He said that the NCSBA is in "full support" of what the NCHSAA is doing.

**NORTH CAROLINA COACHES ASSOCIATION**: Mac Morris addressed the Board on behalf of the NCCA.

NCCA co-executive director Phil Weaver has been named executive director of the national organization that has 38 different state coaches associations in it. Details for the summer clinic are also being lined up; track clinicians will be coming to the clinic from Minnesota and Harvard, for instance, and a softball clinician from a Division III powerhouse. July 22-25 are the dates for the clinic, which is one of the largest in the country.

#### **BOOKING AGENTS AND OFFICIALS:** Roger Morton spoke to the Board.

He noted many of the exciting things going on with officiating in the NCHSAA, including the soon-to-be approved five new regional supervisors. He also mentioned the HUDL program and the tremendous opportunities with video for football and basketball officials to able to view and study. The NCHSAA will be the first at the high school level to do this and he noted this was a great development.

**NORTH CAROLINA ATHLETIC DIRECTORS ASSOCIATION**: David Ball made the presentation on behalf of his organization and gave greetings from executive director Jerry McGee, who has been executive director of the organization since 1992. Angie Miller on the Board of Directors served as president of the NCADA and did an outstanding job.

The state conference was held in Wilmington in March at the Hilton Riverside. There were 234 active athletic directors at the conference, and 59 AD's took leadership training courses there. Bob Kanaby and Charlie Adams were keynote speakers, and Davis Whitfield, Dr. Stewart Hobbs and Ralph Holloway were on hand for a luncheon which highlighted the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the NCHSAA.

The conference included a panel on "athletic choices for student-athletes," which included AAU and travel ball in addition to scholastic sports. The NCADA Hall of Fame inducted Catherine Armwood, Ronnie Chavis and Fred McDaniel this year, bringing the number in the Hall to 76. Charles Simmons as the state AD of the year and Rex Wells of Asheville earned the Braveheart Award, while Masanori Toguchi was the NIAAA Award of Merit winner and Kanaby got the Lifetime Achievement Award.

Wells will serve as president, Bobby Hill of Hillside as vice president and Chris Roehner of South Brunswick will be the secretary. There will be LTCs taught and a breakfast with the NCHSAA for the athletic directors during the North Carolina Coaches Association clinic. The national AD conference will be in Anaheim, CA.

#### NON-TRADITIONAL SCHOOL COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS:

- 1. A student is eligible at any school upon initial entry into ninth grade (motion by Miller, second by Black, approved 19-0).
- 2. After initial entry into ninth grade, transfer and boundary criteria shall apply as follows—
  Student shall live in the county where non-traditional school is located, or student shall live within 25-mile radius of the non traditional school as measured by designated computer program; or student is member of parochial church and submits authorized pastor verification form, or student who attends non-boarding parochial school; additional language will be drafted by counsel (motion by Miller, second by Logan, approved 18-1).
- 3. Non traditional schools in playoffs—special criteria (see Attachment A)
  - a. Made the top eight six of eight years, top four four of six years, made the finals three consecutive years in current classification; non-bracketed sports would have different criteria, team runner-up and champion for three consecutive years in current classification (motion by Stallings, second by Miller, 5-14, motion defeated).
- 4. School membership in conference, beginning with 2013-14, any school applying for initial membership into a conference must field an established minimum number of sports each year, including 6 per school, 3 men and 3 women, two in each season. Must remain independent unless meet the criteria for conference membership. Must play as an independent member of the NCHSAA pending normal alignment appeals process unless accepted by an existing conference. (motion by Poletti, second by Mack, approved 18-1). Motion to withdraw motion by Poletti, second by Mack, and counsel will rework language, 19-0).

SEE NEW HANDOUT FOR CONFERENCE MEMBERSHIP

Beginning with the 2013-14 academic year, before any member school applying for initial membership into the NCHSAA may be placed into an existing conference, it must satisfy both of the following criteria.

A. The member school must field an established minimum number of sports each year as follows: Six per school, three men and three women, including at least two in each sport season, with one male and one female sport in each season. Junior varsity sports will count toward these minimums if a member school is unable to field varsity teams.

AND

B. Unless otherwise accepted for membership by an existing conference, the member school must play as an independent member of the NCHSAA until placement by the NCHSAA into an existing conference at the earlier of (i) the beginning of the first year in a four-year alignment cycle or (ii) the beginning of the third year in a normal four-year alignment cycle.

Any member school currently belonging to an existing conference prior to the beginning of the 2013-14 academic year will be grandfathered under this policy and will not need to satisfy the above criteria in order to remain in its existing conference or be placed into a new conference during future alignment cycles.

NOTE: The intent of this policy is to allow new member schools and existing conferences to mutually agree on membership at any time during the four-year normal alignment cycle, but in order to minimize disruptions of existing conferences and their member schools during the normal two-year contract period for football, basketball and other sports, absent extraordinary situations through timely appeals, the Board will only place new member schools satisfying both of the above criteria into existing or new conferences every two years during each four-year alignment cycle. (motion to accept draft from Spencer, second by Lowman, 18-1)

- 5. All schools shall have enrollment policies and procedures available to the NCHSAA upon request (motion by Stallings, second by Black, approved 19-0).
- 6. All schools that join the NCHSAA shall attend a mandatory new school/new athletic director orientation (motion by Mack, second by Lowman, approved 19-0).
- 7. All non-boarding parochial schools shall provide full disclosure of financial aid data to NCHSAA if requested and within guidelines of privacy laws (motion by Purnsley, second by Spencer, motion is amended as written above, new motion by Purnsley and second by Spencer, approved 19-0).

#### **EDUCATION AND ATHLETICS COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS**

- 1. "A player must meet local attendance policies during the previous semester (see Attachment B)...At the end of each semester, any participant who has failed to meet local attendance policies in that semester is immediately eligible." (motion by Rogers, second by Lowman, 5-13, defeated).
- Add general LEA statement to current edition 117
   The rules and regulations listed herein are the minimum state standards for eligibility to participate in a number of areas, including but not limited to scholastic requirements, medial examinations, the felony policy, etc. (motion by Miller, second by Logan, approved 19-0)
- 3. addition for out of state students (see Attachment B)

Any student proposed for a contest is eligible to at the school to which the local board of education assigns him within the unit of residence of a parent or custodian within this state:

Addition: A student who resides out of state but attends a member high school could be eligible under (c) below; if the student attends a member non-boarding parochial school or is a member of a parochial church and submits an authorized pastor verification form; or if the out-of-state student is attending a member school as an employee benefit because a parent is working at the school, the school must request a hardship waiver of the residence rule with appropriate documentation as a result of the employee status. (motion by Purnsley, second by Baldwin, 19-0).

4. Transfer policies --

After initial entry into ninth grade and absent a bona fide move as provided in the Residence section in this Handbook:

- --a student transferring from a member school to another member school within the same LEA must sit out 365 days for athletic participation. The LEA may create criteria for immediate athletic eligibility for transfers within the LEA.
- --a student transferring from a member school in one LEA to another member public school in another LEA (without a bona fide change of residence) must sit out 365 days for athletic participation. Exceptions for immediate athletic eligibility for transfers from one LEA to a different LEA will be heard by a special NCHSAA Transfer Committee.

NOTE: if a member school is not part of a defined LEA (charter school, non boarding parochial school, etc) then the member school itself will be considered its own LEA for purposes of this policy (i.e., exceptions involving these member school will fall under subsection (b) above. (motion by Rogers, second by Evans, 12-5, two abstentions)

Attachment C: editorial changes to handbook from Education and Athletics Committee; page noted is current page in Handbook; chart distributed will be used to make edits

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Page 126 as well as in individual sports sections: clarifying endowment game information as indicated; "under no circumstances can any Endowment game that would exceed season limitation in any sport be played" (motion by Miller, second by Purnsley, approved 19-0).

Endowment game further clarification (motion by Miller, second by Purnsley, approved 19-0)

Page 119: for item 11--clarifying language related to child living with one parent, etc., for residence; see complete text for a through d options: "Except as otherwise provided, the resident of any student shall be deemed to be that (a) that of his or her parents if he/she lives with both parents; (b) that of the sole parent if he/she lives with only one parent; that of the parent with whom he/she spends the majority of nights during the school calendar year if he/she has two parents who do not live together; or that of the legal custodian if his/her custody has been awarded to a non-parent by a court of competition jurisdiction."

(motion by Lowman, second by Mack, approved 18-0, one abstention) Page 119: item 12

"In the event parents are separated or divorced, the residence of the student shall be that of the parent or other adult to whom primary physical custody has been awarded by a court of competent jurisdiction. If no custody order has been entered, the residence shall be deemed to be that of the parent with whom the student spends the majority of the nights during the school calendar year." (motion by Logan, second by Mack, approved 17-1)

**FINANCE AND PERSONNEL COMMITTEE**: Kathy Spencer recognized members of the committee and made this report:

- 1. Budget review—revenues have exceeded expenses; revenue down a little bit in men's soccer; fines are below budget; catastrophic insurance has increased to \$2 million.
- 2. Sports comparisons to date--cheerleading is up in revenue, men's soccer down, volleyball up, cross country about the same; football best gross revenue in five years in that sport. Swimming fairly flat, and there are some increased costs at some venues.
- 3. Investments update/review: endowment balances strong; 25% of one dollar surcharge, plus 50% of operating budget overage, as well as endowment interest is going to schools. Specific reports were shared from three investment groups.
- 4. Recommend that \$1.4 million of restricted funds available for investment to go from sweep account into endowed account with Wells Fargo, helps with diversification as well (motion by Spencer, second by Logan, approved 18-0)
  - 5. Investments policy has been reviewed with investment groups.
  - 6. Follow up Finance Committee discussion from December:
- --Recommend eliminating NCHSAA share of gate in first round playoff games (one dollar surcharge stays) in all sports but football and men's and women's basketball (motion by Spencer, second by Guthrie, approved 18-0).
- 7. General information: legislative liaisons are working well; looking at financing options for renovation of building; outstanding checks of about \$36,000 worth, with \$16,000 addressed and the rest by June 30.
- 8. Review of Endowment restricted funds shows that \$7.7 million has been shared with participating schools.
- 9. Personnel updates; Kyle Milks most likely will be leaving in mid-May; staff evaluations done; staff succession plan presented to committee for review.
- --Recommend approving some discretionary funding to provide COLA, based on commissioner recommendation (motion by Spencer, second by Logan, approved 18-0)
- --Recommend rolling commissioner contract over for another year, to maintain four-year contract (motion by Spencer, second by Lowman, approved 18-0).

#### POLICY COMMITTEE: Carla Black thanked the committee and presented the report:

- 1. Approve non-sports calendar as presented (motion by Black, second by Evans, approved 18-0).
- 2. Review timeline for approval of charter schools by State Board of Education, and recommendations are:
- --to now offer two deadlines for membership applications, November 1 for winter Board meeting review and April 1 for spring Board review; to change date for Declaration of Intent for participation in realignment to window from October 15 to November 1 every four years; to also contact the Office of Charter Schools to let them know of opportunities for participating in realignment, etc. (motion by Black, second by Stallings, approve 18-0).
- 3. Participation for student-athletes with physical disabilities; shared information about Project Unify and partnership with Special Olympics North Carolina and will provide update in December.
  - 4. Transgender policy regarding participation; table and bring back to Board in December.
- 5. Handbook language regarding local promotion standard: "all students must also meet local promotion standards, set by the LEA and/or the local schools." Clarification from State Department of Public Instruction will also be sought.

#### **SPORTS COMMITTEE:** Ernie Purnsley presented his report after thanking committee members:

1. Recommend ticket price adjustments for playoffs, after surveying schools and seeing some of what is charged at regular season; all sports except cross country, swimming and diving and individual wrestling:

Baseball: \$6 for 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 4th rounds; for regional round, \$7; state championships stays at \$8

Basketball: \$6 for 1st, 2nd and 3rd rounds, \$7 for doubleheader; regional and state prices remain the same

Football: \$7 for 1st, 2nd and 3rd rounds; regional presale will now be \$7, at gate \$8; no change in state final prices

Lacrosse: \$6 for 1<sup>st</sup>, 2nd and 3rd rounds, \$7 for doubleheader; regionals, \$7 for one game, \$8 for 2; state finals \$10

Soccer: \$6 for first four rounds, regionals to \$7

Softball: \$6 for first four rounds (consistent with baseball); regional to \$7

Track: regional track to \$6, state championships to \$8

Volleyball: \$6 for first four rounds, regionals to \$7, championships to \$9

Dual Team Wrestling: \$6 each round, then \$7 for championship

(Motion by Mack, second by Lowman, approved 18-0).

- 2. Contracts: Change requirement for NCHSAA standard contract to be recommended and eliminate mandatory use; will have some revised language. Starting 2013-14 academic year (motion by Miller, second by Mack, approved 18-0).
  - 3. Summer dead periods discussed by committee, no change.
  - 4. Request to pod 1-A only in football did not advance out of committee.
  - 5. Skill development for unlimited numbers for football at certain times—did not get out of committee.
  - 6. Soccer—proposal to look at how ties are handled—did not get out of committee.
- 7. Wrestling—calendar to end one week earlier due to facility conflict at Greensboro Coliseum for 2013-14 championship, to make date adjustment which shortens season by one week (motion by Poletti, second by Black, approved 19-0).
- 8. Wrestling—to allow non-qualifiers to attend wrestling for reduced rate or free, did not get out of committee
- 9. Basketball—recommendation to allow two 60-minute sessions daily in skill development (instead of two 45 minute sessions) (motion by Baldwin, second by Spencer, approved 15-3)
- 10. Basketball—review seeding process, including survey results. Recommendation is to continue to seed basketball, add women's and men's soccer for seeding for next year; look at potentially adding other sports during realignment period 2013-17. Particulars are discussed about seeding, similar to football (seed 1,2,3 in straight conferences, 1 and 2 in splits, if number two is truly second overall in conference. Seed other qualifiers based on overall record as at large entries (motion by Mack, second by Logan, approved 18-0).
- 11. Playoff berths in bracketed sports: adjusting formula for qualifying for playoffs. In 64-team brackets; formula has been half the number of teams, drop fraction; that would give, however, too many for new realignment. Half of number of schools in conference will automatically qualify, round up fraction if necessary. In split conference it will be half and plus one. Use 22 games for seeding (can drop one or two non-conference games, if played 23 or 24). Will still allow some wild cards but not excessive number. Will be for 2013-14 (motion by Baldwin, second by Butler, approved 18-0).
- 12. Women's golf: change in qualifying standards for regional and state. Approve recommendation of committee; in 1A/2A and 3A must average 55; 4A would have to average 50. Include minimum of five nine-hole matches for that average; may drop nine-hole score if more than five. 18 hole matches count as two. (motion by Miller, second by Miller, approved 18-0)
- 13. Regional women's golf qualifying: top three teams qualify, top 17 individuals not on a top-three qualifying team (motion by Poletti, second by Mack, approved 18-0).
  - 14. Sports Medicine Advisory Committee recommendations:
- --Cheerleading will be governed the same as all other NCHSAA sports as it relates to health and safety (Return to Play form, for example)
- --Recommend that all cheerleading coaches take NFHS Fundamentals of Coaching Cheerleading (or other comparable course that addresses health and safety)
  - --Up to date physicals shall be required of all students participating in summer workouts
- --Recommends that at least one member of each sport/activity staff must take and pass NFHS First Aid for Coaches course (or American Red Cross course), be CPR/AED certified, and be present at all games/practices/contest
- -- encourage host school of an event with 3 or more participating teams must have LAT/certified first responder on site at all times during the event

(motion by Lowman, second by Black, approved 18-0)

**REVIEW/OFFICIATING/STUDENT SERVICES COMMITTEE**: Rexanna Lowman made the presentation for her committee after thanking her members:

1. Approval of incident and penalty report as presented; the incident and penalty report included the following:

Avery, Brevard, Douglas Byrd, Challenger, East Burke, East Rowan, East Rutherford, East Wake Academy, Eastern Randolph, Enka, Fairmont, Forest Hills, Gray's Creek, Kestrel Heights, KIPP Pride, E.A. Laney, Ledford, Lumberton, North Edgecombe, Northampton County (2), Northside, Northwest Guilford, Princeton, Randleman, Richlands, Robbinsville (2), Rocky Mount Prep, Terry Sanford, Southern Vance, Washington, Whiteville for general:

A.L. Brown, Overhills, South Columbus and South Granville in baseball;

Louisburg in cheerleading;

E.E. Smith in fall sports;

Alleghany, Apex, Bunn (2), D.H. Conley, Dudley, Fairmont, Fike, Graham, Lake Norman Charter, Lumberton, Marvin Ridge, Mount Tabor, North Forsyth, North Lenoir, Olympic, Perquimans, Reagan, Smithfield-Selma, Southside in football;

Apex and Northern Guilford in men's and women's swimming;

Ashley, Grimsley, Leesville Road, Mallard Creek, New Hanover, Pamlico and Southeast Guilford in basketball;

Holly Springs in men's cross country;

Burns, Cedar Ridge, Cummings, Leesville Road, Maiden, North Henderson, Northern Durham, Orange, Providence Grove, Tuscola, Wakefield, Western Guilford in men's soccer

Walter Williams in men's swimming

East Gaston, Enka, Fuquay-Varina, Pamlico, Smoky Mountain and South Granville in track and field; Garinger, Mallard Creek and Millbrook in volleyball

Ardrey Kell, Ashley, Hoggard, Madison, North Duplin, Providence, Reidsville, River Mill Academy in women's basketball

Southeast Guilford and Topsail in women's soccer

Cary in women's swimming

SouthWest Edgecombe and Wallace-Rose Hill in women's tennis

East Forsyth, Page, Rocky River, West Craven and West Forsyth in wrestling

Unpaid fines as of April 26 included:

Alleghany, T.W. Andrews (3), Anson, Athens Drive, Carver (2), Cherokee (2), Community School of Davidson, East Rowan, Eastern Alamance, First Flight, Franklinton, Garinger (2), Holly Springs, KIPP Pride, Lincoln Charter, Mallard Creek, Mount Pleasant, North Henderson (2), North Surry, Northampton County, Parkland, Pasquotank, Pine Lake Prep, Providence Grove, Ragsdale, Randleman, Red Springs (2), Ben Smith, E.E. Smith, St. Stephens, Starmount, Sun Valley (3), Purnell Swett

- 1. Recommend acceptance of incident-penalty report (motion by Lowman, second by Mack, approved 18-0).
  - 2. Recommend acceptance of ejection report (motion by Lowman, second by Poletti, 18-0)
  - 3. Approve several regional supervisors; Wally Todd (Inner Piedmont Football Officials Association), Neil Buie (Southeastern Football Officials Association), Scott Faglier (Triad Volleyball Officials Association), Tony Madren (Piedmont Wrestling Officials Association), and Dan Breneman (Western North Carolina Basketball) (motion by Lowman, second by Mack,
  - 4. Tabled discussion on appeals process for officials ineligible due to standards of professionalism
- 5. Recommend using three officials in all lacrosse playoff games (motion by Lowman, second by Guthrie, 18-0).
- 6. Increase in booking fees in invitational tournament only (Easter events, etc); not the game fee. Only for these tournaments which involve 5 or more games; five to 12 games \$75, 13-25 games \$100, 26-50 games \$150, over 50 games, \$200 (motion by Lowman, second by Evans, approved 17-1).
- 7. Amend Handbook policies about officials with several edits in handout provided to Board, change "fine" to "sanction" in third bullet point; add "and member school" to fifth bullet point; rework Grievance/Appeal Process; adding "All officials must adhere to standards of professionalism, including but not limited to any code of ethics that may be promulgated from time to time by the NCHSAA. The NCHSAA may determine an official is ineligible to serve as an NCHSAA official on a temporary or permanent basis if the NCHSAA reasonably

determines that initial or continued service as an NCHSAA official would be contrary to the letter or spirit of the NCHSAA's mission or purposes" (motion by Lowman, second by Mack, approved 18-0).

- 8. HUDL project—football and basketball video, officials will be able to watch and study games they have officiated, which should be tremendously helpful
  - 9. 6011 coaches have received national certification since May 2012.
  - 10. Student leadership conference was big success.
  - 11. Project Unify (with Special Olympics North Carolina) reviewed.

Respectfully submitted,

Rick Strunk Associate Commissioner

### NORTH CAROLINA HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS WINTER MEETING Wednesday, December 4, 2013

The winter meeting of the North Carolina High School Athletic Association Board of Directors was called to order by President Bill Miller at 8:30 a.m. at the Simon F. Terrell Building. Members in attendance included Dwayne Stallings, Maurice Green, Leon Mack, Allison Osman, Carla Black, Angie Miller, Bill Rogers, Ron Butler, Tony Baldwin, Joe Poletti, M.D. Guthrie, Teresa Evans, Brad Craddock, Sandy George, Paul Hoggard, and Dennis Sawyer. Rodney Shotwell and David Gentry were absent, although Shotwell arrived later after an earlier commitment.

Affiliate members included Roger Morton of the Piedmont Officials Association, representing booking agents and officials, Burt Jenkins of the North Carolina Department of Public Instruction, Mac Morris of the North Carolina Coaches Association, Wendell Hall representing the North Carolina School Boards Association, and David Ball of the North Carolina High School Athletic Directors Association.

NCHSAA staff in attendance included Davis Whitfield, Carolyn Shannonhouse, Rick Strunk, Mark Dreibelbis, Karen DeHart, Que Tucker and Clayton Somers.

President Miller informed the Board that the executive committee heard a transfer appeal earlier in the day for John Grosnik. The previous decision was upheld and the appeal denied.

Motion to approve consent agenda items (motion by Green, second by Mack, approved).

Motion to approve minutes of last Board meeting and the Annual Meeting (motion by Mack, second by Stallings, approved).

# CONSENT AGENDA NORTH CAROLINA HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION 2013 BOARD OF DIRECTORS WINTER MEETING

(Cases handled since April 1, 2013 and before November 1, 2013)

- 1. **FRANKLINTON:** Denied waiver of attendance and scholastic rule for Gavin Gorsuch.
- 2. ROBBINSVILLE: submitted age case for waiver but NCHSAA cannot set aside age rule.
- 3. WEST MONTGOMERY: Approved waiver of eight-semester rule for Michael C. Griffin.
- 4. **PISGAH**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Vadrey Crouch.
- 5. **NORTHWEST GUILFORD**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Jessica Murray.
- 6. WEST STOKES: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Julia "Tess" Green.
- 7. GRAY'S CREEK: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Michael Morning.
- 8. GRAY'S CREEK: Denied waiver of attendance rule for Wesley Barnes.
- 9. ASHEBORO: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Hampton Worboys.
- 10. **ARDREY KELL**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for John Casabonne.
- 11. **DIXON:** Approved waiver of attendance rule for Shelby Johnson.
- 12. **BISHOP MCGUINNESS**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Samantha Pelc.
- 13. BISHOP MCGUINNESS: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Mitch Bullins.
- 14. MONROE: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Montez Rorie.
- 15. CLEVELAND: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Hannah Nicole Neville.
- 16. **WESTERN ALAMANCE**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Daniel Nichols.
- 17. SOUTHERN NASH: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Deja Jeter.
- 18. PANTHER CREEK: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Madison McCullough.
- 19. JOHN HOLMES: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Makendrick Smith.
- 20. WESTERN GUILFORD: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Raymond Duncan.
- 21. RAGSDALE: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Tanner Shumate.
- 22. WEST LINCOLN: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Erica Miller.
- 23. **REAGAN:** Approved waiver of attendance rule for Anthony Cordova.
- 24. **MOUNT TABOR:** Approved waiver of attendance rule for Haleigh Hatfield.
- 25: MOUNT TABOR: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Darcele Eldridge.
- 26. **MOUNT AIRY**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Jared Marion.
- 27. WHITE OAK: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Taryn Revoir.
- 28. **SOUTHWEST ONSLOW**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Jason Gergler.
- 29. **WEST BLADEN**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Michaela Graham.
- 30. EASTERN ALAMANCE: Denied waiver of attendance rule for Jordan Lloyd.
- 31. **CEDAR RIDGE**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Devin Sykes.

- 32. **BISHOP MCGUINNESS:** Approved waiver of transfer rule (the previous non-boarding parochial school rule prior to August 1, 2013) for Hunt Raborn, who transferred to McGuinness from an in-state private school.
  - 33. CAPE FEAR: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Reginald Thomas.
  - 34. CAPE FEAR: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Randy Burney.
  - 35. MONROE: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Keyonna McCauley.
  - 36. **REAGAN:** Approved waiver of attendance rule for Paul Rader.
  - 37. SPRING CREEK: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Robert Stabile.
  - 38. NORTHERN DURHAM: Denied waiver of attendance rule for Joshua McClain.
  - 39: WEST FORSYTH: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Hayli Sutton.
  - 40. BISHOP MCGUINNESS: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Ralph White.
  - 41. **DIXON:** Approved waiver of attendance rule for Kiersten Kerlavage.
  - 42. JORDAN: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Kaitlyn Eichelberger.
  - 43. R.J. REYNOLDS: Approved `waiver of attendance rule for Cam Stover.
  - 44. PANTHER CREEK: Approved waiver of attendance and academic rule for Sydnee Robinson.
  - 45. PINE FOREST: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Nancy Graham.
  - 46. **DAVIE**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for T.J. Freidt.
  - 47. WALKERTOWN: Approved attendance rule for Shyquan Kelley.
  - 48. **MONROE**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Roman Tsiukes.
  - 49. GOLDSBORO: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Paige Evers.
  - 50. HARNETT CENTRAL: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Spencer Logan Goodman.
  - 51. **SOUTH POINT:** Approved waiver of residence rule for Thomas Trey Freeman.
  - 52. **REAGAN**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Walter Holton.
  - 53. CENTRAL ACADEMY: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Daniel Christian Timothy Hindes.
  - 54. CENTRAL ACADEMY: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Maxwell Austin Kiker.
  - 55. WESTERN ALAMANCE: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Erica Richmond.
  - 56. **WESTERN ALAMANCE**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Matthew Harper.
  - 57. EAST FORSYTH: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Kerry Collins.
  - 58. GREENE CENTRAL: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Jerome E. Murriell.
  - 59. GLENN: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Deshaun Rhodes.
  - 60. **SOUTH IREDELL**: Approved waiver of residence rule for Sharod Phelps.
  - 61. WAKE FOREST: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Brittany Plaks.
  - 62. **NORTH BRUNSWICK:** Approved waiver of attendance rule for Kyheem Cheatham.
  - 63. **SOUTHSIDE:** Approved waiver of attendance rule for Sierra Bonner.
  - 64. **CARRBORO**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Mikayla Whitted-Powell.
  - 65. PANTHER CREEK: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Isaac Williams.
  - 66. PANTHER CREEK: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Christina Hall.
  - 67. PANTHER CREEK: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Eryn Codling.
  - 68. **WEDDINGTON**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Hailey Sanders.
  - 69. WEST FORSYTH: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Elicia Montgomery.
  - 70. **KINGS MOUNTAIN**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Wesley Hinson.
  - 71. **EAST WILKES**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Amber Dawn Parks.
  - 72. **LEJEUNE**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Kyle Thomas.
  - 73. **LEJEUNE**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Kyrsten Marshall.
  - 74. **DALTON MCMICHAEL**: Approved waiver of attendance for Rachel Early.
  - 75. **DAVIE**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Carson Bishop.
  - 76. MILLBROOK: Approved waiver of eight-semester rule, attendance and academic for Tillman "Elliott" Baldwin.
  - 77. MARVIN RIDGE: Approved waiver of attendance rule for William "Logan" Davis.
  - 78. MARVIN RIDGE: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Katrina Hartley.
  - 79. MIDDLE CREEK: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Christopher Bobby Neal.
  - 80. WOODS CHARTER: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Dan Miller.
  - 81. **TERRY SANFORD**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for John Rogers.
  - 82. **DIXON:** Approved waiver of attendance rule for Andrew Bellucci.
  - 83. **R.J. REYNOLDS:** Approved waiver of attendance rule for Rebecca Rominger.
  - 84. **PASQUOTANK:** Approved waiver of attendance rule for Regan O'Brien.
- 85. Received letter from Coastal Plains 1-A Conference that it had accepted Bear Grass Charter into its membership for the 2013-14 academic year.
  - 86. WALKERTOWN: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Jarrod Mettler.
  - 87. HICKORY: Approved waiver of attendance for Brooke Barnhardt.
  - 88. **ROCKY MOUNT**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Anne-Hunter Stone.
  - 89. **SMOKY MOUNTAIN**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Kenneth Smith.
  - 90. **NORTHERN NASH**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Joey Simpson.

- 91. RICHMOND SENIOR: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Fernando Daniel Diaz.
- 92. CURRITUCK: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Michael Santini.
- 93. ASHEVILLE: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Tony Gaston.
- 94. AYDEN-GRIFTON: Approved waiver of attendance rule for George Stevenson IV.
- 95. A.L. BROWN: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Andrea Thais Morales Zumarraga.
- 96. FRED T. FOARD: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Isaac Todd Hollard.
- 97. FRED T. FOARD: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Chaynse Robert Faust.
- 98. WEST MONTGOMERY: Approved waiver of residence rule for Tyquan' Diante' Carroll.
- 99. EAST FORSYTH: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Chelsea Hinesley.
- 100. EAST FORSYTH: Denied waiver of attendance rule for Alicia Hinesley.
- 101. HERITAGE: Denied waiver of scholastic rule for Keon Moore.
- 102. ALEXANDER CENTRAL: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Darius Spratt.
- 103. **CARVER:** Denied waiver of attendance rule for Christopher Smith.
- 104. **CARVER**: Denied waiver of attendance rule for Christopher McCoy.
- 105. WAKEFIELD: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Hannah Caprell.
- 106. AVERY: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Lauren Burleson.
- 107. **WHITEVILLE:** Approved waiver of attendance rule for Justin Turner.
- 108. **SOUTH STANLY:** Approved waiver of attendance rule for Brandi Nesbitt.
- 109. **R.J. REYNOLDS:** Denied waiver of scholastic rule for Javier Guatemala.
- 110. **NORTH LINCOLN:** Approved waiver of attendance rule for Connor Chroback.
- 111. **BESSEMER CITY**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Randi Brewton.
- 112. ASHEVILLE: Approved waiver of attendance rule for lan Bowling.
- 113. **DUDLEY**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Lekasha Ejindu.
- 114. KNIGHTDALE: Denied waiver of attendance rule for Tejere Watson.
- 115. **NORTHEASTERN**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Sean Gothard.
- 116. PANTHER CREEK: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Samuel Conrad.
- 117. ROCKY MOUNT: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Shayla Williams.
- 118. EAST WILKES: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Kourtney Danielle Merkel.
- 119. MYERS PARK: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Zoe Shannon.
- 120. NORTH GASTON: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Tyler Turpin.
- 121. MANTEO: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Emerson Gardner.
- 122. CENTRAL CABARRUS: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Levon Hightower.
- 123. **SOUTH JOHNSTON**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Jessica Langston.
- 124. SUN VALLEY: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Jason Patterson.
- 125. **SOUTHEAST GUILFORD**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Matthew Rowe.
- 126. PINE FOREST: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Olivia Leahy.
- 127. **PERSON**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for David Elliot.
- 128. WEST BRUNSWICK: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Ventura Baltazar.
- 129. WEST BRUNSWICK: Denied waiver of attendance rule for Christian Barr.
- 130. INDEPENDENCE: Approved waiver of attendance rule for A.J. Ehu-Kai Lefe Bray-Mamea.
- 131. RICHLANDS: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Mason Tavier Heywood.
- 132. MOORESVILLE: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Mark D. Randall.
- 133. **MOORESVILLE**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Taylor Tillery.
- 134. WESTERN GUILFORD: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Mary Lewis.
- 135. HOGGARD: Denied waiver of academic and attendance rules for Benjamin Ryan Lem.
- 136. **SALISBURY**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Kristopher Renard Morgan.
- 137. CARRBORO: Denied waiver of eight semester rule for Theo Gandelheid.
- 138. **HOGGARD**: Approved waiver of academic and attendance rules for Caroline Martin.
- 139. **NORTH FORSYTH:** Denied waiver of attendance rule for Tyesha Quave.
- 140. **DRAUGHN:** Approved waiver of attendance rule for Teresa Alvaradejo.
- 141. EAST DUPLIN: Denied waiver of attendance rule for Summer Nicole Kennedy.
- 142. **FRANKLINTON:** Approved waiver of attendance rule for Jessica Honhart.
- 143. RIVERSIDE-MARTIN: Denied waiver of attendance rule for Josh Andrews.
- 144. CORINTH HOLDERS: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Kyleigh Herzog.
- 145. EAST BLADEN: Denied waiver of academic rule for Eugene Taquan Murphy III.
- 146. ASHEVILLE: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Kirsten Price.
- 147. NORTH EDGECOMBE: Denied waiver of attendance rule for Shakari Whitehead.
- 148. NORTH EDGECOMBE: Denied waiver of attendance rule for Treshon Johnson.
- 149. MILLBROOK: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Emalee Smith.
- 150. **NORTH FORSYTH:** Approved waiver of attendance rule for Shuntailya Graves.
- 151. **DUDLEY:** Approved waiver of attendance rule for Harris Lennon.

- 152. WEST CARTERET: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Rhys Ghazal.
- 153. WEST CARTERET: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Nikolas Burton.
- 154. FIKE: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Kyle Bailey.
- 155. **LEJEUNE:** Denied waiver of attendance rule for Keion Johnson.
- 156. WEST CARTERET: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Brittany Drake.
- 157. ATKINS: Denied waiver of attendance rule for Eric Stewart.
- 158. **SMITHFIELD-SELMA:** Approved waiver of attendance rule for Quantez Leach.
- 159. **CUTHBERTSON:** Approved waiver of attendance rule for Morgan Githmark.
- 160. HIGH POINT CENTRAL: Denied waiver of eight semester rule for Ottoman Benallal.
- 161. CENTRAL CABARRUS: Denied waiver of second school/same sport rule for Da'Shaquan Campbell.
- 162. CHERRYVILLE: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Travis Gates.
- 163. PERSON: Approved waiver of attendance and academic rule for Gerald Marvae Lunsford.
- 164. NASH CENTRAL: waiver of attendance rule for Logan Craft was withdrawn.
- 165. WALTER WILLIAMS: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Ta'Mara Harvey.
- 166. **WALTER WILLIAMS:** Approved waiver of attendance rule for Rahesah Motley.
- 167. **HICKORY**: Approved waiver of residence rule for Nathaniel Caveness-Taylor.
- 168. HARNETT CENTRAL: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Alexandra Hobin.
- 169. **RAGSDALE**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Julian Montoya.
- 170. BREVARD: waiver of age case for Aina Stratton may not be heard by NCHSAA regulations.
- 171. KINGS MOUNTAIN: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Tiffani Thompson.
- 172. BUTLER: Approved waiver of scholastic rule for Annie Routh.
- 173. SMOKY MOUNTAIN: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Edgar Rivera.
- 174. Received application fee and completed membership application from Chatham Charter, for 2014-15 academic year.
  - 175. BUTLER: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Erin Whitley.
  - 176. EAST FORSYTH: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Larry Donnen Curry.
  - 177. Received completed application and membership fee from Uwharrie Charter Academy.
  - 178. BROUGHTON: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Mary Brinn Gray.
  - 179. NORTHWEST GUILFORD: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Laurel Kiselis.
  - 180. **SOUTH JOHNSTON**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Wilbert Holmes.
  - 181. PANTHER CREEK: Approved waiver of residence rule for De'Shaquan Campbell.
  - 182. SUN VALLEY: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Susannah Grace Brower.
  - 183. REAGAN: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Susannah Grace Brower.
  - 184. Received application for membership from Tri-County Early College High School in Murphy.
- 185. Received notification from North Central Athletic Conference of formal acceptance of Research Triangle High School as conference member starting in the 2014-15 academic year.

Commissioner Whitfield addressed the Board, reviewed the orientation held for new members on Tuesday and then briefly reviewed the agenda.

The Board then moved into its committee work.

**FINANCE AND PERSONNEL**: chairperson Bill Miller, vice-chair Maurice Green, Allison Sholar, Angie Miller, Rodney Shotwell, staff advisors Davis Whitfield and Karen DeHart;

**POLICY:** chairperson Carla Black, vice-chair Tony Baldwin, M.D. Guthrie, David Gentry, David Ball, Brad Craddock, staff advisors Carolyn Shannonhouse, Clayton Somers and Brad Alford;

**REVIEW/ OFFICIATING/STUDENT SERVICES**: chairperson Leon Mack, vice-chair Ron Butler, Sandy George, Dennis Sawyer, Roger Morton, Wendell Hall, staff advisor Mark Dreibelbis;

**SPORTS:** chairperson Dwayne Stallings, vice-chair Bill Rogers, Mac Morris, Joe Poletti, Paul Hoggard, Teresa Evans, staff advisors Que Tucker and Tra Waters.

The Board later heard lengthy committee reports on agenda items.

**COMMISSIONER'S REPORT**: Davis Whitfield presented to the Board, using a special handout for Board members on the strategic plan.

He noted the progress that has been made on various aspects of it. One notable item is that over 7,500 coaches in North Carolina have taken the coaches certification course thus far. He also noted how much money has been returned to the schools as part of the plan, about an average of \$1,700 per school.

Many of the items are listed as "complete/ongoing"; meaning that many aspects are completed but there are other elements that continue to be worked on.

He commented on the transfer policy that was approved by the Board back in May and implemented to begin in August, as well as a revision of the Handbook that will be coming. He also mentioned a new revamped web site that is coming after the first of the year.

Whitfield touched briefly on the appeal from South Columbus that had been heard by both the executive committee and the full Board. There have been some adjustments in the process for filing an ejection/disqualification report, making sure that the official sending it in will get a confirmation email.

100<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION: Karen Dehart reported on the development of different aspects of the centennial celebration. Ralph Holloway has been working with Karen on the event, "honoring the past, embracing the present and shaping the future." There are 19 partners that have helped with some of the costs related to the celebration.

She described the 22-minute DVD that Time Warner Cable put together on the history of the NCHSAA as well as the coffee table book published in conjunction with the anniversary. She reviewed other events, including the kickoff celebration in January, the "reunion teams" highlighted at various state championships, the athletic directors' luncheon, the partner appreciation luncheon and the luncheon for coaches at the North Carolina High School Athletic Association.

To date, the NCHSAA has received 533 RSVPs for the gala at Embassy Suites in Cary, with 37 former female athletes on the 100 to Remember list returning, 23 former male athletes, 52 administrators and 51 coaches.

**BUILDING RENOVATION:** Davis talked about some of the improvements planned for the building, which had already been shared with the membership, and showed some pictures of what the renovated space might look like as well as showing some examples of other state association offices in Section 3. The new floor plan for the renovated Simon Terrell Building was shared.

Davis also shared the possibility of the interim location for the offices while the construction is being done, which would be 216 Finley Golf Course Road. Negotiations continue between UNC and NCHSAA about when the space would be available and other arrangements. He also displayed a potential budget for the project, which is right at one million dollars.

**AFFILIATE BOARD MEMBERS:** The affiliate members were excused for the other members to discuss this issue. He described the makeup of the Board, etc., as outlined in the bylaws. The decision was made last May not to allow affiliate members to vote since it is not addressed in the bylaws. The Board discussed this thoroughly but recommended no change to by laws, so affiliate members will remain without voting privileges.

## NCHSAA Board of Directors Meeting Thursday, December 5,2013

The winter meeting of the North Carolina High School Athletic Association Board of Directors was called to order by President Bill Miller at 8:00 a.m. at the Simon F. Terrell Building. Members in attendance included Maurice Green, Leon Mack, Allison Osman, Carla Black, Angie Miller, Bill Rogers, Ron Butler, Tony Baldwin, Joe Poletti, M.D. Guthrie, Teresa Evans, Brad Craddock, Sandy George, Paul Hoggard, Dennis Sawyer and Rodney Shotwell. Absent were David Gentry and Dwayne Stallings.

Affiliate members included Roger Morton of the Piedmont Officials Association, representing booking agents and officials, Burt Jenkins of the North Carolina Department of Public Instruction, Mac Morris of the North Carolina Coaches Association, Wendell Hall representing the North Carolina School Boards Association, and David Ball of the North Carolina High School Athletic Directors Association.

NCHSAA staff in attendance included Davis Whitfield, Carolyn Shannonhouse, Rick Strunk, Mark Dreibelbis, Karen DeHart, Que Tucker and Clayton Somers.

Media members in attendance included Earl Vaughan of the Fayetteville Observer, C. Mike Blake of the Cary News, Connor O'Neill of the Burlington Times-News and Zack Mayo of HighSchoolOT.com.

**SPECIAL REPORTS: STUDENT-ATHLETE ADVISORY COMMITTEE:** Chris Ripberger, a senior at Northern Guilford High School, presented for the council. He noted he was honored to serve and it had been a great learning experience.

Plans are in development for the student leadership conference. He also noted that Project Unify continues to spread among schools and other service projects have been initiated by SAAC members in their respective regions.

He noted a concern about vandalism and "prank wars" between fans of different schools, as well as some questions about football seeding, but also noted several things SAAC members appreciated, such as certified line judges in volleyball, realignment and other items.

**STATE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION**: Burt Jenkins, in his first meeting, reported to the Board from DPI as the new healthful living consultant there.

He talked about Homebase and PowerSchools. He noted each LEA is an independent contractor with PowerSchools, so each one of those can be a little bit different (as opposed to how NCWise worked statewide).

The IB exam is on the same day as one of the state track meet dates. This is an international date that is set, not just in North Carolina. He also noted that anyone involved in healthful living (which will include many coaches who teach in this area) will have an evaluation piece for the courses they teach during 2014-15.

Discussion ensued about PowerSchools and inaccuracies that apparently are occurring, when information is input correctly (such as with attendance) but the computer report does not appear to be correct, and that could have affect eligibility.

**NORTH CAROLINA SCHOOL BOARDS ASSOCIATION:** Wendell Hall addressed the Board on behalf on his organization. He thanked the Board for the opportunity to represent this segment of the 115 LEAs.

The NCSBA had its annual conference last month in Greensboro with a record number of attendees and record number of vendors, many of which were related to school security.

Sharon Miller of Cleveland County is the new president of the organization.

The NCSBA is concerned about teacher salaries and wants restoration of pay increase for advanced degrees, and there is an indication the General Assembly will revisit those issues.

He talked about the video contest that the NCSBA had for high schools, with the contest about producing a video about "what is good about public education." Gates County was the winner this year, with Havelock second and Pamlico third. There were over 40 submissions. Those are available on the NCSBA web site.

Hall said that identifying the 25% of those eligible for contracts will be extraordinarily difficult as tenure, as it stands now, is phased out. This is one of the major concerns across the state.

**NORTH CAROLINA COACHES ASSOCIATION**: Mac Morris thanked the NCHSAA for the opportunity to serve. He had earlier distributed NCCA directories as well as the all-star program to Board members.

The NCCA has purchased a machine that puts holograms on NCCA membership cards so one can make sure the cards are authentic, because copying the card was becoming a problem.

Mac highlighted "The Gym To the Jury," Herb Appenzeller's newsletter that the NCCA pays for and is a great service.

A total of 8,091 people registered for the clinic this summer.

Clinic dates for 2014 are July 21-24.

He also noted the great relationship between the NCCA and the NCHSAA and how colleagues at other coaches' association point out how unusual that is.

**REGIONAL SUPERVISORS AND OFFICIALS:** Roger Morton made his report to the Board.

He did mention the important role that the affiliate members of the Board play. He also mentioned a concern, that officials and regional supervisors are often among the biggest supporters of the NCHSAA, but he wasn't sure that was always understood and recognized.

He also mentioned that his job is taking him all over the country and often he goes to a high school football game in a different state. He told the Board that sometimes "you don't know how good you have it until you leave," and he's been able to see that.

Roger noted that he was in his 31<sup>st</sup> year as a basketball official, and that officials didn't have any problem with taking those exams every year or doing professional development.

**NORTH CAROLINA ATHLETIC DIRECTORS ASSOCIATION**: David Ball made the presentation on behalf of his organization and gave greetings from executive director Jerry McGee, who has been in that role since 1992.

Rex Wells of Asheville is president, Bobby Hill of Hillside is vice-president, Chris Roehner of South Brunswick is the secretary and Angie Miller is the past president for this year.

The National Athletic Directors Conference is scheduled for Anaheim, CA, on December 14-17, 2013; the Grove Park Inn in Asheville will host the NCADA annual conference March 22-25, 2014.

Five leadership training courses were taught during the NCADA Summer Leadership Academy with over 60 athletic directors taking classes.

Jerry McGee Endowed Scholarships were awarded for the first time this summer and went to Macey Webb of West Stanly and Hunter Reese of Rosman. Roger Dixon, formerly of North Carolina and a past president of the NCADA, has been named to receive the 2013 NFHS Citation Award.

Several North Carolina athletic directors are involved in national activities and committees.

David noted he is in his last year of a four-year term representing the NCADA on the Board, and the organization will work on naming the new representative.

He also noted the great relationship among the NCCA, the NCADA and the NCHSAA.

**REVIEW/OFFICIATING/STUDENT SERVICES COMMITTEE**: Leon Mack made the presentation for her committee after thanking his members:

1. Recommend approval of incident and penalty report (motion by Shotwell, second by Osman, approved).

Schools listed with violations include:

Albemarle, Alexander Central, Apex, Ashley, Atkins, Bartlett Yancey, Ben L. Smith (2), Bessemer City (2), Blue Ridge, Broughton, Cape Fear, Cape Hatteras, Carrboro (2) Cary, C.B. Aycock, Central Cabarrus, Charlotte Catholic, Christ The King, Cleveland, Community School of Davidson, Concord, Cuthbertson, D.H. Conley, Durham School of Arts, Dudley, E.E. Smith (2), East Carteret, East Chapel Hill, East Henderson, East Lincoln (3), East Rowan, Eastern Wayne, Forest Hills, Garinger, Gates County, Glenn, Grimsley, Havelock, Heide Trask (2), Hoggard, Hopewell, Hough, Hunt, Independence, Jack Britt, Jesse Carson, Laney, Ledford, Lumberton, Mallard Creek, Marvin Ridge (2), McMichael, Mountain Heritage, NCSSM, North Davidson, North Gaston, North Rowan, Northern Guilford (3), Northern Vance (2), Northside (Jacksonville), Northwest Cabarrus, Ocracoke (2), Overhills (2), Pender, Purnell Swett, Ragsdale (2), Reidsville, Rockingham County, Rocky Mount Prep, Sanderson, Seventy-First (2), Smithfield-Selma, Smoky Mountain, South Point, South View (2), Southern Durham, Southern Nash, Southwestern Randolph, T.C. Roberson, Tuscola, Vance (2), West Carteret, West Rowan, Westover (2), Whiteville

- 2. Recommend approval of ejection report; it was noted that one-third of the ejections in the fall were for fighting, even though the number has dropped from previous years; ejections for profanity are up. (motion by Mack, second by Shotwell, approved).
- 3. Recommend that schools pay officials in accordance with local fiscal policy; currently a small percentage of regional supervisors pay their officials and 88 percent of schools currently pay officials. With RefPay through Arbiter or other similar services, schools can set up payment to officials and not have to produce checks. Also prevents some potential liability issues. Implementation July 1, 2014. (motion by Mack, second by Black, approved with dissent).
- 4. Require all NCHSAA coaches to take NFHS Fundamentals of Coaching course for certification with effective date August 1, 2015; professional development is part of strategic plan. Is currently required for non-faculty coaches and new hires. (motion by Mack, second by George, approved with dissent)

- 5. Require all NCHSAA coaches to take "NFHS Concussion In Sports—What You Need to Know" course as a minimum requirement. Course is free, 34 states require it and over one million coaches have already taken it nationally. Some schools or school systems have their own sessions, which could meet the requirement. For implementation August 1, 2014. (motion by Mack, second by Butler, approved).
- 6. Require that any head or assistant coach ejected from a contest to take "NFHS Teaching and Modeling Behavior" course before coaching the next contest, in lieu of STAR Sportsmanship, starting August 1, 2014. (motion by Mack, second by Poletti, approved).
- 7. To change current men's golf reporting/scoring to five golfers, with best four scores counting. Many Section 3 states utilize this format. Effective August 1, 2014. (motion by Mack, second by Shotwell, approved).
- 8. Tabled a stroke average standard for regional qualifiers for men's golf. Recommendation had been 90 average for 18 holes for 4-A golfers for all regular season matches and 100 for 1A/2A/3A.
- 9. Recommend using a playoff assignment formula for regional supervisors and local officiating associations similar to football and basketball. This would provide more regional neutral assignments and reduce travel for officials, for implementation August 1, 2014. (motion by Mack, second by Butler, approved)
  - 10. Update on HUDL Video Project, which has been successful but diminished by lack of participation.
  - 11. Fundamentals of Coaching update: 7,532 coaches have received certification since May 1, 2012.
  - 12. Discussed certifying legality of softball bats at state championship, but no action.
  - 13. Discussed discipline policy for NCHSAA Officiating Division.
- 14. Student services update—student leadership conference, coach and captain, DREAM team training, coaching workshops, SASI, Project Unify.

**SPORTS COMMITTEE:** Bill Rogers, filling in for Dwayne Stallings, presented his report after thanking committee members:

- Recommend clarifying language on eight-quarter rule for football, noting that it is for ninth and 10<sup>th</sup> graders only and not 11<sup>th</sup> or 12<sup>th</sup> graders. Major points of rule were also reviewed. (motion by Rogers, second by Poletti, approved).
- 2. Recommend seeding for all 64-team bracketed sports for the 2014-15 academic year. Provides consistency across sports. (motion by Rogers, second by Evans, approved).
- 3. No change in automatic qualifiers formula.
- 4. Season limitations for volleyball, dual team tennis and wrestling are tabled.
- 5. Discussion of mercy rule in football, whenever score reaches a point differential of 42 or more by halftime or at any point in second half. Game would resort to running clock unless terminated by mutual agreement. Tabled.
- 6. Recommend that rule in Handbook about limit of two all-star football and basketball contests during school year be eliminated. Rule had been based on NCAA rule that is no longer in force. (motion by Rogers, second by Poletti, approved)
- 7. Approve playoff calendar for 2014-15 (motion by Rogers, second by Craddock, approved).
- 8. No action on request to split 1-A bracket to "traditional" and "non-traditional" schools.
- 9. Sports Medicine Advisory Committee update, including pre-participation form and emergency action plans.
- 10. Adjustment in lacrosse calendar due to 4-A satisfying numbers to have its own men's championship, with additional round for men in playoff calendar; adjustment in men's tennis calendar to avoid facility conflict, with finals Thursday and Friday, May 8-9, and adjust dual team calendar for appropriate rounds from May 12 and 14, to May 13 and 15; adjustment in indoor track calendar, to approve one championship on Friday and two on Saturday since a classification is being added, with dates now February 7-8. (motion by Rogers, second by Evans, approved).

#### POLICY COMMITTEE: Carla Black thanked her committee and presented the report:

1. Transfer waivers: 36 have been submitted to date, 11 denied and 25 approved. Policy will be revisited at next meeting for update. Committee noted that the process was "thorough, fair and consistent."

- 2. Transgender policy: discussion around this topic, looked at some other state policies. Will ask for Sports Medicine Advisory Committee to discuss health and safety concerns. Currently NCHSAA uses state law about birth certificate (which can be changed under certain circumstances). No action at this time.
  - 3. Approve Education and Athletics Committee recommendations for handbook editorial changes:
- --Delete fourth paragraph beginning with "no administrative unit" and replace with TBD
- --Amendment to Transfer Policy on page 123 (see handout: "if a student transfers from a member school to a non-member school (including a transfer to a home school) and then attempts to transfer to any member school within a 365 day period, such initial transfer will be disregarded for purposes of this transfer rule and the subsequent transfer will be treated as if it were a member school to member school transfer and evaluated by the NCHSAA as provided in section (b) above
- --delete paragraph on page 125 beginning with "pupils enrolled..."
- --delete "senior" on page 127
- --delete subsection 2 in last paragraph on page 119
- --add to page 120 for Enrollment Date. "Membership will take effect July 1 following the Board's approval of membership."
- --delete first sentence beginning with "Enrollment of.." on 121
- --delete phrase in "preseason football workouts" with "in official football practice(s):
- --page 125, delete EOC re-testing, or..."
- --page 127 replace last sentence at end of first paragraph about mandatory NCHSAA participation form
- --page 127 replace "dressing and sitting on the bench" with "dressing and/or sitting on the bench or being in the designated area for the team"
- --page 128: delete second sentence beginning with "a student who has enrolled" and replace with "a regularly enrolled high school student who is taking courses for advanced credit (e.g. community college course, college courses) will be eligible for high school competition." (motion by Black, second by Mack, approved).

Further study will occur on section on Appeals based on Penalty Code on page 146, since this is in conflict with by laws currently.

4. Rules clinic attendance for head coaches: if requirement for attending clinic is not met prior to first play date in the sport, coach will not be allowed to coach in contests until he or she is compliant, absent showing cause as currently occurs. Does not replace \$400 fine.

Head coach coaching in a contest prior to satisfying the rules clinic attendance requirement is a \$500 fine, which would be added to Handbook, for 2014-15 school year. If coach in question coaches in subsequent games without satisfying requirement, NCHSAA has authority to impose forfeitures if there is willful violation. (motion by Black, second by Guthrie, approved).

- 5. Approve applying the same number restrictions (one less than a team) for coaches coaching an outside team in season as is applied to coaching a team outside the sports season but during the school year. Effective August 2014. (motion by Black, second by Shotwell, approved).
- 6. Approve a penalty for schools not paying their catastrophic insurance by start of fall playoffs and membership dues by start of winter playoffs. If not compliant by this time, all teams at said school will be ineligible for the playoffs. Does not replace \$100 fine for late submission. (motion by Black, second by Sawyer, approved).
- 7. Penalty for non-faculty coaches and newly hired coaches coaching prior to completing "Fundamentals of Coaching" course—fine will be \$500, with certification to be completed within 60 days of hire and coaching a contest. Additional discussion will occur at May Board meeting. (motion by Black, second by Miller, approved).
- 8. No action taken on Guilford County request on membership dues for those enrolled in middle or early college and participating at a member school.

**FINANCE AND PERSONNEL COMMITTEE**: Bill Miller recognized members of the committee and made this report:

1. Follow up with ticket price change and no first round percentage taken; about \$1700 on average was dispersed to every member school last year.

- 2. Review of 2012-13 budget and actuals; playoff revenues up 14% above what was budgeted; 100th revenues did not meet anticipated goals; miscellaneous income up over 300% due to \$10,000 grant from National Federation. Office supplies, etc., all under budget; awards slightly over due to upgraded awards.
- 3. Recommend approval of 2013-14 annual budget as distributed, basically what was discussed and explained at regional meetings. (motion by Miller, second by Baldwin, approved).
- 4. Reviewed comparison of sport by sport revenue. Soccer in both men's and women's was down considerably in 2012-13.
- 5. Investment update, with presentations provided by all financial entities managing NCHSAA money. Investments were generally up substantially as entities follow rules and policies provided them by Board, to minimize risk.
- 6. Approve audit report as presented by Blackmon and Sloop, demonstrating NCHSAA is in very sound financial position. Was clean audit with no findings or problems. (motion by Miller, second by Shotwell, approved).
- 7. Review of playoff financial process regarding home versus traveling teams and gate share splits. Will be further discussion in May.
- 8. Staff updates, including hiring of Patrick Stephenson to fill opening as Assistant Director of Marketing and Sponsorships in August.

The Board approved a motion to go into executive session to discuss a couple of legal matters.

Clayton Somers discussed those for the Board. Then the Board approved a motion to go back into open session.

The Board then adjourned at 11:05 am for lunch.

Respectfully submitted,

Rick Strunk Associate Commissioner

## NORTH CAROLINA HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS SPRING MEETING Tuesday, April 29, 2014

The spring meeting of the North Carolina High School Athletic Association Board of Directors was called to order by President Bill Miller at 8:29 a.m. at the Simon F. Terrell Building. Members in attendance included Dwayne Stallings, Leon Mack, Carla Black, Bill Rogers, Ron Butler, Tony Baldwin, Joe Poletti, M.D. Guthrie, Teresa Hays, Brad Craddock, Dennis Sawyer, Rodney Shotwell, David Gentry, Angie Miller, Sandy George and Paul Hoggard. Absent were Maurice Green and Allison Osmon, although Osmon did arrive later.

Affiliate representatives included Roger Morton of the Piedmont Officials Association, representing regional supervisors and officials, Burt Jenkins of the North Carolina Department of Public Instruction, Mac Morris of the North Carolina Coaches Association, and David Ball of the North Carolina High School Athletic Directors Association. Wendell Hall representing the North Carolina School Boards Association was absent due to surgery.

NCHSAA staff in attendance included Davis Whitfield, Carolyn Shannonhouse, Rick Strunk, Mark Dreibelbis, Karen DeHart, Que Tucker and Whitney Frye, who will be joining the staff May 1.

The Executive Committee met and considered one appeal to a transfer waiver which had previously been denied. The committee heard via conference call an appeal for the case of Robin Shepherd of North Stanly High School. Joy Haithcock, principal of North Stanly, made the appeal. The committee upheld the previous decision unanimously.

The minutes of the previous Board meeting were approved as distributed previously (motion by Shotwell, second by Rogers, approved 16-0).

Motion to approve consent agenda items (motion by Poletti, second by Shotwell, approved 16-0).

## CONSENT AGENDA

## NORTH CAROLINA HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION 2014 BOARD OF DIRECTORS SPRING MEETING

(Cases handled since November 1, 2013 and before April 1, 2014)

- 1. **TERRY SANFORD:** Approved waiver of attendance rule for Devin Dyer.
- 2. NORTH EDGECOMBE: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Randolph Battle.
- 3. **SOUTHEAST RALEIGH**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Alexander Hanamean.
- 4. GRAY'S CREEK: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Michael Morning.
- 5. **HOUGH:** Approved waiver of attendance rule for Herman Mauricio Gonzalez Medina.
- 6. INDEPENDENCE: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Ashlyn Fletcher.
- 7. **BROUGHTON**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Jacob Hildreth.
- 8. **BROUGHTON**: Approved waiver of scholastic rule for Antoine Morris.
- 9. MYERS PARK: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Zaria Pendergrass.
- 10. WEST MECKLENBURG: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Nya Wallace.
- 11. T.C.ROBERSON: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Megan Cypcar.
- 12. **CENTRAL ACADEMY**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Cassie Elizabeth Mussen.
- 13. NORTH LINCOLN: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Hollie Fox.
- 14. **SOUTH JOHNSTON:** Approved waiver of attendance rule for William Stanfield.
- 15, **PASQUOTANK:** Approved waiver of attendance rule for Ellery Neiderer..
- 16. WEST STANLY: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Kelsey Poole.
- 17. WEST BRUNSWICK: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Kaitlin King.
- 18. **BLUE RIDGE:** Approved waiver of attendance rule for Savannah Heltsley.
- 19. SMITHFIELD-SELMA: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Dasmine Young.
- 20. **RICHMOND SENIOR:** Approved waiver of attendance rule for Demetrius Leake.
- 21. **SOUTH POINT:** Approved waiver of attendance rule for Luke Karagias.
- 22. **KINGS MOUNTAIN:** Approved waiver of residence rule for Christopher Stephen Acres.
- 23. PANTHER CREEK: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Ahmed Haviland.
- 24. EAST FORSYTH: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Kyle Posadas.
- 25. NORTHERN DURHAM: Approved waiver of attendance and scholastic rule for Jza' Quashia Chavis.
- 26. **NORTH BUNCOMBE**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Caleb Burchette.
- 27. MONROE: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Niyah Lindsay.

- 28. WEST CARTERET: Approved waiver of scholastic rule for Daniel Truman KaChenChai.
- 29. WEST CARTERET: Approved waiver of scholastic rule for Olivia Maria KaChenChai.
- 30. MILLBROOK: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Charles Foster.
- 31. RONALD REAGAN: Denied waiver of attendance rule for Khoa Khau.
- 32. WESTERN GUILFORD: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Miss Nadia Curry.
- 33. MYERS PARK: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Geneva Storm Rogers.
- 34. **NORTH BRUNSWICK**: Denied waiver of attendance rule for Paris Richardson.
- 35. WALTER WILLIAMS: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Joshua-Aaron Hough.
- 36. **SEVENTY-FIRST**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Diamond Pitchford-Perez.
- 37. **RALEIGH CHARTER**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Tara Martin.
- 38. **GATES COUNTY**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Daniel Carlos.
- 39. Received completed application and application fee for membership from Mountain Island Charter School of Mount Holly.
  - 40. **PRINCETON**: Denied waiver of attendance rule for Javaris Williams.
  - 41.NORTH MECKLENBURG: Denied waiver of attendance rule for Mynez Nicholson.
  - 42. CHATHAM CENTRAL: Approved waiver of attendance for Jacob Ramsey Hilliard.
  - 43. **ROBBINSVILLE:** Approved waiver of attendance rule for Cameron Hancock.
  - 44. JACK BRITT: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Brianne Evans.
- 45. Request to approve continued combination of the football programs at North Carolina School for the Deaf and Eastern North Carolina School for the Deaf, with certain restrictions.
  - 46. NORTHERN NASH: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Kayla Tucker.
  - 47. CARDINAL GIBBONS: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Alexandra Burns.
  - 48, CARDINAL GIBBONS: Approved attendance rule for Julian Boehlert.
  - 49. **OLYMPIC**: Approved attendance rule for Calvin Funderburk.
  - 50. **STARMOUNT**: Approved attendance rule for Thomas Johnson.
  - 51. WEST LINCOLN: Approved attendance rule for Erica Miller.
  - 52. POLK COUNTY: Approved attendance rule for Zane Capozzi.
  - 53. POLK COUNTY: Approved attendance rule for Cole Morgan.
  - 54. PERSON: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Isaac Reynoso.
  - 55. **EAST FORSYTH**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Kyle Christopher Posadas.
  - 56. **BISHOP MCGUINNESS**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Sean Gorham.
  - 57. **HAYESVILLE:** Approved waiver of attendance rule for Tyler McClure.
  - 58. **EAST MONTGOMERY**: Approved waiver of scholastic rule for Charlie Seth Mabe.
  - 59. **PARKWOOD**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Madelyn Nikole Atkinson.
  - 60. WEST MECKLENBURG: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Joyneca Bruton.
  - 61. **SOUTH VIEW**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Jonathan Alexander Bell.
  - 62. **RAGSDALE:** Approved waiver of attendance rule for Michelle Heim.
  - 63. EASTERN GUILFORD: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Tyler Zagurski.
  - 64. GOLDSBORO (WAYNE SCHOOL OF ENGINEERING): Denied waiver of academic rule for Kaylah James.
  - 65. **CUTHBERTSON**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Andrew McHenry.
  - 66. ROCKY RIVER: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Simone Williams.
  - $67.\ \textbf{BISHOP}\ \textbf{MCGUINNESS}$ : Denied waiver of attendance rule for Ralph White.
  - 68. **HOUGH**: Denied waiver of scholastic rule for Daniel Pagliaro.
  - 69. **BUTLER:** Approved waiver of attendance rule for Dean Looney.
  - 70. **GLENN:** Approved waiver of attendance rule for Elizabeth Toler.
  - 71. BISHOP MCGUINNESS: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Matthew Basel.
  - 72. **R.J. REYNOLDS**: Denied waiver of scholastic rule for Hannah James.
  - 73. **ASHLEY**: Approved waiver of residence rule based for Christopher Hoffmann.
  - 74. **HOGGARD**: Approved waiver of scholastic and attendance rules for Patrick Marks.
  - 75. **WEST FORSYTH**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Anna Marino.
  - 76. **HIGH POINT CENTRAL**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Heather Rothrock.
  - 77. **WEST FORSYTH**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Austin Murphy.
  - 78. PERSON: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Callie Coates.
  - 79. CARY: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Caroline Rush.
  - 80. **NORTH SURRY**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Taylor McBride.
  - 81. CREST: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Jordyn Alisen Powell.
  - 82. **NORTH BRUNSWICK**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Jacob Watson.
  - 83. WEST CALDWELL: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Brittany Hall.
  - 84. **SOUTHERN NASH**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for BreeAnna Poe.
  - 85. FIRST FLIGHT: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Trey Just.
  - 86. **TARBORO**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Tobias Pittman.

- 87. EAST FORSYTH: waiver of attendance rule for Aaron Parish was withdrawn.
- 88. SWANSBORO: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Maddie Pierce.
- 89. ATHENS DRIVE: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Jacob Tully.
- 90. ATHENS DRIVE: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Coby Weston.
- 91. ARDREY KELL: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Johnathan Anderson.
- 92. **HIGH POINT CENTRAL**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Richard Benton.
- 93. SOUTHWEST GUILFORD: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Bailey Shiver.
- 94. FIRST FLIGHT: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Alissa Pawid.
- 95. GLENN: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Chase Mabe.
- 96. **REAGAN:** Approved waiver of attendance rule for Corey Mayfield.
- 97. MANTEO: Denied waiver of attendance rule for Sarah K. Cahoon.
- 98. WAKE FOREST: Denied waiver of attendance rule for Nicholas Tideman.
- 99. **GRAHAM:** Denied waiver of attendance rule for Collin Chipper-James Page.
- 100. TOPSAIL: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Tori Coleman.
- 101. D.H. CONLEY: Approved waiver of attendance and scholastic rule for Jackson Gamble.
- 102. MANTEO: Denied waiver of attendance rule for Elizabeth Catoe.
- 103. R.J. REYNOLDS: Denied waiver of scholastic rule for Frances Gavin Morris.
- 104. ALBEMARLE: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Dawnsea Nash.
- 105. ASHLEY: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Larry Davis.
- 106. **TOPSAIL**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Kaelvnn Allen.
- 107. W.A. HOUGH: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Michael Gonzalez.
- 108. W.A. HOUGH: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Ruth Brown.
- 109. CEDAR RIDGE: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Cecily Gruener.
- 110. CEDAR RIDGE: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Chloe Strauss.
- 111. **CEDAR RIDGE**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Jameri Harris.
- 112. ROBBINSVILLE: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Crista Orr.
- 113. ROBBINSVILLE: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Mabel Caroline Orr.
- 114. MARVIN RIDGE: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Stephen Robert Bauer.
- 115. RANDLEMAN: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Micaiah Matson.
- 116. CARDINAL GIBBONS: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Stephen Scott.
- 117. **RAGSDALE**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Hensley Erath.
- 118. LEJEUNE: Denied waiver of attendance rule for Gabrielle Ruskin.
- 119. NORTH BRUNSWICK: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Casey Klutz.
- 120. NORTHWEST GUILFORD: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Camden Smith.
- 121. CHATHAM CENTRAL: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Victoria Losada Villalobos.
- 122. GRIMSLEY: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Mary Oppegaard.
- 123. PANTHER CREEK: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Dominique Gabrielle Taylor Auble.
- 124. GRAY'S CREEK: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Ashley Cashwell.
- 125. **DOUGLAS BYRD**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Hunter Rippey.
- 126. **GRIMSLEY**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Davis Castelli.
- 127. **CAPE HATTERAS**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Madison Hershberger.
- 128. PASQUOTANK COUNTY: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Brycen Crank.
- 129. **SOUTH CENTRAL**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Erica Gurkins-Percy.
- 130. EAST GASTON: Denied waiver of attendance rule for Karrie Leigh Davis.
- 131. **CUMMINGS:** Approved waiver of attendance rule for Tyswauna Wheeler.
- 132. **EAST FORSYTH:** Denied waiver of attendance rule for Madison Yokley.
- 133. **DIXON**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Cierra Fink.
- 134. SOUTHEAST GUILFORD: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Michael N. Walters.
- 135. **CURRITUCK**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Ronald Brown.
- 136. **ENLOE:** Approved waiver of attendance rule for Julia Rubin.
- 137. **BARTLETT YANCEY:** Approved waiver of attendance rule for Preston Allred.
- 138. CHAPEL HILL: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Jaryn Tyson.
- 139. CENTRAL CABARRUS: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Kaleb Glen Little.
- 140. **BURNS:** Denied waiver of attendance rule for Wesley Carlton Ferguson.
- 141. GRAHAM: Approved waiver of residence rule for Omar Alston.
- 142. GREEN HOPE: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Brianna Allaman.
- 143. **JAMES KENAN**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Seth Bass.
- 144. NORTH EDGECOMBE: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Treshon Johnson.
- 145. **NEW BERN**: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Charles Robert Knisley.
- 146. NORTH BRUNSWICK: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Tyler Barnes.
- 147. PARKLAND: Denied waiver of attendance rule for Anthoni Rucker.

- 148. PARKLAND: Denied waiver of attendance rule for A'vis Rucker.
- 149. LEESVILLE ROAD: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Conner Hickman.
- 150. WEST CARTERET: Approved waiver of attendance and scholastic rule for Austin Morgan.
- 151. WEST WILKES: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Michael Jared Wood.
- 152. WALKERTOWN: Denied waiver of attendance rule for Mary Ellen Larimore.
- 153. LAKEWOOD: Denied waiver of attendance rule for Hailee Gordon.
- 154. JONES: Denied waiver of attendance rule for William Tyler Metts.
- 155. ALBEMARLE: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Marguaivus Fleming.
- 156. EAST LINCOLN: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Malayah Nicole Tucker.
- 157. SEVENTY-FIRST: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Justin Filip Diaz.
- 158. WEST CARTERET: Approved waiver of scholastic rule for Timothy Mendoza.
- 159. OLYMPIC: Denied waiver of attendance rule for Abigail Velez.
- 160. **INDEPENDENCE:** Approved waiver of attendance rule for Kirsten Alderman.
- 161. BARTLETT YANCEY: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Whitney Powell.
- 162. CHAPEL HILL: Denied waiver of attendance rule for Molly Nicholson.
- 163. NORTHWEST GUILFORD: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Jasmine Ahlgren.
- 164. EAST DUPLIN: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Logan Michelle Turner.
- 165. **CEDAR RIDGE:** Approved waiver of attendance rule for Cassidy Andrews.

## COMMISIONER'S REPORT: Davis Whitfield addressed the Board.

He highlighted a number of award winners in the room, including David Gentry winning the National Federation national football coach of the year, David Ball as the state winner of the athletic director of the year, and Mark Dreibelbis as the NFHS Coach Educator of the year. He also introduced new general counsel Whitney Frye, who will officially start on May 1.

He updated the Board on a lawsuit that involves former wrestler Luke Hampton of Alleghany, who is a quadripalegic after an accident in a tournament in 2011. The suit involves the NFHS, the NCHSAA, Mark Dreibelbis and the calling official, among others.

Whitfield also noted that a series of public service announcements was distributed to all the radio stations in the state that highlight the value of high school athletics, tagged for North Carolina and from the NFHS.

A strategic plan update was distributed for review and discussion. The plan was approved in 2012 and many of the items have been been completed or are on going.

The Student Services program has applied for the grant for its program, and the process for this year is different from years past and the program has been funded for over 20 years.

Bill Steed is stepping down as chair of the Education and Athletics committee and Bruce Boyles will take over leadership of that committee. The "open enrollment" bill that has been discussed in the legislature for schools, both in the LEA and across LEA lines, was discussed at length.

Davis announced to the Board about Carolyn Shannonhouse's plan for retirement as of July 1. He presented a small token of appreciation to her for nearly three decades of service to a standing ovation by the Board. She addressed the Board about her thoughts on retirement and her appreciation for the job she has been able to do. Only one women's sport was a full four-classification sport in 1986 when she joined the staff, and women's sports in which championships are offered has gone from seven to 11. There are now 91 total team state champions, both men and women.

Many new programs and services have been added during this period, and the number of studentathletes has doubled in that span. She noted that it had been a hard decision because of her love for her work and the people with whom she works. She thanked the Board for its support over the years.

The Board then moved into its committee work.

**FINANCE AND PERSONNEL**: chairperson Bill Miller, vice-chair Maurice Green, Allison Osmon, Angie Miller, Rodney Shotwell, staff advisors Davis Whitfield and Karen DeHart;

**POLICY:** chairperson Carla Black, vice-chair Tony Baldwin, M.D. Guthrie, David Gentry, Brad Craddock, David Ball, staff advisor Carolyn Shannonhouse;

**REVIEW/ OFFICIATING/STUDENT SERVICES**: chairperson Leon Mack, vice-chair Ron Butler, Sandy George, Dennis Sawyer, Roger Morton, Wendell Hall, staff advisor Mark Dreibelbis;

**SPORTS:** chairperson Dwayne Stallings, vice-chair Bill Rogers, Joe Poletti, Paul Hoggard, Teresa Hays, Mac Morris, staff advisor Que Tucker.

The Board later heard lengthy committee reports on agenda items.

**NOMINATING COMMITTEE**: Donnie Baxter reported to the Board on behalf of the committee, outlining the voting members of the committee and then their recommendations.

To re-elect officers: President: Bill Miller, superintendent, Polk County schools; vice-president, Maurice Green, superintendent, Guilford County schools; past president: Allison Osman, superintendent, Currituck County schools.

Region 3 (2-A): Dennis Sawyer, superintendent, Roanoke Rapids City Schools, for full four-year; Region 5 (3-A): Brad Craddock, principal, Glenn, for full four-year term.

Region 5: Rodney Shotwell, superintendent, Rockingham County, is fulfilling term which expires in 2015. Region 4 (3-A): recommend election of Reggie Peace, athletic director, Lee Senior (replacing Leon Mack who is rotating off after completing term).

Commissioner Whitfield presented Baxter with a Distinguished Service Award for his many years of service to the NCHSAA.

**HANDBOOK REVIEW:** The Board heard from Bobby Guthrie, who made a presentation about the reformatting and rearranging of material for the Handbook that he has been working on for some time.

Bobby outlined the rationale and the discussion that had gotten his work to this point. He also distributed a hardcopy outline of the structure of the document.

The general outline of the structure includes: Introduction, Student, (Eligibility, etc); School (one of the new sections in there called Health and Safety), State, Interscholastic Athletic Activities (where specific sports regulations are listed), and Appendix. A numbering system has been developed to make it more of a "rules book" with those references delineated specifically by number (1.1.1, for instance). He went through each section, highlighting where changes had been made in December or were anticipated based on discussion at this Board meeting.

He led the Board page by page through the adjusted Handbook copy in each section. The officiating material has been pulled out of each sport and consolidated into one area.

Motion to approve editorial changes and new formatting for Handbook as presented (motion by Black, second by Shotwell, approved 18-0).

After the committees reported, Commissioner Whitfield had further items to mention with the Board, talking first about the NCHSAA television contract with TimeWarner Cable, which is currently in the discussion phase for renewal. There has been some indication from TWC of interest in a live Thursday night game of the week in football, which the NCHSAA would have some input on. Discussion followed about this whole concept with a lot of questions being posed. Motion by Rogers, second by Gentry, to give commissioner authority to engage TWC in discussion, including the possibility of the Thursday night game, and then he will return to Board with more information.

The meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

## NCHSAA Board of Directors Meeting Wednesday, April 30, 2013

The spring meeting of the North Carolina High School Athletic Association Board of Directors was called to order by President Bill Miller at 8:00 a.m. at the Simon F. Terrell Building. Members in attendance included Maurice Green, Dwayne Stallings, Leon Mack, Allison Osmon, Carla Black, Angie Miller, Bill Rogers, Ron Butler, Joe Poletti, M.D. Guthrie, Teresa Hays, Brad Craddock, Dennis Sawyer, David Gentry, Sandy George, Paul Hoggard, Rodney Shotwell and Tony Baldwin.

Affiliate representatives included Roger Morton of the Piedmont Officials Association, representing regional supervisors and officials, Burt Jenkins of the North Carolina Department of Public Instruction, Mac

Morris of the North Carolina Coaches Association, and David Ball of the North Carolina High School Athletic Directors Association. Absent was Wendell Hall representing the North Carolina School Boards Association, NCHSAA staff in attendance included Davis Whitfield, Carolyn Shannonhouse, Rick Strunk, Mark Dreibelbis, Karen DeHart, and Que Tucker.

Media members in attendance included Tim Stevens of the Raleigh News and Observer, Joe Sirera of the Greensboro News and Record, Zack Mayo of HighSchoolOT.com, Earl Vaughan of the Fayetteville Observer and Conor O'Neil of the Burlington Times-News.

**REVIEW/OFFICIATING/STUDENT SERVICES COMMITTEE**: Leon Mack made the presentation for his committee after thanking his members:

- Approval of incident and penalty report as presented; the incident and penalty report included the following: (motion by Mack, second by Poletti, approved 16-0)
  - -unpaid fines for violations as of the meeting as follows:
  - A.C. Reynolds, Ashley, Ben Smith, Cardinal Gibbons, Charlotte Catholic, Clinton, Currituck, East Bladen, East Chapel Hill, East Duplin, Enka (3), Farmville Central, First Flight, Forestview, Gray Stone Day, Hobbton, Hopewell, Jack Britt, Jordan-Matthews, North Pitt, Northampton County, Northern Nash, Northern Vance, Northside (Jacksonville), Ocracoke, Pine Lake Prep, Polk County, Purnell Swett, Randleman, Reagan, Rocky Mount Prep, Salisbury, Seventy-First, Shelby, Smithfield-Selma, South Caldwell (2), Southeast Halifax, Terry Sanford, Vance, West Caldwell, West Stanly, Western Guilford, Westover.
  - -- the following fines have been paid for violations:
- A.L. Brown, Alexander Central, Anson, Apex, Ashley (2), Atkins, Bandys, Ben Smith, Bessemer City (2), Broughton, Bunn, Cape Fear, Carrboro (3), Cary (2), Charles B. Aycock, Chapel Hill, Charlotte Catholic, Community School of Davidson, Concord, Cuthbertson, D.H Conley, Dudley, E.E. Smith, East Carteret, East Henderson, East Lincoln (4), East Rowan, Eastern Randolph, Eastern Wayne, Forest Hills, Franklinton (2), Garinger, Gates, Grimsley, Havelock, Heide Trask (2), Hoggard, Hough, Hunt, J.F. Webb (2), Jack Britt, Jay Robinson, Jesse Carson, Laney, Ledford, Lumberton, Madison, Mallard Creek, Marvin Ridge (2), McDowell, McMichael, NCSSM, Neuse Charter, Northampton County, Northern Guilford (3), Northern Vance (2), Northwest Guilford, Ocracoke, Pender, Philip O. Berry, Pine Forest, Plymouth, Providence Grove, Queen's Grant, Ragsdale, Reidsville, Roanoke Rapids, Rockingham, Salisbury (2), Sanderson, Seventy-First, Shelby, Smithfield-Selma, Smoky Mountain, South Central, South Point, South View, Southern Durham (3), Southwestern Randolph, Tuscola, Vance (2).
- 2. Recommend acceptance of ejection report; he noted fighting ejections were down fro 209 to 145 (motion by Mack, second by Miller, approved 16-0)
- 3. Recommend approval of change: "any student athlete who is ejected or disqualified from a contest is required to complete the NFHS Sportsmanship course before being eligible to return to competition." This program is free versus the cost of the STAR Sportsmanship course that schools have been using (motion by Mack, second by Black, approved 17-0).
- 4. Recommend increasing minimum eligibility standard for officials on required test to score of 75; current standard is set at 65. Should have only about three percent impact on percentage which pass test and should increase knowledge base for officials (motion by Mack, second by Poletti, approved 17-0).
- 5. Recommend changing background check service provider for checking officials to PeopleTrail, Inc. This company is integrated into the ArbiterSports system and NCHSAA will have administrative access to check any individual in question and the cost is actually considerably less than the current service provided. (motion by Mack, second by Craddock, approved 17-0).
- 6. Games/matches will not be assigned officials/umpires if required booking fees to regional supervisors are not paid—item is tabled and staff will develop protocol to address this issue with schools.
- 7. Change deadline for submitting schedules for spring sports to regional supervisors from December 15 to January 15, but also to emphasize to athletic directors that is a \$100 fine when schedules are turned in late and the need for them to be turned in in timely manner—staff will do additional research to check on deadline for fall sports (motion by Mack, second by Stallings, approved 17-0).
- 8. Changing ejection/disqualification reporting protocol; athletic directors will no longer be required to submit report of ejection or disqualification, but will be required to send in confirmation email of receipt for that report.

Official will also receive confirmation email that the report he or she has filed has been received; effective date would be August 1. (motion by Mack, second by Poletti, approved 17-0)

- 9. Recommend approval of regional supervisors of officials: Robin Forehand of Northeastern Volleyball Association, Steve Morgan of Northeastern Soccer Association, Charlie Jenkins of Southeastern Wrestling Association (motion by Mack, second by Stallings, approved 17-0).
- 10. Approve fine for non-compliance with concussion management course requirement, approving \$500 fine per game for coaches who do not meet the mandate to take the NFHS concussion course or equivalent course, which makes fine consistent with other coaching requirements (motion by Mack, second by Poletti, approved 17-0).
- 11. Recommendation from swimming and diving advisory committee that referee and two stroke and turn judges be required for meeting using six or fewer lanes; a referee and three stroke and turn judges would be required for meetings using more than six lanes. Bases it on the size of the pool rather than the number of schools in meet (motion by Mack, motion by George, approved 17-0).
- 12. Approve the NCHSAA implementing two-year pilot program in basketball to assess administrative technical foul to offending team for non-compliance with uniform rule code. Currently there is a national issue with this particular area. Second year of program will assess direct technical foul to head coach for more comprehensive enforcement of uniform rule code. North Carolina will provide data for possible nationwide implementation to National Federation (motion by Mack, second by Butler, approved 17-0).
- 13. Provided student services update: many special programs available in student services; over 9,000 Fundamentals of Coaching courses have been completed through March 15 of 2014. Grant application has been put in for the program using the new guidelines which have been developed.
- 14. Video program for officials discussed—HUDL program very successful in football, relatively successful in basketball. Will continue to work in this area and also looking at different program for basketball.
- 15. Discussion of treatment of officials at contests. Want to continue to emphasize sportsmanship and events and to have a plan for schools to deal with unsportsmanship behavior.

#### POLICY COMMITTEE: Carla Black thanked the committee and presented the report:

- 1. Recommend approval of non-athletic events calendar as distributed (motion by Black, second by Mack, approved 19-0).
- 2. Timeline for completing NFHS Fundamentals of Coaching Course; change to "prior to the first playing date of the sport he or she coaches", instead of the "60-day window", effective August 1, 2014 (motion by Black, second by George, approved 19-0).
- 3. Recommend approval of Sports Medicine Advisory Committee recommendation that the NCHSAA continue to abide by state law, which recognizes the gender on the birth certificate. Add statement in appropriate place in Handbook and committee will continue to study and assess situation. "A student's gender is denoted by what is listed on the birth certificate." (motion by Black, second by Miller, approved 19-0).
- 4. Recommendation on composite teams from Education and Athletics Committee; "no LEA of this state may use students of two or more of its regularly constituted high schools which offer an athletic program, to form a composite team. An LEA by local policy may choose to assign its specialty school students who meet all other eligibility requirements to participate in athletics at a regularly constituted high school, provided the specialty school does not have an athletic program. Specialty schools in an LEA could include schools with special courses of study, early or middle colleges, STEM/STEAM schools, magnet schools, virtual schools, etc., and these schools may or may not be housed on campus. NOTE: the enrollment of that specialty school would have to be counted for realignment and classification purposes when other students are assigned to regularly constituted high schools (motion by Black, second by Shotwell, approved 18-0).
- 5. Dressing for game or practicing, recommendation from Education and Athletics Committee: recommend change in handbook (current page 127) to "dressing and being in the designated team area"...also add that "Athletes who are disqualified or ejected during a contest will remain in the team area for supervision." (motion by Black, second by Sawyer, approved 18-0).
- 6. No change in appeals process as noted in the by laws.
- 7. Practice games and scrimmages: from current page 129 in Handbook: for individuals who qualify to regional or state individual playoffs: "schools that have individuals qualifying to the regional and/or state

- individual playoffs, after the regular season is over for the team (for the sport of wrestling, once individual regional seeding is completed), may work out or scrimmage one-on-one against students from another school where competition is not available at their own school. The number is limited to one partner for each qualifier advancing, whether from their own school or another school." (motion by Black, second by Poletti, approved 18-0).
- 8. Sponsorship of contests and handling of gate receipts: delete item 31 in current Handbook on page 132, noting that this is no longer pertinent. (motion by Black, second by George, approved 18-0).
- 9. Recommend approve adding e-cigarettes and vapor cigarettes to the policy currently found on page 139 in Handbook. (motion by Black, second by Stallings, approved 19-0).
- 10. Recommend adjusting attendance policy that students must meet "local attendance policies" instead of the current statewide policy, based on recommendation from Education and Athletics Committee: "A player must meet the local education agency attendance policy during the previous semester at an approved high school," with other appropriate adjustments in the wording of the rest of the rule. LEAs are also encouraged to revisit their attendance policies and how they might effect athletic eligibility. (motion by Black, second by Shotwell, amendment to motion to drop entirely letter C under attendance in current handbook, amended motion was approved and seconded, vote on amended motion, approved 17-2).
- 11. Approve clarifying language on current page 145 of Handbook: "Once the seeding process is completed and the brackets have been finalized, no other team or individual will be substituted in or added to the brackets, even if there is an incorrect or adjusted record. If a winning team is disqualified at the conclusion of the first round, the losing team will advance. Otherwise, if a disqualification occurs during the playoffs or after the playoffs have concluded, that place or position remains vacant (motion by Black, second by Poletti, amendment to the motion to change to add wording about "conclusion of first round", approved 19-0).
- 12. Table recommendation for adding statement to new member school information, "rules and regulations apply immediately upon approval, even though the official date of membership is not until July 1. Also note that failure to comply may result in the NCHSAA rescinding membership\* (see attachment 17).
- 13. No change in residence rule on page 122 about situation with no custody order entered.

**FINANCE AND PERSONNEL COMMITTEE**: Bill Miller recognized members of the committee and made this report:

- 1. Football travel reimbursements: no recommendation to change current policy.
- 2. Review of budget and actual to-date expenses; football revenue deficit of \$97,000 from budget, but endowment game revenue \$118,000 above 2013-14 budget; regional meeting expenses higher due to technology upgrades, travel; slightly over budget for 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary expenses
- 3. Reviewed comparison between sports year to year. Schools' revenue shares up in volleyball and men's soccer.
- 4. Reviewed investment policies with various entities where NCHSAA money is invested. Committee is studying policy for investments and may consider future adjustments but investments overall are very healthy.
- 5. Recommend incentive of one dollar per presale ticket sold by member schools back to the schools themselves for state championship football and basketball (motion by Miller, second by Green, approved 19-0).
- 6. Loan for building renovation: recommend accepting proposal from Wells Fargo for five-year loan for \$1 million at rate of 2.64%, no fee and no restrictions, best rate of various proposals (motion by Miller, second by Guthrie, approved 19-0).
- 7. Budget resolution document: approve document as presented, allowing the NCHSAA to use similar document to one school systems currently use to be able to operate before budget is completely set due to timing of fiscal year as opposed to Board schedule (motion by Miller, second by Sawyer, approved 19-0).
- 8. Tabled recommendations for ticket prices for regional and championship games in football and basketball.

- 9. Recommend increasing cheerleader registration fee from \$20 to \$25 for the NCHSAA cheerleading invitational, which still leaves it less than many other similar competitions and will help with event-related expenses (motion by Miller, second by Sawyer, approved 19-0).
- 10. Recommend adjusting cheerleading invitational late registration from flat fee per team to \$35 per cheerleader (motion by Miller, second by George, approved 19-0).
- 11. Staff updates: new general counsel Whitney Frye; employee health insurance premiums will go up some; staff evaluations. Action items: staff raise and staff restructuring
- 12. Recommend Carolyn Shannonhouse to come back after retirement in part time role through December 31, 2014 (motion by Miller, second by Black, approved
- 13. Change in job titles for Tra Waters, Chiquana Dancy and Brad Alford to director, will have duties adjusted in restructuring associated with those responsibilities (motion by Miller, second by Sawyer, approved 19-0).
- 14. Approval of staff salary adjustments based on new job duties listed above (motion by Miller, second by Baldwin, approved 19-0).

#### **SPORTS COMMITTEE:** Dwayne Stallings presented his report after thanking committee members:

- 1. Recommend 2014-15 sports calendar adjustment: to approve adjustments to wrestling and lacrosse playoff dates as presented (motion by Stallings, second by Poletti, approved 19-0).
- 2. Recommend approval 2015 and 2016 football calendar as presented with August 1 date for beginning practice (motion by Stallings, second by Hays, approved 19-0).
- 3. No changes in 2014-15 playoff calendar to try to move all games off Saturday, no action.
- 4. Winter sports athletic eligibility: no change.
- 5. Recommend adding column on master eligibility list for "meets local promotion standards" (motion by Stallings, second by Guthrie, approved 19-0).
- 6. No change in "freezing rosters"; after 50 percent of a sports regular season is complete, no additional student-athletes could be added.
- 7. Recommend dropping pod seeding for 1-A schools (motion by Stallings, second by Gentry, approved 17-2).
- 8. Recommend football "mercy rule:" recommend if point differential reaches 42 or more by halftime or any point thereafter, game will resort to running clock or will be terminated by mutual agreement (motion by Stallings, second by Sawyer, approved 19-0).
- 9. No change in start of fall practice for football for 2014.
- 10. Recommendation tabled until December: 10 days of unlimited skill development sessions in football immediately prior to last 5 days of school year; no other skill development for football would be allowed during school year, one practice a day, no body to body contact; could be approved in December for implementation in the spring of 2015.
- 11. No change in summer dead period.
- 12. No action on recommendation on state football venues; staff will look at current championship game times.
- 13. Recommend adoption of basketball mercy rule, if score reaches 40 point differential at halftime or thereafter, game will resort to a running clock, including administration of free throws or all other dead ball situations, except for timeouts called by coach or official; game can be terminated by mutual agreement (motion by Stallings, second by Shotwell, approved 19-0).
- 14. No change in basketball skill development guidelines recommended.
- 15. Table recommended change in basketball format from NC Basketball Coaches Association; staff has been exploring a variety of options for regionals at this point.
- 16. Recommend state association adoption to allow conferences to have shootouts in regular season games after the two 10-minute overtime periods (motion by Stallings, second by Miller, approved 18-1).
- 17. Recommend implementing a 23-match season limitation for volleyball (motion by Stallings, second by Craddock, approved 19-0).
- 18. Recommend that licensed athletic trainers or first responders are required for the host school for all wrestling competitions (motion by Stallings, second by Hays, approved 19-0).
- 19. Recommend approval that all skinfold measurer/hydration testers be certified and validated prior to start of wrestling season (motion by Stallings, second by Hays, approved 19-0).

- 20. Split squads: no recommendation but may be further discussion; one suggestion is to allow elite athletes to represent their school out of state at NFHS sanctioned meets but still allow team to compete in state
- 21. Committee wants more information on combines
- 22. Derivative sports: beach volleyball, indoor soccer, etc: more discussion will occur at next Board meeting,
- 23. Recommend change in weekly limitation in wrestling (b ii of proposal) to include a quad meet in item 6 of the weekly limitations; it would read "one dual, one tri, or one quad plus one multi team event" (motion by Stallings, second by Mack, approved 17-1).

**SPECIAL REPORTS: STUDENT-ATHLETE ADVISORY COMMITTEE:** Ben Lowell of Eastern Alamance High School presented to the Board. He is a junior who plays football at Eastern and represents Region 3 of SAAC. He mentioned the Student Leadership Conference with 88 participants from 34 different member schools.

He mentioned Anna Broome of Carrboro on the council, who put together a Unified flag football game at her school. Another organized a food drive in her community. Ben is working on a process that the Eastern Alamance DREAM team can volunteer at the local Boys' and Girls' Club.

He also shared some concerns that the student-athletes had to discuss.

**STATE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION**: Burt Jenkins addressed the Board for SDPI. A specific process for evaluation of coaches (SW Standard 6) who are physical education teachers is going to be implemented, and he noted that in the three-year cycle of this program it would be imperative for them to go through this process.

He talked briefly about PowerSchools and apologized for the failure of a scheduled presentation to be made at the athletic directors' association. He said that the athletic module is almost ready for distribution, and soon five LEAs will be chosen to pilot and test it at the school level. Athletic directors also must have full access to all information for eligibility purposes and he is working for that to be allowed.

**NORTH CAROLINA COACHES ASSOCIATION**: Mac Morris addressed the Board on behalf of the NCCA.

He noted concern about the lack of nominations for exemplary and sportsmanship awards available to the schools and reminded the Board of this opportunity for schools to receive the \$1000 for winning either of these honors.

Mac pointed to the 2014 clinic and all-star game schedule for July in Greensboro. He mentioned that the NCAA now does not allow Division I football coaches to participate in "all-star game activities," which includes the coaching clinic around the NCCA all-star games. So for the first time in 65 years, those coaches will not be able to participate and the association is having to look to other sources, such as retired coaches no longer officially affiliated with schools.

The NCCA provides a student-trainer clinic, adult first responder clinic, the athletic directors breakfast, Fellowship of Christian Athletes luncheon as well as clinic sessions in all NCHSAA related sports. There is a concern about the lack of numbers for women's lacrosse coaches in attendance.

**BOOKING AGENTS AND OFFICIALS:** Roger Morton spoke to the Board, using a PowerPoint presentation. He highlighted some regional supervisors and officials doing great work, such as Brad Allen, who has recently been selected to officiate in the National Football League. Dr. Sandra Serafini is a retired FIFA referee in soccer and assistant professor of neurosurgery at Duke whose does great job helping officials. Ron Sebastian has been NCAA baseball umpire for 40 years and is a regional supervisor.

Roger also highlighted Mark Dreibelbis and his work, including the award as the 2014 NFHS Coach Educator of the Year, as well as the positive impact that ArbiterSports has had on the officiating program. He went through step by step with many of the features ArbiterSports provides, even for schools.

He also showed examples of regional officiating association web sites from across the state, as well as many local associations who are giving back to schools in one way or another, for scholarships or specific charities.

**NORTH CAROLINA ATHLETIC DIRECTORS ASSOCIATION**: David Ball made the presentation on behalf of his organization and gave greetings from executive director Jerry McGee, who has been executive director of the organization since 1992.

This year's conference was at the Grove Park Inn in Asheville, with 224 active athletic directors in attendance. A total of 101 different LTC classes were taken by those in attendance, and there were 60 first-time attendees. Dr. Greg Dale served as keynote speaker. Ralph Shatterly, David Rothwell and David Vaughn were inducted into the NCADA Hall of Fame.

Bobby Guthrie will be joining the NIAAA Hall of Fame in December of 2014, with the NIAA State Award of Merit to Larry McDonald of the Durham Public Schools. Leon Mack earned the NCADA Braveheart Award.

Jeff Morris of Gray Stone Day will be added to NCADA Board as secretary for 2014-15. Bobby Hill of Hillside will be president. Wilmington's Hilton Riverside will host the 2015 NCADA conference.

David noted that he will be rotating off the NCHSAA Board, and the NCADA will have a new representative, who will be Rex Wells of Asheville High School.

Respectfully submitted,

Rick Strunk Associate Commissioner

## NORTH CAROLINA HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS WINTER MEETING Wednesday, December 3, 2014

The winter meeting of the North Carolina High School Athletic Association Board of Directors was called to order by President Bill Miller at 8:30 a.m. at the Residence Inn in Chapel Hill. Members in attendance included Dwayne Stallings, Maurice Green, Leon Mack, Allison Osman, Carla Black, Angie Miller, Bill Rogers, Ron Butler, Tony Baldwin, Joe Poletti, M.D. Guthrie, Teresa Hays, Brad Craddock, Sandy George, Paul Hoggard, Dennis Sawyer, Rodney Shotwell and David Gentry. Allison Osman was absent.

Affiliate members included Roger Morton of the Piedmont Officials Association, representing booking agents and officials, Burt Jenkins of the North Carolina Department of Public Instruction, Mac Morris of the North Carolina Coaches Association, Wendell Hall representing the North Carolina School Boards Association, and Rex Wells representing the North Carolina High School Athletic Directors Association.

NCHSAA staff in attendance included Davis Whitfield, Carolyn Shannonhouse, Rick Strunk, Mark Dreibelbis, Karen DeHart, Que Tucker, Whitney Frye, Tra Waters, Brad Alford and Chiquana Dancy.

# CONSENT AGENDA NORTH CAROLINA HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION 2014 BOARD OF DIRECTORS WINTER MEETING

(Cases handled since April 1, 2014 and before November 1, 2014)

- 1. BISHOP MCGUINNESS: Approved waiver of attendance rule for Austin Peters.
- 2. **CREST:** Approved waiver of attendance rule for William Swofford.
- 3. WAKEFIELD: Denied waiver of scholastic rule for Jasmine Moore.
- 4. **PORTER RIDGE**: Denied waiver of attendance rule for Edward Armani Concepcion.
- 5. Received completed application for membership from Apex Friendship High School.
- 6. Received letter from Southwest Wake Athletic Conference accepting Apex Friendship High School into membership for 2015-16 year, pending approval of application to the NCHSAA.
  - 9. **LEJEUNE**: Denied waiver of eight-semester rule for Christopher Harmon.
  - 10: WAKE FOREST: Approved waiver of scholastic rule for Logan Mackenzie White.
  - 11. **SOUTH BRUNSWICK**: waiver of age rule for Riley Schweppe could not be heard.
  - 12. PERSON: Approved waiver of scholastic rule for David Elliott.
  - 13. AVERY COUNTY: Approved waiver of residence rule for Caroline Goff.
- 14. **MATTAMUSKEET**: waiver for local promotion policies was referred back to Hyde County Schools, since the NCHSAA will not overturn a local policy.
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- 16. Received letter of withdrawal from the North Carolina High School Athletic Association from Christ The King High School. Then on October 21, received letter rescinding the withdrawal from Christ The King.
- 17. **CARDINAL GIBBONS:** Approved waiver of residency rule for Brandon Szymendera, because he already actually met the terms of the non-resident condition in the Handbook.
  - 18. **BROUGHTON:** Denied waiver of scholastic rule for Teddy Pierce.
- 19. Received application for membership and application fee from Piedmont Community Charter of Gaston County.
  - 20. **WEST FORSYTH:** Approved waiver of residence rule for Darion Dobson.
  - 21. **WEST FORSYTH:** Approved waiver of residence rule for Christian Garris.
  - 22. CARRBORO: Denied waiver of scholastic rule for Taylor Brashears.
  - 23. **LAKEWOOD**: Approved waiver of residence rule for Dominique Murphy.
  - 24. AVERY COUNTY: Approved waiver of residence rule for Joshua Goff.
  - 25. **SOUTHERN ALAMANCE:** Denied waiver of scholastic rule for Josh Lynch.
- 26. **CARRBORO**: Approved waiver of eight-semester rule for Patrick McCarthy for one additional semester.
- 27. **NORTHERN GUILFORD**: Approved waiver of scholastic rule for Sam Coble, based on appropriate medical documentation; waiver of promotion standards must come from LEA.
  - 28. HOBBTON: Denied waiver of residence rule for Tyja Gray.
- 29. Received letter from Chatham Charter requesting to join the Yadkin Valley Conference for the 2015-16 year.

- 30. Received letter from Yadkin Valley Conference requesting that Chatham Charter and Uwharrie Charter be admitted as YVC members for remainder of this realignment period, as well as reorganization for football playing schools in conference in s only.
  - 31. Received application for membership and membership fee from Oxford Preparatory High School.
  - 32. **EAST DUPLIN:** Approved waiver of residence rule for Lindsay Garner McGraw.
- 33. Received application for membership and membership fee from North Carolina Leadership Charter Academy.
- 34. Received letter from Uwharrie Charter requesting to join the Yadkin Valley Conference for the 2015-16 year.

Motion to approve consent agenda items (motion by Sawyer, second by Craddock, approved 17-0).

Motion to approve minutes of last Board meeting and the Annual Meeting (motion by Shotwell, second by Baldwin, approved 17-0).

The Executive Committee considered a request from the Town of Gamewell to consider their claim of a state championship in eight-man football in 1958, with material from area newspapers of the time. The articles indicated that only one conference in the state was playing eight-man football that year, and therefore the conference winner was the state champion. After extensive research into NCHSAA records that were available from the time, no indication was found that the eight-man championship was officially sanctioned, which is why it has not been listed previously. Although the committee was sympathetic to the claim, it did not vote to change the official listing since it could not be corroborated by any NCHSAA information.

Commissioner Whitfield addressed the Board, reviewed the orientation held for new members on Tuesday and then briefly reviewed the agenda.

Board member Rodney Shotwell was recognized as the superintendent of the year in a joint award by the North Carolina Association of School Administrators (NCASA), the North Carolina School Superintendents' Association (NCSSA) and the North Carolina School Boards Association (NCSBA)., and Commissioner Whitfield mentioned national awards for former Board member David Ball and current member Angie Miller.

The Board then heard transfer appeals from:

- (1) Raleigh Charter: appealing previous decision relative to transfer student Jordan Bell. The Board voted to uphold the previous decision by the Executive Committee (18-0).
- (2) Charlotte Catholic: appealing previous decision relative to transfer student Zachary Pacious. The Board voted to uphold the previous decision by the Executive Committee (15-3).

The Board then moved into its committee work.

**FINANCE AND PERSONNEL**: chairperson Maurice Green, vice-chair Bill Miller, Angie Miller, Rodney Shotwell, Tony Baldwin, staff advisors Davis Whitfield and Karen DeHart;

**POLICY:** chairperson Carla Black, vice-chair M.D. Guthrie, Paul Hoggard, Rex Wells, Brad Craddock, staff advisors Carolyn Shannonhouse, Whitney Frye and Brad Alford:

**REVIEW/ OFFICIATING/STUDENT SERVICES**: chairperson Ron Butler, vice-chair Sandy George, Dennis Sawyer, Roger Morton, Reggie Peace, Wendell Hall, staff advisor Mark Dreibelbis;

**SPORTS:** chairperson Dwayne Stallings, vice-chair Joe Poletti, Bill Rogers, Mac Morris, David Gentry, Teresa Evans, staff advisors Que Tucker, Chiquana Dancy and Tra Waters.

The Board later heard lengthy committee reports on agenda items.

**REALIGNMENT APPEALS:** The following schools made appeals about realignment status to the full Board, as allowed by the NCHSAA by-laws.

**East Burke High School:** presenting were Phil Smith, principal; Jim Childers, athletic director; and Tom Brown, head football coach. Brown spoke to the Board first. East Burke wants to move from South Mountain Athletic to SD7. SD7 has not voted in favor of the move, based on letter from conference.

East Burke talked about primarily about reduction in travel, return to natural rivalries, safety factors and gate receipts. Questions ensued.

**Draughn High School:** presenting were Emily Garrison, principal, and Jay Murray, athletic director. Emily Garrison spoke to the Board first. Draughn wants to leave the South Mountain Athletic and go to SD7. Garrison cites difference in ADM between Draughn and conference members, as opposed to the average ADM of SD7 schools. SD7 has not voted in favor of the move, based on letter from conference.

School also cited decrease in participation, including football, soccer and basketball, which can create safety issues.

**West Iredell High School**: presenting were Gordon Palmer, principal, and Richard Armstrong, assistant superintendent. School wants to go from 3-A to 2-A and to go to the SD7 from the North Piedmont. Gordon Palmer addresses the Board, noting the average ADM of the NPC is much larger than the ADM of the SD7. Finances are also a concern, although the travel to the SD7 would be more and Central Carolina is not a viable alternative due to more extensive travel.

The SD7 has not voted in favor of the move, based on letter from conference.

**Mountain Heritage High School:** presenting were Kevin Huskins, principal, and Joey Robinson, athletic director. Joey Robinson addressed the Board, talking about their reduction in student numbers. It would not require a change in conference because it is currently in a 1-A/2-A split and could just move from 2-A to 1-A. He cited four plants closing in the county that results in a decline in number of students. He said their numbers have been at 1-A level since this alignment started. There are some school bus rides of two hours in the county, which is also a challenge. He noted similarities between Mountain Heritage and other 1-A schools surrounding them.

It was also mentioned there are at least 12 students in night school that are not allowed to participate in athletics, which would further reduce the numbers.

**Jay Robinson High School:** presenting were Greg Hall, principal; Glenn Cook, athletic director; Joe Glass, head football coach, and Bryan Tyson, county athletic director. Glenn Cook addressed the Board, with the school wanting to move from 4-A to 3-A and from MeCKa 4-A to South Piedmont 3-A. He noted that due to redistricting, lines were redrawn and school eventually lost 135 students in that process, which is how it was 4-A in realignment process but then dropped into 3-A territory. Both conferences have agreed on change.

**J.F. Webb High School:** presenting were Reginald Brooks, principal, and Richard Givens, athletic director. The school wants to move from 3-A to 2-A and to go from the Big Eight to the Northern Carolina. Their travel would be reduced some in new conference.

The presentation noted that two charter schools opening in county will affect their numbers, and their numbers are already down.

**Cardinal Gibbons High School:** presenting were Jason Curtis, principal; Todd Schuler, athletic director, and Dr. Michael Fedewa, superintendent, Diocese of Raleigh. Jason Curtis presented to the Board, requesting that the school move to 4-A based on increased numbers. It is currently up to 1430, up from 1249 in last realignment.

There are letters from PAC-6 and from Big Eight agreeing to move if school is reclassified.

After all the appeals were presented, discussion ensued.

East Burke: Motion to deny appeal (motion by Green, second by Poletti, approved 17-0 and appeal is denied).

Draughn: Motion to deny appeal 17-0 (motion by Green, second by Poletti, approved 17-0 and appeal is denied).

West Iredell: Motion to deny appeal (motion by Green, second by Craddock, approved 17-0 and appeal is denied).

Mountain Heritage: Motion to deny appeal (motion by Poletti, second by Butler, approved 15-0 with two abstentions).

Jay Robinson: Motion to approve appeal (motion by Greene, second by Poletti), which would change classification and conference, approved 17-0. School would change from MeCKa 4-A to South Piedmont 3-A.

Webb: Motion by Poletti, second by George, to deny appeal, approved 17-0 and appeal is denied).

Cardinal Gibbons: Motion by Poletti, second by Butler, to approve appeal to move to 4-A from 3-A due to increase in numbers. School would move to 4-A and change from Big Eight to PAC-6. Approved 12-5.

**COMMISSIONER'S REPORT**: Davis Whitfield presented to the Board, also calling on other staff members to assist.

Realignment: Rick Strunk went over the current process and procedure, and then Tra Waters went through a variety of models on how it would look with updated ADM models.

He talked about three classifications, five classifications, the traditional four-class model, four classes with removing the non-football schools out before drawing the lines and then adding it back line, and a 20-30-30-20 model, one with everybody in it when the lines are drawn, and one with the lines drawn by taking non-football schools out and then adding them back.

Discussion then included what would be sent to the membership, including the current four-class model and then two alternative models (25%, 20-30-30-20%, both with football schools out). Staff is instructed to develop method to send it out to membership and get feedback.

Discussion of live television as part of the TWC contract then followed. Proposal could include a 12-week window of regular season games in football for Thursday live telecasts, and then a similar window for 10 weeks on a non-traditional night (Monday or Thursday) for live telecasts in basketball.

Questions ensued—how much in advance would schools be contacted to move a game to Thursday, and Jason Lockhart of TWC said that those decisions would be made during the summer for the upcoming season, which would give schools plenty of time to plan. The deadline in basketball would probably be in November. What about postponements? Could be small stipend going to schools that participate in this program as well as inventory for spots for NCHSAA and its member schools as well. Discussion around playing on Thursday versus Friday for TV came up.

A possible provision to the Handbook policy 2.3.17 about television policies was presented. A possible of limiting the number of appearances by a single school or team was discussed, and also what to do if a game like a Thursday night football game was postponed. Board seems to favor Wednesday or Thursday for basketball and suggested policy be adjusted. How this would work in areas outside the TWC footprint was mentioned.

Motion to accept concept of live TV and wording as demonstrated with media policy change (motion by Shotwell, second by Craddock), approved 18-0.

Then a discussion followed on the strategic plan, with a handout that Davis provided. He also mentioned an interest from East Carolina hosting state football championships, but there would not be any financial consideration available to the NCHSAA with their hosting and it would be additional travel since it is not centrally located.

The Board meeting adjourned at 8:57 p.m.

## NCHSAA Board of Directors Meeting Thursday, December 4, 2014

The winter meeting of the North Carolina High School Athletic Association Board of Directors was called to order by President Bill Miller at 8:00 a.m. at the Residence Inn in Chapel Hill. Members in attendance included Maurice Green, Carla Black, Angie Miller, Bill Rogers, Ron Butler, Joe Poletti, M.D. Guthrie, Teresa Hays, Brad Craddock, Sandy George, Paul Hoggard, Dennis Sawyer, Rodney Shotwell, David Gentry, Reggie Peace and Dwayne Stallings. Tony Baldwin and Allison Osmon were absent.

Affiliate members included Burt Jenkins of the North Carolina Department of Public Instruction, Mac Morris of the North Carolina Coaches Association, Wendell Hall representing the North Carolina School Boards Association, and David Ball of the North Carolina High School Athletic Directors Association. Roger Morton was absent.

NCHSAA staff in attendance included Davis Whitfield, Carolyn Shannonhouse, Rick Strunk, Mark Dreibelbis, Karen DeHart, Que Tucker, Whitney Frye, Tra Waters, Brad Alford and Chiquana Dancy.

Media members in attendance included Earl Vaughan of the Fayetteville Observer, C. Mike Blake of the Cary News, Tim Stevens of the Raleigh News and Observer, Kelly Snow of the Roxboro Courier-Times, Conor O'Neill of the Burlington Times-News and Zack Mayo of HighSchoolOT.com.

**SPECIAL REPORTS: STUDENT-ATHLETE ADVISORY COMMITTEE:** Tommy Johnson of Woods Charter presented to the Board, outlining their busy year and also mentioning several policies, including the felony policy, that the SAAC would like the Board to reconsider.

**REALIGNMENT APPEALS REPORT**: Commissioner Whitfield shared the information from Wednesday's session.

East Burke, Draughn, West Iredell, Mountain Heritage and Webb appeals were denied.

Jay Robinson appeal to move down a classification was approved, Cardinal Gibbons appeal to move to 4-A and move to PAC-6 was approved.

STATE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION: Burt Jenkins reported to the Board from DPI. He started with the athletic piece for PowerSchools and talked about the work that had been done, which had also involved NCHSAA staff members Que Tucker and Rick Strunk. It will be released back to DPI during this week of the Board meeting for quality assurance. Many of the suggestions made at previous meetings have been incorporated.

He mentioned that several school systems had been out of compliance with Gfeller-Waller, but there were well over 100 systems that had everything right with that audit.

Language may be changed with the legislation around first responders.

**NORTH CAROLINA SCHOOL BOARDS ASSOCIATION:** Wendell Hall addressed the Board on behalf on his organization. He thanked the Board for the opportunity to represent this segment of the 116 LEAs.

The NCSBA had its annual conference in November with about 600 school board members in attendance. He congratulated Rodney Shotwell as the North Carolina superintendent of the year, who was recognized at that conference.

Nash Central won the NCSBA video contest, with Gates County second, as they presented videos about "what's good about our public schools."

He mentioned several concerns that the NCSBA about legislation which affects schools, including grading scales, funding issues, drivers education, virtual schools, and other items.

**NORTH CAROLINA COACHES ASSOCIATION**: Mac Morris thanked the NCHSAA for the opportunity to serve. He cited the sadness the NCCA had over the sudden death of Lynda Tamblyn, their office manager.

He noted that Scott Barringer is working toward providing a CPR course at the coaches clinic, and although it wouldn't cover all those who need the course, it would make a dent.

July 20-23 are clinic dates for next year.

**NORTH CAROLINA ATHLETIC DIRECTORS ASSOCIATION**: Rex Wells made the presentation on behalf of his organization and gave greetings from executive director Jerry McGee, who has been in that role since 1992.

Bobby Hill of Hillside will be president of the NCADA this year and Rex serves as past president. Several North Carolinians will be honored at the NIAAA national meeting later in December in the Baltimore area. Bobby Guthrie will join the NIAAA Hall of Fame, Angie Miller will receive the NIAAA Distinguished Service Award, and David Ball will receive the NIAAA Citation.

He also highlighted as a "model of teamwork" the relationship among the NCCA, the NCHSAA and the NCADA.

**REVIEW/OFFICIATING/STUDENT SERVICES COMMITTEE**: Ron Butler made the presentation for her committee after thanking his members:

1. Recommend approval of incident and penalty report (motion by Butler, second by Poletti, approved 17-0).

The report included the following schools:

Albemarle, Broughton, Cape Fear, Charles B. Aycock, Clayton, Community School of Davidson, Community School of Davidson, Cox Mill, Crest, Croatan, Cummings, D.H. Conley, Dudley (2), East Chapel Hill, Enka, Enloe, Farmville Central, Goldsboro, Harding, Hendersonville, Hunter Huss, Jesse Carson, Knightdale, Lejeune, Marvin Ridge, McMichael, Monroe, Mount Tabor, NCSSM, North Buncombe, North Lincoln, North Stanly, Northern Durham, Page, Pasquotank, Pine Forest, Polk County, Ragsdale, Research Triangle, Richlands, Riverside, Rocky Mount, Rocky River, South Lenoir, South Point, Southeast Guilford, Southeast Raleigh, Southern Durham, Southern Wayne, Southwestern Randolph, T.W. Andrews (2), T.C. Roberson, Tuscola, Weddington, West Charlotte, West Mecklenburg, Western Guilford (2), Wilkes Central, Woods Charter.

- 2. Recommend approval of ejection report (motion by Butler, second by Poletti, approved 17-0).
- 3. SD7 volleyball regional supervisor change request did not emerge from committee.
- 4. Change protest committee from five to three-person minimum, specifically administrators and coaches. These are used in baseball, softball, wrestling. (motion by Butler, second by Craddock, approved 17-0).
- 5. Decided to table to spring Handbook regulation 3.2.2 (b) (8) –require escort for officials in all sports. Currently only required for football, basketball and soccer.
- 6. Approved change in Handbook regulation 3.3.1 (f) (2)—remove requirement for field hockey officials to register with NCHSAA (motion by Butler, second by Sawyer, approved 17-0).
- 7. Recommendation to establish time frame for weather delays did not emerge from committee; NFHS is establishing guidelines and staff will look at that language for a recommendation in spring.
- 8. Approved Robin Forehand as baseball/softball regional supervisor for Northeastern Officials Association (formerly Outer Banks Association) (motion by Butler, second by Black, approved 17-0)
- 9. Approved Don Carr as softball regional supervisor for Jacksonville Officials Association (motion by Butler, second by George, approved 17-0).
- 10. Discussion of Student Services program.
- 11. NFHS Fundamentals of Coaching certification update; North Carolina has 436 Accredited Interscholastic Coaches (AIC), 7<sup>th</sup> nationally; 54 Certified Interscholastic Coaches (out of about 300), which is first nationally.

#### **SPORTS COMMITTEE:** Dwayne Stallings presented his report after thanking committee members:

- 1. Recommend allowing 10 days of unlimited number skill development sessions in football immediately prior to last five days of school year. The 21-player limit would be lifted during this time. Two and one half hour limit, including flex time, Monday through Friday (Saturday as make up day), no body to body contact, first responder/licensed athletic trainer must be at practice; any student-athlete still involved in a spring sport will not be allowed to participate until the end of that sport's season). No additional skill development would be allowed in football during the school year prior to this 10-day period. Effective December 8, 2014. (motion by Stallings, second by Butler, approved 11-5).
- 2. Playing up during realignment—table it to spring. This would allow schools to petition to play up one classification.
- 3. Playoffs and automatic qualifiers—recommend tweaking automatic qualifiers for split conferences in bracketed sports so that number two seed from split conference must have overall winning percentage of 34 percent to receive automatic bid, effective with 2015-16 academic year. (motion by Stallings, second by Craddock, approved 17-0.
- 4. No recommendation to move all early round playoff games off Saturdays.
- 5. Soccer items that did not come out of committee included no change in seeding on 20 games, no change in facing conference opponent in 1<sup>st</sup> round of playoffs, no change in variation of participation.
- 6. Recommend approval that players who are disqualified should not have to take the NFHS sportsmanship course for reinstatement (motion by Stallings, second by George, approved 17-0).
- 7. Recommend elimination split squad rule in cross country and track and field, starting with the spring outdoor track season (motion by Stallings, second by Poletti,).

- 8. Recommend increasing qualifiers to state cross country championship meet, allowing top seven runners not on a qualifying team to advance to state from regionals (motion by Stallings, second by Craddock, approved 17-0)
- 9. No recommendation for Adaptive Division in indoor and outdoor track.
- 10. Recommend approval of moving start date of indoor track to that of other winter sports (motion by Stallings, second by George, approved 17-0).
- 11. Change in state championship track meets, with all classes on same weekend (3<sup>rd</sup> weekend of May) with 1-A and 3-A on Friday, 2-A and 4-A, effective with 2016 championships (motion by Stallings, second by Hays, approved 17-0).
- 12. Recommend change in reporting deadline for submitting indoor/polar bear meet results to 48 hours (motion by Stallings, second by Sawyer, approved 17-0).
- 13. No change in procedure for requesting approval of polar bear meets, asked staff to look at language in that procedure.
- 14. Golf items: no change on recommendation for team average requirement, table request on different way to calculate average in women's golf for best eight scores, instead of five.
- 15. Recommend to institute state championship tiebreaking procedure at regional golf championships, for both men and women (motion by Stallings, second by Poletti, approved 17-0)
- 16. Approve 2015-16 playoff calendar (motion by Stallings, second by Miller, approved 17-0).
- 17. Regional basketball format: table discussion until spring meeting.
- 18. Handbook adjustments as indicated (motion by Stallings, second by Sawyer, approved 17-0): --2.3.8 (c) (i)

"If a contest is suspended at any point, it is resumed from the point of interruption unless the teams mutually agree to terminate the game with the existing score (see Baseball 4.2.1 (n), Lacrosse, Soccer 4.8.1 (s) and Softball 4.9.1(m) for specific applications in those sports):

- --eliminate 2.3.8(c ) (3): "If suspended game cannot be rescheduled for completed, the game will be declared a no contest."
- --3.2.2 (d): use of ineligible: add "results in forfeiture of contest(s)"
- -- 3.2.2 (d) add (18) "football player does not satisfy eight-quarter eligibility criteria"
- --4.13.3 (g) add "for the formula"
- --4.13.1: shift letters down and make (f) Endowment games: Reference 4.1.4
- --4.1.11 "if incorrect records are submitted and not corrected during the "window of opportunity," once the bracket is finalized, if the corrected changes the seed, the team will be removed form the playoffs and the brackets will not be adjusted.
- --4.1.11 (c) and 4.5.3 (g) (3) clarify by "a team that is second in a split conference must finish second in the overall conference standings to be seeded second"
- ii. "if the second team in a split conference finished in third place in the overall conference standings, it will be seeded third"
- --4.9.1. (3) add "softball (team and individuals) is limited to three games on a non-school day,"
- 19. Sports Medicine Advisory Committee recommendation that comes out of committee: all **head and paid** coaches be CPR/AED certified by August 1, 2017 (motion by Stallings, second by Hays, approved 12-4).
- 20. Recommend that a licensed athletic trainer or first responder must be in attendance at all summer football 7 on 7 events (motion by Stallings, second by George, approved 16-1)
- 21. Recommend adopting definitions given by USA Football for terms such as full/body to body contact, live action, air, bags, wrap, and thud; noted that "air" and "bags" do not involve body-to-body contact, but the others do (motion by Stallings, second by Gentry, approved 17-0).
  - Motion to amend effective date to May 1 (motion by Poletti, second by Shotwell, approved 17-0).
- 22. 800 meter relay will be added to indoor track lineup of championships events for 2014-15, since it is part of NFHS approved events.

#### POLICY COMMITTEE: Carla Black thanked her committee and presented the report:

 Adding USGA language to Handbook regarding use golf carts; only allows use of golf cart with NCHSAA approval, development of waiver form for this purpose (motion by Black, second by Craddock, approved 17-0).

- Clarify language in rule 1.1.10.d—transfer waiver; relative to transfer from member school to nonmember school and then back to their home (initial school of entry in 9<sup>th</sup> grade) school, language would be now be in line with original intent of rule (motion by Black, second by George, approved 17-0).
- 3. Adjust language in 4.6.2.c—golf playoff entries; delete "directors may call" from the rule (motion by Black, second by Gentry, approved 17-0).
- 4. Gfeller-Waller sanctions for non-compliance; a fine and penalty may be imposed if member schools are not compliant with the act; \$1000 fines for certain non-compliance, \$500 fine per venue for failure to post venue specific emergency action plans; to be imposed upon State Board of Education action (motion by Black, second by Stallings, approved 17-0).
- 5. Sanctions for failure to field requisite sports for conference membership; to impose fines to schools who have been accepted into conference but wound up failing to sponsor the minimum six sports as required—is tabled until spring meeting.
- 6. Review of Handbook change and layout, including adding index.
- 7. Review of other recommendations from Education and Athletics Committee.
- 8. Social media and sportsmanship discussion—no action.
- 9. Review of transfer policy for 2014-15. A total of 61 have been approved and 32 denied, with three withdrawn according to report.

**FINANCE AND PERSONNEL COMMITTEE**: Commissioner Whitfield recognized members of the committee and made this report:

- 1. Follow up items from May Board meeting; language in investment policy statement, commissioner's contract information will be supplied in May, investment entity relative to diversity
- 2. Discussion of final 2013-14 budget/actual to date; overage was \$451,117, with half of that going to schools. Football revenue was down from budgeted amount a year ago.
- 3. Approval of 2014-15 annual budget (motion by Whitfield from committee, second by Black, approved 17-0).
- 4. Review of final 2013-14 sports comparisons; schools shares up by almost \$178,000.
- Investment summary update; recommend adding another entity, represented by Dexter Perry of One Providence Capital, to the investment mix. Restricted moneys available for investment, according to NCHSAA policy, be provided for investment to One Providence (motion by Whitfield, second by Sawyer, approved 17-0).
- 6. Recommend approving audit report from Blackman and Sloop (motion by Whitfield, second by Craddock, approved 17-0).
- 7. Insurance discussion, report from Senn Dunn; increased costs due to raising catastrophic insurance coverage from \$2,000,000 to \$5,000,000, increased exposure for tudent-athltes and officials, and increased certificate of liability amount. No action required.
- 8. Summary of money back to member schools—in last four years, an average of \$1,032,131 has been distributed back to member schools, and in excess of \$8 million shared by schools participating in Endowment games since 1994-95 academic year
- 9. Recommendation of additional funds back to member schools as follows:
  - --Increasing one dollar surcharge amount back to schools from 25% to 35%
  - --Increasing percentage of earned interest on endowment back to schools from 50 to 60%
  - --maintain distribution of the 50% of operating budget overage
- --Carolina Panthers grant proposal for Heads Up program through USA Football (\$55,000 for schools whose staff are trained in this area)—motion by Whitfield, second by Gentry, approved 17-0).
- 10. Disadvantaged schools and funding: discuss distribution process involving formula related to member schools and free/reduced lunch percentage and number of athletic programs offered. No action taken at this point but recommendation will be forthcoming.
- 11. Staff updates
- 13. Building renovation information; found some heretofore undiscovered issues, insulation problems etc., that cost more money. There will be other opportunities to save some money elsewhere; finance committee recommends going up in building funding to cover overage. Recommend change in budget for building renovation to cover change in cost to \$1,115,750 (motion by Whitfield, second by George, approved 17-0).

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Commissioner Whitfield then reviewed some of the discussion from Wednesday night, including realignment, the television proposal and the Time Warner Cable partnership.

The Board then adjourned at 10:30 am, with lunch to follow and then the commissioner met with the media representatives on hand.

Respectfully submitted,

Rick Strunk Associate Commissioner

## NORTH CAROLINA HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS WINTER MEETING Wednesday, May 5, 2015

The spring meeting of the North Carolina High School Athletic Association Board of Directors was called to order by President Bill Miller at 8:20 a.m. at the newly renovated Simon F. Terrell Building in Chapel Hill. Members in attendance included Dwayne Stallings, Maurice Green, Allison Osman, Carla Black, Angie Miller, Bill Rogers, Ron Butler, Tony Baldwin, Joe Poletti, M.D. Guthrie, Teresa Hays, Brad Craddock, Sandy George, Paul Hoggard, Dennis Sawyer, Rodney Shotwell, Reggie Peace, and David Gentry.

Affiliate members included Roger Morton of the Piedmont Officials Association, representing booking agents and officials, Burt Jenkins of the North Carolina Department of Public Instruction, Joe Franks of the North Carolina Coaches Association, and Rex Wells representing the North Carolina High School Athletic Directors Association. Wendell Hall representing the North Carolina School Boards Association was absent.

NCHSAA staff in attendance included Davis Whitfield, Rick Strunk, Mark Dreibelbis, Karen DeHart, Que Tucker, Whitney Frye, Tra Waters, Brad Alford and Chiquana Dancy.

The first order of business was an appeal for reinstatement as a regional supervisor of officials to the Board of Directors by Tommy Mattocks.

Questions followed from the Board, and then Mr. Mattocks left the room and the Board discussed further. The vote on this was tabled, pending discussion by the Review and Officiating Committee and the recommendation on its agenda from the selection committee for that regional supervisor position.

# CONSENT AGENDA NORTH CAROLINA HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION 2015 BOARD OF DIRECTORS SPRING MEETING

(Cases handled since November 1, 2014 and before April 1, 2015)

- 1. **SOUTH ROWAN:** Approved waiver of residence rule for Franklin Garcia, based on appropriate documentation for McKinney-Vento status.
- 2. **SOUTH ROWAN:** Approved waiver of residence rule for Christopher Garcia, based on appropriate documentation for McKinney-Vento status.
- 3. **SMOKY MOUNTAIN:** Approved waiver of residence rule for Aidan Waldrum, based on appropriate documentation for emancipation.
- 4. **GREENE CENTRAL**: waiver of residence rule for Tyjuan Wooten, based on appropriate documentation for emancipation was pending due to lack of information and thus was not approved.
- 5. Received request from North Carolina Leadership Charter Academy, whose application for membership was approved for 2015-16 academic year, to defer its joining until 2016-17 academic year.
- 6. **MIDDLE CREEK**: Approved waiver of scholastic requirements for Jarod Nizen, based on appropriate medical documentation for reduced academic schedule medically necessary due to severe concussion; applies for both first and second semesters of 2014-15.
- 7. Received letter from Tar Roanoke Athletic Conference accepting Oxford Prep as a full member beginning with the 2015-16 academic year.
- 8. **CLEVELAND**: Approved waiver of scholastic requirements for Ishmail Rasheem Edwards, based on documentation for move from school on traditional schedule to school on block and couldn't get student's schedule aligned for credit with move late in semester.
- 9. **NEW HANOVER:** Approved waiver of scholastic requirements for Ashley Louise Woodward, based on appropriate medical documentation for medically necessary withdrawal from classes.
- 10. **PANTHER CREEK**: Denied waiver of eight-semester rule for Saajan Patel, lacking appropriate medical documentation.
- 11. **HOGGARD**: Denied waiver of scholastic requirements for Grant Nicholas Grinnell, lacking appropriate medical documentation.
- 12. **NORTH PITT:** Approved waiver of scholastic requirements for Kenzie Michelle Bryant, based on appropriate documentation involving Department of Social Services.
- 13. **CENTRAL ACADEMY**: Approved waiver of scholastic requirements for Emilee Duke, based on appropriate medical documentation for concussion and medically necessary reduced schedule.
- 14. **TRINITY**: Approved waiver of scholastic requirements for Hannah Overby, based on appropriate documentation for transfer from school on traditional format to school on block.

- 15. **WEST BRUNSWICK**: Denied waiver of scholastic requirements for Ashley Fletcher, lacking appropriate documentation.
- 16. **NORTH MECKLENBURG:** Denied waiver of scholastic requirements for Bailey Fink, lacking appropriate documentation.
- 17. **WAKEFIELD:** Approved waiver of scholastic requirements for Shane Horan, based on appropriate medical documentation, including hospitalization.
- 18. **WAKEFIELD:** Denied waiver of scholastic requirements for Michael Portera, based on appropriate medical documentation.
- 19. **WALTER WILLIAMS:** Approved waiver of scholastic requirements for Andrew Honeycutt, based on appropriate medical documentation.

Motion to approve consent agenda items (motion by Butler, second by Craddock, approved 18-0).

Motion to approve minutes of winter meeting of Board of Directors as distributed (motion by Greene second by Hays, approved 18-0).

**NOMINATING COMMITTEE:** The report for the committee was made by chairperson Jimmy Tillman. This will be presented to the membership at the Annual Meeting on Thursday.

The recommendation includes: president, Maurice Green; vice-president, Rodney Shotwell; past president: Bill Miller; coach/AD from region 3, 4-A: Scarlett Steinert, Chapel Hill-Carrboro schools; coach/AD in region 4, 2-A Patty Evers, East Bladen; superintendent, region 5, 1-A, Ronnie Mendenhall, Stokes County; superintendent, region 6, 3-A: Sherry Hoyle, Lincoln County; superintendent, region 7, 4-A: Darin Hartness. Davie County.

## **COMMISSIONER'S REPORT**: Davis Whitfield presented to the Board.

He thanked the Board for its support of the building renovations, which he said he was proud of although there are still some things left to complete in the building.

In terms of legislation, Whitfield noted House Bill 484, the bill that would allow home school students to participate at member schools, and now has been referred to the rules committee. Other legislation includes a bill relative to first responders, one related to sudden cardiac death, another for heat stroke prevention and one for concussions.

The case of Luke Hampton, the wrestler from Alleghany who was paralyzed in a wrestling accident, is moving toward settlement. Another case involving a wrestler with an injury is just getting started and a suit is likely.

Other states have been asked to sign on with a case going on in Illinois, which has concussion related claims. Illinois is asking for participation in a common interest/joint defense/information sharing agreement, and Whitfield referred to general counsel Whitney Frye to provide details.

Motion to move forward with North Carolina agreeing to participate in common interest/joint defense/information sharing agreement (motion by Green, second by Poletti, approved 19-0).

Whitfield also brought up national events participation, related to the Myers Park situation in women's basketball, and the possibility of allowing it in certain situations and with certain limits. Discussion ensued about getting feedback at regional meetings from the membership.

At 9:40 am, the Board went into committee sessions.

**FINANCE AND PERSONNEL**: chairperson Maurice Green, vice-chair Bill Miller, Angie Miller, Rodney Shotwell, Tony Baldwin, Allison Osman, staff advisors Davis Whitfield and Karen DeHart;

**POLICY:** chairperson Carla Black, vice-chair M.D. Guthrie, Paul Hoggard, Rex Wells, Brad Craddock, Burt Jenkins, staff advisors Whitney Frye and Brad Alford;

**REVIEW/ OFFICIATING/STUDENT SERVICES**: chairperson Ron Butler, vice-chair Sandy George, Dennis Sawyer, Roger Morton, Reggie Peace, Wendell Hall, staff advisor Mark Dreibelbis;

**SPORTS:** chairperson Dwayne Stallings, vice-chair Joe Poletti, Bill Rogers, David Gentry, Teresa Hays, Joe Franks, staff advisors Que Tucker, Chiquana Dancy and Tra Waters.

The Board later heard lengthy committee reports on agenda items.

FINANCIAL REPORTS: The Board heard reports from several financial institutions.

Wells Fargo: Greg Owen started the presentation. Dan Taylor and Mort High also were on hand. They believe global growth will pick up, and the U.S. will grow a little faster than last year. The NCHSAA portfolio is well diversified and High explained the philosophy behind the distribution.

Morgan Stanley: Jeff Hudson presented to the Board, along with Jessica Standifer. The funds in this are managed as a "moderate portfolio," which reduces risk with about 60% in stock and 40% in fixed income. Return has been excellent at about 12% over the last seven years or so, which is very much on the high side for these sorts of investments.

They believe that international stocks have improved in value in recent years and is an area of opportunity for investment.

Interest rates are likely to rise some by the end of next year.

One Providence Capital: Dexter Perry presented to the Board, noting that SEI is the actual holder of the funds. This is the first quarterly report from this company to the Board. They are pleased with the performance of the strategy so far and no adjustment in allocations recommended.

BB&T: The presentation by Dara Haney and Johns Elliington noted that the investments had done well and the "active management" appears to be working appropriately. They reviewed the handout as presented.

Wittenburg, Priddy and Blankenship: Michael Wittenburg presented. He noted their fee structure operates a little differently from many other financial instructions. He explained that the performance of the fund had been good and they had been very conservative with the investments with low risk. Wittenburg has also offered some free education seminars for members of the NCHSAA staff.

**MOUNTAIN ISLAND CHARTER APPEAL**: The school made its appeal to the full Board for placement in a conference. Justin Matthews, executive director of the school, made the presentation, which was founded in 2010 and has well over 1000 students in K-11. He noted that the school has 33 athletic teams.

It is asking for entry into the Southern Piedmont Conference for the 2015-16 school year, although it did not ask for that at the mid-point of the alignment, which would have been at the December Board meeting. He appealed on the merit of the school being in the conference and the voting procedures and by laws of the conference (the conference requires a 2/3 vote to join). Matthews said the school received an email saying they had been accepted by the vote, although later it received notification it did not. He noted there were multiple votes that eventually wound up being under the 2/3 majority, and then this happened after the NCHSAA Board meeting had met.

He noted they were playing everybody in the conference in just about everything already, with the exception of football.

Discussion ensued. Motion to accept the appeal and place Mountain Island Charter in the Southern Piedmont Conference as a member in all sports (motion by Shotwell, second by George, approved 19-0).

**REALIGNMENT**: Rick presented the realignment process to the Board, outlining the changes (which are not really substantial) to the previous process and procedure. There is more information from the membership on the front end, including a Conference Declaration of Intent, and a modification of the timeline that has the realignment regional meetings after the initial draft has been tweaked some. Another meeting of the realignment committee for appeals has also been added.

Tra went through the models that had been posted on the NCHSAA web site for some time. He talked about the traditional 25% model, the 25% modified that removes the non-football playing schools when the lines are drawn and then they are added back in (would be 120 or so 1-A schools, 95 or 94 in other classifications), and then the 20%/30%/30%/20% model (would have 75 4-A schools, over 100 in others), which would create less travel for 2-A and 3-A, could increase it some in 4-A but they are clustered in metropolitan areas), and could create significant travel concerns for 1-A. Much of this had been discussed in other forums, including regional meetings and the state athletic directors conference, among other places.

There were 321 schools which voted on line by ranking the models. A total of 48.9% had the traditional model as their top choice and ranked 20/30/30/30 last, while those that favored the 20/30/30/20 model ranked the traditional one third.

Motion to voted on models: 6 to go 25%, none for 25% modified, 13 for 20/30/30/20. Motion to approve 20/30/30/20 modified is made by Shotwell, second by Craddock, approved 12-7.

Motion to approve Realignment Process and Procedure to reflect changes the Board made with (motion by Shotwell, second by Poletti, approved 13-4.

Motion to approve Realignment Committee as presented to Board (motion by Stallings, second by Baldwin, approved 17-0).

No Board motion was forthcoming on allowing playing up.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:** the remainder of the afternoon was devoted to reports and discussion from the various committee work sessions.

The Board discussed the appeal made by Tommy Mattocks earlier. The decision was rendered and he was subsequently informed of the decision (motion by George, second by Poletti, approved 19-0).

After dinner break, then Commissioner Whitfield addressed the Board about the Time Warner Cable television contract and the expectations of what the schools must agree to do, which includes moving game to Thursday night live window and set kickoff at 7:30 pm.

Recommendation would be that the host school would get a full share (based on the formula used already, with a half share for hosting a playoff game and a full share for traveling for a playoff game, with the interest revenue from Endowment and a portion of the budget overage) for hosting the TV game. No web streaming of event can occur during live game production, determine contingencies for weather related cancellations and delays, and establish penalty if host school agrees to broadcast and then cancels.

Recommend that host team of televised game get full share according to that aforementioned formula (motion by Poletti, second by Guthrie, approved 19-0).

Other provisions of the TV agreement for the member schools (site survey, press box access, school information, etc., were all discussed, along with in school promotions and announcements. Game format was also discussed (2:30 between quarters, for instance, halftime length of 18 minutes), interviews with coaches, etc.

Motion to approve Time Warner Cable TV requirements (motion by Guthrie, second by Black, approved 19-0).

Strategic plan was discussed briefly, including the handful of items that are still in process as indicated by Commissioner Whitfield.

The Board meeting was adjourned at 8:02 p.m.

## NCHSAA Board of Directors Meeting Wednesday, May 6, 2015

The spring meeting of the North Carolina High School Athletic Association Board of Directors was called to order by President Bill Miller at 8:00 a.m. at the Simon F. Terrell Building in Chapel Hill. Members in attendance included Maurice Green, Carla Black, Angie Miller, Bill Rogers, Ron Butler, Joe Poletti, M.D. Guthrie, Teresa Hays, Brad Craddock, Sandy George, Paul Hoggard, Dennis Sawyer, Rodney Shotwell, David Gentry, Reggie Peace, Dwayne Stallings, Tony Baldwin and Allison Osmon.

Affiliate members included Burt Jenkins of the North Carolina Department of Public Instruction, Mac Morris of the North Carolina Coaches Association, and Rex Wells of the North Carolina High School Athletic Directors Association. Wendell Hall was absent.

NCHSAA staff in attendance included Davis Whitfield, Rick Strunk, Mark Dreibelbis, Karen DeHart, Que Tucker, Whitney Frye, Tra Waters, Brad Alford and Chiquana Dancy.

Media members in attendance included Earl Vaughan of the Fayetteville Observer, Tim Stevens of the Raleigh News and Observer, Joe Sirera of the Greensboro News and Record, Conor O'Neill of the Burlington Times-News and Nick Stevens of HighSchoolOT.com.

**SPECIAL REPORTS: STUDENT-ATHLETE ADVISORY COUNCIL:** Benjamin Lowell of Eastern Alamance High School presented to the Board, outlining the busy year for the SAAC. He outlined several service projects started by SAAC members at their respective schools, including starting a tutoring service for underprivileged children at an elementary school and various Project Unify initiatives at different schools.

He said it had been an honor to serve in this capacity.

**ADDITIONAL COMMISSIONER'S REPORT:** Davis Whitfield thanked the Board for its support of the building renovations and hopes members had found them useful. He reminded them of the open house at the building on Thursday.

He mentioned several things that were discussed earlier, including the new television contract and the discussion that will ensue at regional meetings about national competition and parameters around that which could be included.

Whitfield said he felt very good about the strategic plan and progress that had been made. He noted that the process and procedure for realignment, and that the Board voted to use the 20/30/30/20 modified model that had been discussed. Ethan Linker will serve as the overall chair for realignment, with Stan Williams and David Jones serving in the East and West as co-chairs, respectively

**REVIEW/OFFICIATING/STUDENT SERVICES COMMITTEE**: Ron Butler made the presentation for her committee after thanking his members:

1. Recommend approval of incident and penalty report (motion by Butler, second by Poletti, approved 19-0).

The report included the following schools: unpaid: Bartlett Yancey, Carver, Cherokee, East Chapel Hill, Forest Hills, Hunter Huss, KIPP Pride, Lejeune, North Forsyth, Page, Queens Grant, Robbinsville, Rosewood. Seventy-First. Southeast Halifax. Statesville. Wakefield. Webb.

Paid: Albemarle (3), Alleghany (2), Apex (2), Athens Drive, Bandys, Bishop McGuinness, Broughton, Bunn, Butler, Cape Fear, Cardinal Gibbons, C.B. Aycock, Charlotte Catholic, Clayton, Community School of Davidson, Cox Mill, Crest, Croatan, Cummings, D.H. Conley, Dixon, Dudley, East Carteret (2), East Chapel Hill, East Lincoln, East Montgomery, Eastern Wayne, Enka, Enloe (2), Clyde Erwin, Farmville Central, Fike, Fuquay-Varina, Glenn, Goldsboro, Gray's Creek, Green Hope, Harding, Hendersonville, Hunter Huss, Independence, Jesse Carson, Kings Mountain, Knightdale, Leesville Road, Lejeune, Lincoln Charter, Marvin Ridge, McMichael, Monroe, Mount Tabor, New Bern, Newton-Conover, North Buncombe, North Iredell, North Johnston, North Lincoln (2), North Mecklenburg, North Moore, North Stanly, Northern Durham (2), Northern Nash, Northside (Jacksonville), Olympic, Orange, Page, Panther Creek, Pasquotank (2), Pine Forest, Polk County, Ragsdale, Raleigh Charter, Research Triangle, Richlands, Riverside (4), Roanoke Rapids, Robbinsville, Rocky Mount, Rocky Mount Prep, Rocky River, Smoky Mountain, South Granville, South Lenoir, South Point, Southeast Guilford, Southeast Raleigh, Southern Durham, Southern Wayne, Southwestern Randolph, Statesville, T.W. Andrews (2), T.C. Roberson, Tuscola, Wake Forest, Weddington, West Charlotte, West Mecklenburg (2), Western Guilford (3), Wilkes Central, Woods Charter.

- Approved ejection report as distributed (motion by Butler, second by Shotwell, approved 19-0).
- 3. Recommend use of drones be prohibited within the confines of stadiums, fields and arenas during NCHSAA contests. This policy includes the restricted playing area of the venue but also the physical confines of the entire stadium/field/arena structure (motion by Butler, second by Craddock, approved 19-0).
- 4. Recommend addition in Handbook that schools should have a plan in place to ensure a safe exit for officials in all sports to a secure area (motion by Butler, second by Baldwin, approved 19-0).
- 5. Tabled establishing an appeals process for persons with felony convictions who want to participate in officiating program
- 6. Establish protocol for weather delays; staff will develop best practice information to be shared at regional meetings, etc., to define role of game administrators, etc. Discussion noted that game administrators are responsible with weather calls.
- 7. Recommend Steve McNeill as regional supervisor for Triangle Football Officials Association (motion by Butler, second by Sawyer, approved 19-0).
- 8. Recommend Roy Turner as regional supervisor for Eastern Basketball Officials Association (motion by Butler, second by Poletti, approved 19-0).
- 9. Recommend Jack Embry and Tim Sappenfield regional supervisors for the Central Wrestling Officials Association, as it will be split since it is so large (motion by Butler, second by Craddock, approved 19-0).
- 10. Reviewed eligibility sanctions as found in the Handbook, no action.
- 11. Approve protocol to utilize available video for game/post game sanctions in accordance with the NCHSAA ejection policy; it will be used to review to sanction players or teams for leaving the bench (motion by Butler, second by Black, approved 19-0).
- 12. Student services—discussion of programs offered, etc.
- 13. NFHS Fundamentals of Coaching certification update—since May 1, 2012, 13,623 coaches in the state have received national certification. North Carolina is seventh nationally with

466 Accredited Interscholastic Athletic Coaches and the state is first nationally with 61 Certified Interscholastic Coaches.

Committee discussed Bridge To Sports and potential NCHSAA impact.

**SPORTS COMMITTEE:** Dwayne Stallings presented his report after thanking committee members:

- Approved request to change wording on previously approved recommendation; recommend allowing 10 days of unlimited number skill development in football to begin 10 days prior to the start of exam period (state mandated final exams) for each school, excluding Memorial Day; due to timing of the recommendation, schools will have the flexibility to keep their prior plans for football skill development session based on approved recommendation during December 2014 meeting (motion by Stallings, second by Butler, approved 17-2).
- 2. Did not move out of committee to have option to go back to previous skill development rule.
- 3. Recommend keeping qualifiers to state men's golf starting next year at 84 per classification, 60 team golfers and 24 golfers not on one of top three teams qualifying (motion by Stallings, second by Hays, approved 19-0).
- 4. Add men's and women's golf to required sports for head coaches to attend NCHSAA rules clinics in accordance with rule 2.2.7(d) (motion by Stallings, second by Hays, approved 19-0).
- 5. Recommend late entry deadlines be moved to 3 pm on a weekday, corresponding with end of school day (motion by Stallings, second by Shotwell, approved 19-0).
- 6. Adopt standards for facilities hosting NCHSAA playoffs in all sports, including must be safe and protective of well being of participants and spectators; must have seating for participants and spectators, with one-third of the seating reserved for visiting spectators (sports other than football, which has its own seating requirements); must satisfy Americans with Disabilities Act requirements, have restroom facilities, have a means for teams and game officials to dress, conducive to charging admission, and be able to show upon request that lighting meets the NCHSAA minimum standards (motion by Stallings, second by Hays, approved 18-0).
- 7. Recommend increasing state championship medal distribution to champions and runners-up in selected sports, after being reviewed by special awards committee (motion by Stallings, second by Gentry, approved 18-0).
- 8. Corrected swimming qualifying deadline should be January 30, 2016.
- 9. Regional basketball format—fourth round (regional semifinals) will be at home of the higher seed; if there is indication the school doesn't have adequate seating, NCHSAA would help find site; then the regional finals at a neutral site. Several large high schools have indicated willingness to host games in this regard. Effective for 2015-16 season. (motion by Stallings, second by Hays, approved 19-0).
- 10. Change in basketball skill development did not move out of committee.
- 11. Changes in basketball playoff qualification did not move out of committee, including using MaxPreps rankings for seeding.
- 12. Approved several Handbook adjustments
  - See handout for items for clarification in 4.5.1, 4.5.4, 4.11.1, 4.13.1, 4.14.2, and definitions of unattached and unaffiliated (motion by Stallings, second by Poletti, approved 18-0 with one abstention).
- 13. Recommend head cheerleading coaches take American Association of Cheerleading Coaches and Administrators Spirit Safety Course by August 1, 2016 (motion by Stallings, second by George, approved 18-0).
- 14. Recommend approval that each head pole vault coach must take and pass the NFHS Coaching Pole Vault course for 2015-16 school year (motion by Stallings, second by Poletti, approved 18-0).
- 15. Require all NCHSAA member schools to have a Cardiac Safety Program with three specific components; an appropriate number of AEDs on campus, AED maintenance program, required viewing of short AED/CPR video for all supervising adults, including teachers, coaches and administrators (motion by Stallings, second by Hays, approved 18-0).
- 16. Football contact limitations: to limit regular season and postseason football practice to maximum of 60 minutes of live action contact per group, per week; contact at game speed where players execute full tackles at a competitive pace, taking players to the ground, effective August 1, 2015 (motion by Stallings, second by George, approved 18-1).

- 17. Recommend that during preseason football practice, the two hour practice session of any double-practice day cannot include full contact, including "thudding." (motion by Stallings, second by Poletti, approved 19-0).
- 18. Miscellaneous items—consider seeding for dual team tennis and wrestling with discussion at regional meeting; SMAC will provide updated slides for eligibility power point for sports medicine; schools will be encourage to optimize required Emergency Action Plan, consider neutral site for dual team wrestling championship.
- 19. Did not move out of committee request to maintain the 365-day requirement for physical examination, but to provide a one-month grace period to help comply with insurance requirements.

### POLICY COMMITTEE: Carla Black thanked her committee and presented the report:

- 1. Review transfer waiver policy when it involves NCSSM, because all of its students are really transfers from other schools; will go back to the school on how to deal best with this since their situation is unique and work on solution.
- 2. No recommendation on creating universal documentation process for wait listing for charter schools and how that would weigh in to the transfer policy, but authorized staff to investigate this; also discussed how best to process transfer waivers during summer months.
- 3. Adjust language in each sports section of Handbook regarding playoff entries, deleting "directors may call..." from each section to comport with change made in December Board meeting (motion by Black, second by Green, approved 19-0).
- 4. Recommend approval of specific Handbook language to address TWC live coverage which is now allowed with NCHSAA Game of the Week and member school obligations in this regard (motion by Black, second by Baldwin, approved
- Recommend modification of rule 1.1.9.c to require declaration be made at beginning of year for residency purposes, addressing those student-athletes with no custody order (changing the provision about the "majority of nights" as it is written now) (motion by Black, second by Poletti, approved 19-0).
- 6. Tabled recommendation for school applying for NCHSAA membership to have at least two grades to be able to apply.
- 7. Add social media position statement in sportsmanship section of the Handbook as indicated:

### **NCHSAA Social Media Policy Statement:**

The NCHSAA recognizes, encourages and supports its student-athletes', coaches' and officials' rights to freedom of speech, expression and association, including the use of social media. Social media applies, without limitation, to any web-based and mobile technologies, in use now or developed in the future, that enables individuals or entities to disseminate or receive information, communicate, or otherwise interact. The Association believes that student-athletes, coaches, and officials are role models, and their use of social media should conform to standards consistent with sportsmanlike conduct. Please remember that everything you post is public information, and derogatory, defamatory and otherwise inappropriate social media commentary may result in the imposition of penalties. (motion by Black, second by Sawyer, approved 19-0).

- 8. Approving adding specific appendices to Handbook, regarding sanctioning, ticket prices for postseason, scheduling and split conference applications (motion by Black, second by George, approved 19-0).
- 9. Approved correcting dates for submission of preseason certification to September 1, December 1 and March 15 (motion by Black, second by Gentry, approved 19-0).
- 10. Handbook additions:
  - a. Add 2.6.3 to the Penalties and Fines section (motion by Black, second by Poletti, approved 19-0).
  - b. Add additional violations under 3.2.2.d regarding use of an ineligible player, including "violation of transfer policy" and "does not meet eight-quarter eligibility criteria" (motion by Black, second by Craddock, approved 19-0).
- 11. Review and approval of Consent for Participation Form as provided, to indicate awareness of responsibility, injury, illness and use of image and likeness (motion by Black, second by George, approved 19-0).
- 12. Approved 2015-16 Non-Athletic Calendar (motion by Black, second by Craddock, approved 19-0).

**FINANCE AND PERSONNEL COMMITTEE**: Davis Whitfield presented on behalf of the committee, recognized members of the committee and made this report:

- 1. Add language to reflect UPMIFA in NCHSAA investment policy (motion from committee, second by Green, approved 19-0).
- 2. Distribution recommended for funds for NCHSAA scholarship which will be made for first time at 2015 Annual Meeting; \$750 per regional winner, and an additional \$1000 for each of two overall state winners (motion from committee, second by Black, approved 19-0).
- 3. Disadvantaged schools funding; review and approve allocation of a portion of interest generated by General Association Investment Funds towards assisting member high schools based on predetermined formula. Committee recommends allocating 60% of interest earned from those funds and using version 2 of the models for method of distribution (motion by committee, second by Craddock, approved 19-0).
- 4. Reviewed Time Warner Cable contract, which is for four years with a sliding rights fee scale and incentives to schools participating in televised games.
- 5. Fee structures for all money managers were reviewed.
- 6. Discussed Heads Up Grant with money coming from the Carolina Panthers and how money will be provided to schools for reimbursements for participating in this program.
- 7. Recommend approval of budget resolution document as presented, to allow NCHSAA to continue to operate appropriately until budget is officially approved (motion from committee, second by Baldwin, approved 19-0).
- 8. 2014-15 budget review—football revenues down, sponsorship dollars down slightly, other fall sports and cheerleading revenues are higher than budgeted.
- 9. Discussed sports comparison report in committee; volleyball championship attendance was the highest since 2004-05; cross country finals attendance down by 400 and NCHSAA revenue down; men's soccer up slightly for revenue and attendance; winter sports incomplete but preliminary report on wrestling indicates up 40% in attendance.
- 10. Heard investment updates. Committee recommends approval of investing \$453,247.15 with SEI. (motion from committee, second by Poletti, approved 19-0).
- 11. NCHSAA corporate partners program relative to local school contract conflicts and funding; NCHSAA is reviewing potential impact when member schools voluntarily decline participation in NCHSAA sponsored programs.
- 12. Entertainment sales tax fee; by General Statute, exemption on sales tax for NCHSAA championship events expired on December 31, 2014; NCHSAA will assume sales tax on admission tickets for championships.
- 13. Discussion on insurance policies, the key personnel life insurance policies taken on Board and staff members in 1993.
- 14. Contract with Carolyn Shannonhouse as independent contractor in role as cheerleading invitational consultant (motion from committee, second by Poletti, approved 19-0).
- 15. Recommend adjustment in line item budget for wages for Interim Commissioner to be able to reorganize duties if necessary; line item will still be lower next year than the current year (motion from committee, second by Poletti, approved 19-0).
- 16. Recommend moving Michael Niver to Assistant to Business and Championships and hiring part time employees to serve in receptionist role (motion by committee, second by George, approved 19-0).
- 17. Juli Kidd was hired as director of systems administration—website and video development on April 1.
- 18. Que Tucker has been appointed interim commissioner effective June 1, 2015.
- 19. Committee recommends hiring a part time Sports Medicine Director with salary of \$25,000 plus travel to help schools in the areas of health and safety (motion from committee, second by George, approved 19-0).
- 20. Recommend staff raises as outlined by commissioner (motion from committee, second by Poletti, approved 19-0).

STATE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION: Burt Jenkins reported to the Board from DPI.

He talked about the new policy regarding athletic trainers, but it was first enacted in 1986. This relates to either a licensed athletic trainer or first responder and duties for the first responder. New to the policy is that the first responder must have completed and continue to maintain training in concussion management as offered by an organization such as the NFHS, and have completed and continue to maintain continuing education in injury prevention and management.

First responder must now complete 10 hours of staff development each school year specific to first aid, injury recognition and prevention. This person must not have concurrent coaching responsibilities during the time the person is working as a licensed athletic trainer or first responder.

Now each school district will monitor school athletic trainer/first responder compliance with this policy. LEAs **shall work toward** having a licensed athletic trainer or first responder available for all school practices and games of all sports at both the high school and middle school.

The State Board of Education is still working on the penalty phase, which the NCHSAA Board has discussed already, for Gfeller-Waller non compliance.

Next he discussed proposed legislation, starting with HB 162 on Sudden Cardiac Arrest. There would be an information sheet for sudden cardiac arrest that the parents would have to sign, as well as a student having to complete a heart history questionnaire as part of the pre participation physical. It would also include coaches having CPR certification. This, if passed, would start with the 2016-17 academic year.

HB 768 is a Health Stroke Prevention bill but it has been withdrawn at this point.

**NORTH CAROLINA COACHES ASSOCIATION**: Joe Franks thanked the NCHSAA for the opportunity to serve on the Board and he brought greetings from former Board member Mac Morris as well.

He noted that the Board is all about relationships that work toward what is best for student-athletes, and Joe said in many ways that is the goal of the NCCA as well. He highlighted the relationship among the NCCA, the North Carolina Athletic Directors Association and the NCHSAA, which is extremely rare across the country.

The NCCA has first responder training available at the coaches' clinic. This year there will also be CPR training available.

**From The Gym To the Jury** is a great service and resource provided by the NCCA to its members, and he said this is something that would be very beneficial for schools to check.

The NCCA Clinic will be July 20-23 in Greensboro.

## **REGIONAL SUPERVISORS/OFFICIALS:** Roger Morton addressed the Board.

He did indicate that this spring had, in fact, been the worst spring he has seen in terms of weather and its effect on contests. It not only didn't give student-athletes a chance to prepare for the season, but also for officials as well.

He noted that there were 425 contests cancelled in his region alone this spring, including baseball, softball, women's soccer and lacrosse. The week of April 13 was the first week schools were able to actually practice and play.

Roger thanked Davis for the job he has done as commissioner, and Roger knew him when he was working at the University of North Carolina.

**NORTH CAROLINA ATHLETIC DIRECTORS ASSOCIATION**: Rex Wells made the presentation on behalf of his organization and gave greetings from executive director Jerry McGee, who has been in that role since 1992 and is being inducted into the North Carolina Sports Hall of Fame.

The 2015 conference was held at the Hilton Riverside in Wilmington from March 29-April 1, with 201 athletic directors there with 118 taking seven different LTCs. He highlighted some of the other activities during the conference. Sheila Boles, Bob Dailey and Bobby Guthrie were inducted into the NCADA Hall of Fame.

In terms of national recognition, Bobby Guthrie was inducted into the NIAAA Hall of Fame, Angie Miller earned the NIAAA Distinguished Service Award and David Ball the NFHS Citation. Tommy Peacock of Rose was the 2015 NCADA Athletic Director of the Year. The NCADA Lifetime Achievement Award went to Scott Barringer of Cabarrus County.

Jeff Morris of Gray Stone Day will be replacing Rex as the NCADA representative on the Board.

The Board then adjourned at 10:28 am, with lunch to follow and then the commissioner met with the media representatives on hand.

Respectfully submitted,

Rick Strunk Associate Commissioner

### NORTH CAROLINA HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS WINTER MEETING Wednesday, December 2, 2015

The winter meeting of the North Carolina High School Athletic Association Board of Directors was called to order by President Maurice Green at 8:30 a.m. at the Simon F. Terrell Building in Chapel Hill. Members in attendance included Bill Miller, Carla Black, Ron Butler, Tony Baldwin, Joe Poletti, M.D. Guthrie, Brad Craddock, Sandy George, Paul Hoggard, Rodney Shotwell, David Gentry, Reggie Peace, Marc Whichard, Patty Evers, Darrin Hartness, Sherry Hoyle, Ronnie Mendenhall and Scarlett Steinert.

Affiliate members included Roger Morton of the Piedmont Officials Association, representing regional supervisors and officials, Burt Jenkins of the North Carolina Department of Public Instruction, Joe Franks of the North Carolina Coaches Association, Wendell Hall representing the North Carolina School Boards Association, and Rex Wells representing the North Carolina High School Athletic Directors Association.

NCHSAA staff in attendance included Que Tucker, Rick Strunk, Mark Dreibelbis, Karen DeHart, Whitney Frye, Tra Waters, Brad Alford, Juli Kidd and Chiquana Dancy.

# CONSENT AGENDA NORTH CAROLINA HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION 2015 BOARD OF DIRECTORS WINTER MEETING

(Cases handled since April 1, 2015 and before November 1, 2015)

- 1. **CENTRAL CABARRUS:** Denied waiver of scholastic requirements for Sierra Post, lacking appropriate medical documentation.
- 2. **OLYMPIC:** Denied waiver of eight-semester rule for Shaun Christian Khan Anastascio, lacking appropriate medical documentation of any sort.
- 3. **SWANSBORO:** Approved waiver of residence rule for Isaiah Bailey, based on appropriate documentation for McKinney-Vento status.
- 4. **WAKEFIELD:** Approved waiver of scholastic requirements for Dennis Harris, based on appropriate medical documentation for medical withdrawal from school.
- 5. **SOUTH IREDELL:** Denied waiver of eight semester rule for Seth Johnson, lacking appropriate medical documentation.
- 6. **BURNS:** Approved waiver of residence rule for Shamari Wilson, based on appropriate documentation for military deployment of single parent.
- 7. **BURNS:** Approved waiver of residence rule for Tristan Lattimore-Beacton, based on appropriate documentation for military deployment of single parent.
- 8. **WAKE FOREST**: Approved waiver of scholastic rule for Jaquan Jackson, based on appropriate medical documentation for medically necessary reduced academic load.
- 9. **WAKE FOREST**: Approved waiver of scholastic rule for Kimberly Marie Couchois, based on appropriate medical documentation for medically necessary reduced academic load.
- 10. **CROATAN**: Denied waiver for eight-semester rule for Bradley Rollins, lacking appropriate medical documentation.
- 11. Received notification that Christ The King High School is withdrawing from the NCHSAA effective August 17, 2015.
- 12. **LEJEUNE**: Denied waiver of graduation requirement for Marin Bros, who had already graduated from a high school in France before enrolling at Lejeune.
- 13. **R.J. REYNOLDS:** Denied waiver of residence rule for Taekwan Frankllin, lacking appropriate documentation.
- 14. **R.J. REYNOLDS:** Denied waiver of eight-semester rule for Ajian Jones, lacking appropriate medical documentation.
- 15. **HOBBTON:** Denied waiver of eight-semester rule for Houston O'Neal Bouchard, lacking appropriate documentation.
- 16. **NORTHERN GUILFORD:** Approved waiver of scholastic rule for Tyshawn Reese, based on appropriate medical documentation.
- 17. **WESTERN GUILFORD:** Approved waiver of residence rule for Jeuawn Lee Granger, based on appropriate documentation for emancipation.
- 18. **NORTH LINCOLN:** Approved waiver of residence rule for Lashoin Martin, based on appropriate documentation for McKinney-Vento status.

- 19. **FRED T. FOARD:** Approved waiver of residence rule for Quantavius Wilson, based on appropriate documentation for McKinney-Vento status.
- 20. **EAST GASTON**: Approved waiver of residence rule for Robert Washington Jr., based on documentation for emancipation.
- 21. **BUNN**: Approved waiver of residence rule for Sa'Veyon Alston, based on appropriate documentation for McKinney-Vento status.
- 22. **SOUTH LENOIR**: waiver of residence rule for Desmond Moore, based on appropriate documentation for emancipation was not acted on, awaiting additional information
- 23. **SOUTHERN GUILFORD**: Approved waiver of residence rule for Bruce Knox, based on appropriate documentation for McKinney-Vento status.
- 24. Received completed membership application and \$1000 application fee from Carolina International School, to join for 2016-17 academic year.
- 25. Received approval from the Smoky Mountain Conference to admit Tri-County Early College to join the conference beginning with the 2016-17 school year. Vote was unanimous. Since the school will be fielding teams in cross country, track, golf, swimming, and soccer, it would be included in the SMC, which would make it one 12-team league. These sports are not divided into Big and Little Smoky.
- 26. Received notification from the North Carolina Leadership Academy that it was rescinding its application to the NCHSAA, which had previously been approved by the Board and then the school asked to defer joining for one year. The school indicated it may reapply at a later date.
- 27. Received application for membership and \$1000 application fee from Bradford Preparatory School in Charlotte.
- 28. **EAST MONTGOMERY**: Denied waiver of residence rule for Nartika Hinson, lacking appropriate documentation.
- 29. Received application for membership and \$1000 application fee from Falls Lake Academy in Creedmoor.

Motion to approve consent agenda items (motion by Mendenhall, second by Poletti, approved 19-0). Motion to approve minutes of last Board meeting and the Annual Meeting (motion by Mendenhall, second by Black, approved 19-0).

**COMMISSIONER'S REPORT**: Que Tucker addressed the Board and had a couple of items for discussion as well as some general comments.

Que indicated that the school year thus far had been a good one, with only a few issues, including a large number of transfers that sometimes upset people, including legislators. But those right now seem to have been resolved satisfactorily. Playoffs have gone well, with only football remaining for the fall sports as well as the cheerleading invitational.

Mandy Lance will transition out of her role as insurance administrator at the end of this academic year, while Carolyn Shannonhouse is working with the staff in terms of running the cheerleading championships. Ken Brown has been hired as the NCHSAA part-time health and safety consultant.

She also noted that Rick Strunk will be retiring from the NCHSAA at the end of December, and she asked Rick to address the Board.

Que then addressed a couple of realignment items and the Board referred to handouts about those issues. There will be discussion later in the day.

The Board then moved into its committee work.

**FINANCE AND PERSONNEL**: chairperson Rodney Shotwell, vice-chair Tony Baldwin, Carla Black, Ron Butler, Bill Miller, staff advisors Que Tucker and Karen DeHart;

**POLICY:** chairperson M.D. Guthrie, vice-chair Paul Hoggard, Sherry Hoyle, Reggie Peace, Marc Whichard, Burt Jenkins, staff advisors Whitney Frye and Brad Alford;

**REVIEW/ OFFICIATING/STUDENT SERVICES**: chairperson Sandy George, vice-chair David Gentry, Ronnie Mendenhall, Scarlett Steinert, Roger Morton, Wendell Hall, staff advisor Mark Dreibelbis;

**SPORTS:** chairperson Joe Poletti, vice-chair Brad Craddock, Patty Evers, Darren Hartness, Jeff Morris, Joe Franks, staff advisors Mark Dreibelbis, Chiquana Dancy and Tra Waters.

The Board later heard lengthy committee reports on agenda items.

**AUDIT REPORT**: The Board heard a report from Blackman and Sloop. Rob Lewis presented to the board.

He outlined the role of the auditors and part of the required communications that they have to make to the Board. He noted that one major change in the report was the change in the evaluation of property, due to the renovations made on the building. Net assets have grown steadily over the last several years. Endowment net assets have also grown.

Rob noted that administrative costs hover at about the 15% level, which is great for a non-profit, and 80% of the expenses are for program, which directly benefit the schools (year-end payments, team expenses, etc.). He said that he believes the NCHSAA is in excellent shape, and the suggestions for improvements are those that he says he often finds with non-profits, especially with limited accounting staff.

After lunch, then the Board heard committee reports and discussion.

**SPECIAL REPORT:** Roger Morton made the special report for regional supervisors and officials because his travel schedule means he will have to miss Thursday's meeting. He explained some of the training and requirements that NCHSAA officials have to do. He said he thought the Board could come up with answers for difficult questions that we are facing.

"There is no greater honor than to be called an educator," he said.

**REALIGNMENT APPEAL ISSUES:** The Board had received requests from Cardinal Gibbons and Hickory High Schools for consideration, for Cardinal Gibbons to play 4-A (Gibbons is currently 4-A) and Hickory asking to play down from 3-A to 2-A, as it was the smallest 3-A asking to go down to 2-A. The Board reviewed the information provided by the schools.

The Board does have the authority to place schools in classification.

Motion to allow Gibbons to play to 4-A as per their request and allowed by Board action based on other factors (motion by Shotwell, second by Guthrie), approved 15-4.

Motion to deny Hickory request to play down to 2-A (motion by Shotwell, second by Craddock, approved 19-0).

### NORTH CAROLINA HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS WINTER MEETING Thursday, December 3, 2015

The winter meeting of the North Carolina High School Athletic Association Board of Directors was called to order by President Maurice Green at 9 a.m. at the Simon F. Terrell Building in Chapel Hill. Members in attendance included Bill Miller, Ron Butler, Tony Baldwin, Joe Poletti, M.D. Guthrie, Brad Craddock, Sandy George, Paul Hoggard, Rodney Shotwell, David Gentry, Reggie Peace, Marc Whichard, Patty Evers, Darrin Hartness, Sherry Hoyle, and Scarlett Steinert. Carla Black and Ronnie Mendenhall were absent.

Affiliate members included Burt Jenkins of the North Carolina Department of Public Instruction, Joe Franks of the North Carolina Coaches Association, Wendell Hall representing the North Carolina School Boards Association, and Jeff Morris of the North Carolina High School Athletic Directors Association. Roger Morton was absent.

NCHSAA staff in attendance included Que Tucker, Rick Strunk, Mark Dreibelbis, Karen DeHart, Whitney Frye, Tra Waters, Brad Alford, Patrick Stephenson, Juli Kidd, Ken Brown and Chiquana Dancy.

Media members in attendance included Earl Vaughan of the Fayetteville Observer, C. Mike Blake of the Raleigh News and Observer, Conor O'Neill of the Burlington Times-News, and Nick Stevens of HighSchoolOT.com.

**SPECIAL REPORTS: STUDENT-ATHLETE ADVISORY COUNCIL:** Tommy Johnson from Woods Charter and Justin Sauer of Millbrook presented on behalf of this group.

It was noted that members of SAAC have taken the NFHS course on coaching unified sports programs and they continue to work in the unified sports area. Work is being done on the upcoming Student Leadership Conference on April 16, and each SAAC member is working on his or her individual service project in their respective areas of the state. A pledge card was issued to Board members to encourage them to secure students from their regions to attend the conference.

Council members are also assisting at a variety of state championships.

#### **SPECIAL REPORTS:**

**COMMISSIONER'S REPORT:** Que Tucker first presented information about the live regular season football games produced by Time Warner Cable that debuted this fall. Tucker noted that TWC understands and shares the mission and values of the NCHSAA, which makes the partnership extremely positive, and she shared a PowerPoint that TWC had provided.

She thanked Board members who have made contributions to the NCHSAA Endowment fund. President Mo Green also thanked Rick Strunk for his service to the NCHSAA.

**STATE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION**: Burt Jenkins reported to the Board from DPI. He said the relationship between the State Board of Education and the NCHSAA is the best it has been in the last several years.

Burt gave an update on proposed legislation that could have an impact on athletics, including a bill to allow home school students to participate in high school athletics, which did not get out of committee. He also talked about "credit recovery" and how it might affect athletic eligibility.

He also noted that the State Board of Education is considering allowing sixth graders to participate in middle school athletics. Burt said he was working with Ken Brown of the NCHSAA on several health and safety issues, including a notice in PowerSchools that could provide a medical alert for all students (not just athletes) that suffer a concussion.

**NORTH CAROLINA SCHOOL BOARDS ASSOCIATION:** Wendell Hall addressed the Board on behalf on his organization. He thanked the Board for the opportunity to represent this segment of the 115 LEAs and brought greetings from his association.

The NCSBA had its conference last month in Greensboro with over 500 in attendance for workshops and special speakers. The new president of the NCSBA is Dr. Roberta Scott of Warren County, Dr. Christine Finch will be representing the organization to the State Board of Education.

He noted a couple of court cases did not go the way the NCSBA would have liked but the organization is moving forward. Hall noted that "public schools are great schools and we are working hard to make them better."

**NORTH CAROLINA COACHES ASSOCIATION**: Joe Franks thanked the NCHSAA for the opportunity to serve. He once again highlighted the great working relationship among the NCHSAA, the NCCA and the state athletic directors' association. He also highlighted NOCAD (National Organization of Coaches Association Directors), which has North Carolina's Phil Weaver as its director, all of which fits into the idea of the "national model."

The coaching clinic is scheduled for July 18-21, 2016 in Greensboro, part of the NCCA's mission for continuing professional education. There are currently more than 1,800 associate members of the association who are non-faculty coaches, etc., a number that has grown dramatically over the last several years as the number of those coaches in that category grows.

He also highlighted the all-star games that the NCCA puts on.

**NORTH CAROLINA ATHLETIC DIRECTORS ASSOCIATION**: Jeff Morris made the presentation on behalf of his organization and gave greetings from executive director Jerry McGee, who has been in that role since 1992.

The 46<sup>th</sup> national athletic directors conference is scheduled for Orlando from December 11-15, 2015, and Morris noted it was one of the best professional development opportunities available for athletic directors. The Grove Park Inn in Asheville will be the site of the state NCADA conference March 19-22, 2016.

There are now 41 Leadership Training Courses that AD's are able to take affiliated with the National Interscholastic Athletic Administrators Association (NIAAA). Jeff also talked about the certification process for athletic directors, including CAA (Certified Athletic Administrator), or CMAA (Certified Master Athletic Administrator).

Jeff noted that the organization is now looking at a succession plan for Jerry McGee, who has noted that his health issues are making it difficult for him to fulfill his role as executive director of the organization at the level he wishes to do it.

**REVIEW/OFFICIATING/STUDENT SERVICES COMMITTEE**: Sandy George made the presentation for her committee after thanking committee members:

- Approved the incident/penalty report as follows:
   Unpaid fines as of the report included Apex, East Gaston, Grey Stone Day, Northern Nash,
   Northwest Guilford (2), Pinecrest (2), Providence and Purnell Swett;
   Other violations and fines paid include the following:
   Asheville, Bandys, Ben Smith, Bunker Hill, Butler, Carver (2), Central Cabarrus, Clayton, Clinton,
   Corinth Holders, Currituck (2), D.H. Conley (2), Davie, Eastern Wayne, Fuquay-Varina, Garner,
   graham, Holmes, Kinston, Leesville Road, Lincoln Charter, Maiden, New Bern, New Hanover,
   Northside (Pinetown), Northside (Jacksonville), Northwood, parkland, Pine Lake Prep, Princeton,
   Providence Grove, Reidsville, Rolesville, Scotland County, Smithfield-Selma, Southeast Guilford,
   Southern Alamance, Southwest Onslow, Stuart Cramer, Thomas Jefferson (2), Thomasville (2),
   West Bladen, West Carteret, West Lincoln, West Stanly, Whiteville.
   (motion by committee, approved 17-0).
- 2. Approval of ejection report: total number is down by 52, all categories down except for flagrant contact and leaving bench; total to date is 329, with 118 for fighting (motion by committee, approved 17-0).
- 3. Recommend increasing NCHSAA annual registration fee for officials by six dollars per sport; has not been increased in 11 years and will help to cover first class mailings of rule books and help with move to ArbiterSports registration data base. Effective date May 15, 2016. (motion by committee, approved 17-0).
- 4. Recommendation of certificate of relief for review as appeal process for suspended officials, effective January 1, 2016, is moved to table (approved 17-0).
- 5. Recommend approval of regional supervisors, based on recommendations from various search committees in each of these instan

Keith Shields—Northwest (baseball); Mike Tester—Northwest (softball); Mike Parnell—Cape Fear (baseball); Billy Sebrell—Cape Fear (softball); Michael Nye—Jacksonville (baseball); Roy Turner—Eastern (basketball); Jack Embree—East Central (wrestling); Tim Sappenfield—West Central (wrestling). Motion by committee, approved 17-0).

- 6. Lightning policy and pregame protocol—discussion only; concern from Sports Medicine Advisory Committee in regards to consistent implementation of NFHS Lightning Policy. Will be discussed with regional supervisors and at state athletic directors' conference.
- 7. Student services program was discussed. The Student Leadership Conference is scheduled for April 16, 2016 at Doubletree Hotel in Cary; fall Coach and Captain retreat had 133 attendees from 19 schools; DREAM Team trainings; Wilkes County Coaches Workshop; members of SAAC attending NFHS Student Leadership Conference in Indianapolis; SASI held at five locations, including East Carolina, Pembroke, UNC-Asheville, Mount Olive and Elon.

**SPORTS COMMITTEE:** Joe Poletti presented his report after thanking committee members:

- 1.Recommend approval of 2016-17 sports calendar as presented (motion from committee, approved 17-0).
- 2. Recommend that 10-day skill development period for football be allowed to start after spring sports regular season play and end prior to the exam dead period for each individual school/LEA, providing more flexibility to schools. Effective for spring of 2016 (motion from committee, approved 17-0).
- 3. Recommended to allow two certified coaches to coach at regional and state competition (motion by committee, approved 17-0).
- 4. Recommend allowing a conference, if desired, to cap the third game of the junior varsity volleyball match at 15 points instead of 25 (motion from committee, approved 17-0).
- 5. Approve requiring two licensed athletic trainers or certified first responders to be in attendance at all summer seven-on-seven football contests that have three or more teams in attendance (motion from committee, approved 17-0).
- 6. Recommend that the eight quarter rule may be used only once per week, inclusive of postponements, for junior varsity players, and charged staff to explore alternatives and possible changes to the eight-quarter rule in general (motion from committee, approved 17-0)
- 7. Proposal to allow current basketball guidelines for skill development be amended from four players per session to eight players per day with two hour limit; lengthy discussion ensued. Committee has tabled to spring and has charged staff to look at skill development models that would apply to all sports.

- 8. Committee tabled proposal from basketball coaches association to include the use of the MaxPreps rankings to seed team within each of the tiers (number ones, twos, etc.) rather than using overall winning percentage—tabled by committee and this year will be looked at to see how this might have effected seeding for this season
- 9. Committee tabled proposal to adopt same qualifying standard for women's golf across all classifications; currently 4-A regional qualifying scores are lower than other three and staff will do additional research.
- 10. Proposal from basketball coaches association to change playoff format, with Final Four format for Saturday and Sunday did not make it out of committee because of logistics
- 11. Proposal from golf coaches association to recognize 1-A champion in women's golf, even though the tournament was not classified 1-A and 2-A separately, did not make it out of committee; concern that it doesn't match with current by law. In addition, proposal for conference champion to advance to golf playoffs did not make it out of committee.
- 12. Proposal to allow football coaches to transport players to combines and/or work at combines if their own players are participating did not make it out of committee.
- 13. Proposal on not allowing football equipment to be worn during skill development sessions did not make it out of committee.

#### POLICY COMMITTEE: M.D. Guthrie thanked his committee and presented the report:

- 1. Recommended no change in 2.1.3(d) regarding transgender student participation; DPI may provide some assistance in terms of information around this topic.
- 2. Recommended 2.3.13(a) relative to member school's participation in national events after conclusion of NCHSAA season; committee tabled and a special committee will look further at this.
  - 3. Did not recommend modifying participation rules for students enrolled in full time EC programs.
- 4. Recommended adjusting language in 2.3.19(g) in Handbook currently on page 35 to read "live regular season telecasts of NCHSAA football and basketball games are prohibited" (motion from committee, approved 17-0).
- 5. Recommendation for change in 2.5.3 (a) relative to Wet Bulb Globe Temperature will be tabled until spring and staff will work with SMAC to get specific language.
- 6. Approved recommended language relative to physicals in rule 1.1.8: "in order to be eligible for practice or participation in interscholastic athletic contests, a player must receive a medical examination once every **395** days by a physician licensed to practice medicine, nurse practitioner or physician assistant and be cleared to play."

This provides additional time period to allow student to procure physical and could help with insurance regulations. (motion by committee, approved 16-1).

- 7. Discussion on signature requirements and dates for Gfeller-Waller forms but no changed.
- 8. Discussion about what constitutes a quorum and the definition: current rule reads "Members of the Board of Directors constitute a quorum." Counsel will research and it could eventually require membership vote if by law is changed.
  - 9. Committee noted information on transfer waiver policy and numbers.

## **FINANCE AND PERSONNEL COMMITTEE**: Rodney Shotwell recognized members of the committee and made this report:

- 1. Recommend approval 2015-16 action budget, with \$4,223,526 in revenue budgets and \$4,218,921 in expenses (motion from committee, approved 17-0).
- 2. Recommend approval 2014-15 audit presented by Blackman and Sloop (motion from committee, approved 17-0).
  - 3. Reviewed sports comparisons from year to year.
  - 4. Received investment summary update.
- 5. Noted that total funds distributed to member high schools included \$1,446,622.02 distributed in 2014-15. The average since 2010 returned to NCHSAA membership has been \$1.1 million annually.
- 6. Recommended approval of provision of minimum stipend in the amount of \$500 each to schools hosting live football (including season just completed) and \$350 each to schools hosting live basketball games televised by Time Warner Cable SportsChannel (motion from committee, approved 17-0).

- 7. Approved authorization by Board of Directors for representative of NCHSAA to negotiate for and contractually bind agency to a funding request to town of Chapel Hill, and also approved submission of funding request application from NCHSAA to town of Chapel Hill for 2016-17 (motion from committee, approved 17-0).
  - 8. Discussed strategic plan and possible future updates.
- 9. Recommended that Que Tucker be named the permanent commissioner of the NCHSAA with a four-year contract, effective upon execution of said contract (motion by Shotwell, second by Poletti, approved 16-1).

President Green said this was a "significant day in the life of the NCHSAA" and that Que is well respected across the state and he looks forward to "leadership to be provided by Que for years to come."

Que expressed her appreciation to the Board and the confidence the Board is showing in her leadership and ability.

The Board then adjourned at 11:10 am, with lunch to follow, and then the commissioner met with the media representatives on hand.

Respectfully submitted,

Rick Strunk Associate Commissioner

### North Carolina High School Athletic Association Board of Directors Spring Meeting Tuesday, May 3, 2016

The Spring Meeting of the North Carolina High School Athletic Association Board of Directors was called to order by President Rodney Shotwell at 8:03 a.m. at the Simon F. Terrell Building in Chapel Hill. Members in attendance include Bill Miller (Past President), Tony Baldwin, Carla Black, Ron Butler, Brad Craddock, Patty Evers, Joe Poletti, David Gentry, Sandy George, M.D. Guthrie, Darrin Hartness, Paul Hoggard, Reggie Peace, Scarlett Steinert and Marc Whichard.

Affiliate representatives included Roger Morton of the Piedmont Officials Association, representing regional supervisors and officials, Burt Jenkins of the North Carolina Department of Public Instruction, Joe Franks of the North Carolina Coaches Association, Jeff Morris of the North Carolina High School Athletic Directors Association, and Wendell Hall of the North Carolina School Boards Association.

NCHSAA staff in attendance included Que Tucker, Mark Dreibelbis, Karen DeHart, Whitney Frye, Tra Waters, Brad Alford, Chiquana Dancy and James Alverson.

The minutes from the previous meeting Board meeting were approved (motion by Joe Poletti and second by Tony Baldwin, approved 16-0).

# CONSENT AGENDA NORTH CAROLINA HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION 2016 BOARD OF DIRECTORS SPRING MEETING

(Cases handled since November 1, 2015 and prior to April 18, 2016)

- ORANGE: Denied waiver of scholastic rule of Antoine Flippen, lacking appropriate documentation. He still would have been ineligible due to other issues (promotion, etc.)
- 2. **HIBRITEN**: Approved waiver of residency rule for DeAngelo Beatty, based on appropriate documentation for McKinney-Vento status
- 3. **MOUNTAIN ISLAND CHARTER**: Approved waiver of residency rule for Patrick Austin, based on appropriate documentation for emancipation
- 4. **D.H. CONLEY**: Denied waiver of residency rule for Dion Henderson, based on appropriate documentation for emancipation
- 5. **MOUNT AIRY**: Approved waiver of scholastic rule for Eliya-Lael Harvey-Brown, based on appropriate documentation for circumstances involving the second semester last year, when the family had to relocate due a fire which destroyed their house, and the resulting transfer from traditional schedule school to block and resulting problem in matching up courses and credits
- 6. **CARY**: Approved waiver of scholastic rule for Kyla Millar, based on appropriate medical documentation for hospitalization and then medical withdrawal
- 7. **BANDYS**: Approved waiver of residence rule for Ezekiel Kennedy, based on appropriate documentation for McKinney-Vento status
- 8. **LINCOLNTON**: Approved waiver of residence for Raekwon Long, based on appropriate documentation for McKinney-Vento status

- 9. **SOUTH MECKLENBURG:** Approved waiver of residence rule for Madelyn Martelle, based on appropriate documentation for emancipation
- SOUTH LENOIR: Approved waiver of residence rule for Desmond Moore, based on appropriate documentation for emancipation (deferred from Winter Board 15 agenda)
- 11. **WAKEFIELD**: Denied waiver of scholastic rule for Brady Hensarling, since it did not meet the specific criteria of the hardship rule
- 12. **BUNKER HILL:** Approved waiver of residence for Ashlee Paige Bowman, based on appropriate documentation for McKinney-Vento status
- 13. WEST CARTERET: Approved waiver of scholastic requirements for Najia Lamar-Slaughter, based on appropriate documentation for transfer in middle of semester and inability to line up courses being taken at first school with those offered at West Carteret
- 14. **ATHENS DRIVE**: Denied waiver of residence rule for Adeniyi Adejuwon, lacking appropriate documentation and circumstances for emancipation.
- 15. **BEN SMITH**: Approved waiver of residence rule for Tammy Phuong Hunyh, based on appropriate documentation and circumstances for emancipation
- 16. **FOREST HILLS**: Approved waiver of residence rule for Devyon O'Joshua Sturdivant-Rorie; no transfer waiver or second school/same sport rule applied due to legal custodian documents
- 17. **NORTHWEST GUILFORD**: Approved waiver of scholastic requirements for Leigh Anna Mueller, based on appropriate medical documentation for treatment for depression and anxiety
- 18. **SOUTH IREDELL**: Denied waiver of eight semester rule for Seth Johnson due to lack of supporting documentation (Decision upheld by Hardship Committee)
- 19. OWENS: Approved waiver of 8-semester rule for Matthew Gary Coward
- 20. **STATESVILLE**: Approved waiver of residence rule for Ja'Nia Ikard based on McKinney-Vento Assistance Act
- 21. **ROLESVILLE**: Approved waiver of scholastic requirements for Kaleb A. Gonzales & Kaden X. Gonzales based on failure of school to correctly follow the required IEP plan
- 22. **LEE COUNTY**: No action taken on request to waive the age requirement for Michael Crumpton
- 23. **CENTRAL CABARRUS**: Approved waiver of 8-semester rule for Gavin Canipe based on presentation of appropriate medical documentation
- 24. **NORTH DAVIDSON**: Approved waiver of scholastic requirements for Tyree Ha'Keem Peebles based on incorrect academic placement by the school
- 25. **WESTERN GUILFORD**: Denied waiver of scholastic requirements for Caeleb Smith; documentation did not support reason for failures in two of six classes.
- 26. Received request from NCAC-1A Conference to allow **Falls Lake Academy** to join the conference for 2016-2017
- 27. **ROSE**: Denied waiver of scholastic requirements for Courtland Hargrove; medical documentation did not support dropping of classes (Decision upheld by Hardship Committee)
- 28. **NORTHERN VANCE**: Denied waiver of scholastic requirements for Blair Kimbrell due to lack of sufficient medical documentation.

- 29. **WESTERN GUILFORD:** Denied waiver of scholastic requirements for Clifton Johnson due to lack of documentation supporting academic failures beyond control of all parties involved
- 30. **CURRITUCK**: Approved waiver of scholastic requirements for Dylan Coke based on appropriate documentation from out of state school
- 31. **MONROE:** Denied waiver of Scholastic Requirements for Amelia Mead because failure to field first semester grades was not supported by submitted documentation
- 32. Received membership request from **Henderson Collegiate Charter School** of Henderson, NC; does not satisfy conference membership requirements

Motion to accept the consent agenda made by David Gentry, second by Poletti, approved unanimously 17-0.

Commissioner Que Tucker briefly addressed the Board before the Board transitioned to committee work.

**FINANCE AND PERSONNEL:** Chairperson Rodney Shotwell, Vice-Chair Tony Baldwin, Carla Black, Ron Butler, Bill Miller, staff advisors Que Tucker and Karen DeHart

**POLICY:** Chairperson M.D. Guthrie, Vice-Chair Paul Hoggard, Sherry Hoyle (not present), Reggie Peace, Marc Whichard, Burt Jenkins, staff advisors Whitney Frye and Brad Alford

**REVIEW/OFFICIATING/STUDENT SERVICES:** Chairperson Sandy George, Vice-Chair David Gentry, Scarlett Steinert, Roger Morton, Wendell Hall, staff advisor, Mark Dreibelbis

**SPORTS:** Chairperson Joe Poletti, Vice-Chair Brad Craddock, Patty Evers, Darrin Hartness, Jeff Morris, Joe Franks, staff advisors, Tra Waters and Chiquana Dancy.

After lunch the full Board reconvened for special reports, topical discussions and committee reports.

**NOMINATING COMMITTEE:** Chairperson Jimmy Tillman presented the report on behalf of the nominating committee and provided their recommendations to the Board of Directors. He charged the Board to increase diversity efforts in their schools and LEAs.

Recommended to elect officers: President, Rodney Shotwell, Superintendent, Rockingham County Schools; Vice-president, Joe Poletti, Principal, Croatan High School; Past-President, Brooks Matthews, Assistant Superintendent Harnett County Schools.

<u>Region 2</u>: Recommend Jerry Simmons, Principal New Bern High School (4-A) for four-year term, replacing M.D. Guthrie after four years of service.

<u>Region 2</u>: Recommend Tim Foster, Principal Southwest Onslow (1-A) for four-year term, filling spot vacated by Joe Polletti being recommended as Vice-president.

Region 5: Recommended Dr. Terry Worrell, Superintendent Asheboro City Schools (3A) to fill the unexpired three-year term of Ronnie Mendenhall after one year of service.

Region 8: Recommend Bobby Wilkins, Principal Hendersonville (2A) for four-year term, replacing Tony Baldwin after four years of service.

<u>Affiliate Representative</u>: Recommend Brad Allen, Basketball Regional Supervisor, Southeastern Basketball Officials, LLC as Board representative for regional supervisors and officials, replacing Roger Morton after 8 years of service.

Chairman Tillman indicated to the board that the recommendation would be made at the Annual Meeting on May 5<sup>th</sup>, for action by the membership.

President Shotwell and Commissioner Tucker thanked and recognized M.D. Guthrie, Tony Baldwin and Roger Morton, whose terms on the Board were ending, for their service to the Board of Directors, Association and student-athletes.

### **REALIGNMENT REPORT:** Que Tucker presented to the Board.

Informed the Board that there were no appeals for the 2017-2021 Final Realignment Draft; Filled in the Board on the background of the Realignment Committee's work. Committee began their work on January 20, 2016 compiling a second realignment draft using the NCHSAA staff's first draft as a base.

No one chose to take up an appeal with the full Board of Directors for the 2017-2021 Realignment.

Told the Board that we would not know whether or not the NCHSAA would continue forward with the 20-30-30-20 distribution until the next realignment group comes in.

### **Topical Discussion Agenda -** Commissioner Tucker led this section of discussion.

- Traditional vs. Non-Traditional The Board discussed the changing landscape
  of education and athletics as it relates to changing geography, demographics and
  differences in educational choices throughout the state. Tony Baldwin moved to
  create a committee looking at the future of sports and the continuing changing
  face of education-based athletics in North Carolina, seconded by Joe Poletti, and
  approved 15-0 to create a standing committee.
- **Sportsmanship** The Board discussed that sportsmanship probably needs to be rephrased and repurposed for the use of the association. Discussed needing the help of the ambassadorial triangle; coaches, officials and players, to carry the sportsmanship initiative forward in the most high-profile places. NCHSAA Staff introduced a new initiative "Together we make the right call ... Sportsmanship" to be rolled out over the coming months.
- Other areas of emphasis The Board heard a report from Ken Brown on the Sports Medicine Advisory Committee's work emphasizing Emergency Action Plans for all school athletic events as well as on concussions. The Board discussed NCHSAA implications of the N.C. General Assembly's passage of House Bill 2.

The remainder of the afternoon was devoted to reports and discussion from the various committee work sessions in preparation for Wednesday's Board Action session and the meeting was adjourned at 4:30 p.m.

### North Carolina High School Athletic Association Board of Directors Spring Meeting Wednesday, May 4, 2016

The spring meeting of the North Carolina High School Athletic Association Board of Directors was called to order by President Rodney Shotwell at 8:35 a.m. at the Simon F. Terrell Building in Chapel Hill. Members in attendance included Bill Miller (Past President), Tony Baldwin, Carla Black, Ron Butler, Brad Craddock, Patty Evers, David Gentry, Sandy George, M.D. Guthrie, Darrin Hartness, Paul Hoggard, Sherry Hoyle, Reggie Peace, Joe Poletti, Scarlett Steinert and Marc Whichard.

Affiliate members included Roger Morton of the Piedmont Officials Association, representing regional supervisors and officials, Burt Jenkins of the North Carolina Department of Public Instruction, Joe Franks of the North Carolina Coaches Association, Jeff Morris of the North Carolina High School Athletic Directors Association, and Wendell Hall of the North Carolina School Boards Association.

NCHSAA staff in attendance included Que Tucker, Mark Dreibelbis, Karen DeHart, Whitney Frye, Tra Waters, Brad Alford, Chiquana Dancy, Patrick Stevenson, Ken Brown and James Alverson.

**SAAC Report:** President Shotwell introduced Ryan Laatz from Carrboro High School to give the SAAC (Student-Athlete Advisory Committee) Report. SAAC invited Amari Pearson to come back and present at the Annual SAAC Leadership Conference which had over 30 different schools represented in the leadership summit. The group discussed healthy lifestyles and leadership at the annual conference. SAAC helped by volunteering at the state championships and in the community including community service projects like "Fusion by Inclusion." The project sought to help international students at Carrboro with English through the game of soccer. Other SAAC member projects included hosting a unified soccer tournament and improving sportsmanship.

President Shotwell accepted a motion by Joe Poletti to go into executive session to deal with an appeal. It was seconded by M.D. Guthrie and approved unanimously 17-0 and the Board went into executive session at 8:41 a.m.

The executive session of the board concluded and the regularly planned Board Agenda continued concluded at 11:15 a.m. after a motion to end executive session by Joe Poletti, second by Tony Baldwin and unanimously approved, 17-0.

Media members in attendance, after the conclusion of the executive session included Earl Vaughan of the Fayetteville Observer, Conor O'Neil of the Burlington Times-News. J. Mike Blake of the Raleigh News and Observer, Nick Stevens and Zack Mayo of HighSchoolOT.com, and Joe Sirera of the Greensboro News & Record.

**AFFILIATE MEMBER REPORTS** – The Board heard from each of the affiliate members who updated the Board on ongoing issues and workings of each of the groups represented by the affiliate members.

NORTH CAROLINA COACHES ASSOCIATION - Joe Franks from the NCCA updated board on the purpose of the NCCA including their efforts with the East/West All-Star Games. He highlighted the coaching clinic scheduled for July 18-21, 2016 in Greensboro, part of the NCCA's mission for continuing professional education. There are currently more than 1,800 associate members of the association who are non-faculty coaches, etc., a number that has grown dramatically over the last several years as the number of those coaches in that category grows.

NORTH CAROLINA SCHOOL BOARDS ASSOCIATION - Wendell Hall gave the board an update on actions surrounding the General Assembly's passage of House Bill 2 as it relates to public education and accommodation. Also informed the Board about monitoring House Bill 955 dealing with opportunity grants for students from K-1 – School Vouchers and opportunity grants.

NORTH CAROLINA STATE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION - Burt Jenkins informed the Board that Rodney Shotwell had been named to the NC DPI board as the superintendent representative. He also noted much better Gfeller-Waller compliance across the state this year and that the organization would be publishing a new Middle School Athletics manual to help the organization more closely mirror policies the NCHSAA has in place. The changes to the middle school manual would also clarify policy that only students from grades 7-12 may participate in interscholastic athletic competition

NORTH CAROLINA ATHLETIC DIRECTORS ASSOCIATION - Jeff Morris from the NC Athletic Directors Association highlighted the organization's push to continue growing a certification program for athletic administrators in the state. There are now 41 Leadership Training Courses that AD's are able to take affiliated with the National Interscholastic Athletic Administrators Association (NIAAA). Jeff also talked about the certification process for athletic directors, including CAA (Certified Athletic Administrator), or CMAA (Certified Master Athletic Administrator). He also informed the board of the NCADA's Executive Director search, an ongoing process to replace Jerry McGee after his retirement.

**REGIONAL SUPERVISORS AND OFFICIALS** - Roger Morton reported that officials associations across the state and the NCHSAA have begun a partnership with Arbiter Sports to register officials, and have merged that system with Arbiter Pay, the current method to provide payment for services to officials. He also addressed a growing problem of a shortage of officials. Roger concluded with farewell remarks as he retires from the board.

**Realignment Committee** – Final Draft of the 2017-21 Realignment with no final appeals made was submitted for Board Review. David Gentry made a motion to accept the proposal, Joe Poletti seconded. Approved unanimously (16-0).

**Review/Officiating/Student Services Committee** – Sandy George presenting for the committee

- 1. Approved the incident/penalty report as follows: Unpaid fines as of the report included Cherokee, Creswell, East Rowan, Eastern Guilford, Garner, New Hanover (2), North Rowan, North Surry, Northern Vance, Northside-Jacksonville, Purnell Swett, Rocky River, Rosewood, Roxboro Community, Smithfield-Selma, Statesville, Wakefield, and J.F. Webb; Other violations and fines paid include the following: Alexander Central, Ardrey Kell (2), Bandys (2), Beddingfield, Berry Academy (2), Bertie, Bishop McGuinness, Broughton, Butler, Central Cabarrus, Charlotte Catholic, Columbia, Durham School of the Arts, East Lincoln, Enka, Enloe, Farmville Central, Forbush, Garner, Hardin University, Hickory Ridge, High Point Central, Hoke County, Independence, J.H. Rose, Jacksonville, Kestrel Heights (2), Kinston, KIPP Pride, Lake Norman Charter, Laney, Leesville Road, Lejeune, Lincolnton (2), Marvin Ridge, Morehead, Mount Tabor, New Hanover, North Iredell (2), North Lenoir, North Pitt (2), Northern Nash, Northside (Jacksonville), Olympic, Page, Parkland, Person, Pinecrest, Pisgah, Plymouth, Raleigh Charter, Riverside-Durham, Salisbury. (motion by committee, approved 17-0)
- 2. Discussion to approve the ejection report as distributed. Included percentages of year-to-date versus previous year infractions.
- 3. Recommended to provide 3 umpires for regional final series games in baseball, ask to be approved tomorrow (motion by committee, approved 17-0).
- 4. Recommended that officials secure the name and contact of a game day administrator, if no administrator is present, head coach is the game day administrator. Game officials are to document the administrator for safety purposes (motion from committee, approved 17-0).
- 5. Recommended clarification of Lightning Policy have a game day administrator to make the call on lightning and assign staff to monitor local weather conditions. Officials still have the right to pull teams off field for lightning., coordinating with the game day administrator as well in those decisions. (motion from committee, approved 17-0).
- 6. Recommended to introduce a monetary penalty (\$500 fine) for practicing with a student that is not currently enrolled in the school (motion from committee, approved 17-0).
- 7. Recommended to institute a cap on the amount of a fine for a school per instance (i.e. Maximum of \$2,500 fine for Coaches Education, etc.) When non-compliance is identified, placing a maximal amount of the total fine assessed to a school. Coaches are immediately removed from participation until compliance requirements are met. If a school/personnel has been non-compliant during the academic year, the fine(s) are not reduced. If upon second check they are still non-compliant, fine will not be reduced (motion from committee, approved 17-0).
- 8. Tabled certificate of release for officials convicted of a felony. May be moved forward if committee can come to an agreement on language for a proposal.

### **Sports Committee Report –** Joe Poletti presenting for the committee.

1. Recommended to approve the 2017-2018 two-year calendar for football (motion from committee, approved 17-0).

- 2. Recommended a proposal from the Ad Hoc Committee concerning Skill Development to augment the current skill development guidelines for all sports (exception: Football) allowing for an unlimited number of athletes that can participate (maximum 1.5 hours per day). The numbers restriction will remain in place for non-school related competition. Additionally, the three in-season dead periods have been extended as follows:
  - Fall: First day of practice through September 15<sup>th</sup>.
  - Winter: first day of practice through December 15<sup>th</sup>.
  - Spring: First day of practice through April 1<sup>st</sup> (also during football skill development period)

(motion by committee, approved 15-2).

- 3. Recommended for approval a change to current 8-quarter rule changing number of total athletes allowed to be used in the 8-quarter scenario be changed to 10 for 1A/2A schools and 5 for 3A/4A (motion by committee, approved 17-0)
- 4. Recommended for approval one-year pilot program for playoff seeding. Must be revisited next spring (motion from committee, approved 17-0)
- 5. Proposal by North Central Athletic Conference "That the playoff seeding procedures set forth in rule 4.1.10(a), 4.1.11(d), and 4.1.11(e) be amended to require an overall winning percentage of at least 34% in order to receive preferential seeding as a 2<sup>nd</sup> or 3<sup>rd</sup> place team out of a conference (regardless of being a split conference) did not make it out of committee.
- 6. Recommended that the playoff contests of dual team tennis, dual team wrestling and lacrosse utilize a modified seeding process (motion from committee, approved 17-0).
- 7. Proposal by Basketball Coaches Association that the seeding process be modified to include the use of the MaxPreps rankings to seed teams within each of the tiers (#1s, #2s, #3s and At Larges), rather than using overall winning percentage or to use the rankings to break ties amongst teams in the seeding process did not move out of committee.
- 8. Ad Hoc Committee proposal Review tie-breaking procedure in Rule 2.4.8(c)(2) to provide an exception for teams in different classifications who are tied for third place. Each tied team will be designated as finishing in third place for playoff purposes did not move out of committee.
- 9. Proposal that teams in a split conference carry their #3 seed if they are the 3<sup>rd</sup> team overall in the same classification and qualify as an at-large did not move out of committee.
- 10. Proposal that the current indoor track state championship qualifying standard be changed from the current model of meeting a qualifying standard/time to a set number of participants per event was tabled to seek additional information because of belief 1A & 2A are combined, would reducing number have adverse effect on 1A programs.
- 11. Proposal to permit more than 3 contestants in an event from a given school (indoor and outdoor state and regional track championships) did not make it out of committee.
- 12. Proposal to adopt a qualifying standard for girls golf across all classifications did not make it out of committee.

- 13. Recommended for approval that tennis must use MaxPreps to input their records in qualification for playoffs (motion from committee, approved 17-0)
- 14. Sports Medicine Advisory Committee Proposal to institute an equipment acclimatization period to the 10-day spring skill development period and summer workouts for football. During the first 5 days of the skill development period and summer workouts, athletes are only allowed to wear helmets, non-padded shorts, and football shoes. On day 6, shoulder pads may be added to the above limitations [no body-to-body contact allowed] was tabled until December.
- 15. Recommended for that skin checks in wrestling must be performed by a licensed Athletic Trainer (if present). If an LAT is not in attendance, the First Responder and Referee should conduct the skin check (motion from committee, approved 17-0).
- 16. Proposal to change the regional wrestling seeding process tabled to allow the NC Wrestling Coaches Association will conduct a survey during the summer to arrive at the best way to progress moving into the 2016-2017.

## Policy Committee Report – M.D. Guthrie presenting on behalf of the committee.

- 1. Recommend proposal to give the NCHSAA staff the authority to make editorial changes to the NCHSAA Handbook, as needed so long as changes do not alter the substance of approved rules and regulations (motion from committee, approved 17-0).
- 2. Recommend Sports Medicine Advisory Committee Recommendation #1 that the Wet Bulb Globe Temperature (WGBT) be used in all instances regarding heat and humidity issues and illnesses in two phases.

**Phase I**: Recommended/Suggested Use for the 2016-2017 Academic Year; and

**Phase II**: Required/Mandated Use for the 2017-2018 Academic Year. Add recommendation to 2.5.3 (a) allowing staff to remove heat index chart and accompanying language in Phase II

(motion from committee, approved 17-0).

- 3. Proposal by Education and Athletics Committee recommendation to provide an exception to the season limitations rule (Rule 2.3.13) concerning Modification to season limitations to allow participation in National Events did not move out of committee.
- 4. Recommended to give NCHSAA Staff the latitude to add the provision to the code of sportsmanship section "The NCHSAA opposes all forms of legal and illegal sports wagering which has the potential to undermine the integrity of sports contests and jeopardizes the welfare of student-athletes and education-based athletics." (motion from committee, approved 17-0).
- 5. Recommended NCHSAA Business Department Recommendation concerning Membership Dues new deadline of December 1 for fees and dues (motion from committee, approved 17-0).
- 6. Recommended proposal to require the coach of each school with a diving program to pass an NCHSAA diving judge test before serving on an NCHSAA diving judges panel (motion from committee, approved 17-0).

7. Reviewed and recommended for approval the 2016-17 Non-Athletic Calendar (motion from committee, approved 17-0).

### Finance & Personnel Committee Report: Rodney Shotwell presenting

- 1. Live television update largely positive reviews
- 2. Review of 2015-2016 budget versus actual revenues and expenses to-date
- 3. Review sports comparisons for 2015 fall and 2016 winter championships versus previous years.
- 4. Review information compiled by current insurance broker, Senn Dunn, relative to insurance policies on key employees/board members.
- 5. Review of summarized report based on reports received from all investment management groups.
- 6. Proposal to adopt a Team Expense and Financial Arrangements policy similar to what is currently implemented for the team sports of volleyball, soccer, lacrosse, softball and baseball did not make it out of committee.
- 7. Recommend proposal to revise financial language for soccer playoff revenues to decrease 4<sup>th</sup> round NCHSAA share from 25% to 15% to be consistent with volleyball playoff shares (motion from committee, approved 17-0).
- 8. Recommend proposal to establishing a scholarship program specific to cheerleading team members as part of the Cheerleading Invitational experience. Criteria to be developed by NCHSAA staff (motion from committee, approved 17-0).
- 9. Recommend proposal to increase daily ticket price for the Track & Field Championships from \$8.00 to \$10.00 per day. Effective immediately (motion from committee, approved 17-0).
- 10. Recommend proposal for the baseball and softball state championship series, change the Saturday ticket price to make the transition from session 2 to session 3 more accommodating for spectators. Effective immediately (motion from committee, approved 17-0).
- 11. Recommend to Change job titles within Development Department staff from Assistant Director to: Director of Marketing (formerly Assistant Director-Sponsorships and Marketing) and Director of Fundraising Initiatives and Scholarships (formerly Assistant Director Grants and Fundraising) (motion from committee, approved 17-0).
- 12. President Shotwell noted the hiring of James Alverson as Assistant Commissioner for Media Relations, Special Programs and Publications and formally welcomed him.

President Shotwell said he felt good about the decisions the Board made during the two-day meeting. The Board then adjourned at 12:47 p.m. and then the commissioner and president met with the media representatives on hand.

Respectfully submitted,

James Alverson Assistant Commissioner

### NORTH CAROLINA HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS WINTER MEETING Wednesday, November 30, 2016

The winter meeting of the North Carolina High School Athletic Association Board of Directors was called to order by President Rodney Shotwell at 8:40 a.m. at the Simon F. Terrell Building in Chapel Hill. Members in attendance included Joe Poletti, Brooks Matthews, Carla Black, Ron Butler, Sandy George, Brad Craddock, Reggie Peace, Marc Whichard, Patty Evers, Darrin Hartness, Sherry Hoyle, Scarlett Steinert, Terry Worrell, Tim Foster, Jerry Simmons and Bobby Wilkins. (Absent: David Gentry and Paul Hoggard)

Affiliate members in attendance included Brad Allen of the Southeast Officials Association, representing regional supervisors and officials, Burt Jenkins of the North Carolina Department of Public Instruction, Joe Franks of the North Carolina Coaches Association, Wendell Hall representing the North Carolina School Boards Association and Jeff Morris representing the North Carolina High School Athletic Directors Association.

NCHSAA staff in attendance included Que Tucker, Karen DeHart, Mark Dreibelbis, Whitney Frye, Tra Waters, James Alverson, Brad Alford, Chiquana Dancy, and Pepper Hines.

# CONSENT AGENDA NORTH CAROLINA HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION 2016 BOARD OF DIRECTORS WINTER MEETING

(Cases handled since April 1, 2016 and before November 1, 2016)

- 1. **CHEROKEE:** Denied waiver of 8-Semester Rule for Lloyd Mitchell, lacking appropriate documentation. (Decision upheld by Hardship Committee)
- 2. **PARKLAND:** Denied waiver of 8-Remester Rule for Javon Walker, lacking appropriate documentation.
- 3. **BISHOP MCGUINNESS:** Denied waiver of Residence Rule for Itsewoli Okojie, lacking appropriate documentation.
- 4. **LEESVILLE ROAD:** Approved waiver of Scholastic Requirements for Jonathan Conger.
- 5. **PURNELL SWETT:** Approved waiver of Residence Rule for Robert Brown.
- 6. **RONALD REAGAN:** Denied waiver of Scholastic Requirements for Tyler Korzian, lacking appropriate documentation.
- 7. **HIBRITEN:** Approved waiver of Residence Rule for Nauleage Corpening.
- 8. **RICHMOND COUNTY:** Approved waiver of Residence Rule for Carleigh Wilson.
- 9. **WEST MONTGOMERY:** Approved waiver of Residence Rule for Raekwon Graham
- 10. **GRANVILLE CENTRAL**: Approved waiver of Residence Rule for Christopher Rhone.
- 11. **EAST HENDERSON**: Denied waiver of "Other" for Christopher Hemphill, lacking appropriate documentation.

- 12. **WAKEFIELD:** Denied waiver of Scholastic Requirements for Kaden Holcomb, lacking appropriate documentation.
- 13. **EASTERN ALAMANCE**: Approved waiver of Residence Rule for Amier Alston.
- 14. **DAVIE COUNTY:** Denied waiver of Scholastic Requirements for Austin Smith, lacking appropriate documentation.
- 15. **WASHINTON:** Denied waiver of Scholastic Requirements for Giuliana Davis, lacking appropriate documentation.
- 16. **SOUTHERN DURHAM:** Approved waiver of Scholastic Requirements for Marcus McDonald II.
- 17. **WEST FORSYTH:** Denied waiver of Scholastic Requirements for Anna Krivosheyff, lacking appropriate documentation.
- 18. **ASHLEY:** Denied waiver of 8-Semester Rule for Shyhem Burnett, lacking appropriate documentation.
- 19. **PARKLAND:** Denied waiver of Scholastic Requirements for Quantavion Rosenberg, lacking appropriate documentation. (Decision upheld by Hardship Committee)
- 20. **WESTERN GUILFORD:** Denied waiver of Scholastic Requirements for Michel Niles, lacking appropriate documentation.
- 21.HOLLY SPRINGS: Denied waiver of Residence Rule for Pello Villanueva, in Foreign Exchange Program not recognized by the Council on Standards for International Educational Travel.
- 22. **HOLLY SPRINGS:** Denied waiver of Residence Rule for Anna Ferrario, in Foreign Exchange Program not recognized by the Council on Standards for International Educational Travel.
- 23. WASHINGTON: Approved waiver of Residence Rule for Carson Asby.
- 24. **CHAPEL HILL:** Approved waiver of Scholastic Requirements for Corey Michael Williams.
- 25. **BUNN:** Approved waiver of Scholastic Requirements for Joseph Davis.
- 26. **OAK GROVE:** Accept Membership Application for Oak Grove High School in Davidson County effective 2017-18 school year.
- 27. VANCE CHARTER: Accept Membership Application for Vance Charter School effective 2017-18 school year.
- 28. CABARRUS CHARTER: Accept Membership Application for Cabarrus Charter Academy effective 2017-18 school year.

Motion carried to approve consent agenda items along with the minutes from the spring meeting (motion by Brad Craddock, second by Sandy George, approved 16-0).

President Shotwell began the meeting by welcoming the new members of the Board of Directors and encouraged them to take advantage of the opportunity to make a difference in the lives of the students across the state. He also thanked everyone for their commitment to serve; he also reminded them to think about the entire state and not just the school, LEA and/or region being represented.

**COMMISSIONER'S REPORT**: The Commissioner addressed the Board updating them on the increase in the number of applications for membership, particularly those coming from new Charter Schools. She reminded the Board that the Education in Athletics Committee is looking at the issues surrounding the changing landscape of education, schools and athletics in the states. They are also looking at the transfer rules and whether they fit as currently constructed.

She reminded the Board of the Realignment that takes effect next year and that there are many obstacles to tackle before we get to that season. Reminded them of the need to look at current qualification standards for the playoffs as the Association transitions to the 20-30-30-20 Realignment model.

Also Board members were reminded of the Association's roll-out of the Sportsmanship initiative, "Sportsmanship ... Together we make the right call." Said we have been pleased with how that initiative has begun, but that there is still much work to be done with our young people, particularly in the area of fighting.

The Board then moved into its committee work on the various agenda items.

**FINANCE AND PERSONNEL**: chairperson Ron Butler, vice-chair Joe Poletti, Darrin Hartness, Brooks Matthews, Sandy George, Rodney Shotwell, staff advisors Que Tucker and Karen DeHart.

**POLICY:** vice-chairperson Patty Evers, Terry Worrell, Jerry Simmons, Burt Jenkins, Wendell Hall, staff advisors Whitney Frye and Brad Alford.

**REVIEW/ OFFICIATING/STUDENT SERVICES**: vice-chairperson Marc Whichard, Sherry Hoyle, Jeff Morris, Brad Allen, Carla Black and staff advisor Mark Dreibelbis. **SPORTS:** chairperson Brad Craddock, vice-chairperson Reggie Peace, Tim Foster, Scarlett Steinert, Bobby Wilkins, Joe Franks, staff advisors Tra Waters and Chiquana Dancy.

The Board later heard lengthy committee reports on agenda items.

**INVESTMENT REPORT:** Geoff Hudson and Jessica Standifer of Morgan Stanly addressed the board of directors and gave an update on the financial markets and how NCHSAA investments have performed. Investments have been more defensive, particularly in the bonds area, with uncertainty in the marketplace and concern over interest rates. However, the NCHSAA investments have performed well throughout the year and are continuing to remain steady even in the current climate.

**AUDIT REPORT**: The Board members received its annual report from Blackman and Sloop. Rob Lewis and Andrea Woodell Eason made the presentation. No material weaknesses were discovered and they reported no issues or problems based on audit findings.

After lunch, the Board heard committee discussions and reports on agenda items.

**REVIEW AND OFFICIATING COMMITTEE:** Carla Black presented discussion details to the Board on behalf of the committee.

**SPORTS COMMITTEE:** Brad Craddock presented discussion details to the Board on behalf of the committee.

**POLICY COMMITTEE:** Patty Evers presented discussion details to the Board on behalf of the committee.

**FINANCE AND PERSONNEL COMMITTEE:** Ron Butler presented discussion details to the Board on behalf of the committee.

**SPECIAL REQUEST:** Avery High School, currently in NCHSAA Region 7, is typically in an athletic conference with schools in Region 8. Moving to conference 7 would facilitate relationships with conference members. Upon request by the principal it was moved by Brad Craddock and seconded by Sandy George, to allow the move. Motion was approved 14-0.

The meeting was adjourned for the day at 4:15 PM.

### NORTH CAROLINA HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS WINTER MEETING Thursday, December 1, 2016

The winter meeting of the North Carolina High School Athletic Association Board of Directors was called to order by President Rodney Shotwell at 9:30 a.m. at the Simon F. Terrell Building in Chapel Hill. Members in attendance included Joe Poletti, Brooks Matthews, Carla Black, Ron Butler, Sandy George, Brad Craddock, Reggie Peace, Marc Whichard, Patty Evers, Darrin Hartness, Sherry Hoyle, Scarlett Steinert, Terry Worrell, Tim Foster, Jerry Simmons and Bobby Wilkins. (Absent: David Gentry and Paul Hoggard.

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NCHSAA staff in attendance included Que Tucker, Karen DeHart, Mark Dreibelbis, Whitney Frye, Tra Waters, James Alverson, Brad Alford, Chiquana Dancy and Ken Brown.

Media members in attendance included J. Mike Blake of the *Raleigh News and Observer*, Conor O'Neill of the *Burlington Times-News*, Nick Stevens of *HighSchoolOT.com*, and Joe Sirera of the *Greensboro News and Record*.

### **SPECIAL REPORTS:**

STUDENT-ATHLETE ADVISORY COUNCIL: Ryan Laatz presented on behalf of the Council. Informed the Board that the NCHSAA sent six students to the NFHS Student Leadership Conference in Indianapolis last July; also told of the benefits of attendance and participation on a national level. Discussed the Council's involvement with NFHS #MyReasonWhy campaign and asked Board members to get their students involved. General details were given of the SAAC state student leadership conference that is currently being planned for the spring of 2017. He discussed the wide variety of projects that SAAC members are spearheading to make an impact in their community. There are two main goals for the year: increase attendance at the State Leadership Conference and to promote good sportsmanship while helping eliminate poor behavior in education-based athletics.

COMMISSIONER'S REPORT: Began with thanking the NCHSAA Staff based on their hard work and dedication, allowing the Commissioner flexibility in duties and responsibilities. Thanked the Board for their service and reminded them that the staff works for them and appreciates the Board "having the Staff's back". Updated the Board on the effects of Hurricane Matthew, thanking them for their support to move the football playoffs back a week. Announced we have received \$21,000 from schools for Hurricane Matthew Relief Assistance night, which the Board approved matching funds up to \$20,000, bringing the total to over \$41,000 to be distributed directly to LEA's in the affected areas. Reported on the work of Education & Athletics committee relative to examining the changing landscape of education across the state. Said the committee had a good discussion around the transfer rules and began discussing the definition of today's traditional schools.

NORTH CAROLINA SCHOOL BOARDS ASSOCIATION: Wendell Hall addressed the Board on behalf on his organization. Brought word from the Board that they are in total support of the NCHSAA's efforts for education. Informed the Board that there were some shake-up's in the Board's makeup based on the elections. Mentioned the organization's 12 legislative goals, to mention a few they are focused on a revised Principal's pay scale and expanding NC Pre-K education.

**STATE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION**: Burt Jenkins reported to the Board from DPI. Informed the Board that DPI has a great working relationship with the NCHSAA and its staff. Informed of a new State Superintendent, Mark Johnson who was elected to replace June Atkinson, who served DPI for almost 40 years. State Board of Education approved 6<sup>th</sup> graders' participation in middle school athletics for all sports other than football at the discretion of the LEA. Manual now mentions Charter Schools in every instance where LEA(s) are mentioned; rules are now in a bulleted list. Hardships are granted by the local Board of Education; but cannot grant hardships based on age or sixth grade participation in football.

**REGIONAL SUPERVISORS AND OFFICIALS REPRESENTATIVE:** Brad Allen presented to the Board on behalf of Regional Supervisors and Officials. He is working on behalf of a group of very successful people, particularly regional supervisors. Talked about Perspective! Organizations are facing severe challenges of finding qualified officials, recruiting and training them in the face of tremendous verbal abuse, particularly in the arena of social media. Spoke of the tremendous caliber of people who are working in the organization as coaches, administrators and officials and it was particularly evident in the wake of Hurricane Matthew.

NORTH CAROLINA COACHES ASSOCIATION: Joe Franks thanked the NCHSAA for the opportunity to serve; he informed the Board of the NCCA's goal to provide a venue for the various groups that make up the NCHSAA to interact with their coaches, athletic directors and others involved in the Association's work. Told the group that they will likely move the summer softball rules clinic to a different day to accommodate requests from many coaches who coach both Softball and Volleyball.

NORTH CAROLINA ATHLETIC DIRECTORS ASSOCIATION: Jeff Morris made the presentation on behalf of his organization. NCADA is sending a large contingent to the National meeting for Athletic Director to be held in Nashville, TN December 10-13. He noted there are three members from NC who are on the Board for the National Athletic Directors Association' teaching and certification program. Jeff also talked about making the transition from the leadership of Jerry McGee to the current Executive Director, Roy Turner.

# **REVIEW/OFFICIATING/STUDENT SERVICES COMMITTEE:** Mark Whichard made the report after thanking committee members

- 1. Recommended approval of the incident/penalty report (motion by Whichard, second by George, Approved 15-0)
- Reviewed Ejection Report; noted the number of fighting ejections and coach ejections to date; perhaps more teaching and emphasis should be given during scrimmages; asked NCHSAA staff to study ejections and soccer yellow cards during scrimmages; staff at the next winter meeting
- 3. Recommended creating a specified time period for coaches to annually take and complete the NFHS "Concussion in Sports" course prior to the first date of practice in their sport: fall sports—June 1 to July 31; winter sports—September 1 to October 31; spring sports—January 1 to February 28 (Motion by Whichard, second by Brad Craddock, Approved 15-0)
- 4. Proposal did not emerge from committee to reinstate "Sectional" language into NCHSAA Playoff brackets
- 5. Reported that committee reviewed pre-season requirements for officials
- 6. Reported that committee reviewed NFHS Rule 8.2.7 relating to blood time in wrestling. NFHS rule number of stoppages is at discretion of the referee, NCHSAA currently caps the stoppages at five

- 7. Committee reviewed implementation of "Sportsmanship ... Together We Make the Right Call"
- 8. Committee reviewed Student Services Programs

# **SPORTS COMMITTEE:** Brad Craddock made the report after thanking committee members.

- 1. Recommended approval of the 2017-2018 Sports and Playoff Calendar (Motion by Craddock, second by Wilkins, Approved 16-0).
- Recommended amending the Skill Development Guidelines for Football only, which would provide an option for skill development for each school in the sport of football:

### Option A

 Current skill development guidelines with unlimited number of athletes during the ten (10) day window in May (May 8 – last day of 2017 academic school year)

### Option B

 Allow a maximum of twenty-one (21) athletes a day for skill development after the football season has been completed and outside the established dead periods. regulations currently in place for other sports will apply for this option Schools can select A or B no later than 5PM January 3, 2017; but if no decision is made by that date and time, the default will be Option A Effective Date: January 3, 2017

Note: Commissioner asked whether or not the effective date of January 3, 2017 is one that board members were comfortable with. Would still be dead even choosing Option B of this proposal until the effective date of the motion. No selection by effective date locks a school into Option A as the default. Poletti recommended to add an amendment that the default is Option A if no choice given to NCHSAA by the effective date. Amendment to motion accepted

(Motion by Craddock, second by George, Approved 12-4)

- 3. Proposal did not emerge from committee to create and implement a Baseball pitch count regulation as submitted by NCBCA
- 4. Proposal did not emerge from committee to create and implement a Baseball pitch count regulation as submitted by SMAC
- 5. Recommended adopting pitch count regulations developed in committee by combining NCHSAA SMAC and NCBCA suggestions:

MAXIMUM PITCHES ALLOWED PER DAY: 105

The required rest periods are based on the following pitch windows:

- \*If a pitcher throws 76 or more pitches in a day, four (4) calendar days of rest are required before pitching again
- \*If a pitcher throws 61-75 pitches in a day, three (3) calendar days of rest are required before pitching again
- \*If a pitcher throws 46-60 pitches in a day, two (2) calendar days of rest are required before pitching again
- \*If a pitcher throws 31-45 pitches in a day, one (1) calendar day of rest is required before pitching again

- \*If a pitcher throws 1-30 pitches in a day, zero (0) calendar days of rest are required before pitching again
- -1 day of rest for any pitcher appearing 2 consecutive days (regardless of number of pitches thrown) Exception State Championship Series
- -Pitch count applies only to pitches during an at bat
- -Allow a pitcher to finish an at bat if he reaches 105
- -Accountability forms for tracking (signed by competing coaches, entered into MaxPreps)
- -1<sup>st</sup> Round-Regionals: Pitch Count window and days of rest required (Best of 3 Series scheduled for Tue., Thur., Sat.)
- -State Championship Only: Max of 120 pitches for the series (Best of 3 Series scheduled for Fri.-1, Sat.-2)
- -Same scale for JV and Varsity
- (Motion by Craddock, second by Foster, Approved 16-0)
- Recommended changing the method of team qualification for the State Cross Country Meet from four (4) per region to 25% of teams participating in the regional championship.
  - (Motion by Craddock, second by Wilkins, Approved 16-0).
- 7. Proposal to recognize a 1A State Women's Golf Champion did not emerge from committee (team and individual)
- 8. Recommended to allow each Women's Golf Conference Team Champion to advance to the regional competition regardless of third team member's score (Motion by Craddock, second by Foster, Approved 15-0).
- 9. Recommended changing regional qualification rules for Women's Golf allowing regional qualification be determined based on the best five scores from throughout the season (Motion by Craddock, second by Black, Approved 16-0).
- 10. Recommended changing the current rule for maximum score on a hole in all regular season matches from triple bogey to double par (Motion by Craddock, second by Black, Approved 16-0)

Point of clarification: this rule would apply to both men and women.

- 11. Tabled until the spring a proposal to grant a 1-year trial for seeding of basketball playoffs including the use of MaxPreps power rankings to seed teams within tiers rather than using overall winning percentage
- 12. Recommended changing the current pre-determination of regional assignment based upon conference to a more equal split based upon the number of participating schools in that sport, with the exception of tennis (Motion by Craddock, second by Evers, Approved 16-0)
- 13. Reviewed of Wrestling Regional format
- 14. Reviewed seeding and bracketing format and size for wrestling, but made no recommendations for changes
- 15. Recommended a change to the 2016-17 seeding process, which is a pilot for the year; to allow for seeding of teams within region prior to separation into subregions and cross-bracketing (Motion by Craddock, second by Hartness, Approved 16-0)

- 16. Recommended seeding basketball on a 20-game record due to the effects of Hurricane Matthew and the resulting post-season adjustment of football playoffs. (Motion by Craddock, second by Butler, Approved 16-0).
  - a. Point of clarification: this provision is for the 2016-2017 season only

# **POLICY COMMITTEE:** Patty Evers made the report after thanking committee members.

- 1. Recommended requiring all non-paid coaches complete the NFHS Sudden Cardiac Arrest Course annually prior to the first contest (Motion by Evers, second by Peace, Approved 16-0)
  - a. Point of clarification raised as to whether this provision should be applied in the same "window" as the concussion course; members decided to address this at the spring meeting
- 2. Recommended amending the current dates for submission of Preseason Certification (Eligibility Summary Form) as detailed in Handbook Rule 4.1.4 to September 15<sup>th</sup> for the Fall, December 15<sup>th</sup> for the Winter and April 1<sup>st</sup> for the Spring (Motion by Evers, second by Simmons, Approved 16-0) Effective 2017-2018 school year
- 3. Recommended requiring all NCHSAA member schools that sponsor cheerleading be required to follow NFHS Spirit Rules (Motion by Evers, second by Simmons, Approved 16-0)
- Recommended adding a clearer definition of bona fide as it relates to a bona fide change in residence to be included in Handbook Rule 1.2.9(e) (Motion by Evers, second by Whichard, Approved 16-0)
- 5. Recommended moving Handbook Rule 2.1.3(a) so that it is applicable to all member institutions (Motion by Evers, second by Foster, Approved 16-0)
  - a. Point of clarification: this rule is already in effect, but moving to a different section to show that it is applicable to all member institutions, not just nonboarding parochial schools. Also, not only relating to males, but includes a student population that is all female; staff will determine where to place in the handbook
- 6. Reviewed and discussed the Transfer Policy. Recommended approval of Education and Athletics Committee's recommendations:
  - -remove NCSSM from being required to conform to same rules of the transfer policy
  - -add to Rule 1.2.10(b)(1): students transferring from one LEA member school to a different LEA member school where the student's coach has relocated to within a year will be deemed ineligible for a period of 365 days
  - -approve a change to monetary limits of the amateur rule--from \$20 to \$250 per sport season
  - (Motion by Evers, second by Simmons, Approved 16-0)
    - a. Point of clarification effective date for both: 2017-2018 school year
- 7. Reviewed and discussed transgender participation and policies
- 8. Reviewed Gfeller-Waller documents and requirements relative to time frames for signatures in an effort to provide clarification

**FINANCE AND PERSONNEL COMMITTEE**: Ron Butler made the report after thanking committee members.

- 1. Review of follow-up items from May 2016 Board Meeting including:
  - a. Tabled until May 2017 a staff recommendation dealing with Life Insurance Policies
  - b. Cheerleading Scholarship established; awarded four during the November Invitational Championships
  - c. Reported on Town of Chapel Hill grant updates; received a grant for 2016-2017 Football and Basketball Championships
- 2. Recommended approval of the 2015-2016 audit report for year ending June 30, 2016 as presented by Blackman & Sloop (Motion by Butler, second by Craddock, Approved 16-0)
- 3. Recommended approval of 2016-2017 NCHSAA Budget (Motion by Butler, second by George, Approved 16-0)
- 4. Recommended increasing lacrosse playoff ticket prices for first through fourth rounds from current \$5.00 price to \$6.00/ticket/game (\$7 for doubleheader) and from current \$5.00 price to \$7.00/ticket/game (\$8 for doubleheader) for the regional (fifth) round; increased state championship ticket price from \$8 to \$9 (Motion by Butler, second by Craddock, Approved 16-0).
  - a. Point of clarification: effective for Spring 2017
- 5. Recommended revising wording in NCHSAA Handbook, Section 4.3.2 (n) to reflect adoption of a Team Expense and Financial Arrangement policy for basketball similar to what is currently implemented for the team sports of volleyball, soccer, lacrosse, softball and baseball (Motion by Butler, second by Wilkins, Approved 16-0)
  - a. Point of clarification, policy effective for 2016-2017 Basketball playoff season
- 6. Reviewed finalized sports comparisons from 2015-2016 year versus previous vears
- 7. Reviewed summarized report based on reports received from all investment management groups
- 8. Reviewed funds distributed to membership. To help with clarity, suggested that Staff revise the presentation style regarding the amount of funds distributed back to member schools
- 9. Reviewed live televised football games by Time Warner Cable and discussed upcoming schedule for live basketball games
  - a. Recommended that Northwest Guilford and Southwest Guilford be allowed to move their basketball game to Saturday, January 21, 2016 and be televised live by TWC, even though outside of current contract of Wednesday/Thursday night window for live games; this is within spirit of that contract because schools are in exams during that week (Motion by Butler, second by Craddock, Approved 16-0)
- 10. Heard Strategic Plan update and consideration for the next five-year plan (2017-2022)

11. Reviewed Staff Updates including: Tra Waters hired as Assistant Commissioner for Sports and Championships; Patrick Stephenson resigned effective July 30, 2016 and Kayla Austin hired as Director of Marketing, effective August 22, 2016

The winter meeting was adjourned by President Shotwell at 11:35AM; the commissioner and president met with media representatives following lunch.

Respectfully submitted,

James Alverson Assistant Commissioner

## NORTH CAROLINA HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS SPRING MEETING Tuesday, May 2, 2017

The spring meeting of the North Carolina High School Athletic Association Board of Directors was called to order by President Rodney Shotwell at 8:30 a.m. at the Simon F. Terrell Building in Chapel Hill. Members in attendance included Joe Poletti, Brooks Matthews, Carla Black, Ron Butler, David Gentry, Sandy George, Paul Hoggard, Brad Craddock, Reggie Peace, Marc Whichard, Patty Evers, Darrin Hartness, Scarlett Steinert, Terry Worrell, Tim Foster, Jerry Simmons and Bobby Wilkins. Sherry Hoyle absent.

Affiliate members included Brad Allen of the Southeast Officials Association, representing regional supervisors and officials, Burt Jenkins of the North Carolina Department of Public Instruction, Joe Franks of the North Carolina Coaches Association, Wendell Hall representing the North Carolina School Boards Association and Jeff Morris representing the North Carolina High School Athletic Directors Association.

NCHSAA staff in attendance included Que Tucker, Karen DeHart, Mark Dreibelbis, Whitney Frye, Tra Waters, James Alverson, Brad Alford, Chiquana Dancy, Ken Brown and Pepper Hines.

The minutes from the Winter 2016 meeting were submitted, motion to approve by Brad Craddock, second by Tim Foster (Approved 17-0).

# CONSENT AGENDA NORTH CAROLINA HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION 2017 BOARD OF DIRECTORS SPRING MEETING

(Cases handled since November 1, 2016 and before April 19, 2017)

- 1. **VANCE CHARTER:** Place Vance Charter School in 1A Conference O effective 2017-18 school year.
- 2. **WILSON PREPARATORY ACADEMY:** Accept Membership Application for Wilson Preparatory Academy effective 2017-18 school year.
- 3. **CORNERSTONE CHARTER ACADEMY:** Accept Membership Application for Cornerstone Charter Academy effective 2017-18 school year.
- 4. **LANGTREE CHARTER ACADEMY:** Accept Membership Application for Langtree Charter Academy effective 2017-18 school year.
- 5. **R.J. REYNOLDS:** Denied waiver of Scholastic Requirements for Brian Carter, lacking appropriate documentation.
- 6. **R.J. REYNOLDS:** Approved waiver of Scholastic Requirements for Beonca Smith.
- 7. **NORTH BUNCOMBE:** Approved waiver of Residence Rule for Jayson Szot.
- 8. **CARRBORO:** Approved waiver of Scholastic Requirements for Christina Neiswender.
- 9. **EAST MONGOMERY:** Approved waiver of Residence Rule for Elise Epps.

- 10. **SALISBURY:** Approved waiver of Scholastic Requirements for Kevin Chawlk, Jr.
- 11. **CARDINAL GIBBONS:** Denied waiver of Residence Rule for Kevon Lockhart.
- 12. MONROE: Approved waiver of Residence Rule for Marguell Collins-Williams.
- 13. **EAST LINCOLN:** Approved waiver of Residence Rule for Annie Ammons.
- 14. **HIBRITEN:** Denied waiver of Residence Rule for Jarryn Kelly.
- 15. **CLAYTON:** Denied waiver of Scholastic Requirements for Maya Williams, lacking appropriate documentation.
- 16. **HOLLY SPRINGS:** Approved waiver of Scholastic Requirements for Jordin Ackles.
- 17. **NORTH IREDELL:** Denied waiver of Sports Season Limitation for Kaden Alexandra Smoot, student participated in full season in same sport this academic year.
- 18. **KNIGHTDALE:** Approved waiver of Scholastic Requirements for Leah McCray.
- 19. **WEST CRAVEN:** Denied waiver of Scholastic Requirements for Cody Townsend, lacking appropriate documentation.
- 20. **INDEPENDENCE:** Approved waiver of Residence Rule for Laikyn Berry.
- 21. **GREENE CENTRAL:** Denied waiver of Scholastic Requirements for Matthew Mewborn, lacking appropriate documentation. (Decision overturned by Hardship Committee with new, supporting documentation)
- 22. **GREENE CENTRAL:** Denied waiver of Scholastic Requirements for Cassie Congleton, lacking appropriate documentation.
- 23. **HOUGH:** Approved waiver of Scholastic Requirements for Alexis Navarro.
- 24. EAST BURKE: Denied waiver of Age Requirement for Jacob New.
- 25. **GRIMSLEY:** Denied waiver of Scholastic Requirements for Grace Martineau, lacking appropriate documentation.
- 26. **PENDER:** Denied waiver of Scholastic Requirements for Michael Bell, lacking appropriate documentation.
- 27. **PINE FOREST:** Denied waiver of Scholastic Requirements for Tatyana Mars, lacking appropriate documentation.
- 28. **REAGAN:** Approved waiver of Scholastic Requirements for Ian Cowperthwait.
- 29. **REAGAN:** Denied waiver of Scholastic Requirements for Onyekachukwu Egwautu, lacking appropriate documentation.
- 30. **MYERS PARK:** Denied waiver of Scholastic Requirements for Jeremy Whitehead, lacking appropriate documentation.
- 31. **GRIMSLEY:** Denied waiver of Scholastic Requirements for Liam Mullaney, lacking appropriate documentation.
- 32. **PENER:** Denied waiver of Scholastic Requirements for Katie Rivenbark, lacking appropriate documentation.
- 33. NORTH LINCOLN: Approved waiver of Residence Rule for Trey Carter.

- 34. **ROSEWOOD:** Denied waiver of Scholastic Requirements for Carrie Beckert, lacking appropriate documentation.
- 35. **CLEVELAND:** Denied waiver of Scholastic Requirements for Cassidy McNierney, lacking appropriate documentation.
- 36. **WAKEFIELD:** Denied waiver of Scholastic Requirements for Hunter Bobrick, lacking appropriate documentation.
- 37. ROSMAN: Approved waiver of Residence Rule for Yugo Ishada.
- 38. **NORTH BUNCOMBE:** Denied waiver of Eight Semester Rule for Pierson Hensley, lacking appropriate documentation.

Motion to accept the three new member applications with the understanding they would not be placed in a conference until the midway point of the next alignment (motion by Brad Craddock, second by Terry Worrell, approved 17-0)

Motion to approve other consent agenda items (motion by Brad Craddock, second by Sandy George, approved 17-0).

**COMMISSIONER'S REPORT**: The Commissioner addressed the Board updating them on the agenda for the day, asking the board to return to the board room by 11:45 for the Nominating Committee report and to hear a full board appeal by Smoky Mountain High School.

The Board then moved into its committee work at 8:42 a.m. During this time, agenda items were discussed individually and at length.

**FINANCE AND PERSONNEL:** chairperson Ron Butler, vice-chair Joe Poletti, Darrin Hartness, Brooks Matthews, Sandy George, Rodney Shotwell, staff advisors Que Tucker and Karen DeHart.

**POLICY:** chairperson Paul Hoggard, vice-chair Patty Evers, Terry Worrell, Jerry Simmons, Burt Jenkins, Wendell Hall, staff advisors Whitney Frye and Brad Alford. **REVIEW/OFFICIATING/STUDENT SERVICES:** chairperson David Gentry, vice-chair Marc Whichard, Sherry Hoyle, Jeff Morris, Brad Allen, Carla Black, staff advisor Mark Dreibelbis.

**SPORTS:** chairperson Brad Craddock, vice-chair Reggie Peace, Tim Foster, Scarlett Steinert, Bobby Wilkins, Joe Franks, staff advisors Tra Waters and Chiquana Dancy.

**NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT:** Jimmy Tillman, Athletic Director for Wilson County, spoke for the committee, presenting the new Board members based on their committee meeting on April 26<sup>th</sup>, 2017. These people will be presented to the Annual Meeting and voted on during that meeting.

Elect President - Joe Poletti, principal, Croatan High School

Elect Vice-President - Sandy George, principal, Mount Airy High School

Elect Past-President - Rodney Shotwell, superintendent, Rockingham County Schools

Elect - Charles Clark, principal, Northside High School, region 1, class 1A

Elect – Rob Jackson, superintendent, Edenton-Chowan Schools, region 1, class 2A Elect – Masanori Toguchi, athletic director, Hough High School, region 6, class 4A

Elect – Doug Rhoney, principal, Alexander Central High School, region 7, class 3A

Elect - Neil Blankenship, athletic director, Swain County Schools, region 8, class 1A

Elect – Lynn Moody, superintendent, Rowan-Salisbury Schools to a two-year term to replace Sherry Hoyle in region 6, class 1A

Two challenges for this committee, diversity and less Principals and Superintendents with athletic backgrounds. Tillman challenged the Board to try and help cultivate people who fall in those categories to get involved with athletics and the NCHSAA.

After lunch, the full Board heard committee reports on agenda items—lengthy discussion and debate ensued.

Paul Hoggard led the discussion on behalf of the POLICY COMMITTEE

Ron Butler led the discussion on behalf of the FINANCE AND PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

David Gentry led the discussion on behalf of the REVIEW AND OFFICIATING COMMITTEE

Brad Craddock led the discussion on behalf of the SPORTS COMMITTEE

**TOPICAL DISCUSSION:** Commissioner Tucker updated the Board on the Legislative Items that had appeared since the last Board meeting. None of those items that were on the NCHSAA radar made Crossover. The Commissioner then introduced James Alverson to discuss the new television and media landscape since Spectrum Cable's decision to not renew its contract with NCHSAA for next year.

The meeting was adjourned for the day at 5:20 PM.

## NORTH CAROLINA HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS SPRING MEETING Wednesday, May 3, 2017

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NCHSAA staff in attendance included Que Tucker, Karen DeHart, Mark Dreibelbis, Whitney Frye, Tra Waters, James Alverson, Brad Alford, Chiquana Dancy, Ken Brown, Kayla Austin and Pepper Hines.

Media members in attendance included J. Mike Blake of the *Raleigh News and Observer*, Conor O'Neill of the *Burlington Times-News*, Nick Stevens of *HighSchoolOT.com*, Jon Stout of *HighSchoolOT.*com, Chris Hughes from *CarolinaPreps.*com, Earl Vaughan, Jr. of *Up and Coming Weekly* in Fayetteville, Jaclyn Shambaugh of the *Fayetteville Observer*, and Joe Sirera of the *Greensboro News and Record*.

#### **SPECIAL REPORTS:**

STUDENT-ATHLETE ADVISORY COUNCIL: Jake Bertolini-Felice from Panther Creek High School presented on behalf of the Council. He informed the Board that SAAC has been trying to expand their presence on social media to help with Sportsmanship and My Reason Why campaigns. He informed the Board that they had to cancel Student Leadership Conference because there was not enough school participation. He told them that 8 students would attend the national Student Leadership Conference, receiving training in leadership techniques. He also shared the SAAC's discussion on student-athlete sport specialization.

### **TELEVISION POLICY DISCUSSION:**

1. Recommendation to allow live televised over the air contests on "premium nights" in football and basketball, with the NCHSAA Staff establishing a fee structure for each event. Motion from Brad Craddock, second by Sandy George, (Approved 18-0).

- 2. Recommendation to allow the NCHSAA to enter conversations with various media groups to secure coverage and production of state championship events. Motion from Brad Craddock, second by Terry Worrell (Approved 18-0).
- 3. Recommendation to allow the NCHSAA to take control of regular season live streaming of contests by non-school entities, establishing a fee structure and approval process for these broadcasts. Motion from Joe Poletti, second by Ron Butler, (Approved 18-0).
  - a. Point of clarification Member Student/School produced broadcasts will be permitted without charge by NCHSAA policy.

STRATEGIC PLAN REPORT: Larry Price, former Superintendent of Wilson County Schools and Strategic Planning Consultant, addressed the Board with the status of the NCHSAA's progress towards a new strategic plan for the academic years of 2017-2022. He informed the Board that the staff did a great job following through with the details of the last strategic plan. This organization wants to be the "national model" and the one that other state associations look to as a guide. He reviewed the mission and values as stated in the planning of the strategic plan. The next steps will involve developing strategies necessary to carry out the goals contained in the final strategic plan. The completed plan will be presented to the Board in late May for approval.

NORTH CAROLINA SCHOOL BOARDS ASSOCIATION: Wendell Hall addressed the Board on behalf on his organization. Let the Board know that the School Board is in a holding pattern after 200 bills made Legislative Crossover, many with educational components, including a compromise bill, House Bill 13 which deals with class-sizes. Building is being renovated currently, and the four major departments (legal, superintendent searches, Governmental Relations, and Financial) are continuing their work. Expressed the School Board Association's strong support of the activities and priorities of the NCHSAA.

STATE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION: Burt Jenkins reported to the Board from DPI. He alerted the Board to several bills that did not make crossover this year for the legislature; HB 116 – Student Safety in Athletics (Heat illness, etc.), SB 159/254 to permit students who attend a public school, private school or home school to participate in interscholastic athletics, HB 13 dealing with class size. Updated the board on Middle School eligibility in 2017-18 and beyond. Reminded it is an LEA decision to allow sixth graders participation, but all eligibility starts at sixth grade, whether the LEA allows participation or not (seventh graders will not be automatically eligible). Fall seasons in Middle School can't begin more than six student days before start of school. Let Board know that 2015-16 there were 3 LEA's and 5 Charters that were out of compliance with Gfeller Waller. Informed the Board of a new DPI Website with new names for Middle School policies.

NORTH CAROLINA ATHLETIC DIRECTORS ASSOCIATION: Jeff Morris made the presentation on behalf of the organization. Told the board it has been a tough year for the group, but things are on the right track with new leadership in office after resignation of Jerry McGee. Had largest attended conference to date in Wilmington in April. Put two new members into the Hall of Fame, Roy Turner and Rick Strunk. Todd Schuler from Cardinal Gibbons was AD of the Year. Want to broaden reach to include Middle School and NCISAA member ADs. Want to increase number of CMAA's in NC and create new opportunities for professional development. NC Membership in NIAAA increased by 28%. State Conference will be in Asheville in 2018 at the Crowne Plaza. They are discussing a fall symposium for implementation in October for LTI classes and leadership development opportunities.

**REGIONAL SUPERVISORS AND OFFICIALS REPRESENTATIVE:** Brad Allen presented to the Board on behalf of Regional Supervisors and Officials. He has been working to ensure effective lines of communication with him as their representative on the Board. Decided to stay involved in the baseball umpire on field this year, to see how the Sportsmanship Initiative took off. Urged the ADs at their conference to "Lead Your Ship." He's encouraged regional supervisors to help officials make positive impacts in their communities. He asked regional supervisors how to meet the challenges of recruitment of officials.

**NORTH CAROLINA COACHES ASSOCIATION**: Joe Franks thanked the NCHSAA for the opportunity to serve. He highlighted the partnership with NCADA and NCHSAA as a huge positive for the group. Highlighted the opportunity to provide a venue at their coaches' clinic for rules clinics and LTI/professional development classes. Thanked Superintendents, Principals and Athletic Directors for their support of the mission and needs of the NCCA. Reminded of the NCCA service of *From the Gym to the Jury* brochure on legal issues. New program in place with Balfour to provide a state championship ring for each NCHSAA state championship head coach.

**POLICY COMMITTEE:** Paul Hoggard addressed the Board on behalf of the committee.

- Recommend the 2017-18 Non-Athletic Calendar. Seconded by Patty Evers (Approved 17-0)
- 2. Recommendation to amend the current amateur rule policy (Rule 1.2.14) regarding athletes who violate policy losing eligibility in that particular sport as noted below. Seconded by Scarlett Steinert (Approved 18-0)
  - a. "(e) Acceptance of money or a forbidden award will cause an athlete to lose athletic eligibility for the sport in which the violation occurred and the following semester, with the appeal process to remain consistent with current policy."
- 3. Recommendation to amend current policy to surrounding a senior exception in the manners listed below.
  - a. to the minimum load requirement is advisable did not make it out of committee (Rule 1.25).

- b. Recommendation to amend Handbook Rule 1.2.13(b) to say "Students may be allowed to wear school uniforms, including protective equipment, in outside organization competition, so long as the student has exhausted athletic eligibility in that sport and received permission from the member school Approval from the LEA is strongly recommended. Recommended LEA approval before participation." Seconded by Terry Worrell (Approved 17-0)
- c. Recommendation to amend Handbook Rule 2.2.15(e)(4) to say "Numbers restrictions add language to allow an exception to the numbers restrictions for students who have exhausted their eligibility in that sport. Dead period rules would remain." Seconded by Terry Worrell (Approved 17-1)
- 4. Recommendation to provide clarity and guidance for interpretation of Handbook Rule 1.2.9(g) when students turn 18 or are legally emancipated as detailed below. Seconded by Sandy George (Approved 18-0)
  - a. "Emancipation for athletics purposes is when a minor by legal determination or otherwise is freed from control by his or her parents or guardian(s), and the parent(s), guardian(s), or other individual(s) are free from any and all responsibility for the child.
- 5. Recommendation to provide language to the membership for vote in accordance with NCHSAA Bylaws to modify Bylaw II 3. Quorum. Seconded by Brad Craddock (Approved 17-0)
  - a. "A guorum shall consist of eleven (11) members of the Board of Directors"
- 6. Recommendation to allow the following revisions to the NCSHAA Transfer Rule. Seconded by Terry Worrell (Approved 16-2)
  - a. A student's first transfer after initial entry into the 9<sup>th</sup> grade is not subject to the NCHSAA transfer rule (LEA to LEA). For any transfer thereafter, the student must sit out for 2 consecutive semesters (at least 50% of the current semester plus the following semester) or 365 days, whichever is less
  - b. NCHSAA Transfer Committee will be composed of the NCHSAA Executive Committee and at least one (1) non-district affiliated member.
  - c. Modify initial entry interpretation for non-district affiliated schools (Charter and Non-Boarding Parochial) Rule 1.2.1(a)(2): boundary criteria shall only apply after initial entry into ninth grade.
  - d. Students who want to participate in cheerleading are not subject to the transfer policy, however all current eligibility requirements would remain applicable.
- 7. Recommendation to change to residence requirement language for students when no custody order has been entered. Seconded by Terry Worrell (Approved 18-0)
  - a. Residency shall be deemed to be with the parent with whom the student begins the school year with (i.e. 1<sup>st</sup> semester).

- 8. Recommendation to alter language in the NCHSAA Handbook Rule 4.1.6(a) to clarify who bears the financial responsibility for Endowment Games against non-member schools as listed below. Seconded by Bobby Wilkins (Approved 18-0)
  - a. "The home team will remit twenty-five percent of the gross revenue to the NCHSAA's endowment fund. If a member school plays an endowment game against a non-member school, the member school is responsible for remitting payment to the NCHSAA regardless of where the game is played. Expenses will be deducted from the remaining proceeds and the competing schools will divide the remainder. The competing schools are responsible for determining allowable expenses and the team shares."
- 9. Proposal to incorporate a rule in which after a certain date of the sports season NO FURTHER ADDITIONS to the eligibility roster would be allowed did not make it out of committee.
- 10. Recommendation that once a student athlete is eligible for a sports season, then they shall remain academically eligible for the duration of that sports season did not make it out of committee.
- 11. Recommendation for cheerleading coaches to be required to attend an annual rules clinic. Seconded by Patty Evers (Approved 17-1)
- 12. Recommendation to add language to the Wet Bulb Globe Temperature Index and Athletic Activity Chart in the 90 or Above category as follows below. Seconded by Brad Craddock (Approved 18-0)
  - a. "Athletic Activity Guidelines: SUSPEND PRACTICE AND MUST INCLUDE MANDATORY BREAKS AS DIRECTED BY A GAMEDAY ADMINISTRATOR DURING A CONTEST"

# **FINANCE AND PERSONNEL COMMITTEE:** Ron Butler addressed the Board on behalf of the committee.

- 1. Recommendation the the NCHSAA Insurance Investment Policies be handled as listed below. Seconded by Darrin Hartness (Approved 18-0)
  - a. Review to determine if deceased
  - b. Any non-deceased person's policy be turned in for cash value
  - c. All monies placed in the NCHSAA Endowment as originally intended.
- 2. Gave a review of 2016-17 budget versus actual revenues and expenses through March 31, 2017.
- 3. Gave a review of 2016-17 sports comparison financial report relative to previous years(s).
- 4. Gave a review of investment accounts based on summary reports from management groups through March 31, 2017.
- 5. Gave a review of various methods of presenting information relative to funds distributed to membership.
- 6. Gave a review of existing 5-year strategic plan.
- 7. Gave a review of ticket prices charged in other NFHS Section 3 States relative to NC.

- 8. Recommendation to raise the live radio fee for football and basketball playoffs and state championship games to \$100 per game. Seconded by Brad Craddock (Approved 17-0)
- Gave a review the NCHSAA Television contract and the future of television and digital video rights with respect to NCHSAA member school, playoff games and event coverage.
- 10. Recommendation to approve the use of fine monies collected from non-compliance with coaches' certification requirements to offset costs for coaches to take NFHS Learn courses for a two-year pilot program. Seconded by Sandy George (Approved 17-0)
- 11. Review recent and upcoming NCHSAA personnel changes

## **REVIEW AND OFFICIATING COMMITTEE:** David Gentry addressed the Board on behalf of the committee.

- 1. Recommendation to approve the comprehensive listing of incidents per school. Seconded by Bobby Wilkins (Approved 18-0)
- 2. Gave a review the comprehensive breakdown of ejections per school and sport. This report includes a summary of percentages of year-to-date versus previous year(s) infractions and a breakdown by sport.
- 3. Gave a review spring sports data relating to ejections and disqualifications during scrimmage games.
- 4. Recommendation to approve the use of three umpires for Softball Regionals Finals beginning with the 2017 Regional Softball Finals. Seconded by Brad Craddock (Approved 18-0)
- 5. Recommendation to amend Handbook Rule 4.5.4(c)(3) to add language clarifying "Use of a Clock Operator is not an allowable game expense." Seconded by Tim Foster (Approved 17-1)
- 6. Recommendation to approve change to Wrestling Handbook Rule 4.14.6(j)(1) to include language, "Officials for the Dual Team State Championships will be made by the NCHSAA Supervisor of Officials." Seconded by Marc Whichard (Approved 18-0)
- Recommendation to approve the establishment of a lacrosse local officials' association in the Cumberland County area. Seconded by Sandy George (Approved 18-0)
- 8. Recommend to amend Handbook Rule 4.1.17 to include NCHSAA approval of playoff host venues as listed below. Seconded by Terry Worrell (Approved 17-0)
  - a. "The NCHSAA has the right to require host teams to find an adequate facility based on expected game attendance and/or quality of venue."
- Recommendation to approve the following regional supervisors based on search committee recommendations listed below. Seconded by Darrin Hartness (Approved 18-0)
  - a. Judy Stroud, Western NC Volleyball
  - b. Taylor August, Northeast Basketball
  - c. Kyle Dunn, Northwest Wrestling

- d. Todd Mason, Southwestern Basketball
- 10. Recommendation to approve amendment to Handbook Rule 2.1.7(f) adding language to, "Add a web-based clinic for coaching credit." Seconded by Marc Whichard (Approved 18-0)
- 11. Recommendation to approve an amendment of the specified time period for coaches to complete the annually required courses after June 1, 2017 and prior to the first date of practice in their sport. Seconded by Sandy George (Approved 18-0)
- 12. Recommendation to approve adding an officiating requirement for a swimming official to serve on a high school diving panel. Official must be registered as an NCHSAA Swimming Official, pass the NCHSAA Diving Judge Test and a USA Diving official must be registered with the NCHSAA. Seconded by Marc Whichard (Approved 18-0)
- 13. Gave a review NCHSAA implementation of "Sportsmanship ... Together, We Make the Right Call."
- 14. Gave a review of Student Services Programs.

## **SPORTS COMMITTEE:** Brad Craddock addressed the Board on behalf of the committee.

- 1. Recommendation to require that all men's and women's head tennis coaches attend a rules clinic. Seconded by Terry Worrell (Approved 18-0)
- 2. Recommendation to approve the adjustment of the start date for all fall sports in the 2017-18 NCHSAA Sports Calendar Seconded by Sandy George (Approved 18-0)
- 3. Recommendation to approve moving the dual team wrestling championships to a neutral site to be determined by the NCHSAA staff. Seconded by Tim Foster (Approved 18-0)
- 4. Recommendation to edit language in Volleyball Tournament Weekly limitation, Handbook Rule 4.13.1(f)(4) replacing with what is listed in attachment S1 from the Board of Directors pre-meeting packet. Seconded by Reggie Peace (Approved 18-0)
- 5. Tabled until December the recommendation to change the current qualification process for the Indoor Track State Championship.
  - a. Phase 1 To require all times used for qualification into the State Meet to be Fully Automatic Times (FAT).
  - b. Phase 2 Any qualifying time used for the State Championship Meet must be achieved at a meet held at an indoor track facility.
- 6. Recommendation to set the established play date as listed on the official sports calendar as the only day a team could play a contest (as proposed by the NC Baseball Coaches Association) did not make it out of committee.
- 7. Recommendation for a one-year trial all 4A schools use NCPrepSwimming.com to upload and manage results for the official regional entry process. Seconded by Reggie Peace (Approved 18-0)

- 8. The recommendation for a change to NCHSAA Handbook Rule 3.1.2 to state, "A conference must have either five schools or 80% of the conference fielding a team in a sport in order to be guaranteed a position in the playoffs for that sport", did not make it out of committee. Staff was charged with ensuring that Metro 4A receive some appropriate relief, if necessary.
- 9. Recommendation to update NCHSAA Handbook rule 4.14.1(f)(1) dealing with Licensed Athletic Trainer coverage at Wrestling matches and tournaments to read as below. Seconded by Tim Foster (Approved 18-0)
  - a. "A licensed athletic trainer (LAT) or first responder must be present at all times in any competition area in which wrestling is being held. Ex:

    Wrestling in Auxillary Gym/Main Gym at the same time would require two licensed athletic trainers or first responders.
- 10. Recommendation to change to the winter and spring dead periods to four weeks each did not make it out of committee. Additionally, in the May dead period, any school that opts to have 21-athlete skill development in football should be allowed to continue skill development
- 11. Recommendation to change the length of the dead periods from six weeks each to two weeks immediately following the conclusion of the state championship in each sport did not make it out of committee.
- 12. Recommendation to allow training in the Olympic styles (Freestyle and Greco-Roman) of wrestling not to be included in the current skill development policies and procedures did not make it out of committee.
- 13. Recommendation to change the current playoff bracketing, qualification and seeding procedure for the sports of baseball, basketball, football, soccer, softball and volleyball as follows below. Seconded by Reggie Peace (Approved 16-2)
  - a. change bracket sizes for baseball, basketball, football, soccer, softball and volleyball to
    - i. 1A 48 teams
    - ii. 2A 64 teams
    - iii. 3A 64 teams
    - iv. 4A 48 teams
  - b. change playoff system for wrestling, tennis and lacrosse to previous model of pre-determined brackets
  - c. use of MaxPreps Rankings for seeding of qualified teams for a trial period of one year.
- 14. Reviewed a strategic plan aimed at growing women's wrestling in North Carolina.
- 15. Recommendation to amend current skill development policy to change in-season dead period from 6 weeks to 3 weeks. Seconded by Tim Foster (Approved 18-0)
- 16. Recommendation to change the skill development policy to add a new dead period for the last 10 student days. Also, to eliminate the May dead period for all women's sports effective May 5, 2017; eliminate the May dead period for football, effective May 5, 2017, as well as maintain the May dead period for all other men's sports. Seconded by Reggie Peace (Approved 18-0)

COMMISSIONER'S REPORT: Commissioner Tucker began by thanking the NCHSAA Staff for their hard work and dedication. Thanked the board for their support of member schools, particularly in the response to Hurricane Matthew and the relief efforts the NCHSAA provided. She read a letter of thanks from Jeff Phipps, athletic director in Robeson Co., after their receipt of \$15,000 in support of flood relief in that county. She spoke about the collaboration efforts with affiliate members as new legislative items popped up over the course of the year. Wanted to acknowledge the good that Time Warner/Spectrum did with the NCHSAA over the course of their 11-year partnership.

## **ADDITIONAL ITEMS:**

The spring meeting was adjourned at 11:22AM by President Rodney Shotwell, followed by lunch; then the commissioner and president met with media representatives.

Respectfully submitted,

James Alverson Assistant Commissioner

#### NORTH CAROLINA HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS WINTER MEETING Wednesday, November 29, 2017

The winter meeting of the North Carolina High School Athletic Association Board of Directors was called to order by President Joe Poletti at 8:47 a.m. at the Simon F. Terrell Building in Chapel Hill. Members in attendance included Rodney Shotwell, Sandy George, Brad Craddock, Reggie Peace, Patty Evers, Darrin Hartness, Lynn Moody, Scarlett Steinert, Terry Worrell, Tim Foster, Jerry Simmons, Bobby Wilkins, Neil Blankenship, Charles Clark, Rob Jackson, Doug Rhoney, and Masanori Toguchi.

Affiliate members included Burt Jenkins of the North Carolina Department of Public Instruction, Joe Franks of the North Carolina Coaches Association, Wendell Hall representing the North Carolina School Boards Association and Jeff Morris representing the North Carolina High School Athletic Directors Association.

NCHSAA staff in attendance included Que Tucker, Karen DeHart, Mark Dreibelbis, Tra Waters, James Alverson, Brad Alford, Chiquana Dancy, Ken Brown, and Pepper Hines.

The minutes from the Spring 2017 Board meeting were submitted for approval, motion to accept as presented by Rodney Shotwell, second by Brad Craddock. Approved 18-0.

# CONSENT AGENDA NORTH CAROLINA HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION 2017 BOARD OF DIRECTORS WINTER MEETING

(Cases handled since April 19, 2017 and before November 14, 2017)

- KESTREL HEIGHTS CHARTER SCHOOL: Effective July 1, 2017, Kestrel Heights Charter School was removed from membership.
- WILSON PREPARATORY ACADEMY: Accepted Wilson Preparatory Academy's resignation of membership on September 1, 2017.
- 3. **HAYESVILLE:** Approved waiver of Eight Semester Rule for Dylan McAllister.
- 4. ROLESVILLE: Approved waiver of Scholastic Requirements for Lucas Broines.
- 5. **SOUTH CENTRAL:** Approved waiver of Scholastic Requirements for Caleb Woodley.
- 6. **SOUTH DAVIDSON:** No action taken on waiver of Age Requirements for Yoni Merida. NCHSAA does not have the authority to set aside Department of Public Instruction requirements.
- 7. GLENN: Approved waiver of Residence Requirements for Simon Rios-Grajales.
- 8. SPRING CREEK: Approved waiver of Scholastic Requirements for Chloe Davis.
- 9. **EASTERN GUILFORD:** Approved waiver of Residence Requirements for William Payton.
- 10. MYERS PARK: Approved waiver of Scholastic Requirements for Chance McClellan.
- 11. A.C. REYNOLDS: Approved waiver of Residence Requirements for Ari Williams.
- 12. **EAST MECKLENBURG:** Approved waiver of Scholastic Requirements for Allayah Parris.
- 13. **OLYMPIC:** Approved waiver of Scholastic Requirements for Zackary Wortman.
- 14. J.H. ROSE: Approved waiver of Eight Semester Rule for Kara Dankert.
- 15. T.C. ROBERSON: Approved waiver of Residence Requirements for Marcos Rivera.
- 16. T.C. ROBERSON: Approved waiver of Residence Requirements for Noah Miller.
- 17. **KINGHTDALE:** Denied waiver of Eight Semester Rule for Roman Lucas, Jr. Documentation provided indicates that the student's poor academic performance and subsequent ineligibility was attributable to an unstable living arrangement caused by his mother's illness and loss of income.
- 18. **SOUTHERN ALAMANCE:** Approved waiver of Residence Requirements and Eight Semester Rule for Issac Arum.
- 19. BEN L. SMITH: Approved waiver of Residence Requirements for Eddie Williard.
- 20. ROCKY MOUNT PREP: Approved waiver of Scholastic Requirements for Derek Sheffield.
- 21. **NORTHWEST GUILFORD:** Denied waiver of Scholastic Requirements for Mary Katherine Alexander.

  Documentation does not support a finding that the student's ineligibility exists because she was unable to attend, or prohibited from attending, school due to medical treatment.
- 22. SOUTHWEST ONSLOW: Approved waiver of Scholastic Requirements for Brandon Roman Bertrand.
- 23. **SOUTHERN DURHAM:** Denied waiver of Residence Requirements for Jaylen Franks. After considering all documentation provided, the student's dismissal from the West Craven football team and subsequent transfer do not appear to be merely coincidental.
- 24. **SANDERSON:** Approved waiver of Eight Semester Rule for James Liam Canard.
- 25. **ST. STEPHENS:** Approved waiver of Residence Requirements for Drevan Rhinehardt.
- 26. ELKIN: Denied waiver of Residence Requirements for Jarryn Kelly. According to the documentation provided, the student transferred to Elkin High School to participate in the ROTC program not available at the previous member school. However, a hardship request on the student's behalf was submitted to the NCHSAA by the previous member school in January 2016 with erroneous information provided by the student's family. In the request, the student's family noted that there was no custody-order between the student's divorced parents, however information was received at a later date which disputed that account. Additionally, the student's desire to participate in JROTC or the student's "passion for a military experience" was not mentioned.
- 27. SOUTH MECKLENBURG: Approved waiver of Residence Requirements for Valance Novellus Washington.
- 28. PORTER RIDGE: Approved waiver of Residence Requirements for Ja'Quintie Hill.
- 29. NORTH LINCOLN: Approved waiver of Residence Requirements for Gabriel Xavier Youngblood.

- 30. **BISHOP MCGUINNESS:** Denied waiver of Residence Requirements for Yutong Li. The student is in a foreign exchange program that was not a member of the CSIET (Council on Standards for International Education Travel) during the student's first year of residence in the United States and/or North Carolina.
- 31. MOUNT AIRY: Approved waiver of Residence Requirements for Axelle Marie Martine Lince.
- 32. CHRIST THE KING CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL: Accept Membership Application for Christ the King Catholic High School effective 2018-19 school year.
- SOUTH GARNER HIGH SCHOOL: Accept Membership Application for South Garner High School effective 2018-19 school year.
- 34. ENO RIVER ACADEMY: Accept Membership Application for Eno River Academy effective 2018-19 school year.

After discussion, motion was made to approve consent agenda items as listed, including approval of membership for new schools as included on the consent agenda (motion by Brad Craddock, second by Rodney Shotwell, approved 18-0).

**COMMISSIONER'S REPORT**: The Commissioner welcomed the Board members to the NCHSAA Offices and updated them on the agenda items of the day, including the two appeals to the full Board, scheduled for today just after lunch. She spoke about the Transfer Committee holding three appeals prior to the start of today's meeting -- two were denied and were told that they could immediately appeal to the full Board, if they so chose. Commissioner updated the Board on the resignation of General Counsel & Associate Commissioner, Whitney Frye, and the Association's plan to move forward with the areas of responsibility that she had while employed with the Association.

The Board then moved into its committee work.

**SPORTS:** chairperson Reggie Peace, vice-chair Patty Evers, Neil Blankenship, Rob Jackson, Jerry Simmons, and Joe Franks; staff advisors Tra Waters and Chiquana Dancy.

**POLICY:** chairperson Darrin Hartness, vice-chari Scarlett Steinert, Lynn Moody, Doug Rhoney, Burt Jenkins, and Jeff Morris; staff advisor Brad Alford.

**REVIEW/ OFFICIATING/STUDENT SERVICES**: vice-chairperson Terry Worrell, Charles Clark, Masanori Toguchi, Brad Allen, and Wendell Hall; staff advisor, Mark Dreibelbis. (Marc Whichard, Chairperson was unable to attend)

**FINANCE AND PERSONNEL**: chairperson Sandy George, vice-chair Rodney Shotwell, Brad Craddock, Tim Foster, Joe Poletti, and Bobby Wilkins; staff advisors Que Tucker and Karen DeHart.

The Board later heard lengthy reports on "in-committee" work on agenda items.

**AUDIT REPORT**: The Board heard a report from Blackman and Sloop Auditing Firm. Rob Lewis and Andrea Woodell Eason presented a "clean audit" to the board. They issued an unmodified opinion and found no material weaknesses and reported no problems based on audit findings. Noted that NCHSAA expenses are largely in giving money back to the schools and the 79% of expenses in giving back to schools is exceeding the industry/non-profit standard percentage given back. They also updated the Board on the financial markets and how NCHSAA investments have performed. Investments have been more defensive, particularly in the bonds area, with uncertainty in the marketplace and concern over interest rates. However, the NCHSAA investments have performed well in the current climate.

After lunch, the Board entertained two member schools' appeals of penalties for non-compliance of rules—Wakefield and Southern Guilford High Schools. The Board upheld staff rulings.

After hearing reports from the various committees, the meeting was adjourned for the day at 4:15 PM.

#### NORTH CAROLINA HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS WINTER MEETING Thursday, November 30, 2017

The winter meeting of the North Carolina High School Athletic Association Board of Directors was called to order by President Joe Poletti at 8:30 a.m. at the Simon F. Terrell Building in Chapel Hill. Members in attendance included Rodney Shotwell, Sandy George, Brad Craddock, Reggie Peace, Patty Evers, Darrin Hartness, Scarlett Steinert, Terry Worrell, Tim Foster, Jerry Simmons, Bobby Wilkins, Neil Blankenship, Charles Clark, Rob Jackson, Doug Rhoney, and Masanori Toguchi.

Affiliate members included Burt Jenkins of the North Carolina Department of Public Instruction, Joe Franks of the North Carolina Coaches Association, Wendell Hall representing the North Carolina School Boards Association and Jeff Morris representing the North Carolina High School Athletic Directors Association.

NCHSAA staff in attendance included Que Tucker, Karen DeHart, Mark Dreibelbis, Tra Waters, James Alverson, Brad Alford, Chiquana Dancy, and Pepper Hines.

The Board immediately held a Closed Session to hear a Transfer Waiver appeal from Cherokee High School.

Following closed session, the following members of the media were welcomed: J. Mike Blake of the *Raleigh News and Observer*, Nick Stevens of *HighSchoolOT.com*, Earl Vaughan, Jr. of *Up and Coming Weekly*, David Kehrli of *Burlington Times-News*, Jaclyn Shambaugh of *Fayetteville Observer*, and Joe Sirera of the *Greensboro News and Record*.

#### **SPECIAL REPORTS:**

STUDENT-ATHLETE ADVISORY COUNCIL: Halima Hasan from Research Triangle High School presented on behalf of the Council. She talked about how athletics has helped shaped her in leadership roles. Noted that the SAAC had the idea to hold Student-Athlete Regional Meetings in conjunction with the NCHSAA Regional Meetings. The council held their first Student-Athlete Regional Meeting in Region 3 this year and it was well attended. Noted that the Regional SAAC Representatives hope to meet with the Board Representative in their region to help promote and integrate what SAAC is doing in conjunction with NCHSAA goals and values. She asked the Board to save the date for the NC Student Athlete Leadership Conference and encouraged them to send students from their schools to that Conference in March.

**COMMISSIONER'S REPORT:** The Commissioner addressed the Board first, by thanking the affiliate members for their partnership and presences on the Board. Recognized Rob Jackson for his award as Regional Superintendent of the Year as he leaves the meeting to receive that award. She noted several challenges the NCHSAA will continue to face, such as ongoing landscape changes in education, continual addition of charter schools, etc. Mentioned that the educational piece that the Board handles on a daily basis makes it possible for the existence of the athletics side of our business.

NORTH CAROLINA SCHOOL BOARDS ASSOCIATION: Wendell Hall addressed the Board on behalf on his organization. Noted that the School Board held their annual conference in Greensboro recently with over 600 in attendance. Noted that there are over 2500 schools in the state of North Carolina. He mentioned the K-3 reduction as the most difficult factor facing the Boards' Association as that will be coming online next year. The Delegate Assembly of the School Boards Association sent a resolution to the General Assembly members asking them to delay the K-3 reduction so that schools have a chance to prepare for it. Mentioned the ongoing difficulty in finding teachers.

STATE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION: Burt Jenkins reported to the Board from DPI. Noted that there is no pending legislation that could impact DPI or NCHSAA. He mentioned meetings with the group at DPI who are in charge of PowerSchools to help in calculating the Scholar Athlete Program. Noted 2017 Gfeller Waller Audits and said that schools look good overall. Noted changes for the middle school participation, with eligibility beginning in sixth grade for all students. Noted changes to the Middle School Manual: now broken into four sections: Eligibility, Health & Safety, General Rules & Regulations, and Resources. State Board Policies have been updated to include new coding. Had to address the fact the fall sports season in Middle School starts 6 days prior to the start of the school year and not when the High School season begins. Within Eligibility Section, Gfeller Waller is an eligibility issue as well as Health and Safety. Three additions made: Athletic Injury Management, Gfeller Waller Concussion Awareness, Tobacco Policy. Changes to General Rules and Regulations: No Sunday practice, head coach recommendation to attend rules meetings, officials can't be taken from the stands, physical required for skill development participation, and additional coach recommendations to take several NFHS Learn coaches.

NORTH CAROLINA COACHES ASSOCIATION: Joe Franks thanked the NCHSAA for the opportunity to serve. Discussed the working relationship that the Coaches Association carries with the NCHSAA. Noted the NC Coaches Association trying to integrate better with the NCHSAA and NCADA within their programs and cooperating on things like Food Drives and Championship Rings for Coaches. Shared that Coaching Clinic fees will increase for the first time since 2005. Increased pre-registration by \$5 and on-site by \$10. Mentioned the North Carolina/South Carolina Basketball game that will be held at Hoggard this year after the NC Basketball Coaches took the lead to make the game happen after a loss of funding in SC.

**NORTH CAROLINA ATHLETIC DIRECTORS ASSOCIATION**: Jeff Morris made the presentation on behalf of his organization. Mentioned the new logo, rebranding and restructuring of the organization. Tweaked the process of joining

their board to bring people in a year ahead of when a regular term starts their term so they aren't coming in cold. Added some at-large positions to their Board to help expand opportunities to get people involved. Noted new certification goals of the organizations to help with AdvancEd Accrediting services. They are developing a plan to require certification of all Athletic Directors, including providing funding for certification classes. Mentioned the NCADA State Conference on March 25-28, 2018 at the Crowne Plaza in Asheville with registration opening on December 15. Mentioned the National Athletic Director Conference in Phoenix beginning next week and the 46 attendees from NC. Requested the Board have conversations with people they come in contact with about certification and the value of it.

**PRESIDENT'S REPORT:** President Poletti challenged the Board to see the impact that athletics has on students all across the spectrum--from the athletes who play at the individual school, who don't get into the game but are a part of the team, to the Students excelling at the State Championship level. Challenged the Board to attend as many State Championships as possible.

#### SPORTS COMMITTEE: Reggie Peace made the presentation after thanking committee members:

- 1. Recommended approval of the 2018-2019 Sports Calendar. (Motion by Peace, second by Toguchi, approved 16-0)
- 1. Committee tabled the recommendation by Triangle 6 Conference relating to Lacrosse daily limitation; requesting safety information from the Sports Medicine Advisory Committee.
- 2. Committee tabled the recommendation from Eastern Plains Conference concerning tie games during the regular season to allow the NC Soccer Coaches Association to weigh in on the motion before rendering a decision.
- 3. Recommend adoption of staff recommendation to change the current interpretation of the wrestling two-pound allowance qualification (Handbook Rule 4.14.2 (d)) to allow all wrestlers to receive the allowance on December 25<sup>th</sup>. (Motion by Peace, second by Shotwell, approved 16-0)
- 4. Recommended approval of NC Football Coaches Association Football Skill Development proposal to change the skill development guidelines in the sport of football to match all other sport programs as referenced in NCHSAA Handbook Rule 2.2.15 with the following additional language "A licensed athletic trainer must be present at all skill development sessions if any protective equipment (helmet, shoulder pads) is worn. All protective equipment must be certified. No body-to-body contact is allowed and football pants may not be worn." Effective date of this regulation is December 1, 2017. (Motion by Peace, second by Worrell, approved 16-0)
- 5. The Greater Neuse River Conference's recommendation as it relates to playoff seeding points system was discussed; however, this recommendation did not make it out of committee.
- 6. Recommend adoption of adjustment to the playoff seeding process effective for the Winter and Spring seasons of the current academic year (2017-18) as follows:
  - a. At-large berths: Handbook Regulation 4.1.18 (e) (1) amended to "Teams in their classification will be selected to fill the remaining slots in the bracket based upon conference finish, then Amended MaxPreps ranking.
  - b. Split Conference Application Adjustments: Removing wording "... and highest finishing team in each classification of a split conference" in Handbook Regulation 4.1.19 (b)(1) adding a note: "The highest finishing team in its half of a split conference must finish in 1st, 2nd, or 3rd place overall and/or have an overall winning percentage of .500 or higher in order to be seeded as a #1. Otherwise, the team will be seeded with all other atlarge teams.
  - c. Change language in Handbook Regulation 4.1.18 and 4.1.19 to read "Adjusted MaxPreps Ranking" in the place of "MaxPreps Ranking" for all instances.
  - (Motion by Peace, Second by Craddock, approved 16-0)
- 7. Discussed making 4A Women's Lacrosse a classified Championship; constitution's provision in the handbook that a classification must meet the 50% requirement for at least 2 years prior to classification; that provision has yet to be met.
- 8. Updates shared relative to neutral site for dual team wrestling championships; discussed regional basketball sites for 2018.

#### FINANCE AND PERSONNEL COMMITTEE: Sandy George made the presentation after thanking committee members:

- 1. Reviewed information on the NCHSAA's Investment Portfolio as presented by Wells Fargo and Morgan Stanley.
- 2. Reviewed the status of surrendering Insurance Investment Policies held by the NCHSAA.
  - Close-out process is underway; tabled until May,2018 ways to use the surrendered funds; asked staff to gather suggestions and ideas for investment/use.
  - Recommended creation of a special recognition in the name of the former insured as supporters to the NCHSAA Endowed Funds – NCHSAA Legacy Society for any planned giving and related donors. (Motion by George, second by Craddock, approved 16-0)
- 3. Recommended approval of the 2016-17 audit as presented by Blackman & Sloop. (Motion by George, second by Worrell, approved 16-0)
- Recommended approval of the 2017-18 Budget. (Motion by George, second by Toguchi, approved 16-0).
- Recommendation from NC Track and Cross-Country Coaches Association Board of Directors to increase admission
  prices from \$8.00 to \$10.00 for Indoor Track Championships was considered as part of recommendation to adjust state
  championship ticket prices
- 6. Recommended state championship ticket price adjustments for 2018 winter and spring championships as follows:
  - a. Basketball--\$10 to \$15

- b. Indoor Track--\$8 to \$10 per classification
- c. Wrestling--\$7 to \$8 (for Saturday Championship Finals session)
- d. Lacrosse--\$9 to \$10
- e. Women's Soccer--\$8 to \$10
- Other adjustments across all other sports, in other playoff rounds, will be made effective 2018-2019 academic year.

(Motion by George, second by Evers, approved 16-0).

- 7. Shared the discussion of the finalized sports comparisons from 2016-2017 year versus previous years.
- 8. Gave a summarized review of reports received from 3 of the 5 money management companies; in-person reports were shared from Wells Fargo and Morgan Stanley investment management groups.
- 9. Reviewed amount of funds distributed to membership during summer of 2017, noting that the NCHSAA distributed more than \$1.5 million back to schools and almost \$8.5 million dollars over past 7 years.
- Gave an overall summary of Association's television and streaming video partnerships with Sinclair Broadcasting Company and the NFHS Network.
- 11. Reviewed the completed Strategic Plan for 2017-2022.
- 12. Presented staff updates:
  - a. Caitlin McMannen hired effective May 22, 2017 as Assistant to Supervisor of Officials, replacing Tiffany Worthen who resigned for another position.
  - b. Jonathan Leonard hired effective June 19, 2017 to replace Michael Niver who resigned for another position.
  - Kelly Edwards hired effective August 16, 2017 into newly created position of Assistant to Sports & Championships to assist the sports directors.
  - Malika Butler hired effective August 14, 2017 as a part-time receptionist to replace Amo Weld who resigned to pursue post-graduate studies.
  - e. Melissa Knight hired effective October 16, 2017 as part-time receptionist to replace Brian Koltz who resigned for a position at Leesville Road High School.
  - f. Whitney Frye resigned effective October 27, 2017 to pursue a job with USA Basketball in Colorado.

#### POLICY COMMITTEE: Darrin Hartness thanked his committee and gave the following report:

- 1. Tabled proposal by the Sports Medicine Advisory Committee to allow no more than two (2) 7-on-7 scrimmages per week during the summer, with a minimum of one (1) calendar day of rest in between scrimmages.
- 2. Tabled proposal by the Sports Medicine Advisory Committee to require a minimum of one (1) calendar day between preseason scrimmages.
- 3. Proposal by the Sports Medicine Advisory Committee to not allow 7-on-7 scrimmages during the week of the National Athletic Trainers' (NATA) Clinical Symposia which is traditionally held annually during the last week in June did not emerge from committee.
- 4. Reviewed the Amateur Rule and asked staff to draft a policy that would cover single-sport athletes in violation, and review how our Amateur Rule is written compared to the NCAA model.
- 5. Reviewed policies from other states in NFHS Section III relative to Home School Participation. Asked staff to craft language for a draft policy that could be discussed at the next meeting.
- 6. Reviewed policies concerning transgender students and inclusion issues relative to NCHSAA rules and regulations; asked staff to continue reviewing policies from other state associations for future discussions.
- 7. Recommended amending NCHSAA Transfer Waiver Policy allowing staff latitude to authorize transfers-when appropriate—for subsequent transfers after initial entry into the ninth grade. (Motion by Hartness, second by Craddock, approved 15-0)
- 8. Reviewed of the NCHSAA Constitution and Bylaws relative to sanctioned sports, particularly as it relates to interpretation of Sanctioned Sports; suggested staff continue with by-laws as written.

## REVIEW/OFFICIATING/STUDENT SERVICES COMMITTEE: Terry Worrell reported after thanking committee members

- Recommended approval of the comprehensive listing of incidents and penalties by member schools. (Motion by Worrell, second by George, approved 15-0)
- Reviewed the comprehensive breakdown of ejections per school and sport with continued points of emphasis on NCHSAA Sportsmanship initiative.
- 3. Reviewed and gave an update on requested information relative to tracking of ejections and disqualifications during scrimmage games; items tabled until spring meeting.
- 4. Tabled a proposal from CMS Athletic Directors to require all NCHSAA member schools to use the ArbiterGame software for scheduling contests; staff requested to seek feedback and input from athletic directors.
- 5. Recommended adding "coaches" to Handbook regulation 2.4.3 (c).
  - a. Handbook Rule 2.4.3 (c) would read "Coaches and Players receiving two ejections for unacceptable behavior as defined above will be suspended from all sports for the remainder of that sport season."
     (Motion by Worrell, second by Clark, approved 15-0).
- 6. Discussed amending handbook regulation 2.4.3 (e) relative to whether student and coach ejections should carry over from one academic year to the next academic year; did not make it out of committee.
- 7. Recommended adding language to handbook regulation 2.4.2 (f) to clarify, relative to the NCHSAA Sportsmanship Initiative, zero-tolerance for profanity at any time and defining how inappropriate language is identified and penalized. (Motion by Worrell, second by Craddock, approved 15-0).

- 8. Reviewed booking fees for Regional Supervisors in all sports; asked staff to share with athletic directors and get feedback on a \$25 increase per varsity team; shared concern over increased number of requests for schedule changes, and not all weather related.
- 9. Reviewed search committees proposed new regional supervisors as follows:
  - a. Recommended approval of Richard Hoffman as Jacksonville Men's Lacrosse Regional Supervisor, effective Spring 2018.
  - Recommended approval of J.J. White as Southeastern Men's and Women's Lacrosse Regional Supervisor effective for the 2018-2019 academic year.
  - c. Recommended approval of Shannon Godfrey as Triad Women's Lacrosse Regional Supervisor, effective for the 2018-2019 academic year.

(Motion by Worrell, second by Craddock, approved 15-0).

- 10. Recommended creation of new local officials' association in Women's Lacrosse to serve the Triad, beginning in the 2018-2019 academic year. (Motion by Worrell, second by Blankenship, approved 15-0).
- 11. Discussed and reviewed NCHSAA policy concerning additional officials or additional umpires for baseball playoff games.
- 12. Reviewed "Sportsmanship ... Together we make the right call" initiative; urged continued support.
- 13. Reviewed the Student Services program including budget and Strategic Plan goals of restructuring the program's goals and objectives to meet fiscal constraints and topical issues in member schools; heard from staff member Chiquana Dancy relative to the goals of the SAAC to meet with board members and discuss their concerns regionally.
- 14. Reviewed information relative to online State Rules Clinic attendance for coaches.

President Joe Poletti	thanked members for work an	id sacrifice of time; adjo	ourned the Winter I	Meeting of the Board of
Directors at 11:18 a.m.; after lur	nch, the commissioner and pre	esident met with media	representatives.	

Respectfully submitted,

James Alverson Assistant Commissioner

#### NORTH CAROLINA HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS SPRING MEETING TUESDAY, MAY 1, 2018

The spring meeting of the North Carolina High School Athletic Association Board of Directors was called to order by President Joe Poletti at 8:31 a.m. at the Simon F. Terrell Building in Chapel Hill. Members in attendance included Rodney Shotwell, Sandy George, Brad Craddock, Reggie Peace, Patty Evers, Darrin Hartness, Lynn Moody, Scarlett Steinert, Terry Worrell, Tim Foster, Jerry Simmons, Bobby Wilkins, Neil Blankenship, Marc Whichard, Doug Rhoney, and Masanori Toguchi. Absent: Charles Clark and Rob Jackson.

Affiliate members included Burt Jenkins of the North Carolina Department of Public Instruction, Joe Franks of the North Carolina Coaches Association, Wendell Hall representing the North Carolina School Boards Association and Jeff Morris representing the North Carolina High School Athletic Directors Association.

NCHSAA staff in attendance included Que Tucker, Karen DeHart, Mark Dreibelbis, Tra Waters, James Alverson, Brad Alford, Chiquana Dancy, and Pepper Hines.

The minutes from the Winter 2017 Board meeting were submitted for approval; motion to accept as presented, by Rodney Shotwell, second by Terry Worrell. Approved 17-0.

# CONSENT AGENDA NORTH CAROLINA HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION 2018 BOARD OF DIRECTORS SPRING MEETING

(Cases handled since November 14, 2017 and before April 19, 2018)

#### NCHSAA MEMBERSHIP

- WASHINGTON COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL: Accepted notification from Washington County Schools that Creswell
  High School and Plymouth High School will merge to form Washington County High School, effective 2018-2019
  school year.
- SUGAR CREEK CHARTER: Accepted membership application from Sugar Creek Charter High School, effective 2018-19 school year.
- CLOVER GARDEN SCHOOL: Accepted membership application from Clover Garden High School, effective 2018-19 school year.
- 4. **THE NORTH CAROLINA LEADERSHIP ACADEMY:** Accepted membership application from The North Carolina Leadership Academy, effective 2018-19 school year.
- \*VANCE COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL: Accepted notification from Vance County Schools that Northern Vance High School and Southern Vance High School will merge to form Vance County High School, effective 2018-2019 school year.\*

#### CONFERENCE MEMBERSHIP

- SOUTH GARNER HIGH SCHOOL: 4A South Wake Athletic Conference accepted South Garner High School as a member, effective 2018-19 school year.
- LANGTREE CHARTER ACADEMY: 1A PAC 7 Conference accepted Langtree Charter Academy High School as a member, effective 2018-19 school year.
- 3. **CORNERSTONE CHARTER ACADEMY:** 1A Central Tar Heel Conference accepted Cornerstone Charter Academy High School, effective 2018-19 school year.
- CLOVER GARDEN SCHOOL: 1A Central Tar Heel Conference accepted Clover Garden High School as a member, effective 2018-19 school year, pending NCHSAA membership acceptance.
- HENDERSON COLLEGIATE: 1A North Central Athletic Conference accepted Henderson Collegiate High School as a member, effective 2018-19 school year.

### HARDSHIPS

- 1. MYERS PARK: Approved waiver of Scholastic Requirements for Cameron Walker Miller.
- 2. HICKORY RIDGE: Approved waiver of Residence Requirements for Rhinnah Green.
- 3. MOUNT AIRY: Approved waiver of Residence Requirements for Joan Joaquin Ramirez Olvera.
- 4. **EASTERN ALAMANCE:** Approved waiver of Eight Semester Rule for Lee Stutts, Jr.
- 5. **FRED T. FOARD:** Approved waiver of Scholastic Requirements for Abbey Setzer.
- 6. **SOUTH GRANVILLE:** Denied waiver of Scholastic Requirements for Craig Rambeaut. According to the documentation provided, the student took 2 classes in the fall semester of the school year (2017-2018) instead of the required minimum 3 classes. Here, the student's ineligibility exists due to his failure to pass the minimum load.
- 7. **PAGE:** Approved waiver of Scholastic Requirements for Katherine Ortiz.
- 8. **HIGH POINT CENTRAL:** Denied waiver of Scholastic Requirements for Maxwell Douglas. According to the documentation provided, the student took 2 classes in the fall semester of the school year (2017-2018) instead of the required minimum 3 classes. Here, the student's ineligibility exists due to his failure to pass the minimum load.
- 9. NEW BERN: Denied waiver of Scholastic Requirements for Kenneth Crow, Jr. According to the documentation, the student was taking most of his classes through the dual-enrollment program with the Community College and when he had his struggles his parents decided to withdraw him from his college courses. Here, the student's ineligibility exists due to his failure to pass the minimum load.
- 10. CARY: Approved waiver of Scholastic Requirements for Jonathan Morales Alvarado.
- 11. **ASHEVILLE:** Denied waiver of Eight Semester Rule for Noah Britton. Documentation provided indicates that the student's initial entry into 9th grade was in the fall of 2014 and has been eligible during all semesters.

- 12. ROLESVILLE: Approved waiver of Scholastic Requirements for Clarise Enjema Mbella.
- 13. **SOUTH GRANVILLE:** Denied waiver of Rule 1.1.3 for Briana Lehman. According to the documentation provided, the student requested participation on the boy's tennis team; however, South Granville did offer a girl's tennis team in the fall.
- 14. SOUTHVIEW: Approved waiver of Scholastic Requirements for Adriana Catala.

The consent agenda was submitted for approval, motion to accept as presented by Brad Craddock, second by Tim Foster. Approved 17-0.

Commissioner Tucker welcomed the Board to the NCHSAA Offices and discussed how the agenda for the meeting is put together. Mentioned that with the few items needing immediate attention, it would be a good opportunity to review some items that were tabled and some larger scope discussion of issues.

The Board moved into a closed session to hear two appeals: Mt. Airy High School, concerning the transfer eligibility of a student; and, a hardship appeal from Asheville High School concerning a request for a waiver of the eight-semester rule for a student. Both schools had previously appealed to the Transfer and Hardship Committees, respectively. After lengthy discussions, the board set aside the 365-day sit-out period of the transfer rule for the Mt. Airy High student and upheld the Hardship Committee ruling for the student from Asheville High student

The Board then moved into its committee work.

**SPORTS:** chairperson Reggie Peace, vice-chair Patty Evers, Neil Blankenship, Rob Jackson, Jerry Simmons, and Joe Franks; staff advisors Tra Waters and Chiquana Dancy.

POLICY: chairperson Darrin Hartness, vice-chair Scarlett Steinert, Lynn Moody, Doug Rhoney, Burt Jenkins, and Jeff Morris; staff advisor Brad Alford.

**REVIEW/ OFFICIATING/STUDENT SERVICES**: vice-chairperson Terry Worrell, Charles Clark, Masanori Toguchi, Brad Allen, and Wendell Hall; staff advisor, Mark Dreibelbis. (Marc Whichard, Chairperson was unable to attend)

**FINANCE AND PERSONNEL**: chairperson Sandy George, vice-chair Rodney Shotwell, Brad Craddock, Tim Foster, Joe Poletti, and Bobby Wilkins; staff advisors Que Tucker and Karen DeHart.

The Board later heard lengthy report and discussions relative to "in-committee" work on all agenda items.

**NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT:** Jimmy Tillman, System Athletic Director for Wilson County Schools and chairperson of the Nominating Committee presented the report to the Board. There are four Board Members concluding their service with the NCHSAA Board of Directors following this meeting, Reggie Peace, Marc Whichard, and Past President Rodney Shotwell; Brad Allen is stepping down as the representative of officials and regional supervisors due to expanded.

Based on ByLaw of the NCHSAA Constitution, the Nominating Committee submit to the membership at the Annual Meeting the following recommendations for the 2018-2019 school year:

elect Sandy George, Principal at Mount Airy High School in Region 7 as President elect Brad Craddock, Principal at Glenn High School in Region 5 as Vice President elect Joe Poletti, current President and Principal at East Carteret High School in Region 2 as Past President elect Michael Gainey, Athletic Director at Rocky Mount High School, Region 3 at the 3A level for a four-year elect Ronnie Beverly, Athletic Director at Lexington Senior High School, Region 5 at the 2A level for a four-year term elect Brian Edkins, Principal at Scotland High School, Region 4 at the 4A level for a four-year term. select David Brown to replace Brad Allen as the representative for Officials and Regional Supervisors.

The Board took a short break for lunch.

The Board then went into closed session to hear appeals from two NCHSAA member schools: Hoggard High school relative to a pitch count violation; Charlotte Catholic relative to an ejection for leaving the bench during a fight. The Board denied both appeals and upheld the penalties as levied by staff.

**TOPICAL DISCUSSION:** Commissioner Tucker introduced the topical discussion section of the agenda by reviewing the information discussed by the Education and Athletics Committee. President Poletti mentioned Committee's discussion as it relates to the changing landscape of education and who is winning championships. Morris added that there were some ideas from that committee, but nothing that is ready as a full proposal for NC.

Mark Dreibelbis presented some information relative to the NCHSAA's Sportsmanship Program. He reviewed the coaching ejection data and saw that most sports were down in the number of ejections. There is concern that baseball and softball coaching ejections are rising again.

Commissioner Tucker talked about the possibility of upcoming appeals and how that process will be handled at the Board Meeting in December. The Board needs to be prepared to present the membership with information on what is required to appeal classification, but not appeal conference alignments—per NCHSAA constitution. Board discussed defining hardships as closing of factories for businesses, merger or closure of schools, opening of new school(s), significant change of ADM, significant loss of community resources. Board members will provide staff with definitive information.

Burt Jenkins updated the Board on the Safe Sports Sexual Abuse Reporting act from the federal level and letting us know how the 2017 federal law may impact the NCHSAA. Asked them to have a good practice conversation with their coaches and staff.

President Poletti thanked the Board for their work and adjourned the meeting at 5:03 p.m.

#### NORTH CAROLINA HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS SPRING MEETING WEDNESDAY, MAY 2, 2018

The second day of the spring meeting of the North Carolina High School Athletic Association Board of Directors was called to order by President Joe Poletti at 8:31 a.m. at the Simon F. Terrell Building in Chapel Hill. Members in attendance included Rodney Shotwell, Sandy George, Brad Craddock, Reggie Peace, Patty Evers, Darrin Hartness, Lynn Moody, Scarlett Steinert, Terry Worrell, Tim Foster, Jerry Simmons, Bobby Wilkins, Neil Blankenship, Marc Whichard, Rob Jackson, Doug Rhoney, and Masanori Toguchi. Absent: Charles Clark

Affiliate members included Burt Jenkins of the North Carolina Department of Public Instruction, Joe Franks of the North Carolina Coaches Association, Wendell Hall representing the North Carolina School Boards Association and Jeff Morris representing the North Carolina High School Athletic Directors Association.

NCHSAA staff in attendance included Que Tucker, Karen DeHart, Mark Dreibelbis, Tra Waters, James Alverson, Brad Alford, Chiquana Dancy, and Pepper Hines.

Media members in attendance included Earl Vaughan, Jr. from *Up & Coming Weekly*, Jaclyn Shambaugh from *The Fayetteville Observer*, Jonas Pope from the *Raleigh News & Observer*, Joe Sirera from *Greensboro News & Record*, David Kerhli from *Burlington Times-News*, and Nick Stevens from *HighSchoolOT.com*.

STUDENT-ATHLETE ADVISORY COUNCIL (SAAC): Jake Bertolini-Felice, junior basketball player from Panther Creek High School, presented on behalf of the Council. He talked about the SAAC Leadership Training that was developed; spoke of the community service projects that SAAC members have conducted during the year; spoke of the student leadership conference held in March. Several members met with regional NCHSAA Board representatives and discussed issues ranging from Sportsmanship to larger NCHSAA issues such as changing landscape for 1A schools.

NORTH CAROLINA SCHOOL BOARDS ASSOCIATION: Wendell Hall spoke on behalf of the association. He brought greetings from the Board and news from the National School Boards Association conference in San Antonio, Texas. They heard a talk from Terry Bradshaw, who talked about the experience he had as a student-athlete and the success he was afforded and lessons that he learned from involvement of education-based athletics. He advised that the General Assembly will be in town for the short session. Security in schools will be one of the top priorities for the legislative side of government. The K-3 class size proposal that they were dealing with was finally phased in. The School Boards Association will conduct a leadership and policy conference in Wilmington They are helping to conduct four superintendent searches across the state at this time. Stated that their number one task is to keep children safe.

NORTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION (NCDPI): Burt Jenkins spoke on behalf of the department. Thanked the group for their participation in education. Updated the group on Scholar-Athlete issues with PowerSchools. He reported that currently no LEA's out of compliance with Gfeller-Waller Concussion Act. Added some Middle School Manual clarifications to the manual: new regulation to move the rule relative to players dressing and participating in a game in line with the NCHSAA Rule. clarified Eligibility lists and forfeiture for use of a player not on those lists; Clarified rules related to football acclimatization, bringing it in line with the NCHSAA Rule; in wrestling, added a 76-pound weight class and a minimum weight of 61 pounds for participation, especially after allowing 6<sup>th</sup> grade participation. DPI is partnering with NCHSAA to work on Project FASFA Complete to increase the number of students completing the FASFA. Touched on how legislation works to impact athletics in schools, coupled with State Board of Education and local control at the Middle School level. Asked Board members to continue to use him as a resource for their coaches and administrators.

NORTH CAROLINA AHTLETIC DIRECTORS ASSOCIATION (NCADA): Jeff Morris spoke on behalf of the association. He thanked the Board for their work. NCADA has created a Strategic Plan for 2018-2022, including declaring their mission to be a national leader. The Strategic Plan has goals in Operations, Programs and Finances. They're looking to reach out to the middle school level and be more inclusive as they build opportunities to get people involved from across the state. He shared highlights from the 2018 State Conference including Dave Doeren as a speaker, and the four members that were inducted into the NCADA Hall of Fame. They added 8 new Certified Athletic Administrators, including Brad Alford and Tra Waters from the NCHSAA Staff. They are in the process of hiring an Associate Executive Director. He mentioned the Fall Symposium, National Conference and State Conference sor the 2018-2019 school year. Pointed Board to the NCADA Website and the Toolbox to help new or young Athletic Directors with resources and information.

NORTH CAROLINA COACHES ASSOCIATION (NCCA): Joe Franks presented on behalf of the association. He thanked the Board for their work and complimented the relationships that have developed between the NCHSAA, NCADA and NCCA. He talked about the NCCA Board of Directors and gave some updates on the makeup of that group. He also updated the Board about their Clinic Dates and program offerings including programs for student trainers, first responders and coaches. Mentioned the small fee increase that they have made for the first time since 2005 for Coaches Clinic Space. Are testing out electronic ways to communicate with all-star participants rather than hard-copy mail.

**OFFICIALS AND REGIONAL SUPERVISORS:** Mark Dreibelbis updated the Board on Brad Allen's progress as an NFL Official and that he will be stepping down from the NCHSAA Board of Directors due to the demands of his NFL Schedule.

President Poletti informed the group that the Board of Directors has reviewed and extended Commissioner Tucker's contract for an additional two years.

**REVIEW AND OFFICIATING:** Marc Whichard presented on behalf of the Committee. He thanked the committee and presented from their discussion.

1.) Reviewed the incident and penalty report. (Motion by Whichard, second by Craddock. Approved 18-0)

- 2.) Reviewed the ejection report.
- 3.) Recommend requiring the items below for ejections in pre-season scrimmages. (Motion by Whichard, second by Toguchi. Approved 18-0)
  - a. Coach/Player suspended from the remainder of the scrimmage inclusive of multiple scrimmage events on the same day (jamboree)
  - A player must complete the NFHS "Sportsmanship" course before being eligible to compete in next scrimmage/contest.
  - c. Head Coach must complete the NFHS "Teaching and Modeling Behavior" course for any coach/player ejection.
- 4.) Proposal requiring all NCHSAA member schools to use Arbiter Game Software for scheduling contests was discussed did not emerge from committee.
- Recommend editing handbook rule 3.3.2.e.1 as follows, by adding: "at events hosted by or contested at the member school." (Motion by Whichard, second by Jackson. Approved 18-0)
- 6.) Recommend increasing the fee due to a Regional Supervisor by \$25 per varsity team. (Motion by Whichard, second by Evers. Approved 18-0)
- 7.) Recommend approving the following new regional supervisors:
  - a. Brian Jones Western Triangle Volleyball
  - b. Bruce McCauley Southwestern Football
  - c. Chcuk Snider Triad Women's Lacrosse
  - d. Nate Walker Metrolina Basketball
  - e. Errol Daniels Southeastern Basketball

(Motion by Whichard, second by Worrell. Approved 18-0)

- 8.) Recommend new regulation to utilize video review, when available, by NCHSAA staff to invoke ejections/sanctions not reported by game officials. Video clips to be presented for staff review within 2 business days of the end of the contest. (Motion by Whichard, second by Shotwell, Approved 18-0)
- 9.) Review survey feedback on clinic offerings in Winter and Spring Sports.
- 10.) Review of Student Services Program.
- 11.) Recommend deleting handbook regulation 3.3.2.f.9 "officials must work two years of sub-varsity competition before being considered for advancement to varsity level competition." (Motion by Whichard, second by Simmons. Approved 18-0)

**SPORTS COMMITTEE:** Reggie Peace presented on behalf of the Committee. He thanked the committee and presented from their discussion.

- 1.) Recommend approval of 2019-20 Football Calendar. (Motion by Peace, second by Whichard. Approved 18-0)
- 2.) Proposal on lacrosse daily limitation increase was discussed (included information from SMAC), but did not emerge from committee.
- 3.) Recommend proposal to mandate that a winner is declared in all regular season games, thus eliminating the possibility of ties; winner will be determined by overtime procedure upon the conclusion of regulation play. (Motion by Peace, second by Steinert. Approved 18-0)
- 4.) Recommend eliminating the requirement for schools to request to host "polar bear" indoor meets on outdoor facilities for meets with at least 5 schools present. (Motion by Peace, second by Wilkins. Approved 18-0)
- 5.) Recommend increasing the number of playoff teams in the 1A classification from 48 to 64 teams in volleyball and basketball. (Motion by Peace, second by George. Approved 18-0)
- 6.) Recommend Smoky Mountain Conference remain separated in needed sports as follows:.
  - a. Big Smoky: Andrews, Cherokee, Hayesville, Murphy, Robbinsville, Rosman, Swain County;
  - Little Smoky: Blue Ridge, Highlands, Hiwassee Dam, Nantahala, Tri-County Early College. In volleyball and basketball.

(Motion by Peace, second by Whichard. Approved 18-0)

- 7.) Recommend changing the date of Men's Golf Championship, based on input from host venues, to the Monday and Tuesday following Mother's Day. (Motion by Peace, second by Craddock, Approved 18-0)
- 8.) Recommend that state championship qualifiers be determined by those teams that actually participate in regional championships. (Motion by Peace, Second by Worrell. Approved 18-0)

A proposal from Cross Country and Track Coaches to adjust regional assignments in cross country to be determined by conference affiliation was discussed, but it did not emerge from committee.

- 9.) Recommend clarifying/adjusting interpretation of the rule to qualify at large teams to the NCHSAA Playoffs in bracketed sports to the following: the highest finishing non-automatic qualifier in each conference will be compared with all other non-automatic qualifiers, based on adjusted MP ranking. (Motion by Peace, second by Shotwell. Approved 18-0)
- 10.) Recommend compensating diving judges \$26 for all regular season, regional and state meets. (Motion by Peace, second by Toguchi. Approved 18-).
- Recommend all classifications will use NC Prep Swimming to upload and manage results for the official regional entry process. (Motion by Peace, second by Hartness. Approved 18-0)
- 12.) Proposal for individual sports regional assignments to be set for four years at the beginning of an alignment cycle based on the current format, did not emerge from committee.
- 13.) Proposal to allow junior varsity teams to participate in a conference tournament in addition to 23 regular season games did not emerge from committee.
- 14.) Reviewed formalized qualification meets at indoor facilities.
- 15.) Reviewed requests from NC Wrestling Coaches Association relative to Regional Tournament Sites, 1-pound playoff growth allowance, and split squad rule. No action recommended
- 16.) Reviewed update on current status of basketball regional championships.

**POLICY COMMITTEE:** Darrin Hartness presented on behalf of the Committee. After thanking the committee, he presented from their discussion.

- Again tabled SMAC proposal that no more than two 7-on-7 scrimmages per week during the summer, with a minimum of one calendar; the proposal included consideration that No more than two 7-on-7 events per week be held during the summer (Two 1-day events or one 2-day event).
- 2.) Proposal for a minimum of one calendar day between pre-season scrimmages did not emerge from committee.
- 3.) Recommend amending Amateur Rule to state "Acceptance of money or a forbidden award will cause an athlete to lose athletic eligibility in all sports for 365 days." (Motion by Hartness, second by Jackson. Approved 17-0)
- 4.) Reviewed policies from around the country relative to home school participation. Recommend forming sub-committee to draft a policy to be presented at December meeting; asked staff to continue to gather best practices for homeschool participation to aid in drafting a policy.
- 5.) Reviewed policies relating to inclusion, that NCAA and other state associations have in place; seeking to hear of the effectiveness of other state association policies. Recommend forming sub-committee to draft a proposal for future consideration.
- 6.) Recommend proposal that during the playoffs on Saturdays, if teams cannot mutually agree, the higher seeded team may choose a starting time between 1 and 7 pm or between 1 and 6 pm if the teams are 100 miles or more away. (Motion by Hartness, second by George. Approved 18-0)
- 7.) Recommend approving Smoky Mountain Conference proposal to amend 2018-2019 playoff calendar dates for first and second round baseball, softball and women's soccer. (Motion by Hartness, second by Moody. Approved 18-0)
- 8.) Recommend changes to the non-sports calendar for 2018-2019.
  - a. Nov. 27 New Board Orientation
  - b. Nov. 28-29 Winter Board MeetingJ
  - c. July 15-18 NCCA Clinic
  - (Motion by Hartness, second by Rhoney. Approved 18-0)
- 9.) Tabled agenda item requesting staff to find or draft a policy to be reviewed in the December meeting relative to seniors who are on track to graduate, but not taking enough classes in the fall.
- 10.) Reviewed NCHSAA policy as it relates to emancipation, asking staff to consult legal staff on emancipation.
- 11.) Recommend licensed athletic trainer or first responder must be present at all times in any area in which competition is being held. (Motion by Hartness, second by Simmons. Approved 18-0)

**FINANCE AND PERSONNEL:** Sandy George presented on behalf of the Committee. She thanked the committee and presented from their discussion.

- 1.) Reviewed the Annual Budget; financially on track to finish in the black
- 2.) Reviewed the Sports Revenue Comparison.
- 3.) Reviewed of investment accounts based on summary reports from management groups through March 31, 2018.
- 4.) Reviewed status report of Strategic Plan items; staff on track and progressing according to plan
- 5.) Reviewed updates regarding live television and streaming broadcast partners, Sinclair Broadcasting and NFHS Network.
- 6.) Reviewed report on status of use of fine monies for failure of coaches to take required courses through NFHS Learn; in the process of identifying and certifying those receiving CIC
- 7.) Recommend investing revenues received from the cash value surrender life insurance policies, to be invested in NCHSAA Endowment. (Motion by George, second by Blankenship. Approved 18-0)
- 8.) Recommend financing Home Campus, a database program for information management at the school and Association level, through NCHSAA undesignated corporate funds. (Motion by George, second by Craddock. Approved 18-0)
- 9.) Recommend increasing membership fees from \$0.75 to \$1.00 per pupil to start with the 2019-2020. (Motion by George, second by Worrell. Approved 17-0.)
- 10.) Recommend adjustment of dual team wrestling financial reimbursement to participating schools based on 40/60 revenue split from adjusted gross revenue of ticket sales, similar to other bracketed sports. (Motion by George, second by Evers. Approved 18-0)
- 11.) Recommend revising all sports playoff financial forms to clarify what constitutes allowable "Home Team Expenses", require itemized list of expenses entered in "Home Team Expenses" and submission of receipts for these expenses, remove the "Miscellaneous Expenses" line, and visiting team is required to present hotel receipt to host school within two business days to receive reimbursement for hotel stay per NCHSAA Policy. (Motion by George, second by Peace. Approved 18-0)
- 12.) Reviewed Staff updates: Contracted with Marsh and McLennan Agency and their representative, Cathy Allen, for Human Resources.

**PRESIDENT NOTES:** President Poletti took time to look back through the agenda and highlight the areas where items were tabled. Poletti designated a committee of Toguchi, Steinert and Blankenship to work with Ken Brown and the SMAC to develop the policy relating to 7-on-7 competitions. He identified Hartness to chair a sub-committee with Burt Jenkins and others to be named for homeschool participation policy. Identified Steinert as a key person to serve on a committee with doctors and legal advisors to draft on inclusion policies.

**COMMISSIONER'S REPORT:** Commissioner Tucker thanked the group for their vote of confidence in extending her contract. She indicated the three ballot items that were sent out in the fall to membership were approved as constitutional and bylaws changes. Based on By-Law VII of the Constitution, she indicated she would report on the "passing" results of the ballot items at the Annual Meeting and make appropriate changes to the Constitution and Bylaws for the handbook. She mentioned the increase in the number of transfer requests and appeals, but the ability to approve those transfer requests were thanks to Board action last year. She also mentioned the total number of participants in the form of a report that is provided to the NFHS. Board members were reminded to enter meeting dates for the next few years on the calendar and make it a point to be present--thus ensuring that each region and group gets full representation. Commissioner Tucker also thanked the affiliate members for the perspective that they bring to the work of the board, while also thanking the staff, "graduating" board members and President Poletti for his tireless service and support during the year.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT: Joe Poletti thanked the Commissioner and staff for their hard work and their family atmosphere. He mentioned the kindred spirit that develops amongst Board members as they have to deal with complex issues in the changing landscape of education. He spoke to several meaningful connections he has made through his time on the Board. He challenged the Board to spend time looking at how the landscape is changing and to change the model of work we are using to fit that landscape. We must look to explore new models and include them in the Board discussions. He also challenged the members to get involved in being present at NCHSAA Events, from awards banquets to state championships. A book by Tim Brayboy was mentioned and the way it really impacted how he now looks at the history of the NCHSAA, particularly as it relates to integration and inclusion. He said that this Association has a history of including people and not kicking them out. As things change in the landscape, that is a history that will need to be remembered.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:17 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

James Alverson Assistant Commissioner