## NORTH CAROLINA HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS SPECIAL CALLED MEETING Monday, August 9, 2021

The North Carolina High School Athletic Association Board of Directors was called to order by President Bobby Wilkins at 7:30 p.m. via Zoom virtual meeting. Members in attendance included Jerry Simmons, Bobby Wilkins, Rob Jackson, Brian Carver, Mark Byrd, Joy Warner, Mark Garrett, Chad Duncan, Stephen Gainey, Tod Morgan, Cathy Moore, Chris Blanton, and Troy Lindsey. Ronnie Beverly, Michael Gainey, and Tanya Turner were absent.

Affiliate members included Vernon Aldridge representing the North Carolina High School Athletic Directors Association, and Burt Jenkins of the North Carolina Department of Public Instruction. Wendell Hall who represents the North Carolina School Boards Association, Joe Franks of the North Carolina Coaches Association, and David Brown of Piedmont Baseball Umpires Association representing Officials and Regional Supervisors were absent due to other commitments.

NCHSAA staff in attendance included Commissioner Que Tucker, Karen DeHart, Mark Dreibelbis, James Alverson, Tavares Toomer, Brad Alford, and Chiquana Dancy.

Motion by Simmons to approve recommendation from the Endowment Advisory Committee requesting the Board approve a 7% distribution of the General Endowment Fund total value using the ADM and ISP formula used for CAPS distribution in 2020-2021, seconded by Lindsey, approved unanimously.

Motion by Simmons to approve Endowment Advisory Committee recommendation to use a three-year average of ISP data in distribution formula, seconded by Lindsey, approved unanimously.

Motion by Simmons to approve Endowment Advisory Committee recommendation to combine the Health & Safety Fund, Coaches Education Fund, and Administrators Fund be combined into one fund, seconded by Jackson, approved unanimously. Schools will receive equal amounts of the 5% distribution and will need to provide proof that the funds were used for educational or health and safety purposes through an evaluation form submission.

Board considered a recommendation from staff to alter the Track and Field Championship schedule for 2021-2022 due to a facility scheduling conflict at North Carolina A&T. Reporting deadline would go to May 7, 2022. New date for regionals would be May 13-14. New date for State Championship would be May 20-21, 2022. Motion by Duncan, seconded by Jackson, approved unanimously.

The Board discussed ineligibility of students passing for the whole year but not for the Spring semester on a traditional calendar. Discussed trying to formally ask the State Board of Education to discuss this and make a policy or ruling. Commissioner also updated the Board on the Bylaws relative to filling the expired term of the late Brian Edkins. Board will look via email at Principals and Superintendents in Region 4 at the 3A level.

Motion by Jackson to pull a list of all 3A Principal or Superintendent from Region 4 to serve on the Board of Directors for a one-year expired term, seconded by Morgan, approved unanimously. Staff will reach out to each to determine whether they are willing to serve for a year before moving to Region 4 Principals for a vote.

Commissioner Tucker updated the Board about the legislative proceedings on HB 91. State Board of Education attorney has essentially told Association counsel that there will be legislation. Commissioner also highlighted still waiting to hear from State Board relative to changes in credit recovery policy that may render some students who have typically been eligible after summer school ineligible for the fall by not allowing credits to be applied to the most recent semester.

Respectfully submitted,

James Alverson

**Assistant Commissioner**