

# DISTRICT 1 IHSAA ACTIVITIES ASSOCIATION

## MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF CONTROL

### ZOOM MEETING

**November 10th, 2020 8:00 AM**

President Curt-Randall Bayer called the meeting of the District 1 Board of Control to order at 9:00 am.

**Members Present:** Alica Holthaus, Dena Naccarato, Trent Derrick, Curt-Randall Bayer, Jen Hall, Royce Johnson, Sharon Meador, Todd Gilkey, Keri Schwenke, Tony Norris, Roger Stewart, Shelly Sobek and Larry Schwenke

**Members Absent:** Paul Anselmo, Kelly Reed, Issac Robbins, Brian Carlson, Rayna Longstreet, Ryan Wood, Frank Garcia, Ted Yurek, and John Posnick

**Visitors:** None

### CONSENT AGENDA

1. A motion to approve the September 15th, 2020 minutes was made by Dena Naccarato, seconded by Jen Hall. **Motion approved.**
2. A motion to approve the treasure's report was made by Sharon Meador, seconded by Keri Carter. **Motion approved**

### DISCUSSION AGENDA

1. **Luncheon Sponsor N/A**
2. **IHSAA Hall of Fame Nominations**
  - Nominations are due to the IHSAA office by November 15.
  - Nominations may come from district boards, member schools or other entities within the educational community.
  - The current District 1 Nominee is Dave Fealko.
3. **Winter District Tournament Sites, Dates and Managers**
  - **ADs are asked to send Winter District Tournament information ASAP to Secretary Larry Schwenke.**
4. **District I Website: [www.1stdistrictactivities.org](http://www.1stdistrictactivities.org)**
  - Visit the site to view/download important District I Board of Control information.
  - Ethan Haberman is our web master.
5. **IHSAA Memorial Award Nominations 2020**
  - Dick Fleishman – Tim Cronnelly
  - Wes Lowe – John Cordell (need application)
  - Duane D. Wolf – Yokes Fresh Markets (need application)
6. **Recent Co-ops**
  - Sandpoint – Clark Fork Combined Co-op in Cheer. (need Clark Fork's application)
7. **BOC/ NIOA Negotiations**
  - The BOC will contact the NIOA with the goal of extending the current contract for another year due to the uncertainty of the COVID situation.

### REPORT AGENDA

## 1. Commissioner Reports:

- **Football – Roger Stewart**
  - Roger indicated the NIOA Hall of Fame Banquet will be Dec. 5<sup>th</sup> and announced that Rich Poulson would be honored as the football Official of the Year. (Congratulations to Roger and Bob Burton who will be enshrined into the Hall of Fame! LS)
  - This season was a real challenge for schools and for officials. He had to rework schedules and assignments on a weekly basis but got through it!
  - Not many end of season ballots were received largely due to coaches having few opportunities to see officials but all seemed to be ok with the crews that Roger put together for the playoff games. We will have crews working the 1A semi-final games at the Kibbie Dome.
  - Sportsmanship was up and down this year down with coaches and fans. He felt that the school supervision teams handled all the confrontations appropriately.
  
- **Soccer – Tony Norris**
  - As with football, it was a crazy season but everyone pulled together to make the best of it. For example we were able to cover a game change with only an hour and a half notice and even had a fire in an osprey nest atop a light pole at St Maries!
  - Tony also struggled with coaches either not sending or sending incomplete end of season ballots.
  - We hosted State competitions that went well until the snow caused cancellations.
  - Tony reported on the circumstances concerning the 4-3 ejections of CDA coaches/personnel at a JV contest and at the boys district playoff game between CDA and Post Falls.
  
- **Ryan Wood – Wrestling**
  - Ryan is down officials and will need help from schools in scheduling to be able to cover contests. He still needs information from some schools. Many of the large tournaments have been cancelled. Kellogg's George Wild Invite and Tri-State are examples.
  - He is looking for guidance from the BOC and IHSAA in protocols for wrestling. Some information from the IHSAA seems to indicate that there may be no attendance allowed for matches.
  
- **Swimming – Shelly Sobek**
  - Shelly indicated she recently contracted COVID and is in quarantine but she says luckily it was after the season had ended.
  - She successfully managed the "Virtual" District I-II meet and was able to protect the results from being leaked until all other District meets were concluded. The State Meet was also "Virtual" by using the results from the district meets to determine state champions and placers. She stated it was a wild ride and glad we made it though the season!

## 2. Sectional Reports:

- **Principals**
  - **Jen Hall:**
    - Jen noted that the small schools are struggling to get dates for basketball games and that their gate receipts will practically be zero. This means they will have problems paying for 3-man mechanics.
    - The 1A's are concerned about the IHSAA's attendance protocols. Not sure of what they actually are.
    - She expressed praise for the 1A fall season successes in volleyball and football.
  - **Trent Derrick:**
    - Trent commended all the fall commissioners for their hard work under very difficult conditions.
    - He congratulated Lakeland's volleyball team on their state championship! They also took home the Sportsmanship Award. He gave credit to the great competition they enjoyed from the 5As during the season.
    - He commented on the very serious problem schools are facing regarding mental health. They experienced a suicide last week and believe not having school last

spring and related issues this fall played a role. Kids want to be in school and are doing whatever they can to avoid being named as a COVID contact. Some authorities say kids are not being honest so it is a balancing act for schools. PSAT and other testing has been a nightmare, and teacher fatigue is a reality. He is very proud of the staff, as every day is a battle. It's been a very interesting year and we hope the vaccines become available soon!

- **Curt-Randal Bayer:**
  - Ditto on the wear and tear on the staff and students – just had a conversation on moral. He agrees that it is tough on kids not be in school where they can get their 3 squares a day. He feels that they have keep working as hard as they can to keep the educational process moving.
  - Curt concurs with Jen on the issue of 3-man mechanics but wonders if the officials will come off their position. The reality is the small schools are going to be in the red. He will contact Ben Allen to discuss the situation and set up a meeting with schools and officials.
  - He voiced his concern regarding consistency when it comes to Covid protocols from gym to gym in the IML. With all due respect to local control in other communities, it can make it difficult to answer constituent concerns when policies seem to be overlooked in other venues.
  - Kellogg plans to follow the volleyball model for winter attendance with participants being allowed 2 fans each. They will clear the gym after each game with a new set of fans for the next contest. State passes count in the totals.
  - **Curt would like all schools/leagues to forward their protocols to the BOC when they are determined. We will post them on the website and also forward them to the IHSAA**
- **Trent, Curt and Jen:** All three principals indicated a need for the BOC to communicate 3-man mechanic issues with commissioner Posnick. Curt will set up the meeting.
- **Girls Athletics – Keri Carter**
  - Keri echoed the concern for the physical and mental health of students and staff. They are facing many of the same issues at the middle level.
  - She has received a concern from parents that Rocky Mountain HS is not allowing fans for the semi-final 5A football game with CDA.
- **Speech Arts – Royce Johnson:**
  - There is some concern as to what speech and debate contests will look like but decisions are pending. Royce will report them to the board when they are made.
- **Cheer Dance – Sharon Meador:**
  - Sharon reported that a January cheer completion had to be cancelled due to a local rule mandating masks. Stunters are not allowed to stunt while wearing masks so it had to be cancelled.
  - There is a webinar scheduled with Julie at the IHSAA to discuss competition specifics. This information may help to answer some questions schools have asked her pertaining attendance regulations, registration fees, gate receipts etc.
- **Athletic Directors – Todd Gilkey**
  - Todd agrees with the concerns over contest protocols. Consistency is a key to alleviate parental push back.
  - He has been contacted by 3A, 2A and 1A ADs regarding their inability to pay for 3-man basketball mechanics. Hopefully we can get out in front of this issue as the season is nearly here.
  - Covid is keeping us on our toes. Everyday is something different so we need to be flexible and understanding.
- **IHSAA Report – Curt-Randall Bayer**
  - Curt feels there will be a lot of dialogue at the upcoming IHSAA meeting concerning proposed changes to the Rule of 2. that has passed a first reading. There are many who feel the rule is being abused or at least misunderstood. Trent Derrick added that perhaps it should remain as is but with a great deal of emphasis placed on education and supervision. Curt thought a more specific but not exclusive list of do's and don'ts may be of help to coaches and administration. An example is one scenario recently announced by Ty Jones. It is that even if you have more than 1 coach present, they can only work with 2 participants.

## EXECUTIVE SESSION

- Keri Carter moved, Royce Johnson seconded a motion to enter executive session at 9:30 am.  
**Motion Approved**
- Royce Johnson moved, Keri Carter seconded a motion to exit executive session at 9:53 am.  
**Motion Approved**

## ACTION AGENDA

1. **Fall Commissioner Reviews:**  
Following discussion, a motion was made by Keri Carter seconded by Royce Johnson to renew the terms of Football Commissioner Roger Stewart, Soccer Commissioner Tony Norris and Volleyball Commissioner Rayna Longstreet for 2021-22. **Motion approved (unanimous)**
2. **Coeur d'Alene Boys Soccer 4-3-6 Ejections of Assistant Coach and Manager.**  
Following discussion, a motion was made by Trent Derrick seconded by Todd Gilkey, that in addition to the penalties already imposed by CHS, to suspend the ejected assistant coach and manager for half of the 2021 season with probation for the rest of that season. Further that Coeur d'Alene high school is directed to make sportsmanship a point of emphasis for the boys soccer program. **Motion approved (7 in favor with 2 abstentions)**

## ADJOURNMENT

- Meeting adjourned at 10:15 am. The next regularly scheduled meeting will be January 12<sup>th</sup> 2021, 11:00 AM at Post Falls High School.

Respectfully submitted by Larry Schwenke, District I IHSAA Board Secretary