

NORTHEAST DISTRICT ATHLETIC BOARD---OHSAA

Holiday Inn, 4073 Medina Road @ I-77& Route 18

Akron, Ohio 44333

Thursday, April 17,2008 4:00p.

The meeting was called to order by President Mike Kovach @ 4:00p.

Attending the meeting-----

Board Members

Howard Friend

Dale Gabor

Lynn Gotthardt [Excused-recovery from surgery]

Bill Koppel

Mike Kovach

Joe Lynch

Rocco Nero

Bill Schumacher

Phil Stevens

Treasurer Al Lopez and Secretary Larry Acker

Guests, District Officials Committee Secretary, Fred Vicarel

NEOIAAA Liaison, Paul Powers

District Boards' Committee/Officials Liaison, Ron Knight

There was a motion by Bill Schumacher, seconded by Phil Stevens to approve the meeting agenda as presented. Motion carried 8-0.

There was a motion by Rocco Nero seconded by Bill Koppel to approve the minutes from the previous [2/21/08] meeting as provided. Motion carried 8-0

Financial reports through February 29,2008, were presented and reviewed by Treasurer Al Lopez.

There was a motion by Howard Friend seconded by Joe Lynch to approve the February and March financial reports as presented. Motion passed 8-0.

February 29 , 2008—Northeast District Board

Checking Account	\$66,482.19
Savings Account	\$7,351.42
Certificate of Deposit	\$102,621.37 [First Place Bank]
Certificate of Deposit	\$71,428.59 [Chase Bank]
Net Assets	\$247,883.57

February 29,2008—DOC Checking \$12,295.63

There was a review of the check listing and bills to be authorized for payment. Bill Schumacher moved and Dale Gabor seconded a motion to pay the bills. Motion passed 8-0.

Mr. Gabor, Board of Control representative updated the board on discussions and business transacted at the April 2nd and 3rd work session/board of control meeting. Included in Mr. Gabor's report:

- Audit report for 2006-07,Balestra,et.al.;CPAs,Inc.[Report is on line]
- Financial summary reports for fall sports--- 2003-04 through 2007-08
- Awards/Trophies contract with Croton Craft renewed for 3 years.
- Discussion/review of referendum items---voting, May, 2008.
- General & specific sports regulations approved/updated for 2008-09.
- Resignation/Retirement of Assistant Commissioner, John Dickerson.
- Report on a proposal from the F.B. Coaches Association—N-S All-Star Game.
- No appeals were filed/scheduled, the meeting adjourned early.

Mr. Gabor indicated that the State Office is asking each district board to name/select three [3] Honorary District Chairpersons for Foundation Service Week—Fall 2008. President Kovach appointed Joe Lynch to present 3 names to the board for consideration/approval.

The board commended/thanked Mr. Gabor for his detailed report and review of the meetings !

Mr. Kovach reported on the District Boards Committee Meeting held April2, 2008, The District Board's Committee discussed/reviewed the following items:

- DOC Secretaries---salaries and duties.
- District Board Positions---referendum issues.
- State-wide program contract [RFP's].
- Entry/withdrawal dates for sectional/district tournaments.
- Number of applications for Boys' State Tourney.
- Hospitality Meals at Boy's State Tourney.
- Coordination of websites.

- Wrestling official fees
- Gymnastics—what is a session?
- Next Meeting is May 7, 2008.

The board thanked Mr. Kovach for his report and review of the meeting.

Finance Committee items were reviewed/presented by Chairman, Howard Friend and following were authorized:

Motion by Howard Friend seconded by Rocco Nero to approve payment for a retirement plaque presented to long time basketball tourney manager, Chuck Hendricks. Approved 8-0.

Motion by Rocco Nero seconded by Joe Lynch to authorize Treasurer, Al Lopez to purchase a new copier at a cost/price not to exceed \$7200. Approved 8-0.

Mr. Kovach will present bids/quotes at the next meeting for the purchase of a lap top computer for the use by the official's assignor.

Mr. Kovach reported that all spring sports officials assignments were completed by April 1, 2008. He will now begin working on the registration and assignment of officials for the fall sports seasons; registration forms will be posted on the district web site.

Tournament Committee items were reviewed/presented by Chairman, Dale Gabor and the following were authorized:

Soccer playing dates—sectional/district tournaments for 2008 were authorized as presented. Motion by Bill Schumacher and seconded by Bill Koppel. Approved 8-0.

Girl's golf with 2 divisions for 2008 will involve several new sites. Secretary was asked to prepare and send out TOURNAMENT MANAGER'S ACCEPTANCE agreements as soon as possible in order to secure sites and proceed with tournament scheduling plans.

A wrestling seeding procedure proposal was received from a Northeast District wrestling coaches group which will be reviewed most likely at a summer meeting of the NEDAB.

There was a motion by Rocco Nero seconded by Joe Lynch to rehire Mike Kovach as assignor of tournament officials for the 2008-09 school year at a stipend of \$325.00 per sport. Motion passed 7-1, Mr. Kovach abstained. This action includes expense allowance/reimbursement for mileage, materials and long distance telephone calls in connection with duties of the position.

There was a motion by Howard Friend seconded by Phil Stevens to authorize a stipend of \$1,400. for board member Dale Gabor as District Tournament Coordinator for the 2008-09 school year. Approved 8-1, Mr. Gabor abstained.

There was a motion by Rocco Nero seconded by Bill Schumacher to rehire Genne Zimmerly as the Northeast District Web Site coordinator for the 2008-09 school year at a stipend of \$300 per month with the stipend effective April 1, 2008, approved 8-0. This action includes expense allowance/reimbursement for mileage, materials and long distance calls in connection with duties of the position.

There was a motion by Bill Schumacher seconded by Rocco Nero to authorize the Northeast District Web Site be transitioned to the Tri-County Computer Association—Wooster, Ohio as the site host for an annual fee of \$500. Approved 8-0.

District Treasurer/Secretary, evaluation document.

Mr. Friend reported/shared a review of various sectional/district tournament expense items and delineated comparisons showing a range of costs in categorical areas. This matrix will be used as a guide when doing audits of the various tourney sites in an effort to control expenses and set a standard cost basis for tourney operations. The more efficient the tournament operations the more revenue available to go back to the member school in the way of tourney bonus payments.

Mr. Kovach reported that officiating assignments for the fall sports sectional/district tournaments is completed and that the committee is only deal with unforeseen conflicts and adjustments due to any late withdrawals of schools from a given tournament

Mr. Gabor reviewed fall tournament assignments as of today [9/26/07] and noted there have been numerous adjustments due to late registrations coupled with the fact the state office decided with the new technology system deadline dates for entry and withdrawal would not be honored for fall sports. Through Mr. Gabor's extended efforts and diligence all changes have been posted on the NRDAB Web Site almost daily as the changes and adjustments have occurred and the respective members schools and tourney managers have been notified of the changes by either Mr. Acker or Mr. Gabor.

Mr. Gabor recommended the board approve the tentative listing of winter tournament sites with the proviso the tourney committee meet as soon as possible to determine the location of a couple of sites due to the fact there will be less 1 less qualifier to the regional from the Northeast District in D-3 Girl's Basketball and D-2 Boy's Basketball. Mr. Koppel moved and Mr. Stevens seconded a motion to approve the recommendations as presented and reviewed. Motion carried 8-0.

Mr. Acker reported to the board that the district web site is being updated and by the end of the month[September] hopefully new forms, photos and all pertinent items will be up to date and some new formatting will also be done to make the web site more user friendly. Updated secretary equipment--computer, copier, file cabinet and work station is eventually needed as the North Central District office equipment is being used temporarily for secretarial functions/work. There was a motion by Mr. Friend seconded by Mr. Nero to authorize Mr. Acker to seek bids/quotes for needed purchases up to \$3000. with any amount beyond this to be authorized by the finance committee to assure that funds are available within budget adoptions. Motion carried 8-0.

Mr. Acker will contact the area/state representative of Royal Publishing to attend the next Northeast District Board Meeting and discuss/review with the board options available for tournament programs.

Distributed was an updated listing of the board meeting dates and manager's meeting dates for the 2007-08 school year. This information will be posted and updates on the Northeast District Web Site.

Correspondences were received from the following and were shared with the board:

Cuyahoga Heights Board of Education --Thank you note for the contribution to the Sponseller Scholarship.

Minutes from the Central District and Southeast District Boards.

Ken Long, Athletic Director at Alliance High School--interest in hosting Northeast District Tournaments.

Ruth Zitnik, Principal, Warren Harding High School--communication regarding tourney locations

Other Reports----

Fred Vicarel, DOC Secretary; meetings will again be held again at the NE Medical College in Rootstown,O. Next meeting is Sunday, October 7th with lunch at 1p. and business meeting to follow. Paul Powers, NEOIAAA Liaison, shared a copy of a recently completed/updated directory of current athletic directors in the Northeast District. He also reported that Northeast Ohio is the host district for the State AD's Conference set for October 7, 8 & 9, 2007.NEOIAAA Web Site is being handled through Kenston Technology Department. Ron Knight, Former NEDAB Member/BOC Member, commented on officials pay schedule plan and Track Rules.

NEXT MEETING OF THE BOARD OF CONTROL —.

NEXT DISTRICT BOARD MEETING—

MANAGER'S MEETINGS --Tuesday, Jan 8, 2008 and Thursday, Jan 10, 2008 @ 5p

SUBMITTED BY—LARRY ACKER, Secretary NEDAB.