

NORTHEAST DISTRICT ATHLETIC BOARD – OHSAA

McKinley Grand Hotel

Canton, Ohio 44702

Saturday, November 29, 2008, 8:00 a.m.

The meeting was called to order by President Dale Gabor @ 8:00 a.m.

President Gabor welcomed OHSAA Commissioner Dr. Dan Ross

Attending the meeting –

John Ault, "AA" Rep.

Jim Borchik, "AAA" Rep.

Howard Friend, "A" Rep.

Dale Gabor, "AAA" Rep.

Lynn Gotthardt, Female Rep.

Bill Koppel, 7/8 Grade. Rep.

Rocco Nero, "A" Rep.

Bill Schumacher, "AA" Rep.

Phil Stevens, Ethnic Minority Rep.

Treasurer Al Lopez and Secretary Larry Acker  
District Officials Committee Secretary, Fred Vicarel [Excused]  
NEOIAAAS Liaison, Paul Powers [Excused]  
District Boards' Committee/Officials Liaison, Ron Knight

There was a motion by Bill Koppel seconded by Rocco Nero to approve the meeting agenda as presented. Motion carried 9– 0.

There was a motion by Bill Schumacher seconded by Phil Stevens to approve the minutes from the previous [10/21/08] meeting. Motion carried 9 – 0.

Financial reports through October 31, 2008 as listed below were presented and reviewed by Treasurer Al Lopez.

October 31, 2008 – Northeast District Board

Checking Account	\$40,976.35
Savings Account	\$7,371.12
Certificate of Deposit	\$34,142.07 [1 <sup>st</sup> PI Bank]
Certificate of Deposit	\$74,296.86 [Chase Bank]
Net Assets	\$156,786.40

July 31, 2007 – DOC Checking	\$18,217.76
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It was recommended to hold authorization/approval of the financial reports until the next meeting on December 15, 2008.

There was a review of the check listing and bills to be authorized for payment. Howard Friend moved and Rocco Nero seconded a motion to pay the bills. Motion passed 9 – 0.

Northeast Board of Directors representative Rocco Nero and 7/8 grade representative Bill Koppel turned over comments/updates from the Board of Directors to Dr. Dan Ross; Included in Dr. Ross's report.

- State Board Committees – Progress/Updates Reviewed  
{Jr. Hi., Divisional Alignment, End of Season/Summer, Tourney Set-Up's}
- Legislative Issues Pending Were Reviewed
- OHSAA Contracts Approved For State Tournaments In---  
{Swimming/Diving, Baseball & Softball, Gymnastics}
- Foundation/Service Week—140 Events.
- Coaching Education---Education Academy
- Football Playoffs and Friday Night Live TV

Thank you to Dr. Ross for attending our meeting and updating the board on State matters. You are welcome to attend our meeting[s] at any time. We appreciate your leadership and what you are doing to keep the district boards informed on pertinent matters.

Next regular meeting of the Board of Directors is scheduled on December 4, 2008 @ 9:00 a.m. in Columbus.

President Dale Gabor reviewed updates on the list of scheduled dates/times of district board meetings, manager's meetings, tourney draw/seed dates and state tournament events.

Howard Friend reported that the Finance Committee conducted 11 tournament audits during the month of November mostly in the eastern portion of the district – Mahoning/Trumbull County. The next area of the district scheduled for audits is the northwestern part of the district—Cuyahoga, Summit and Lorain Counties. The pending recommendation on presale ticket bonus money in basketball in lieu of charging for parking was presented and reviewed with the board. The finance committee will present this recommendation to the board for adoption---2009 at the next meeting on December 16<sup>th</sup>. Regulations will then be modified to reflect the changes.

Phil Stevens reported that assignment of officials for the winter tournaments will move forward as soon the pool of eligible officials is announced by the State Office. He announced that December 15<sup>th</sup> is the date set by the State for posting of the officials eligible for tournament assignments. Actual playing dates for all winter tournaments have been confirmed by the respective managers and the officials committee will proceed with the assignment process. It is hoped the new technology system will be both functional and helpful for assignors and tourney managers.

Tentatively, a technology in-service for the NEDAB Officials Committee is set for the week of December 8<sup>th</sup> or 15<sup>th</sup> @ Norwayne High School in Creston. Brenda Murray, OHSAA Technology Consultant and Genne Zimmerly, NEDAB Technology/Web Master will both be present to guide committee members through the process of accessing the approved official's listing and subsequently assigning officials to respective tourney contests. Other board members are invited to attend if available and interested in viewing this process.

Dale Gabor again reviewed tournament sites and assignments for the 2009 winter sectional/district tournaments including basketball, bowling, gymnastics, swimming and diving and wrestling. There may be a few minor adjustments as schools are continually entering and withdrawing especially in the individual sports – gymnastics and swimming. Swimming managers will be the same as last year and some sites will have more than 1 session due to more total participants. Web Site listings are up-to-date.

Bill Schumacher and Jim Borchik volunteered to research a proposal whereby the tournament draw/seed meetings for boy's and girl's basketball could be scheduled in regions of the district simultaneously on February 1<sup>st</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup>. The State set time is 2p. A report will be presented to the board as the next meeting—, Tuesday, December 16, 2008.

In the area of Website operations it was noted that bracket information may be needed for winter sports – basketball and wrestling, to facilitate the officials' assignment process. and provide direct access to the State Office on draw date. Web site Coordinator Genne Zimmerly indicates this would be doable given the technical protocol necessary. This is a matter that Mike Kovach or Phil Stevens, Brenda Murray and Genne Zimmerly will need to collaborate on and discuss prior to the managers' meetings in January and the draw meetings then in February.

The next meeting of the board was set for Tuesday, December 16, 2008 @ 4p. in Akron/Fairlawn---Holiday Inn, 4073 Medina Road, I-77 @ Route 18.

The Board wished Dale Gabor and Paul Powers' Schools Good Luck In The Finals Of The Football Playoffs On Their Efforts To Bring State Titles Back to NE Ohio!!

The meeting adjourned at 10:15 a.m. with a motion by Rocco Nero and seconded by Bill Koppel. Motion carried 9` – 0.

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Respectfully submitted by Secretary Larry Acker