

NORTHEAST DISTRICT ATHLETIC BOARD – OHSAA

McKinley Grand Hotel, Canton, Ohio

Saturday, December 7, 2013

The meeting was called to order by President Bill Schumacher @ 7:30 a.m.

President Schumacher Welcomed Everyone To The Meeting.

Attending the meeting –

Rich Berlin	7/8 Grade Rep-{Excused}
Jim Borchik,	"AAA" Rep.
Lynn Gotthardt,	Female Rep
Andy Jalwan	"AA" Rep
Rocco Nero,	"A" Rep.
William Nye,	"A" Rep.
Paul Powers,	"AAA" Rep-{Excused}
Bill Schumacher,	"AA" Rep.
Phil Stevens,	Ethnic Minority Rep.

Secretary-- Larry Acker Treasurer-- Mark McGuire
District Association Administrator ---Ron Knight and OHSAA Commissioner
Dr. Dan Ross Were In Attendance

There was a motion by Rocco Nero seconded by Phil Stevens to approve the meeting agenda as presented with a couple additions. Motion passed 7-0.

There was a motion by Lynn Gotthardt seconded by Jim Borchik to approve the minutes of the previous [11/14/13] meeting. Motion carried 7-0.

Treasurer Mark McGuire indicated since the meeting is early-first week of the month, there was no financial report at this time. He reported that he attended the DAB Treasurer's Meeting held December 5th from 12n to 2p. and briefly reviewed some of their discussions.

There was a motion by Jim Borchik and seconded by Andy Jalwan to approved payment of the monthly bills. Motion passed 7-0.

Northeast District State OHSAA Board Representative Jim Borchik discussed briefly a couple State Board---State OHSAA Office Updates discussed at their meeting on Friday, December 6th.

Mr. Borchik turned the floor over to OHSAA Commissioner Dr. Dan Ross
Major Topics Discussed/Presented by Dr. Ross Included the Following:

Compliance Monitors—Help, Provide Assistance To Member Schools
Competitive Balance Update---Need To Rework Proposal & Move Forward
DAB Review Committee Update—Define Roles & Operational Differences
Foundation Leadership Conference Contribution—{1,300 Students Attended}
Choice Issues---Legislative Involvement--Seems Apparent
Vision of Education Based Athletics
Fallon Survey—Value for Us—Overall Great Work—Kudos To All

Thank You Dr. Ross For All You Do On Behalf Of Ohio's Youth & Our Member Schools !

Board President Bill Schumacher, District Athletic Board Review Committee Representative from the Northeast District Board referenced briefly the report presented by Committee Chairman Steve Stirn on the meeting held-Thursday, November 21,2013. The next meeting is scheduled for January 19,2014.

Mr. Schumacher touched briefly on the approaching winter sports season and reminded board members to communicate matters to Committee Chairpersons and the Board President so operations are kept consistent with Board and OHSAA Policies/Procedures and Northeast District Tournament Guidelines.

Paul Powers, Chairman of the Officiating Committee was unable to attend due to the unexpected illness/hospitalization of his father. **Board Members were** reminded Of The Officials Committee—Work Meeting Dates for Winter Sports---December 12th, 19th and January 2nd . Spring Sports Work Meeting Dates Are: March 13th,20th and 27th . All meetings are scheduled at Roby Lee's in Newton Falls. District Director of Officials and Former NED Board Member—Ron Knight, along with Paul Powers, Board Members when they are available ; Secretary Larry Acker, Fred Vicarel and John Ault have been assisting/helping with the assignment process.

Tournament Committee Report/Update—Chairman Bill Schumacher.

Fall Sports Sectional/District Tournaments are completed and operations seemed to have progressed very well overall. NEDAB Members will receive—via e-mail—draft of a letter that is being prepared to thank and survey the fall Tournament Managers on matters of need in considering/planning future events

Winter Sports Tournament Sites are finalized in all sports. The board has approved Home Site Sectionals in Girls and Boys Basketball which will create some unexpected developments such as some District Host Sites having their own School's Teams advance in the Tournament and Conflicting Playing Dates evolving. Any such scenarios will need to be approved/authorized by the Board President in order to keep consistency across the district.

President Schumacher announced he has approved/authorized Gymnastics and Bowling Managers host/operate a Sectional/District Tournament on a Sunday afternoon due to extenuating circumstances—availability of equipment or facility.

With the upcoming Winter Tournament Manager's Meetings set for January 6th,8th and 13th, President Schumacher reminded board members the importance/need to realize/understand the team or individual entry/withdraw process through myohsaa.

Spring Sports Tournaments—no report/updates at this time, except President Schumacher indicated he visited Willig Field Softball Complex—East of Downtown—{Two Miles East of I-77, just South of U.S. Rt. 62}---Canton, Ohio 44705 as a possible site for Sectional/District and Regional Softball Tournaments.

Secretary Larry Acker reported on the DAB Secretaries Meeting held December 5th from 12n. to 2p. All six Athletic board secretaries were in attendance along with OHSAA State Office Staff—Bob Goldring, Brenda Murray, Jerry Snodgrass; Dale Gabor—Track and Field Coordinator and Ron Knight District Association Director.

Key Areas/Topics of Discussion Included The Following:

District Tournament Sites To Be Selected—Named So State Board/Office Can
Conduct Regional Draws—Affects Officials Assignments
Drops/Adds Deadline For Tournaments—Concept To Provide Opportunity
Tournament Managers Manual To DAB Secretaries—Thank You Jerry Snodgrass
Guidelines for Sending Teams to Other Districts—Combined Tournaments
Consistent Bracketing For Tournaments—{placement of home teams, byes, etc.}
Issues With Home Site Tournaments—{Managers Follow OHSAA & DAB Regulations}
Track and Field Issues---Regional Sites, etc.—Dale Gabor
Storage of Required Forms, Contracts, Treasurer's Reports, Tickets, etc.
Forms To Be Updated For Home Site Events—Review—Legal Counsel—Next Meeting
Winter---DAB Secretaries Meeting—March 19, 1:00p.—State Office
Agenda Items To Bob Goldring
----Very Informative/Productive Meeting----

There being no further business there was a motion by Rocco Nero and seconded by Bill Nye to adjourn the meeting at 9:50a. Motion carried 7-0.

The Next Meeting Of The NEDAB Is Scheduled January 15, 2014, 4:00p.—
Akron/Fairlawn Holiday Inn, 4073 Medina Road, I-77 At Route 18,
Akron, Ohio 44333
NEDAB Winter Tournament Manager's Meetings
January 6th, 6:30p.; January 8, 6:00p. and January 13th, 6:30p.

Respectfully Submitted By Larry Acker, Secretary