

NORTHEAST DISTRICT ATHLETIC BOARD – OHSAA

Akron/Fairlawn Holiday Inn, Akron, Ohio

Wednesday, October 23, 2013

The meeting was called to order by President Bill Schumacher @ 4 p.m.

President Schumacher welcomed everyone to the meeting and noted that two newly appointed representatives—Rich Berlin and Andy Jalwan were attending their first board meeting –Welcome !

Attending the meeting –

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

Secretary-- Larry Acker

Treasurer-- Mark McGuire

Four—{4}--- Wrestling Coaches Association/Tournament Representatives from Northeast Ohio were in attendance and prior to the start of the business meeting addressed the board on matters pertaining to wrestling tournament configurations/operations across Northeast Ohio.

President Schumacher thanked them for their attendance/input and expressed the board's appreciation for their work and dedication on behalf of the student athletes and interscholastic athletics in their respective schools and Northeast Ohio.

There was a motion by Lynn Gotthardt seconded by Paul Powers to approve the meeting agenda as presented with a couple additions. Motion passed 9-0.

There was a motion by Rocco Nero seconded by Bill Nye to approve the minutes of the previous [9/25/13] meeting. Motion carried 9-0.

Treasurer Mark McGuire indicated that balances in the checking and savings accounts was reported in the State Board of Directors Meeting Minutes--\$147,000. Checking and \$111,489 in savings as of October 17,2013. Mark is in touch with the State OHSAA Office regarding fiscal reporting updates and tournament financial protocol. It was reported that 75% of the Fall Golf Tourney Reports have been received. He will be providing the board monthly reports and fiscal updates on the budget and tournament

operational information moving forward. This is a transitional year for the Northeast District to begin the turnkey protocol that is being implemented by the OHSAA across the State.

There was some discussion regarding a matter pertaining to paying a Track Official last spring. It was moved by Rocco Nero and seconded by Jim Borchik to pay the official \$50. Motion passed 9-0.

There was a motion by Rocco Nero and seconded by Lynn Gotthardt that payment of the monthly bills and mileage reimbursements as submitted/verified be approved. Motion passed 9-0.

Northeast District State Board Representative Jim Borchik briefly discussed the proceedings of the October 17, 2013, State Board of Directors Meeting. Thanks to Mr. Borchik for his thorough report and detailed notes forwarded to the Northeast District Board Members following the State Meetings! Of particular note is that fact that the State Legislature and Legislatures across the Country are becoming involved in the operation of School---Interscholastic Athletics. Competitive Balance insofar as tournament competition/success rate goes between private and public members schools continues on the radar screen and another referendum vote by the membership is likely again next May.

Public School Treasurers are being in-serviced across the State, a process that continues in an effort to inform/update all schools involved with activity programs/organizations in their respective districts as well as those hosting OHSAA Tournament Events. Everyone is to be on track with federal/state audit practices and IRS regulations. All Regional and State OHSAA events will be Turnkey Operations this school year—[2013-14]. The OHSAA is looking to standardize tournament operational fees across the State.

Bill Schumacher, District Athletic Board Review Committee Representative from the Northeast District Board indicated meetings are planned during the 2013-14 school year again and he shared a report from their first meeting held Thursday, October 9, 2013, at the State Office in Columbus. There was discussion on several agenda items and their next meeting is scheduled on November 21, 2013.

Mr. Schumacher reported on the retirement appreciation dinner recognizing long time Northeast District/Regional and State Tourney Manager in Canton--Dan Brooks held Saturday, October 5, 2013, at McCall's Restaurant near Canton South High School. Northeast Board President Bill Schumacher and Secretary Larry Acker attended.

Northeast District Treasurer Emeritus Al Lopez's induction into the Trumbull County Sports Hall of Fame is scheduled on Sunday, October 27, 2013 at Divesti's Banquet Hall in Warren, Ohio. Current and Former Board Members are invited to attend and two tables have been reservation for the Northeast Board—OHSAA Commissioner Dr. Dan Ross will also be attending.

Paul Powers, Chairman of the Officiating Committee reported the Tentative Officials Committee—Work Meeting Dates for Winter Sports are 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—Chairman Bill Schumacher.

Fall Sports Tournament are progressing and things seem to be going very well overall.

Winter Sports Tournament Sites are mainly finalized in all sports with a couple of Managers yet to be named/verified. Due to a reduction In the number of Division 1 qualifiers in Boys and Girls Basketball, there will be one less tournament site in each. The board has approved home site sectionals in Girls and Boys Basketball as well as a blended seeding/bracket configuration in Division 1—Both Boys and Girls.

There Will Be Home Site Sectionals—Boys and Girls Basketball-- All Divisions—2014.
---Transition to Turnkey Tourney Operations—Sectionals & District---

Bill Schumacher and Larry Acker will meet with Fran Miller and Ray Stalnaker to determine Site Locations and Team/School Assignments for Bowling as there are two Divisions starting this year in Bowling.

With Home Site Sectionals in Basketball being implemented this year for the first time in the Northeast District, it is recommended that operational guidelines pertaining to Home Site Sectional be developed and sent to the Tournament Managers along with the Manager's Meeting letters which typically are mailed out in early November. In order to develop/discuss these needed Guidelines, there will be a meeting of the Tournament Committee on November 5, 2013, at Copley High School.

Spring Sports Tournaments—no report/updates at this time.

The board received letters of appreciation/thanks from the Howard Friend Family and the Galen Kyre Family for sending flowers/planters at the time of Mr. Friend's father's passing and the passing of Mr. Kyre long time Central District Board Member and Treasurer.

There being no further business there was a motion by Rocco Nero and seconded by Bill Nye to adjourn the meeting at 7:05p. Motion carried 9-0.

The Next Meeting Of The NEDAB Is Scheduled December 7, 2013 at 7:30a.—
Grand McKinley Hotel
Canton, Ohio

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Respectfully Submitted By Larry Acker, Secretary