

NORTHEAST DISTRICT ATHLETIC BOARD – OHSAA

Akron/Fairlawn Holiday Inn, Akron, Ohio

Thursday, November 14, 2013

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

President Schumacher Welcomed Everyone To The Meeting.

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.[Arrived—4:15p.]
Secretary-- Larry Acker	Treasurer-- Mark McGuire

Treasurer Emeritus Al Lopez

Mr. Lopez Expressed A Heartfelt Thanks To All Who Attended The Induction Banquet When He Was Inducted Into the Trumbull County Sports Hall of Fame On 10-27-13.

There was a motion by Jim Borchik seconded by Lynn Gotthardt to approve the meeting agenda as presented with a couple additions. Motion passed 8-0.

There was a motion by Bill Nye seconded by Rocco Nero to approve the minutes of the previous [10/23/13] meeting. Motion carried 8–0.

Treasurer Mark McGuire provided the following financial report:

Checking Account-----	\$107,840.90
Checking Account—1 st Place Bank-----	\$7,416.49
Certificate of Deposit—1 st Place Bank----	\$35,308.45
Certificate of Deposit—1 st Place Bank-----	\$76,551.88
Total Assets	\$227,117.72

A fall tournament composite financial report showing profit or deficit status listed by sport and site—location was presented to the board for review. Golf Tourney Reports were all in but one and the total deficit to date is –(\$12,835.80). Tennis Tourney Reports were all in and the total deficit is—(\$11,108.74).

Four of the six Cross Country Sites have reported and the deficit total stands at- (\$20,874.38). Volleyball Reports have all be filed and of the 19 Sites Hosting Sectional/District Venues Six Sites reported a deficit and Thirteen Sites reported a profit. The highest profit Site was Smithville—[Wayne County]--D-III which garnered \$12,523.06. The highest deficit was at Strongsville—[Cuyahoga County]-D-1 which reported—(\$1367.36). Only one Soccer Tourney Report has been received to date and that was from Euclid.

A composite listing of the checks processed was provided for the board's review and subsequent authorization/approval by a motion from Rocco Nero and seconded by Bill Nye.

The motion included approval of monthly bills and mileage reimbursements. Motion passed 9-0. The Board Thanked Treasurer McGuire for the complete up-to-date report.

During the discussion of various fall tournament financial summaries, board members expressed its ongoing mission/need to review carefully variances in tournament charges/expenses across the district for all tournament venues.

Northeast District State OHSAA Board Representative Jim Borchik discussed briefly several State Board---State OHSAA Office Updates. He mentioned one of the most recent concerns is an apparent discussion among key State Legislators regarding students being afforded the opportunity to participate in interscholastic athletic activities at their school of choice whether or not they actually attend classes at that particular school. Home School advocates/parents are lobbying for this option. 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 discussion insofar as tournament competition/success rate goes between private and public members schools continues, a Committee met recently and discussions on another referendum vote by the membership is on the radar screen..

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 reported a meeting is set for Thursday, November 21, 2013. He shared a draft of the agenda topics to be discussed/reviewed at that time., Meetings are held at the State OHSAA Office in Columbus.

Paul Powers, Chairman of the Officiating Committee Reminded Board Members Of The 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/Update—Chairman Bill Schumacher.

Fall Sports Tournaments are nearing completion and operations seem to be progressing very well overall.

Winter Sports Tournament Sites are finalized in all sports with a couple of manager changes yet to be confirmed---Struthers—Boys Basketball and Barberton—Girls Basketball. 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 . There was a motion by Paul Powers and seconded by Bill Nye to approve all Winter Tournament Assignments. Motion passed 9-0.

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

There was a detailed/long discussion on the Home Site Sectional Tournament “operational protocol”—guidelines relative to needed charges, flat fees, tournament staffing alignment, rate of pay, etc. An outline detailing changes/guidelines was provided by Jim Borchik and distributed to Board Members via e-mail for added input. This information was generated from discussions held at a Tournament Committee Meeting on November 5, 2013 at Copley High School. It was felt these changes—this information]-- needed to be shared with the tournament managers; maybe a “Buzz Session” ought to be scheduled for managers—they could opt to attend—hear what is changing and what is involved and ask questions of the Tournament Committee and or Board Members. No specific arrangement or date was set.

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

The board received letters of appreciation/thanks from the Pam DeBrosse Family for sending flowers/planters at the time of Mr. DeBrosse’s passing. Also, Mr. & Mrs. Dan Brooks sent the Board a “Thank You Note” for the Gifts from the Board presented by President Schumacher at Dan’s Retirement Banquet on October 5, 2013.

There was a motion by bill Nye and seconded by Jim Borchik to approve the Board treasurer to send a memorial donation in memory of Rocco Nero’s father who recently passed. Motion carried 8-0-1—[Mr. Nero abstained]

There being no further business there was a motion by Rocco Nero and seconded by Lynn Gotthardt to adjourn the meeting at 6:55p. 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