

NORTHEAST DISTRICT ATHLETIC BOARD – OHSAA

AKRON/FAIRLAWN HOLIDAY INN, AKRON, OHIO

Wednesday April 19, 2017

The meeting was called to order by President Brian Banfield @ 3:50p.

Attending the meeting –

Brian Banfield	“AA” Rep.-
Jeffrey Cassella	“AAA” Rep.-
Sean Jackson,	Ethnic Minority Rep-
Andy Jalwan	“AAA” Rep-{Excused}-
Rocco Nero,	“A” Rep.-
William Nye,	“A” Rep.-
Paul Powers	“AA” Rep.-
Rhonda Rickelman	Female Rep.-
Steve Watkins	7/8 Grade Representative
Secretary-- Larry Acker	Treasurer-- Mark McGuire
Genne Zimmerly, Northeast District Board Web Master	
Ron Knight—Northeast District Administrator of Officials	

Two Guest Presenters—Adam Hoon and Keith Manos Attended The Meeting and Discussed/Reviewed Items Pertaining To The Guidelines and Operations Of The Sectional/District Wrestling Tournaments. The Secretary Took Notes Of The Presentations And the Board Thanked Mr. Hoon and Mr. Manos For Sharing The Items Of Mutual Concern And Understanding. The Board Also Thanked And Commended Keith Manos For His 25 Years—Serving NEO As A Wrestling Tournament Manager.

There was a motion by Sean Jackson seconded by Steve Watkins to approve the meeting Agenda as presented.. Motion Passed 8-0.

There was a motion by Bill Nye seconded by Sean Jackson to approve the minutes of the previous {3/617}-meeting. Motion Carried 8–0.

Treasurer Mark McGuire Reported The Northeast District Board Bank Balance on March 31, 2017 was \$443,928.28.

There was a motion by Rocco Nero and seconded by Jeff Cassella to approved the Treasurer's Report and Payment of the Bills. Motion passed 8-0.

-----The Board Thanked Treasurer Mark McGuire For His Report/Work-----

President Brian Banfield, proceeded to the next item on the Agenda---Board Committee Reports.

Committee Reports included the following:

-----OHSAA State Board of Directors Representatives—Paul Powers and Rhonda Rickelman

Report—March 24, 2017 & April 6, 2017 State Board—Work Session and Board Meeting. The Board approved the 2017-18 Tournament Divisional Breakdowns and Representation. Competitive Balance Factors Were Added To Enrollments in Football, Soccer and Volleyball. Referendum—Voting and Voting For District Board Members Is Scheduled—May 1st thru 15<sup>th</sup>.

Thanks To Paul Powers and Rhonda Rickelman For Their Representation/Work !

-----State, District Athletic Board Review Committee will meet on May 3, 2017. Items To Be Discussed Include—Tournament Formats Across The State, Online Seeding & Bracketing Procedures and Policies On Passes To Events.

-----Finance Committee—The Secretary Thanked the Finance Committee for moving forward with the process of replacing/updating the Secretary's Office Copy Machine.

The Finance Committee Reviews Each Tournament Season/Sport Financial Summary Report By Sport and Keeps Check on The 2016-17 Budget As Tournament Operating Expenses and Receipts--Ticket Sales Are Reported.

-----Officials Committee Chairman Paul Powers reported all is well in the Officiating Department at this time. Following the 2017 Winter State Tournament; Work Was Completed On Officials Assignments for 2017 Spring Sports---Baseball and Softball.

----- Tournament Committee Chairman Jeff Cassella Reported that The 2017 Winter Tournament Season Went Well Overall. There Are Several Operational and or Management Concerns That Will Be Addressed In Planning For The 2018 Winter Tournament Season.

-----The Board discussed final plans for implementation of the Seeded Bracketing process this Spring in the Sports of Baseball and Softball. A Press Release From The Board President, Prepared By The Secretary Was Sent on March 14, 2017--- Announcing This Change— To Members Schools And To NEO Members of The OHSAA Sports Writers Association.

-----To Assure a Smooth Transition to the Bracketed Seeding process, it was decided that the Tournament Committee and other Board Members available would meet on Saturday, April 29.2017 @ 1:30p. in the Paradigm Building at Mentor High School to Finalize the Brackets for the Baseball and Softball Sectional/District Tournaments.

-----There was a motion by Jeff Cassella and seconded by Rocco Nero that the Tournament Calendar—Play Dates For Sectionals and Districts-- for the 2017-18 Sport Seasons Be Approved as Presented with Any Date Editing/Updating as Needed by Ron Knight. Motion passed 8-0.

-----Reminder As The Tournament Seasons Progress, the Board President is the only one who can authorize any adjustments or changes in the Tournament Schedule due to weather and or unavoidable conflicts.

The Board Shall Be Made Aware Of Any Adjustments/Changes/Updates By Email.

----Thanks To Chairman Jeff Cassella and The Tournament Committee For Their Work ! -----

Under Items of Unfinished Business there was a motion by Steve Watkins and seconded by Paul Powers to approve a 60 month lease agreement/plan with Perry Pro-Tech Company of Ashland/Mansfield for a copy machine-{Lexmark/42K1212/XC6152 Color MFP} for the OHSAA---Northeast District Athletic Board Secretary's Office. Motion Passed 8-0.  
The Monthly Lease Agreement/Payment is \$140.40.

Secretary Acker distributed information outlining the schedule and registration information for the 2017 OHSAA--All District Boards Summer Conference scheduled June 11<sup>th</sup> through June 13<sup>th</sup> in the Southeast District—Ohio University Inn, Athens, Ohio.

There being no further business there was a motion by Rocco Nero and seconded by Sean Jackson to adjourn the meeting at 6:40p. Motion carried 8-0

Next Regular Meeting of The Northeast District Board Is Scheduled  
On Monday, May 8, 2017 4:00p.

Northeast District Board and Manager Meetings Are Held/Scheduled At The

Akron/Fairlawn Holiday Inn, 4073 Medina Road, I-77 At Route 18  
Akron, Ohio 44333

Respectfully Submitted By Larry Acker, Secretary