

NORTHEAST DISTRICT ATHLETIC BOARD – OHSAA

AKRON/FAIRLAWN HOLIDAY INN, AKRON, OHIO

Wednesday August 2, 2017

The meeting was called to order by President Pro—Tem, Brian Banfield @ 4:00p.

Attending The Meeting –

Brian Banfield	“AA” Rep.-{Left @ 5p. for a Bd. Mtg.}
Jeffrey Cassella	“AAA” Rep.-
Sean Jackson,	Ethnic Minority Rep-{Arrived 4:30p.}—Pres.
Andy Jalwan	“AAA” Rep--
Rocco Nero,	“A” Rep.-
William Nye,	“A” Rep.-
Paul Powers	“AA” Rep.-State Bd. Rep.
Rhonda Rickelman	Female Rep.- State Bd. Rep. & Vice Pres.
Steve Watkins	7/8 Grade Representative
Secretary-- Larry Acker	Treasurer-- Mark McGuire
Genne Zimmerly, Northeast District Board Web Master—{Excused}	
Ron Knight—Northeast District Administrator of Officials—{Excused}	

The President Pro-Tem asked for nominations for the Office of President. Rocco Nero Nominated Sean Jackson. There were no further nominations and there was a motion By Rocco Nero and seconded by Bill Nye to closed nominations and cast a unanimous ballot for Sean Jackson. Motion Passed 8-0.

The President Pro Tem asked for nominations for the Office of Vice President. Rocco Nero Nominated Rhonda Rickelman. There was a motion by Rocco Nero seconded by Bill Nye to close nominations and cast a unanimous ballot for Rhonda Rickelman. Motion Passed 8-0.

Vice President Rhonda Rickelman chaired the meeting till President Sean Jackson arrived at 4:30p.

There was a motion by Jeff Cassella and seconded by Brian Banfield to adopt the Meeting Agenda as presented. Motion passed 8-0.

There was a motion by Brian Banfield and seconded by Steve Watkins to approve the minutes of the previous {6/12 & 6/20 & 7/27/17 }-Meetings. Motion Carried 8–0.

Treasurer Mark McGuire Reported The Northeast District Board Bank Balance on June 30, 2017 was \$430,738.85.. Looking at the Monthly Balances Comparing 2015-16 with 2016-17, the Northeast District Is down \$56,000. At the end of June, 2017.

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

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

President Sean Jackson arrived and 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—The State Board has not met sine the Northeast Board's last meeting on July 27<sup>th</sup>.  
The Next State Board of Directors Is Scheduled on August 10, 2017.

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

-----State, District Athletic Board Review Committee will meet later in August, NEB Rep. Bill Nye will share the agenda items in advance of the meeting for board input.

Items Before The Committee Include—Tournament Formats Across The State,  
Online Seeding & Bracketing Procedures and Policies On Passes To OHSAA Events.

-----Finance Committee—The Finance Committee will Discuss and Review with the Board Sectional/District Tournament fees and costs and recommend any appropriate/needed changes for The 2017-18 School Year. Online Seeding program and fees for 2017-18 will be reviewed and a recommendation for approval will be forthcoming.

-----The Officiating Committee is waiting on the State OHSAA Office to set up an Arbiter 1 Account. The District Board may need an Arbiter Account. Committee chairman Paul Powers will check at the State Level and report back to the District Board at the next Meeting. Paul Powers will also pursue details on an Arbiter Coordinator for Fall Sports.

-----The Board implemented the Seeded Bracketing process with the Spring Sports—Baseball And Softball and overall the process worked well. The process will be continued this fall With Soccer and Volleyball. October 7<sup>th</sup>—Saturday and October 8<sup>th</sup> are the Seeding and Draw dates. Details on timelines and posting of the results will be announced at the Fall Sports Managers Meeting on September 17, 2017.

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-----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 Tournament Committee Chairman Jeff Cassella and The Tournament Committee For Their Work ! ----This Tournament planning and preparation process Northeast Ohio is a huge task with 237 OHSAA Member Schools.

-----The Tournament Committee will meet in September to work on the Tournament Sites, Managers Appointments and the assignment of Teams/Schools according to their Sport classification to the various sites based based on geographical location.

Secretary Acker reported that the Board needs to be looking/thinking about a location for the 2019 OHSAA— All District Boards Summer Conference To Be Scheduled June 9<sup>th</sup> through June 11<sup>th</sup> in the Northeast District. Bill Nye is going to garner some information on the Lodge at Geneva on the Lake Conference Center.

The Board Confirmed the Following Appointments for the 2017-2018 School Year:

Northeast District Administrator of Officials---Ron Knight  
Northeast District Webmaster---Genne Zimmerly  
Northeast District Ticketmaster---Tom Taylor  
Northeast District Board Member To Co-Sign Checks over \$2500.—Paul Powers

There being no further business there was a motion by Rocco Nero and seconded by Bill Nye to adjourn the meeting at 5:30p. Motion carried 8-0

Respectfully Submitted By Larry Acker, Secretary