

**NEBRASKA SCHOOL ACTIVITIES ASSOCIATION**  
**COMMITTEE ON RE-DISTRICTING, GOVERNANCE AND REPRESENTATION**

Minutes of October 27, 2010 Meeting

The Redistricting, Governance and Representation Committee met on Wednesday, October 27, 2010 at 10:00 a.m. at the NSAA Office. Dr Bob Reznicek chaired the meeting. The purpose of the committee was to review the information collected at the last meeting to recognize priorities as part of the NSAA Governance Structure.

Committee members present were Mark Novell, Fillmore Central, NSAA District I Board of Director; Karen Hand, Lincoln Public Schools; Jerry Rempe, Southern High School; Keith Muller, Wilber-Clatonia High School; Dr. Bob Reznicek, Boys Town, NSAA District II Board of Director; Jerry Barteo, Omaha Public Schools; Jeff Johnson, Papillion-LaVista South High School; Mike McMahan, Omaha Skutt Catholic High School; Jay Bellar, Battle Creek, District III Board of Director; Dennis Dolliver, Norfolk High School; Ed Stansberry, Walthill High School; Max Kroger, Ord, District IV Board of Director; Dave Barrett, Adams Central High School; Cindy Huff, Wood River High School; Greg Holliday, Hastings High School; Dr. Brian Maher, Kearney Public Schools; Dr. Dallas Watkins, Dundy County-Stratton, NSAA District V Board of Director; Joan Reznicek, Red Cloud High School; Alan Garey, Medicine Valley High School; Scott Schoneman, Holdrege High School; Kent Halley, Mitchell, District VI Board of Director; Lee Dick, Scottsbluff High School; Ward Wacker, Gordon-Rushville High School; and Troy Unzicker, Kimball High School. Committee members unable to attend were Michelle Egr, Schuyler. Ex-officio members included NSAA Staff Dr. Steve Shanahan and Debra Velder. Also in attendance were Craig Whaley, Millard Public Schools, Attorney Jack Mayfield, and Steve Johnson, Nebraska Coaches Association.

It was moved by Jay Bellar, seconded by Kent Halley, to approve the minutes of the September 16, 2010 meeting as amended. Motion carried unanimously.

The committee reviewed the perceived strengths of the existing governance structure that were identified at the previous meeting and identified the following groupings:

1. Student Focus - educational purpose, focus on opportunities for students, develop mature adults, promote sportsmanship and safety of students.
2. Governance and Rules - one school/one vote, legislative process, and education governs decisions, regionalization, grassroots, Representative Assembly and rules organization, register/evaluate and assign officials, checks and balances, and accountability.
3. Support for Member Schools - information facilitator, professional organization partner, technology driven, NSAA buffer/shield, communication with all schools.

The committee identified groups in regard to the way to alter the present governance structure based on the suggestions identified at the last meeting:

1. Equity - equalization of schools, representation (schools/students/geography), number of schools to represent, east vs. west/statewide approach; number of Board members.
2. Representation - representation by class, proposals by class, understanding of all schools needs,
3. Gender/Ethnicity.
4. Organization - efficiency of the organization, change, Legislative Commission, the Legislative process, the process being cumbersome, frustration with the process, and utilizing people's strengths.

Rex Schultze, NSAA Legal Council, presented to the committee an overview of the Governance Structure in selected state associations.

Bob Reznicek addressed the direction in which the committee is headed at this time. Discussion centered on potential proposals or ideas that are being considered and how to proceed to get the proposals on the table. Committee members will be provided a form in which they can submit a proposal or idea to be presented at the next scheduled meeting.

With no further business, the committee stood adjourned at 2:00 p.m.

The next meeting of the Committee on redistricting, Governance and Representation will be held in Kearney on December 8, 2010, 10:00 a.m., at the Best Western Inn & Suites (South of the Interstate).

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Debra Velder, Associate Director