

NEBRASKA SCHOOL ACTIVITIES ASSOCIATION
OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The Board of Directors met on January 25, 2023, at the NSAA office in Lincoln with members present as follows:

District I - Kara Graham, Lincoln Southeast
District I - Dr. Dana Wiseman, Sutton
District II -- Dr. Bob Reznicek, Boys Town
District II -- Thomas Lee, Omaha Westview
District III -- Dr. Jon Cerny, Bancroft-Rosalie
District IV -- Ryan Ruhl, Centura
District V – Robert Drews, Arapahoe
District VI -- Dr. Troy Unzicker, Alliance

Also in attendance: Kim Snyder, Nebraska Department of Education Liaison; Bobby Truhe, NSAA Legal Counsel; and Julia Plucker, NSAA Lobbyist.

Drews called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.

1. The Consent Agenda was approved on a motion by Ruhl, seconded by Lee. **Motion Carried, 8-0.** Items approved on the Consent Agenda included: approval of the agenda as presented, approval of the minutes of the December 7th Board of Directors Meeting, and approval of the financial statements.
The following new cooperative sponsorships were approved:
 - Omaha Gross Catholic & Cornerstone Christian for Baseball for the 2022-23 and 2023-24 school years.The following cooperative sponsorship renewals were approved:
 - Lincoln Lutheran & Raymond Central for Boys Soccer and Girls Soccer for the 2022-23 and 2023-24 school years.
 - Fillmore Central, Exeter-Milligan & Friend for Softball for the 2023-24 and 2024-25 school years.
2. The Board discussed the Legislative Proposals from the January District Meetings.
3. The board heard presentations from the following communities on the NSAA Girls Golf Championships: Scottsbluff/Gering, North Platte, Kearney, Grand Island, Columbus, and Nebraska City.
4. It was moved by Unzicker, seconded by Ruhl to approve the 2022-23 enrollment numbers from the Nebraska Department of Education. **Motion carried, 8-0.**
5. It was moved by Lee, seconded by Reznicek to include all out-of-state opponents in the wildcard point system for all wildcard sports beginning with the 2023-24 school year. **Motion carried, 8-0.**
6. Snyder led the board in a discussion about the book “8 Ways to Support Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion for All.”
7. It was moved by Ruhl, seconded by Wiseman to approve Creighton Prep’s request to opt-up in Journalism for the 2022-23 school year. **Motion carried, 8-0.**
8. It was moved by Cerny, seconded by Ruhl that effective immediately the eligibility of foreign exchange students must be in the district of the host family unless permission is granted by the NSAA Executive Director through a hardship waiver. **Motion carried, 7 For, 1 Against (Unzicker).**
9. It was moved by Reznicek, seconded by Ruhl to award the Class A NSAA Girls Golf Championship to Grand Island, Class B NSAA Girls Golf Championship to Scottsbluff/Gering, and the Class C NSAA Girls Golf Championship to North Platte for the 2023-24, 2024-25, 2025-26, and 2026-27 school years. **Motion carried, 8-0.**
10. The board heard a report from the NSAA Lobbyist.
11. It was moved by Wiseman, seconded by Lee to enter executive session at 2:22 p.m. to discuss potential litigation and to protect the interest of the public, and to prevent needless injury to the reputation of an individual(s). **Motion carried, 8-0.**
12. It was moved by Lee, seconded by Graham to exit executive session at 3:17 p.m. **Motion carried, 8-0.**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 3:19 p.m.

The next meeting of the Board of Directors will be February 15, 2023, at the NSAA Office in Lincoln immediately following the Legislative Commission.