

NEBRASKA SCHOOL ACTIVITIES ASSOCIATION
OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The Board of Directors met on September 17, 2020 at the NSAA Office in Lincoln with members present as follows:

District I - Kathi Wieskamp, Lincoln Public Schools
District I - Dana Wiseman, Sutton
District II -- Dr. Bob Reznicek, Boys Town
District II -- Thomas Lee, Omaha Northwest
District III -- Dr. Jon Cerny, Bancroft-Rosalie
District IV -- Dan Keyser, Sutherland
District V – Robert Drews, Holdrege
District VI -- Dr. Troy Unzicker, Alliance

Also in attendance: Kim Snyder, Nebraska Department of Education Liaison; Rex Schultze, NSAA Legal Counsel; Lance Griffin, Omaha Street School; Charles Wilson, Omaha Street School.

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

1. The Consent Agenda was approved on a motion by Keyser, seconded by Cerny. **Motion Carried, 8-0.**
Items approved on the Consent Agenda included: approval of the agenda as presented, approval of the minutes of the August 19th Board of Directors meeting, and approval of the financial statements.

The following new cooperative sponsorships were also approved for the 2020-21 and 2021-22 school years:

- Omaha Christian Academy & Omaha Street School for Boys Basketball, Girls Basketball, Boys Track and Girls Track
- Boone Central & Newman Grove for Boys Bowling and Girls Bowling
- Elkhorn South, Elkhorn & Elkhorn North for Boys Swimming and Girls Swimming
- Bancroft-Rosalie, Lyons-Decatur Northeast & Pender for Boys Bowling and Girls Bowling
- Fremont & Archbishop Bergan for Boys Bowling and Girls Bowling
- Humphrey & Lindsay Holy Family for Boys Bowling and Girls Bowling
- Hartington-Newcastle & Hartington Cedar Catholic for Boys Bowling and Girls Bowling
- Norfolk Catholic & Lutheran High Northeast for Boys Bowling and Girls Bowling

The following cooperative sponsorship renewals were also approved for the 2020-21 and 2021-22 school years:

- Wausa & Osmond for Play Production
- Fremont, Archbishop Bergan & Arlington for Boys Swimming and Girls Swimming
- Norfolk Catholic & Lutheran High Northeast for Boys Soccer

2. It was moved by Keyser, seconded by Wieskamp to approve the 2020-21 Budget at 75% income with no reimbursements to schools unless income allows with the priority on reimbursing mileage.
Motion Carried, 8-0.
3. The Board discussed the 2020-21 NSAA Bowling Manual.
4. It was moved by Unzicker, seconded by Wiseman to approve December 23-27 as the December Moratorium dates for the 2023-24 school year. **Motion Carried, 8-0.**
5. It was moved by Keyser, seconded by Lee to approve the 2020-21 NSAA Music Manual and the NSAA Unified Sports, Bowling Manual. **Motion Carried, 8-0.**
6. The Board discussed fall postseason COVID-19 protocols.
7. It was moved by Cerny, seconded by Lee to hold a postseason for NSAA Bowling for the 2020-21 school year. **Motion Carried, 8-0.**
8. It was moved by Keyser, seconded by Wiseman to modify the Class A district softball format to six, 4-team districts with 2 additional teams qualify for state as a wild card. **Motion Carried, 8-0.**
9. It was moved by Wieskamp, seconded by Unzicker to approve the NSAA Unified Sports, Bowling COVID-19 rule modifications and guidelines. **Motion Carried, 8-0.**
10. The Board went into closed session at 10:02 a.m. to hear appeals of hardships from Boys Town and Twin River.
11. The Board exited closed session at 11:00 a.m.
12. The Board heard an appeal of the denied hardship of Marcus Wells of Omaha Street School.

13. It was moved by Keyser for Class A Football to qualify 16 teams to the playoffs. The NSAA will select a committee to establish the qualifying criteria and seeding for the playoffs. **Motion died for lack of a second.**
14. It was moved by Lee, seconded by Drews to qualify all 24 Class A schools for the playoffs, eliminating week 9 of the regular season. The NSAA will select a committee to establish the criteria for seeding the Class A playoffs. **Motion Carried, 7 For, 1 Against (Keyser).**
15. It was moved by Unzicker, seconded by Wiseman to recognize the following individuals with the NSAA Distinguished Service Award for their contributions to the NSAA: Larry Mollring (posthumously), Dr. Kody Moffatt, and Ronda Schmidt. The following individuals will be recognized with the NSAA Outstanding Service Award for their service in a particular NSAA activity: John Losito, Bowling; Brady Bonsall, Cross Country; Tom Hertzell, Baseball; Mike Lee, Wrestling; Fred Marisett, Wrestling. **Motion Carried, 8-0.**
16. The Board discussed November NSAA District Meeting logistics.
17. It was moved by Keyser, seconded by Lee to allow Louisville to opt up one classification in speech for the 2020-21 school year. **Motion Carried, 8-0.**
18. It was moved by Keyser, seconded by Wieskamp to allow Wisner-Pilger and Raymond Central to opt up one classification in Speech, to allow Cody-Kilgore, Malcolm, and Humphrey St. Francis to opt up one classification in Play Production, and to allow Holdrege to opt up one classification in Girls Basketball for the 2020-21 school year. **Motion Carried, 8-0.**
19. It was moved by Unzicker, seconded by Keyser to enter executive session at 1:44 p.m. for the purpose of (1) deliberation on the three eligibility appeals, and (2) for details on security and health set up issues for the CHI Arena for the state wrestling tournament; and to protect the interest of the public and to prevent needless injury to the reputation of an individual(s). **Motion Carried, 8-0.**
20. Reznicek recused himself from executive session at 1:55 p.m.
21. Reznicek returned to executive session at 1:59 p.m.
22. It was moved by Keyser, seconded by Wieskamp to exit executive session at 2:06 p.m.
Motion Carried, 8-0.
23. It was moved by Drews, seconded by Wiseman to uphold the Executive Director's denied semester hardship waiver for Boys Town. **Motion Carried, 7 For, 1 Abstention (Reznicek).**
24. It was moved by Wieskamp, seconded by Lee to uphold the Executive Director's denied domicile hardship waiver for Twin River. **Motion Carried, 8-0.**
25. It was moved by Wiseman, seconded by Wieskamp to uphold the Executive Director's denied domicile hardship waiver for Omaha Street School. **Motion Carried, 8-0.**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 2:09 p.m.

The next meeting of the Board of Directors will be Thursday, October 8, 2020, at 8:30 a.m. at the NSAA Office in Lincoln.

Jennifer Schwartz, Associate Director