



NSAA Board of Directors Meeting
January 17, 2019
NSAA Office – Lincoln, NE



Items of Note:

- The Consent Agenda was approved as presented at the meeting. For a complete list of items on the consent agenda, including approval of new cooperative sponsorships and renewals of existing agreements, [please click here to view the full minutes from the meeting.](#)
- The NSAA Board unanimously approved the corrected Nebraska Department of Education enrollment numbers for the 2019-20 activities year. [Total school, boys and girls enrollment numbers are available on this page.](#)
- The Board also discussed a proposed amendment to Approved Rulings 3.3.7 and 3.5.1, effective beginning the 2019-20 school year. These approved rulings will now read:

3.3.7 - To be eligible to participate in a sub-district, district and/or state contest, a student shall have been a member of a school's team and shall have been "available to participate" in at least **thirty percent (30%)** of the school's scheduled interschool contests.

a. Exceptions to the requirements for a student who has not been available to participate in at least **(30%)** of the school's varsity interschool contests would be considered if an individual was unable to participate because of illness, injury, transfer from another high school, or if weather conditions forced a cancellation of scheduled contests.

b. When determining whether a student has been available for **(30%)** of the school's varsity interschool contests, one would divide the number of varsity interschool contests for which the student was available by the school's total number of varsity interschool contests; all decimals .1 or above would be rounded up to the next higher whole number.

c. The term "available to participate" means that the student was a bona fide member of the team eligible to participate for the school at some level of competition in the sport and is not suspended from participation in activities by virtue of NSAA rules.

3.5.1 11 - Students must miss the school event(s) immediately following the outside participation activity unless there are not the required number of regularly scheduled schools events remaining; in which case, the additional events would need to be made up in advance of the outside participation. **IF THE STUDENT HAS MISSED MORE THAN 20% OF THE SCHOOLS SCHEDULE CONTESTS DUE TO PARTICIPATING IN CONOUTSIDE COMPETITION IN THE SAME ACTIVITY, THE STUDENT SHALL BE INELIGIBLE TO REPRESENT HIS/HER SCHOOL IN THAT SPORT.**

- The following individuals were approved to receive the NSAA Distinguished Service Award: Lynelle Fritzen (Kearney CVB), Alan Garey (Medicine Valley Superintendent, NSAA Board of Directors), Mike Sloup (Athletic Trainer), Larry Puntaney (NET) and Chuck Ross (Wisner-Pilger Athletic Director).
- Winners of the NSAA Outstanding Service Award to an individual activity were also announced: Fono Fisaga (Volleyball), Jake Jacobsen (Speech), Ed Planansky, Joe Planansky, Adam Bonesteel, Tim Classen and Kevin Trowbridge (Wrestling).

- An amendment to the NSAA Wrestling Manual was approved by the NSAA Board by an 8-0 vote. The change is located under “District Tournament Regulations” and is as follows:

If it is necessary in Class D to have a PIGTAIL match it will be wrestled with no scoring. THE WINNER WILL ADVANCE INTO THE ROUND OF SIXTEEN IN THE TOURNAMENT BRACKET. LOSER(S) OF THE PIGTAIL WILL DROP TO THE CONSOLATION BRACKET AND ALSO COMPETE IN A ROUND WITH NO TOURNAMENT SCORING.

- The NSAA Board of Directors approved Omaha Marian’s request to opt up to Class A in Journalism.
- Mike Purdy of the NSIAAA reported that the spring NSIAAA luncheon will take place on March 6th.
- NSAA Executive Director, Jay Bellar, reported that the NSAA Classification Committee will be reconvened, with the date, time and location of their next meeting being announced in the coming weeks.
- The NSAA Legislative Commission will meet at 8 AM on Wednesday, February 13th, 2019 at the NSAA office. The purpose of the NSAA Legislative Commission is to screen proposals submitted by the six NSAA districts and set the agenda for the Representative Assembly. Proposals receiving six or more of the fourteen votes of the members of the Legislative Commission OR a proposal that has been passed by three or more districts during the second district meeting will be placed on the Representative Assembly agenda. [To view the agenda of the NSAA Legislative Commission, please click here.](#)

The next meeting of the NSAA Board of Directors will be held at the NSAA Office in Lincoln, NE on February 13th, 2019, following the NSAA Legislative Commission.