

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS
ADMINISTRATIVE SESSION
February 15, 2018**

In the absence of President Dufoe and Treasurer Zittergruen, Francis called this administrative session of the Board of Directors to order at 10:00 a.m. Directors present: Francis, Boehmer, Kroemer and Fadness. Absent: Dufoe, Zittergruen, Ebeling and Seivert. Attending from the state office: Berger, Brown, Ross, Eslinger, Brinkmeyer and Florian.

Motion by Boehmer, second by Kroemer and unanimously approved by all Directors present to add an agenda item at the end of this administrative session. The item will be discussed in a closed session.

Motion by Fadness, Kroemer second and unanimously approved by all Directors present to approve consent items:

**January 10, 2018 Board of Directors' Minutes
January 24, 2018 Volleyball Advisory Committee Minutes
January 2018 Financials**

Eslinger reviewed supporting documentation for the 2018 Track and Field Hall of Fame nominees. Following discussion, **motion by Kroemer, second by Boehmer and unanimously approved by all Directors present to accept Track and Field nominees as presented.**

**2018 TRACK AND FIELD HALL OF FAME
Lexie Anderson, Pleasant Valley 1986
Jan Hall, George 1982
Megan Glisar, Sergeant Bluff-Luton 2009**

Eslinger reviewed state co-ed bowling qualifying sites for the three classes. There are seven sites per class. Due to Plaza Lanes, site of the state co-ed bowling tournament the last several years, burning down, Eslinger informed Directors he and Todd Tharp (IHSAA) visited several facilities across the state in order to select a replacement venue. Decision was made to hold the bowling tournament at Cadillac Lanes in Waterloo. The co-ed bowling format will not change: Class 1A will bowl on Monday, February 19, Class 2A will bowl on Tuesday, February 20 and 3A will bowl on Wednesday, February 21. The change in state tournament venue was received favorably by constituents. For the first time, electronic ticketing will be utilized at this year's tournament. Approximately 200 tickets have been purchased electronically.

The basketball update was presented by Ross. Forty-two Class 1A first round regional games were scheduled for Thursday, February 8. Due to weather issues in various parts of the state, 12 games were postponed. An additional 17 games had game times changed to an earlier start time. Host sites for the regional final games in Class 1A, 2A

and 3A are held at neutral sites. The final games for Class 4A and Class 5A are held at the site of the highest ranked team as of the final rankings.

There will be several cosmetic changes at the state tournament: The team entrance will be a more welcoming with pipe and drape and banners. Teams will reach their locker room via the pink brick road. There will be additional banners, pictures and selfie stations to create a more exciting experience for the participants.

This year there will be an “auxiliary official” who will assist with bench duties and be a part of the pre-game preparation with Chuck Brittain, Coordinator of Basketball Officials. He/she will be in full officiating uniform, including whistle and jacket and prepared to enter the contest to officiate, if needed. A complete list of this official’s responsibilities was provided to Directors.

In the past when a qualifying school’s pep band attended the tournament, all members were required to pay admission. This year 30 pep band members and director will be admitted free of charge. Any additional pep band members will pay the normal admittance fee.

Ross shared with Directors selected state qualifying co-ed track and field meet sites for all four classes. Reminder was given that selected host sites must use the FAT system.

Brinkmeyer provided information regarding soccer officials’ clinics. Due to officials being required to attend a clinic every three years in order to be considered for post season assignment, the IGHSAU, IHSAA and the Iowa Referee Committee are working together to sponsor five clinics. Sites for the clinics: Treynor, February 7, Sioux City West, February 8, Waverly-Shell Rock, February 21, Central Clinton, February 22 and West Des Moines Valley, March 3.

The IGHSAU Student Athlete Advisory Committee application is now on the IGHSAU website. We have received numerous inquiries from school administrators regarding committee appointments. This will be an 11-member committee of IGHSAU student-athletes. The appointees will serve a two-year term. Brinkmeyer reviewed a few of the requirements to be considered for appointment: minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale, must be available for scheduled teleconferences and in-person meetings, candidates should show a history of leadership on athletic teams and other extracurricular activities, community service projects, or in the workplace; and show an understanding of the role of school sports and the value of participation for females. The deadline for submitting applications is April 3, 2018.

Berger reviewed this year’s softball clinic sites and dates. The first clinic was sponsored by the IGCA in Johnston on February 3. Cathy Creighton, Coordinator of Softball Officials was asked to present NFHS rule changes, her plans for evaluation, education and assigning of officials. The remaining three clinics will be held in Atlantic on March 19, West Des Moines Valley on March 22 and Cedar Rapids Jefferson on May 12 and 13. On-field evaluation during team scrimmages will be conducted at the Cedar Rapids

Jefferson clinic. Reminder was given that an official must attend a clinic every three years to be considered for post season assignment.

The process of hiring the Coordinator of Soccer Officials is ongoing. The candidates have been narrowed down to two. Brinkmeyer stated that a decision should be made in the very near future. She briefly reviewed each candidate.

Berger reviewed the awards that will be presented at the state basketball tournament— Jack North MVP – Elle Ruffridge, Pocahontas Area, Character Counts Coach of the Year – Kirk Schmaltz, Ames, Distinguished Basketball Coach – Jerry Hulsing, Lynnville-Sully and the E. Wayne Cooley Scholarship recipient – Megan Fritz, Lake Mills.

Berger also asked Directors if there would be merit in a member of the IGHSAU staff attending and presenting E. Wayne Cooley Scholarship finalists their check and plaque at the respective high school's scholarship/awards program. Each recipient would have the opportunity to be publicly recognized by her school and community for her accomplishment. If the state office isn't able to provide a staff member, it was suggested that possibly a Board or Representative Council could present the award. Directors were very supportive of the idea. There was also discussion regarding the possibility of increasing the scholarship amount given to the runner-up. Currently, the winner receives \$15,000 and the other five finalists each receive \$1,000. Because all of the finalists have outstanding credentials and accomplishments, it was opinion of the Jury that the scholarship provided the runner-up be increased. There was also discussion on creating an E. Wayne Cooley award similar to the Bernie Saggau award that is currently given annually to either a girl or boy at every high school in the state.

Motion by Kroemer, second by Boehmer and unanimously approved by all Directors present to move into executive session at 11:45 a.m.

There being no further business, motion by Boehmer, second by Fadness to adjourn this administrative session of the Board of Directors at 12:15 p.m.

Karon Brown
Associate Director