

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS
ADMINISTRATIVE SESSION
December 13, 2021**

This Zoom administrative session of the Board of Directors was called to order at 3:30 p.m. by President Dufoe. Directors present: Dufoe, Fadness, Fleshner, Adams, Kroemer, Boehmer, and Seivert. Absent: Donels. Attending from the State Office: Berger and Ihnen.

Director Berger gave the purpose for the December meeting related to the venue selection for the IGHS AU state volleyball championship. The facilities are holding dates for multiple years in anticipation of hosting this tournament and both have other tenants requesting dates of use.

President Dufoe asked Berger to present information gathered by staff and the recommendations in the key areas of the championship. A review conducted by the IGHS AU staff of both proposals gave the background on both venues and relayed staff's identified strengths and weaknesses of the venues.

Discussion centered around several key areas for each venue: location and area amenities; facilities-capacity, concession, ticketing, catering, practice area, locker rooms, media work space, merchandise, video boards, ribbon boards, internet and digital/broadcast capabilities; hotels and lodging for teams and fans, including pricing, availability and meeting space; parking for team and fans; IT support; facility management; marketing and financials of the proposals.

Discussion ensued about the facilities in Coralville:

- Building was newer with more up to date technology and spaces
- Advantages for tv partner;
- Practice facility attached;
- Parking in and around arena

Board members also reviewed the opportunities for growth in both locations and cities.

The grant packages as part of both proposals was reviewed. The ticket surcharge in Coralville was discussed as well.

Berger noted that the arena in Coralville is owned by Global Spectrum and this is the same ownership and leaders the IGHS AU works with for state basketball.

Board members outlined some concerns on seating and what this could be like in the event of turnaround from early rounds to finals. Concerns raised about how the facility would "hold" the fans from match to match if capacity is reached. The floor layout in Coralville will allow fans on the floor and Berger explained the layout options for the competition floor.

The length of the contract was reviewed with both venues seeking a 10-year contract. Consensus by directors was to start with a five-year contract with possible one-year extensions.

Board will need to review and approve the contract for the venue selected.

Based on staff review and discussion, IGHSAU management recommends that Xstream Arena in Coralville be approved as the venue for the state volleyball tournament, beginning with the 2022 championship.

Motion made by Fadness /second by Kroemer and unanimously approved to accept a 5-year contract with the Coralville venue for volleyball starting in the year 2022.

Berger reported that the Internal Operations position has been offered to Ben Van Wyk, AD at Ogden. Berger gave background on Van Wyk and his upcoming job responsibilities at the IGHSAU.

Motion to adjourn the meeting by Fleshner, second by Fadness and unanimously approved.
Meeting ending at 4:15 p.m.