

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Arkansas Activities Association Board of Directors Thursday, October 20, 2011

The Board of Directors of the Arkansas Activities Association met on Thursday, October 20, 2011, at the AAA Building at 10:00 a.m. with President Wesley Berry, West Memphis, presiding. Other board members present were:

Bobby Acklin, North Little Rock	Howard Morris, Riverview	Gary Hines, Emerson-Taylor
Joe Couch, Bergman	Andrew Tolbert, Warren	John Ciesla, Greenwood
Carl Easley, Wynne	Fred Walker, IZARD Co. Consolidated	Frank Holman, Lincoln
Nathan Gills, Glen Rose	Jerry Newton, Poyen	
Alfred Hogan, Marion	Albert Murphy, Genoa Central	
Jim Loyd, Paris	Suzanne Bailey, Waldron	

Absent: Rick McLaughlin, HS Lakeside, Micky Pierce, East Poinsett County, Max Adcock, Mineral Springs

Present from the AAA staff were Lance Taylor, Don Brodell, Nick Lasker, Joey Walters, Amber Balboa, and Annette Savage. Absent from the AAA staff was Wadie Moore. Also present were Joe Mallett, St. Joseph, Conway, representing ANSAA and Fred Lilly representing AHSAAA.

MINUTES - The minutes of the August 2, 2011 meeting and the September 29, 2011 reclassification appeals hearing were unanimously approved as presented. (Motion: Holman/Morris, 16-0)

FINANCIAL REPORT – Amber Balboa presented the September 2011 financial report and the annual report of the auditors. The board unanimously approved the financial report and the audit. (Motion: Murphy/Tolbert, 16-0)

CORPORATE SPONSORSHIP – In the absence of Wadie Moore, Lance Taylor updated the board with information on corporate sponsorships.

Max Adcock, Mineral Springs, arrived at 10:25 a.m. which raised the number of board members present to 17.

AHSCA – Joey Walters reported that the AHSCA is working hard and has implemented some new policies that are proving successful.

SPORTS MEDICINE ADVISORY COMMITTEE – Joey Walters updated the board on the work of the Sports Medicine Advisory Committee. The focus of preventing heat illness by educating parents and athletes has been very successful.

GOLF AND TENNIS – Joey Walters reported that overall golf was October 13, 2011, and had no major problems. He reported that finding golf courses to host high school tournaments is becoming somewhat difficult, and we might have to look at changing policies in the future. Overall tennis is scheduled for October 26-27, 2011.

VOLLEYBALL CONFERENCES – The board unanimously approved the proposed volleyball conferences for 2012-2014. (Motion: Couch/Gills, 17-0)

CLASS 7A & 6A VOLLEYBALL

7A/6A WEST

Bentonville
Fayetteville
Harber (Springdale)
Heritage (Rogers)
Rogers
Siloam Springs
Springdale
Van Buren

7A/6A CENTRAL

Conway
Greenwood
Hall (LR)
Mount St. Mary's
Northside (FS)
Parkview (LR)
Russellville
Southside (FS)

CLASS 7A & 6A VOLLEYBALL

7A/6A EAST

Cabot
Central (LR)
Jonesboro
Marion
Mountain Home
North Little Rock
Searcy
West Memphis

6A SOUTH

Benton
Bryant
El Dorado
JA Fair
Lake Hamilton
Pine Bluff
Sheridan
Texarkana

CLASS 5A VOLLEYBALL

5A WEST

Alma
Clarksville
Greenbrier
Harrison
Huntsville
Morrilton
Shiloh Christian
Vilonia

5A EAST

Batesville
Beebe
Blytheville
Forrest City
Greene Co. Tech
Nettleton
Paragould
Wynne

5A SOUTH

Camden Fairview
De Queen
Hope
Hot Springs
Lakeside (HS)
Magnolia
Watson Chapel
White Hall

5A CENTRAL

Jacksonville
LR Christian
McClellan
Mills Univ. Studies
North Pulaski
Pulaski Academy
Sylvan Hills
West Helena

CLASS 4A VOLLEYBALL

4A NORTHWEST

Berryville
Farmington
Gentry
Gravette
Lincoln
Pea Ridge
Prairie Grove

4A NORTHEAST

Brookland
Cave City
Newport
Pocahontas
Southside, Batesville
Trumann
Valley View
Westside, Jonesboro

4A WEST

Ashdown
Booneville
Mena
Waldron

4A CENTRAL

Arkadelphia
Clinton
Lonoke
Malvern
Marianna
Maumelle
Robinson

CLASS 3A VOLLEYBALL

3A WEST

Lavaca
Mansfield
Mulberry
Paris
Union Christian
West Fork

3A NORTHEAST

Bay
Cedar Ridge
Crowley's Ridge
Harrisburg
Hoxie
Piggott
Ridgefield Christian
Walnut Ridge

3A NORTH

Alpena
Bergman
Cotter
Eureka Springs
Flippin
Green Forest
Izard County
Marshall
Valley Springs
Yellville-Summit

3A CENTRAL

Atkins
Conway Christian
Harding Academy
Mayflower
Nemo Vista
Perryville
Riverview
Rose Bud
St. Joseph, Conway

3A SOUTH

Cutter Morning Star
Episcopal Collegiate
Fountain Lake
Jessieville
KIPP Delta Prep

PUBLIC/NON-PUBLIC COMMITTEE UPDATE – Wesley Berry and Lance Taylor reported that the Public/Non-Public School Committee met October 12, 2011. The committee meets periodically to try to solve ongoing problems dealing with the interaction of public and non-public schools.

NON-PUBLIC SCHOOL FINANCIAL AID DOCUMENTS – The board unanimously approved the financial aid documents submitted by the non-public schools.
(Motion: Newton/Acklin, 17-0)

2012-2014 CLASSIFICATIONS/CONFERENCES – The mail ballot to 7A and 6A schools with the following proposal did not pass. The vote was 20-13 which was not the 2/3 majority required.

- Allow 6A schools to play each other in two 6A conferences during football regular season only.
- Allow 7A schools to play each other in two 7A conferences during football regular season only.
- All sports other than football would continue to play in geographic conferences as currently assigned. All sports would continue to have separate 6A and 7A state championships with seeding and play-off systems determined by the 6A and 7A Principals Association respectively.

The board unanimously approved the 2012-2014 7A/6A classifications and conferences as originally set by the Arkansas Activities Association staff. (Motion: Murphy/Hines, 17-0)

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned. (Motion: Tolbert/Walker, 17-0)

President/Chair

Secretary

Date