

GOVERNING BODY

Arkansas Activities Association Governing Body Meeting Monday, July 31, 2017

John Ciesla, President of the Arkansas Activities Association, reported that a quorum was present and called to order the annual meeting of the AAA Governing Body on Monday, July 31, 2017, at 12:15 PM at the Little Rock Convention Center. Jon Collins then gave the invocation.

MINUTES – Minutes of the 2016 Governing Body meeting were unanimously approved as published.

TREASURER'S REPORT – John Ward, Treasurer, reported on the overall financial status of the AAA. The treasurer's report was approved unanimously.

ACTIVITY DISTRICT CITATIONS – Eleven AAA Citation awards were presented to recognize individuals who were named by their activity districts as administrators who have had a long standing and distinguished record of involvement and support of school activities programs. Citations were presented to:

<u>Activity District</u>	<u>Citation Recipient</u>
Activity District 1E	Billy Fogerty, Yellville
Activity District 1W	Dr. Randy Barrett, Gentry
Activity District 2	Claude Smith, Searcy
Activity District 3	Pam Castor, Manila
Activity District 4	Jerry Efur, Greenwood
Activity District 5	Daniel Henley, Haskell Harmony Grove
	Dr. Tom Kimbrell, Bryant
	Ed Sellers, Vilonia
Activity District 6	Nathan Gills, Stuttgart
Activity District 7	Marvin Lindsey, Magnolia
Activity District 8	Billy Williams, Drew Central

SPORTSMANSHIP AWARDS – AAA Sportsmanship Awards for the 2016-2017 school year were presented to these selected schools.

SPORTSMANSHIP WINNERS

7A	Bryant	3A	Rose Bud
6A	Jonesboro	2A	Poyen
5A		1A	Sparkman
4A	Hamburg		

RETIRING BOARD MEMBERS – The president recognized retiring board members Rick McLaughlin, Thomas Gathen, and Suzanne Bailey and thanked them for their service to the association on behalf of the member schools.

PROPOSALS – Proposals to be voted on were mailed to each voting representative in June. The director announced that there would be an explanation of each proposal and that questions and discussion would be permitted prior to voting on each. He further explained that each vote would be taken by a written ballot as provided when the voting delegates checked in for the meeting. Ballots would be counted by the AAA's administrative staff members. Steve Straessle served as the Parliamentarian for the voting procedures..

The motion to vote on each proposal as a Do Pass recommendation was approved.

Proposals and results of voting were as follows.

Proposal #1 — Ejection Penalty and Review — PASSED –States that participants are prohibited from participation (ineligible) from the point of ejection plus in football the next four consecutive full quarters of

comparable events. For all other sports participants are prohibited from participation in the next comparable event. This proposal also allows a school's authorized representative to appeal an ejection in writing on the ejection appeal form. (For – 298, Against – 7) Effective immediately.

Proposal #2 — Football Game Limitations — PASSED – Prohibits participants from participating in more than 5 quarters per calendar day. (For – 290, Against – 11) Effective immediately.

Proposal #3 — District Conversion Charter — PASSED – Allows students attending district conversion charter schools to be eligible to attend any class, academic program, or participate in any extracurricular activity or program offered by another school in the district if the public school in which the student is enrolled does not offer the same or similar program. (For – 277, Against – 28) Effective Immediately.

Proposal #4 — Christmas Dead Period – PASSED -- Provides all AAA-member schools a three consecutive day athletic dead period during Christmas Break from December 23-27. (For – 274, Against – 32) Effective 2018-2019 school year.

Proposal #5 — Amateurism – PASSED – Clearly defines amateurism. (For – 293, Against – 2) Effective immediately.

Proposal #6 — Summer Competition Days – PASSED – States that school teams are limited to a maximum of 8 days of competitive activities during summer break. Individual students are limited to a maximum of 8 days of competitive activities per sport during summer break. (For – 210, Against – 94) Effective immediately.

Proposal #7 — Tennis Season – PASSED -- States that tennis season begins on Week #6 and state event on Week #15 (For – 201, Against – 2) Effective 2018-2019 school year.

Proposal #8 — Classification of Schools – FAILED – Provides for six classifications in all sports except football. (For – 30, Against – 183) Effective 2018-2019 school year.

Proposal #9 — Classification of Schools – PASSED – Provides for six classifications in all sports except football with a detailed explanation of classification and conferencing. (For – 141, Against – 68) Effective 2018-2019 school year.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

President/Chair

Secretary

Date