



WEST CENTRAL DISTRICT III OF WASHINGTON INTERSCHOLASTIC ACTIVITIES ASSOCIATION

WCD III Board Meeting Minutes 10-20-08

Present:

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Dave Bingham	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Paul Dean	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Joe Keller	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ed Ploof
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Daylene Boehm	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> George Duarte	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Tom Lockyer	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Dave Porter
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Bob Bourgette	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ted Friedrich	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Dave Lutes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mark Swofford
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Marc Blau	<input type="checkbox"/> Tres Genger	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Wendy Malich	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Tim Thomsen
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jim Catalinich	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Dan Heltsley	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Andy McGrath	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Dave Colombini	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jerry Holsten	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Keith Patefield	
<input type="checkbox"/> Jo Ann Daughtry	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Doug Hostetter	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Bruce Phillips	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Shelly Thiel

1. Roll Call/Introductions:

- President Dan Heltsley started the meeting with the pledge of allegiance at 3:00 pm.
- Guest: Mike Colbrese, WIAA Executive Director.

2. Approval of 9-15-08 minutes.

3. Treasurer's Report (ST):

- Approved Banking Transactions, Reconciliation, and Budget Status for September 1 through September 30, 2008, and distribution of checks #13632-13645.

- KeyBank Checking:** \$ 25,514
- KeyBank Money Market Savings Program:** \$ 25,325
- Total Checking and Savings:** \$ 50,839

- Labor and Industries (L&I) Requirements for WIAA Districts and Leagues

- District Directors were informed that the government will most likely be requiring quarterly reports listing number of paid staff and their hours worked at District sponsored events. The managers of league post-season contests may be required to complete a similar report. More details are forthcoming.

- Director Attendance at NIAA Conference

- Approved partial financing of the Director's expenses at the NIAAA Conference in December
- It was suggested that the Finance Committee discuss adding a line-item in the annual budget to cover this event.

4. Director's Report (ST):

- Works in Progress

- The WCDIII New A.D. Workshop was held on October 9th. Ten of the new 16 members were in attendance. Information was provided regarding the operations of the WCDIII and time was given to answer questions. Special thanks to Joe Keller, Scott Nordi, and Lance Wilson who assisted and offered their experiences.
- District Directors meet October 21 with an agenda to include playoff brackets and sites in Football and Soccer, winter allocations, regional wrestling, L&I, and the WIAA Hall of Fame.
- A new WCDIII logo and a revised "Admission Poster" were distributed.
- The first Toyota Football Game of the Week took place at Olympia vs. Bellarmine Prep on Friday, September 26. The "football toss" was won by Olympia HS who were awarded a pizza party prize for their school. Toyota donated \$250 to both schools. The next game in the WCDIII will be held November 21 or 22 at a site TBD.

b. Violation and Ejections

- i. Orting High School had requested a statute of limitations for a reported violation during 2006-07. The WIAA Executive Board, as reported in the WCDIII September 2008 minutes, ruled that ...“there is not a statute of limitations and that you should report this violation....” The Nisqually League then ruled that Orting’s Football, Boys Basketball, and Boys Soccer programs will be put on probation for one year. The WCDIII Violations Review Committee will meet to review the case and either approve the Nisqually League sanction or determine if additional action is warranted. **Update:** The committee overturned the Nisqually decision believing the “spirit and letter of rule 27.4.0 (Use of Ineligible Player) was met. Further explanation of the ruling will be included in the November Board packet.
- ii. Transfer issues and the new Amendment 27.5 were discussed. Bethel and Lakes HS were involved in a misinterpretation of a rule. The SPSL ruled, after appeal by both schools, that the games involved would not be forfeited. **Update:** The committee upheld the SPSL ruling.
- iii. No action was taken on other reported violations and ejections.

5. **WIAA Executive Board Report** (Mike Colbrese, E.P. & W.M.)

- a. John Miller is the newest member of the WIAA Assistant Director staff.
- b. The Tacoma Dome and the WIAA staff met to revisit the possibility of scheduling an “All Classification” Volleyball Tournament. Schedule conflicts and the exorbitant fees required are resulting in impossibility.
- c. It is becoming more difficult to find sites for the State events. The colleges are reluctant to get involved and the costs to rent are spiraling. There has been discussion of cutting back on number of tournament days or bracket sizes. Example: Basketball could be modified single/double elimination or cut it to three days. Should the bracket consist of only eight (8) teams?
- d. Ejections have and will always be a concern. The recent Renton vs. Tyee Football game ended in a forfeiture game in the second quarter when 35 players were ejected.
- e. The staff is currently reviewing the number of awards currently distributed for Region and State events. The plan is to work towards more consistency between the sports.
- f. Regional Wrestling alignments have been approved, but the sites have yet to be finalized.
- g. A study is underway to determine what other states charge for association service fees. For its size, the WIAA fee is believed to be one of the lowest in the country.
- h. The WIAA Officials Fee Review Committee is meeting to discuss current and future game fees.
- i. The Medical Aspects Committee is revisiting the two (2) year option. Maybe back to the annual requirement, but not a “full” physical requirement.
- j. The 4A Gridiron Classic will be played at 4:00 this year...due to a TV conflict. The 1B’s will move into the 7:30 time slot.

6. **Discussion /Action Items**

- a. 1A Port Townsend Appeal Committee Report and Update (KP/DP):
 - i. Port Townsend appealed the hearing committee’s decision, but after a special follow-up meeting, accepted the modified version of the original 2-day Seeding Tournament for Tri-District Playoffs.
- b. Officials Approved Mileage Request and Update on Price per Gallon of Gas (TT/DB):
 - i. The recent drop below \$3.25 per gallon will most likely prompt a future meeting of the Officials Committee with the Tacoma area associations to discuss an adjustment in the travel fees.

- c. WCDIII League Alignment Process (JC):
 - i. Agreed as a District to work with leagues before the next classification cycle in 2010-12 to “create a core of beliefs” and to streamline processes and procedures for changing or forming leagues.
 - ii. Accepted Jim Catalinich and Jerry Holsten as co-chairs for the new “Realignment Committee”. Volunteering to sit on the committee are: Dave Bingham, North Olympic League; Paul Dean, Western Cascade League; George Duarte, Olympic League 3A; Dan Heltsley, South Puget Sound League 4A; Keith Patefield, Nisqually League; Mark Swofford, Olympic League 2A; and Tim Thomsen, South Puget Sound League 3A.
- d. 2A Interlake and Post-Season Glue with WCDIII Update (MS):
 - i. Approved the 2A “Interlake HS Qualifying Standards for WCD III Tournaments”.

7. Sports/Committees Reports

- a. Football (DL):
 - i. The match-ups and syllabus for the 3A & 4A 10th week games are now posted on the WCDIII website. “We should experience some good games.”
- b. Cross Country (DBo):
 - i. The committee has met several times to plan for the Westside Classic at American Lake on November 1. Modifications to the start and finish line will improve the race course. Wrist bands will be issued to competitors and coaches/staff.
- c. Bowling (DP):
 - i. Jim Ball, retired A.D. from Bethel HS, will again manage the WCDIII tournament at Bowlero Lanes on Saturday, January 31, 2009.
 - ii. DP is investigating the process involved with sanctioning the tournament with The National Bowling Congress/Association.
- d. Wrestling (PD/ST):
 - i. The Regional allocations have been approved but there are several sites yet to be determined. Sites are needed for WCDIII 2A and some 4A schools.
- e. Eligibility (JK):
 - i. Winter hearings begin Wednesday, November 12.
- f. Sportsmanship (TT):
 - i. The first meeting of the committee was held on October 9th at Tyee HS. Ed Santo, A.D. at South Kitsap HS, presented a program used in the Narrows League. Several models of good sportsmanship were shared, “but there needs to more effort to get to ‘the kid level.’”
 - ii. AM reported that his middle level league awards a “Just Play Fair Pin” after each contest, whether it by Varsity or JV.
- g. Dance/Drill/Cheer (WM):
 - i. Near completion is a database of all WCDIII advisors/coaches.
- h. Tri-District 1B (DB):
 - i. DB will be managing the VB Tournament.
 - ii. Football playoffs involve the 14 teams from the North and South Divisions of the Pacific Coast 1B League.
- i. Officials (MB):
 - i. Some recent rule interpretations are currently being sent to associations to ensure that “all are on the same page.”
 - ii. Noted as a “classy and impressive” display of sportsmanship at a middle level Volleyball match when the “Just Play Fair” pin was awarded to an individual.
 - iii. Questioned if the “safety bases” will be recommended or not by the WIAA. The WCDIII has used them in the past at Sprinker Fields.

8. Information/Reports:

- a. League Reports: SPSL, Narrows, Seamount, W. Cascade, Olympic, Nisqually, N. Oly (Reps):
 - i. *Narrows League*: A new program is underway that recognizes (with a special certificate) anyone who displays good sportsmanship, good deeds, exemplary conduct, etc. Anyone can nominate a player, team, fan, worker, etc. The program was inspired by a CWU poster showing members of the opposing team carrying an injured Softball player off the field.
 - ii. *Western Cascade Conference*: Plans are underway to start sub-districts with either the 3A SPSL or Olympic League.
- b. WCD III Athletic Directors (DH):
 - i. Over 40 A.D.'s met at Tyee HS on Thursday, October 9, 2008. The New A.D. Workshop was held earlier in the morning as noted in 4.a.i above. In addition, the Sportsmanship Committee also met as noted in 7.f. above.
- c. WSSAAA (DH, DL, WM):
 - i. No report.
- d. WCDIII Calendar (DH):
 - i. The yearly calendar is now posted on the WCDIII website home page under "WCDIII Latest."
- e. New Fax Number for Eligibility Chairman Office (DH):
 - i. Noted email from Tom Reardon regarding his new fax number as 1-253-276-0018. The old number will work until October 31.
- f. SAT and AP Test Schedule (DH):
 - i. Included in packet was the calendar for 2008-09. A.D.'s need to forward this information to coaches who in turn can pass on to team members and parents/guardians.

9. Correspondence:

- a. Copy of letter from John Miller, WIAA Assistant Executive Director, to Chimacum HS and Port Townsend HS, approving for 2008-09 Cooperative Boys and Girls Cross Country, Boys Wrestling, Girls Swimming, and Combined Boys and Girls Tennis Programs.
- b. Copy of letter from John Miller to Chimacum MS and Blue Herron MS, approving for 2008-09 a Combined Football Program.
- c. Copy of letter from John Miller to Franklin Pierce HS, Lakes HS, and Washington HS, approving for 2008-09 a Cooperative Girls Swim Program.
- d. Copy of letter from John Miller to Lakes HS, and Steilacoom HS, approving for 2008-09 a Cooperative Boys Swim Program.

Meeting adjourned at 5:15 pm

Respectfully submitted,



WCD III Director

Next Meeting November 17, 2008, 3:00 PM at Mitzel's in Fife