



# WEST CENTRAL DISTRICT III OF WASHINGTON INTERSCHOLASTIC ACTIVITIES ASSOCIATION

## WCD III Board Meeting Minutes 3-28-05

**Present:**

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Dave Bingham	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Russ Hickman	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Dave Lutes	<input type="checkbox"/> Steve Rabb
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mark Brandmire	<input type="checkbox"/> Dale Holland	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> John McCrossin	<input type="checkbox"/> Tom Shearer
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jim Catalinich	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Doug Hostetter	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Andy McGrath	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mark Swofford
<input type="checkbox"/> Dave Colombini	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Art Jarvis	<input type="checkbox"/> Bryan Peterson	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Tim Thomsen
<input type="checkbox"/> Don Farler	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Judy Jennings	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Bruce Phillips	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Tres Genger	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ken Laase	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ed Ploof	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Shelly Thiel

### 1. Roll Call/Introductions:

- a. President Mark Swofford called the meeting to order at 3:09 pm.
- b. Introduced guests:
  - i. Debbie Winskill, WSDDA
  - ii. Jim Meyerhoff, WIAA Assistant Executive Director
  - iii. Doug Cartwright, WIAA Office Volunteer

### 2. Approval of 2-28-05 Minutes:

- a. M/S/P to approve minutes. Note: Minutes incorrectly listed January meeting as 2-24-05

### 2. Treasurer's Report (ST):

- a. Banking Transactions, Reconciliation, Budget Status, ending balance for February 1, 2005 through February 28, 2005 and distribution of checks #7182-7631. M/S/P
  - **Key Bank Checking/Savings: Ending Balance 2-28-05 \$265,204.**
- b. Money Market Savings Program
  - ST, with approval from the Finance Committee invested \$125,000 in a Money Market Savings Program at KeyBank.
- c. WIAA District Insurance
  - The WIAA Executive Board approved paying the insurance costs for 2005-06. This is a savings of nearly \$13,000 to the WCDIII.

### 4. Secretary Report (ST):

- a. Projects in Process
  - i. ST has been working with spring sport managers to update syllabus's that will be made available on the WCDIII website.
- b. Violations and Ejections Report
  - i. Sequim HS self-reported a violation of WIAA scholarship rule 18.6.0. The Girls' JV program forfeited one meet.

### 5. WIAA and NFHS Report (DB/JJ):

- a. Dave Bingham served as an alternate at the March 20-21 WIAA Executive Board Meeting. He empathized key points including the following:

- Approved in second reading the participation and support staff limits for football: 35 and 12 in B8/11, 50 and 16 in 1A/2A, and 65 and 20 in 3A/4A.
  - The WIAA staff will begin to develop options for the basketball tournament structure of the 3A and 4A.
  - A Governance Committee is being formed assist the WSSDA and WASA with the ongoing communications and the role of the WIAA.
  - A Summer Activity Committee is also being formed to study district policies with respect to sports camps, most specifically in football, basketball, volleyball, and baseball.
  - The staff is gathering information about use of the –5 bat for middle level baseball. Note: It was reported that very few, if any, leagues are using the –5 bat.
  - A special eligibility committee meeting is scheduled at the WIAA office on May 11<sup>th</sup>.
  - There was considerable discussion on the Foss girls’ basketball team eligibility issue.
  - There was concern about the WCDIII deciding late in the season to not use 3-person mechanics in their basketball tournaments.
- b. Judy Jennings was present to give the following NFHS Report summary:
- A meeting is scheduled during the third week of April
  - A committee is being formed to review the financial procedures in the federation.
  - A legal committee is also being formed with a report due in May.

## 6. Sports/Committees Reports

### a. Basketball (TT):

- i. Distributed the final brackets in the 2A, 3A, and 4A tournaments plus extra copies of the programs.
- ii. Noted that the tournaments ran smoothly and thanked the following tournament managers/schools for hosting:

- **Jeff Kindle**/Puyallup
- **Bob Jones & Murray Johnson**/Auburn
- **Bryon Bahr**/Mt. Tahoma
- **Tom Burmester**/Foss
- **Dick Halleen**/Rogers
- **Adam Greve**/Kent Meridian
- **Terry Jenks & Clay Angle**/Curtis
- And to all the A.D.’s/schools that hosted in the first and second rounds.

### c. Baseball (TT for TS):

- i. Presented several options for the 4A District 3-4 brackets. **M/S/P** the proposal that provides an appropriate number of seeds from each half of the bracket. (Note: see website for update)

### d. Football (DL):

- i. Plan to discuss with A.D.’s the proposal from Doug McArthur and Ed Tingstad who are promoting use of the Tacoma Dome for 2<sup>nd</sup> round games this next fall. The March 31 WCDIII A.D. meeting agenda will include discussion of the proposal.

### e. Softball (MS):

- i. ST met with Marc Blau , 2A, 3A, &4A SB Manager, and Skip Hall, Sprinker Center Director, to confirm dates, staff, bracket, etc.
- ii. The bottom team (higher seed) in the first round of the bracket will be the home team and will occupy the third base dugout. For all remaining games, the team on the bottom half of

the bracket will occupy the 3<sup>rd</sup> base dugout and take infield first, immediately following the end of the previous game. Exception: A team playing back to back on the same field will occupy the same dugout and warm up first.

- f. Tennis (EP):
  - i. Dates and sites have been set for all the tournaments
  - ii. Recommended that a USTA Official be present at WCD expense. **M/S/P** as recommended.
- g. Track (BPh):
  - i. The TR Committee met last week with visit to Mt. Tahoma, site of the 3A-4A meet. More meetings planned for the big event.
- h. Constitution (AJ):
  - i. A final call was given for any significant changes to the WCD III Constitution. No decision was made to change language with regard to voting by proxy or e-mail.
- i. Middle Level (AM):
  - i. ML/JH leagues have expressed issue of impact of the high school season starting a week later. It has forced the MS/JH schedules to do some shuffling with coaches who work at both the HS and MS/JH levels, and of conflicts with scheduling of facilities.
- j. W.O.A. (KL):
  - i. The issue above has also resulted in some shuffling of official scheduling.
  - ii. The VB assignor is meeting with SPSL and other leagues to devise a workable schedule with the ML/JH leagues.

## 6. Discussion /Action Items

- a. Review of Proposed Amendments and WIAA Staff Report (Jim Meyerhoff):
  - i. Announced opening at WIAA for position of a Marketing/Media Administrative Assistant.
  - ii. Distributed the Coaches School pamphlet
  - iii. Reviewed several of the amendments with emphasis/comments on the following:
    - #1 “It is really a trust issue”.
    - #2 “Missed by one vote last year”.
    - #3 “Leagues around here do not have the problem”
    - #6 “Data now shows there are more than 396 schools”
    - #8&9 “Transfer rule is issue”
    - #10 “This is to develop a % for cutoff of teams in bracket number (8 or 16)”.
    - #11 “If enter, must finish”.
    - #14 “Officiated scrimmage not a WIAA term”.
    - #15 “Would judges be interested to go through steps for only two meets in both boys’ and girls’ meets”?
    - #16 “TE experiment would be similar to VB”.
    - #17 “This is more for the middle skilled wrestler who typically competes in more matches in the losers bracket”.
  - iv. AJ made note that the WCDIII does not vote as a block. He encouraged our delegation to voice concerns at the April Representative Assembly Meeting.
  - v. Jim distributed WIAA Hall of Fame invitations.
- b. Constitution Changes Including Requirements that Board Members Voting be in Attendance (AJ):
  - i. See 6h above.
- c. Peninsula and North Olympic Officials Proposals and Selection of Sub-Committee (KL):
  - i. Board packet included proposals that after discussion were **M/S/F**.
  - ii. A “Special Official’s Fee Review Committee” was formed to develop a more consistent fee structure. Tim Thomsen, representing the SPSL, will chair the committee. Other members representing their leagues are Ed Ploof of the Narrows, Mark Brandmire of the Seamount, Russ Hickman of the Nisqually, Dave Bingham of the N.O.L., Andy McGrath of the Middle Schools, Ken Laase of the W.O.A., and Shelly Thiel as secretary. A date and place will be scheduled for the committee to meet with all the assigning officials who serve the WCDIII.

- d. Quilcene Football Concern (DB):
  - i. In the past QHS has opted to play as a B-1 school but in the B-8 classification with understanding that they were not eligible for post-season competition. In this mid cycle they now feel they have enough numbers in their program to compete in the B-11. However, the WIAA rules do not permit a change in mid-cycle. The board supported QHS to request an exception to the WIAA Executive Board.
- e. Should Bowling be Recognized as a Team and Individual Sport (DF):
  - i. Don Farler, BO Chairman, was absent, so discussion was tabled until the May meeting.
- f. Seamount League Request for Nisqually League to Establish a Tie-Breaker Policy for Seeding into the WCDIII (MB):
  - i. AJ proposed that an independent committee be formed to address the issue.
  - ii. JMc voice that something needs to be done because the issue will come up again with the future indicating that there will be more mixed classification leagues.
  - iii. MB proposed that any criteria approved go into effect this spring.
  - iv. **M/S/P** that a committee be formed to make a recommendation that would go into effect beginning in the 2005-06.
- g. 3A WCD Track Format Concerns (MB):
  - i. The 3A coaches would like a separate meet primarily because of the 8 entry limitation.
  - ii. Bruce Phillips, Track Chairman, noted that is more of an equity issue with proportionate number of teams qualifying from the league to district. The 4A schools have 20 WCD contestants representing 43 schools. The 3A schools have 8 athletes/teams representing 17 schools. Perhaps in a year or so with all the talk about more mixed classification leagues there may be some changes.
  - iii. AJ noted that there was a process with recommendations from the Track Committee and approval from the WCDIII Board that set the bracketing and number of qualifiers for the 2004-06 cycle.
- h. Setting up a Sub-Committee to Review Fees Paid to Athletic/Activity Workers (MS/ST):
  - i. Volunteering to serve on the committee are Jim Catalinich, John McCrossin, and Russ Hickman. ST will gather data from the other eight WIAA Districts. A meeting will be set up to make any recommendations.

## 7. Information

- a. League Reports: SPSL, Narrows, Seamount, Nisqually, and North Olympic
  - i. No reports.
- b. WCDIII and Athletic Directors/WSSAAA Report
  - i. The WSSAAA Conference is set for April 11-14. Enrollment is down; not sure why, maybe it has something to do with spring break. **Wendy Malich**, Franklin Pierce S.D. Athletic Director, is the conference chair who has a great agenda. The vendor booths have sold out.
  - ii. **Tom Burmester**, Foss HS, will be representing the WCDIII as a candidate for the Athletic Director of the Year.
- c. WCDIII Dance/Drill Results (MS):
  - i. Congratulations to the following schools for placing first at the February 26<sup>th</sup> competition:
    - **Kentridge-Dance**
    - **Mt. Rainier-Drill**
    - **Beamer-Hip Hop**
    - **Kentridge-Pom**
    - **Kentridge-Kick**
    - **Kentlake-Production**
  - ii. Other qualifiers are posted on the WCDIII website under Fine Arts.

**8. Correspondence**

- a. Copy of letter from Mike Colbrese, WIAA Executive Director, congratulating **Dean Mozingo**, boys' basketball coach, for receiving the 2004 NFHS Coaches Association Coach of the Year Award for Washington State.
- b. Copy of letter from Cindy Adsit, WIAA Assistant Executive Director, to Dale Johnson, A.D. at Gig Harbor HS, granting an exception to wearing of a team uniform because of a medical condition with their assistant baseball coach.

Meeting adjourned at 5:53 pm

**Next WCD III Board Meeting:**

**Monday, May 9, 2005  
3:00 PM  
Mitzell's Restaurant in Fife**

Respectfully submitted,



WCD III Executive Secretary/Treasurer