

# WEST CENTRAL DISTRICT III ATHLETIC DIRECTORS

## MEETING MINUTES

TUESDAY, MARCH 27, 2007

### RENTON SCHOOL DISTRICT

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Ed Ploof (Bellarmine), Dan Heltsley (Bethel SD), Mike Acres (Central Kitsap SD), Scott Nordi (Clover Park), Terry Jenks (Curtis), Gary Garland (Eatonville), Tim Tubbs (Enumclaw), Daylene Boehm (Evergreen), Wendy Malich (Franklin Pierce SD), Gary Schaplow (Hazen), Jerry Bamburg (Highline ), John Mever, (Highline SD), Bob Bourgette (Kennedy), Dave Lutes (Kent SD), Joe Keller (Lakes), Jim Clifton (Life Christian), Jeff Stuart (Lindbergh), Darren Rawie (Mt. Rainier), Steve Reischman (Narrows League), Al Burmester (North Thurston SD), Eric Rowe, Marty Parkhurst (Orting), Curtiss Hall (Peninsula), Mike West (Peninsula SD), Rick Wells (Puyallup), Jim Glockner (Renton), Sandy Polley (Renton SD), Rick Stubrud (Renton SD), Ed Santos (South Kitsap), Tim Thomsen (Sumner SD), Tony Davis (Tahoma), Sista Pina (Tyee), Mark Brandmire (White River), Shelly Thiel (WCD)

**GUESTS:** Mike Colbrese, WIAA Executive Director

**PRESIDING &  
RECORDING:** Dan Heltsley (Bethel SD)

#### 1. WELCOME & GUESTS

- Dan Heltsley, president, welcomed everyone. **Thirty (34)** AD's in attendance.
- Mike Colbrese reported on official's fees and the issue that has come up with the Employment Security Division in regards to officials pay. The WIAA takes the position that officials are independent contractors and is challenging the position of the Employment Security Division. Until this issue is resolved with the State, there can not be a standardization of fees for official's state wide.
- The WIAA Board has withdrawn the amendments that have substitute amendments attached to the for Rep Assembly
- Mike reported on his national tour regarding sportsmanship and his personal experiences with the media. The ultimate goal is to establish standardized guidelines for fan behavior at all levels. On May 10<sup>th</sup> the WIAA Sportsmanship Committee will reconvene to get additional input on this topic with the inclusion of Cheer, Dance/Drill and Band representatives as well as student representation.

#### 2. SPORTSMANSHIP REPORT – TIM THOMSEN

- WIAA Committee continues to look at Sportsmanship
- The goal is to focus on respect and character
- Develop a consistent philosophy of behavior expectations from League to District to State
- WCD Board wants to model WIAA expectations to provide a seamless transition for students
- Congratulations to Auburn-Mountainview for their outstanding show of sportsmanship at the Girls State 3A Basketball Tournament
- Congratulations also to Kentridge for their fliers distributed to students at the 4A Boys Basketball Tournament that outlined student and fan expectations

#### 3. ELIGIBILITY COMMITTEE REPORT – DAN HELTSLEY

- Hearings for 2007-2008 are over except for emergency situations
- If an emergency comes up, contact Tom Reardon right away

- Next years schedule will be out later this spring
- Tom Reardon's e-mail address is [Reardonwcd@harbornet.edu](mailto:Reardonwcd@harbornet.edu)
- Tom Reardon's Fax #: 253-853-6491

#### **4. WIAA REPORT – ED PLOOF AND WENDY MALICH**

- Board met this past weekend and attended the Dance/Drill competition. The event was described as a success and great positive example for all in attendance
- 2008-2009 State Tournaments will be held after Memorial Day weekend
- Discussion was held regarding the WIAA record book. A sub-committee will review possible changes in the format for keeping records and how to deal with classification additions that have occurred.
- Winter sports were reviewed
- Girls Bowling is looking for a larger venue to accommodate the size of the current tournament
- Wrestling was another success. Girls Wrestling was well received and successful. Next year is the 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Mat Classic
- Basketball revenues were down for 4A and weather may have contributed to this situation. 3A did not get the walk up traffic they anticipated in Seattle and expenses were up because of the venues. The other basketball tournaments were about normal as far as revenue
- Volleyball is still struggling with sites. Spokane wants to raise their rates from \$15,000 to \$40,000. More discussion will be held to determine a course of action
- The Scholastic/Transfer Committee is looking in to a possible change that would require “intra” district transfers to meet the same standard as “inter” districts standards. They are also looking at harassment claims and possibly will require proof of harassment from schools in order to accept them as transfer reasons
- Discussion was held regarding the Fall Probationary period. There is an amendment that would change the policy if passed, but the Board is looking at options that might work in case the amendment does not pass. These included changing to a number of days, missing a % of games that would depend on the number of contests in that sport and other options
- The National Federation is offering an on-line coaches certification program that may be included as an option for Washington coaches
- The WIAA has received 2 requests for clarification on trans-gender participation. There are currently no rules at this point, but discussion will lead to the development of a rule.
- Budget is a concern for next year with the reduced basketball revenues. Discussion was held regarding the commitment to renew WIAA reimbursement for state events and how to make up for revenue reductions. Possible solutions discussed included raising ticket prices for state events or increasing membership dues per activity by \$10 to prevent from using the reserve for revenue shortfalls. Dues increases would be at the HS level only if adopted. The Board is open to other ideas and there is a possibility this may come up at Rep Assembly.

#### **5. WSSAAA REPORT – DAVE LUTES**

- Reminder that the conference is April 12-15 and that these dates are a result of WASL and Easter. The Board plans to move to more traditional dates in the future
- The Red Lion is now full, but other hotels are available in the area and registration is still open
- Dave Cullen is the Chairman for this year's conference
- LTC Classes on Thursday will be 502, 503, 504 and 506
- You can take LTC 502 on Thursday and take the CAA on Saturday if you hurry
- Brand Athletics is giving all attendees at \$100 Nike watch as a conference gift and they come in both male and female styles
- The membership will be asked to vote on an Executive Director position on Sunday at the annual meeting. 38 states currently have Executive Directors and the WSSAAA Board is recommending that we join in that group to help provide stability to the conference and increase sponsorships. The Executive Director would receive a small stipend and a percentage of the sponsorships they recruit
- Dave Lutes is the current President, Dave Cullen in the President-elect and conference chairman, Tim Graham is the 1<sup>st</sup> VP and Conference Chair for 2007-2008 and Stark Porter is the 2<sup>nd</sup> VP and Conference Chair in 2008-2009
- Congratulations to Wendy Malich who represented 6 western states as a nominee for National Athletic Director of the Year and was one of six finalists for the award.

#### **6. WCD REPORT – SHELLY THIEL**

##### **PACKET INFORMATION**

- A big THANK YOU to Winter Sport Tournament managers and especially to Tim Thomsen, WCDIII Basketball Tournament Director for all of the basketball work, and to Terry Jenks, Jeff Kindle, Bob Jones, Scott Nordi, Tom

Burmester, John Jones, and Peter Collins for hosting tournaments and to all High Schools who hosted first round games.

- Basketball revenue is up about \$35,000 with only officials and some worker costs left to be paid
- Thank you to Heather Hoskins for running the swim meet, Marty Parkhurst for the Bi-district wrestling, Shay Short and Federal Way HS for the gymnastics and Mike Grady and Thomas Jefferson HS for hosting the Dance/Drill competition.
- Reimbursement is available on-line. There has been a glitch in the Girls Wrestling reimbursement that should be fixed this week
- Reminder that this is also the time for forensic reimbursement Music will follow in spring.
- A copy of the final draft for spring allocations was included
- Draft Spring Tournament information was included. Still some updates for baseball and 1A's to be completed
- Track volunteers are needed to help with the WCD Meets. No experience necessary. If available to volunteer, please contact Shelly
- Information on State Wheelchair athletes was included. Theresa Fisher at WIAA is the State contact for information, standards and assistance. The throwing frame for wheelchair athletes is not the responsibility of the school to provide for athletes. Athletes must bring their own throwing frame or be able to lock their chairs to throw
- The 3A and 4A Tennis consolation finals losers will play for 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> place.
- All brackets will be posted on the website soon
- WCD Fastpitch information was provided. 1A, 2A, 3A and 4A will all be at Sprinker Recreation Center. Marc Blau is the tournament director and is looking for program ads as well as "profile" ads of former athletes.
- A copy of the WCD Board Amendment position was included
- Shelly asked for any known classification changes for the next cycle. At this time Orting will be moving to 2A, North Kitsap to 3A, the addition of Kingston HS as a 2A and a rumor that 2 of the 3 Auburn schools will return to 4A.
- A copy of Tom Doyle's letter to Craig Smith of the Seattle Times regarding the Sportsmanship issue was included and is worth reading.

## 7. OTHER

- 3A agreement with SW was discussed. Seamount League would like to meet to look at options for next year.
- The 3A's have a 2 year commitment with SW and will plan to meet prior to the next WCD Meeting in Kent on May 10<sup>th</sup> to discuss this issue.
- The start time for WCD meetings was discussed briefly. A suggestion was made to meet earlier, especially in the spring so people can get back to their buildings to deal with rainouts. We will discuss this further at the May 10<sup>th</sup> meeting.

## 8. NEXT MEETING:      **MAY 10<sup>th</sup>, KENT SCHOOL DISTRICT 11:00AM**