

# WEST CENTRAL DISTRICT III ATHLETIC DIRECTORS

## MEETING MINUTES

THURSDAY, MAY 7, 2009

KENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Rob Swaim (Auburn), Dan Heltsley (Bethel SD), Steve Bellande (Capital), Pam Calnan (Central Kitsap SD), Casey Jones (Charles Wright), Scott Nordi (Clover Park), Matt Mueller (Eatonville), Tim Tubbs (Enumclaw), Daylene Boehm (Evergreen), Amanda Fox (Fife), Wendy Malich (Franklin Pierce SD), Drew Oliver (Hazen), Gail Barnum (Highline SD), Bob Bourgette (Kennedy), Dave Lutes (Kent SD), Joe Keller (Lakes), Jim Schiechl (Kent-Meridian), Jeff Stuart (Lindbergh), Darren Rawie ( Mt. Rainier), Steve Reischman (Narrows League), Jeff Carpenter (Olympia SD), Rich Yelenich (North Thurston SD), Rick Wells (Puyallup SD), Jim Glockner (Renton), Brian Kaelin (RentonSD), Craig Wrolstad ( Seattle Christian), Lance Wilson (Steilacoom), Tim Thomsen (Sumner SD), Tony Davis (Tahoma), Shelly Thiel (WCD), John Portnier (Wilson)

**GUESTS:**

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

### 1. WELCOME & GUESTS

- Dan Heltsley, president, welcomed everyone. Thirty-one (31) AD's in attendance.
- Jim Schiechl new AD at Kent-Meridian HS

### 2. SPORTSMANSHIP REPORT – TIM THOMSEN

- Respect for others
- Trust in each other
- Please keep these concepts in mind during these tough budget times and promote the positives of athletics

### 3. ELIGIBILITY COMMITTEE REPORT – TOM REARDON

#### 2008-2009 Review

- 185 appeals, 106 approved and 79 denied. 30 appeals to WIAA and 17 of those were denied
- 25 emergency hearings
- Looking for new committee members as at least 2 will not be returning
- Location still at Fife SD next year
- 13 hearing dates for 2009-2010
- Hearings will not be scheduled until 100% of forms, dates and signatures are provided
- There is a possibility of hearing fee for next year, more to come on that issue
- Form 1 is vital, please make sure that you are the person filling it out
- Sending schools can really help by being specific if they feel a hardship does not exist
- Shelly will send out Tom's complete report to all schools
- New AD and Eligibility meeting will be scheduled by Shelly for late August

Hearing Dates for 2009 – 2010:

August: 19 & 26  
September: 2, 9, 16, 23  
November: 4 & 18  
December: 9 & 16  
March: 3, 10, 17

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- **All AD's are encouraged to come to one of the meetings to observe the process. Those who have come in the past have said it is an excellent learning opportunity. Just call Tom and let him know when you would like to attend.**

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

- Board met April 22<sup>nd</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup>
- Track officials requirement put on hold
- Cost savings discussion for school and the association, budget proposed for next year
- 3A basketball is a financial concern
- 2A basketball in Yakima cut expenses helped to balance budget
- Tacoma Dome wanted to charge a \$1 surcharge for each ticket sold, but was able to be negotiated out for now
- Salary freeze at the WIAA Office
- Board meetings will adjust to reduce costs
- Pressure to cut the number of games has come from the Northwest section of the state, the Board believes that is a local control issue
- Calendar and Culminating events committee has reviewed travel to try to reduce expenses to schools Full Board will take this issue up this summer
- Staggered ending times for baseball was discussed without a great deal of support. Sites will be reviewed
- Officials fee review committee has continued to meet. Standardization of fees is still the goal and they are getting closer to an agreement. More to come
- Arbitrator is being proposed for all official associations to use in the future, among the benefits can be better tracking of L & I
- 1A and 2A Girls Soccer will be at Sparks Stadium, Puyallup
- Site selection for 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> round soccer and football will be reviewed

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

- Tim Thomsen was named WSSAAA State AD of the Year
- April 18-21 will be the 2010 conference dates in Spokane

#### 6. **WCD REPORT – SHELLY THIEL**

- Tim Tubbs was presented with a WCD Meritorious Service Award this past Monday
- Shelly presented on the West Seattle wrestling lawsuit and we viewed the video tape of the accident
- Issues dealt with supervision, technique, what sort of surface the mat was on, how wrestling mat practice circles are laid out, number of kids on the mat and lack of coaches certification
- Budget in good shape for this year
- Joe Keller is President-elect for the WCD Board next year
- Board approved 1 year pilot for 2A WCD Track Meet
- Change in allocations for 3A boys soccer were addressed as there were fewer allocations for Boys than there were for Girls
- 2A Boys Soccer site needs to be clarified as the Olympic League should be the host for this event, a decision will be made on Friday, May 8<sup>th</sup>
- Potential WIAA Classification numbers were listed. This is a draft only and based on the last classification cycle with the opt ups included
- Narrows League realignment committee has recommended a 3A/4A league for the next classification cycle. The configuration is yet to be determined. They are currently accepting letters of interest with an October deadline for entry consideration
- SPSL 4A will have three divisions for individual sports for next year. Team sports will remain two divisions
- WCC schools are looking in to the Narrows possibility

- Amendments were reviewed. Bruce Phillips and Keith Patefield are to be commended for their work on amendments that passed
- Friends of American Lake Golf Course were honored with the WCD Meritorious Service Award on Monday. Mike Kearney was the primary contact for WCD and he recently passed away. He will be missed, but his legacy will live on. Our special thanks to Mike and all of the Friends of American Lake Golf Course.

**8. NEXT MEETING: THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 10 - BETHEL SCHOOL DISTRICT**

**9. 2009 -2010 Meeting Schedule**

<b>September 10</b>	<b>Bethel School District</b>
<b>October 8</b>	<b>Auburn School District</b>
<b>November 12</b>	<b>Muckleshoot Tribal School</b>
<b>December 10</b>	<b>Franklin Pierce School District</b>
<b>January 7</b>	<b>Clover Park School District</b>
<b>February 11</b>	<b>Bellarmino Prep</b>
<b>March 9</b>	<b>Renton School District</b>
<b>May 6</b>	<b>Kent School District</b>
<b>June 3</b>	<b>Tentative - TBD</b>