

WEST CENTRAL DISTRICT #3 ATHLETIC DIRECTORS

MEETING MINUTES

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 17, 2011

RENTON SCHOOL DISTRICT

MEMBERS PRESENT: Rob Swaim (Auburn SD), Ed Ploof (Bellarmine), Dan Heltsley (Bethel SD), Brian Scheerer (Bonney Lake), Keith Patefield (Cascade Christian), John Cervinsky (Central Kitsap SD), Scott Nordi (Clover Park), Terry Jenks (Curtis), Kelly Kirk (Decatur), Matt Mueller (Eatonville), Kevin Smith (Enumclaw), Miguel Perez (Federal Way), Amanda Fox (Fife), JD Hill (Foster), Wendy Malich (Franklin Pierce SD), Ed Crow (Hazen), Terri McMahan (Highline SD), Dave Lutes (Kent SD), Bruce Rick (Kentlake), Charles James (Lindbergh), Darren Rawie (Mt. Rainier), Rich Yelenich (North Thurston SD), John Amidon (Olympia), Marty Parkhurst (Orting), Lyle McIntosh (Peninsula), Dwayne Johnson (Port Angeles), John Wetterauer (Puyallup), Rick Wells (Puyallup SD), Brian Kaelin (Renton SD), Ed Santos (South Kitsap), Craig Wrolstad (Seattle Christian), Tim Thomsen (Sumner SD), Tony Davis (Tahoma), Jennifer Kibista (Tacoma SD), Pat Geiger (Timberline), Shelly Thiel (WCD), Chris Gibson (White River), John Portnier (Wilson)

GUESTS: Lance Wilson, Consultant; John Miller, WIAA; Bill Harris, Track Committee

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

1. WELCOME & GUESTS

- Dan Heltsley, President, welcomed everyone. Thirty-nine (39) AD's in attendance.
- Track Committee report – Bill Harris discussed the track committee meeting. Jennifer Kubista's job has developed to where she cannot run WCD Track and State Track.
- The first day of the WCD 2A, 3A, 4A track & field meet would be held at separate sites
- Day 2 all finals except those in Day 1 will be held on Saturday at Mt. Tahoma
- Syllabus: have 1 syllabus for the meet and simplify leaving out all of the restatement of uniform rules, etc. Each site would add a site-specific page for Day 1.
- Hy-Tek: One met set up on Hy-Tek furnished to each site and they would return the Day1 results to be merged for the finals on Day 2.
- Day 1: Staggered days to ease the over load of workers. One meet on Thursday and 2 meets on Friday or vice versa. If enough qualified are available, all 3 classifications can be run on Friday.
- Equalize Divisions: Do a 3-year rotation so after 3 years each division has been treated exactly the same. Thus refers to the finals held on Day 1 as well as the day of the week Day 1 is held.
- Pole Vault: weather would have to be considered to do the best possible job of running the 6 pole vaults.
- Day 1 Locations: 2A – Sumner (Friday), 3A – Renton (Thursday), 4A – Kent-Meridian (Thursday)
- One other item to consider is if Day 1 is held as a single division the length of that day would considerably shorter. Thus, much less time away from classes for the competing athletes and coaches.
- Finals for field events would rotate on a yearly basis so over a period of years all events would take place at Mt. Tahoma.

2. SPORTSMANSHIP REPORT – WENDY MALICH

- A full report will be given at the next meeting

3. ELIGIBILITY COMMITTEE REPORT – Tom Reardon/Joe Keller

- 2011-12 Eligibility packets may be found on WCD website
- Tom Reardon's e-mail address is Reardonwcd@comcast.net
- Tom Reardon's Fax #: 253-276-0018, Phone # 253-853-6491
- Meetings are conducted at Fife School District
- Meeting Schedule: November 30, December 7, 14
- Process seems to be working well
- Please get documents in to Tom early and with as much information as possible
- There is an updated form coming out, check the website for that being posted to help the committee in their efforts

4. WIAA REPORT – ED PLOOF AND WENDY MALICH

- John Miller reported on site selections for rounds 1, 2, semis and finals for football and soccer.
- Multiple calls to the WIAA office regarding why schools have to play certain schools and at a certain sites.
- Rounds 1 and 2 are controlled by the District Directors who work together to determine playability of sites.
- WCD3 is fortunate and patrons are spoiled as we have more turf and covered grandstands in WCD3 than the rest of the state combined
- Question was raised about Westside criteria and Eastside criteria. It would be more of a WCD3 criteria and a rest of the state criteria.
- The question was also raised with how a single person makes the decision on a field's playability. The District Directors are the final deciders of the round 1 and 2 sites.
- A committee will be made up to discuss this further.
- Shelly will work to do a better job of getting the information about to the press and schools about how sites are determined.
- Draw Criteria for football and soccer. Football Coaches Association is looking at an RPI draw criteria that would reduce the allocations to districts by half and seed the other half or keep the allocations as is and seed the round of 16. Please speak with your coaches and Executive Board reps before the January meeting to offer your input.
- Anything that increases travel is going to be a problem with the budget issues schools are facing.
- Basketball seeding options include a pure blind draw or a draw where the two teams who won at the same regional cannot play the other winner at the same regional in the round of 8. WCD Board prefers blind draw while WCD Coaches prefer the second option. AD's in attendance unanimously prefer options 2.
- VB at St. Martins went well and seemed like a good tournament atmosphere. There are some scheduling issues that need to be worked out.
- Kingsway Christian was removed from the tournament for playing too many games
- NW Yeshiva withdrew to avoid playing on their Sabbath
- Summer Committee surveyed coaches association and did not get a good response. Good response from AD's. More to come after the WIAA Board sees the survey results.

5. WSSAAA REPORT – DAN HELTSLEY

- Membership forms are available on line at www.wssaaa.com.
- WSSAAA Conference is in Spokane April 10-13.

6. WCD REPORT – SHELLY THIEL

- Packet was reviewed by Shelly
- Reminder that WCD Service fees need to get in or you will not qualify for reimbursement
- Reimbursement is open on line on Monday, November 21st
- Reimbursement guidelines are available on line.
- WIAA classifications are in the works. Discussions need to be held ASAP to determine league alignments
- An amendment will be proposed to change the classification cycle to a 4 year cycle
- SPSL 2A/3A has set a December 9th deadline for applications to the league
- Narrows is looking at options for 4A league and 3A looks to have 7 schools
- Tacoma Schools will meet to discuss their plans
- Shelton will be 3A, White River 2A, Sumner 2A and Bonney Lake is deciding whether to opt up or not
- Is there interest in looking at a different way to count? Tim Thomsen expressed an opinion that the formula does not reflect reality. Suggestion that the WIAA Executive Board develop a committee to study Alternative schools, head counts, etc for possible changes in how we count students.
- Is there any interest in looking at other factors than enrollment such as competitive equity

- Discussion was held regarding baseball/fastpitch at turf fields without metal spikes due to the damage to the fields. WCD3 will not allow metal spikes at these sites for playoff games.
- Regional Wrestling site update – 2A will be at Olympic HS, 1A at Bellevue Christian

8. NEXT MEETING

Thursday, December 8th – Franklin Pierce School District