

WEST CENTRAL DISTRICT #3 ATHLETIC DIRECTORS

MEETING MINUTES

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 9, 2008

TYEE HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT

MEMBERS PRESENT: Bob Jones (Auburn), Rob Swaim (Auburn SD), Ed Ploof (Bellarmine), Dan Heltsley (Bethel SD), Russ Leslie (Bethel), Keith Patefield (Cascade Christian), 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), J. D. Hill (Foster), Wendy Malich (Franklin Pierce SD), Bryan Streleski (Graham-Kapowsin), Drew Oliver (Hazen), Jerry Bamburg (Highline), Gail Barnum (Highline SD), Bob Bourgette (Kennedy), Joe Keller (Lakes), Rick Noren (Life Christian), Jeff Stuart (Lindbergh), Darren Rawie (Mt. Rainier), Steve Reischman (Narrows League), Marty Parkhurst (Orting), Scott Ricardo (Port Townsend), John Wetterauer (Puyallup), Rick Wells (Puyallup SD), Brian Kaelin (Renton SD), Craig Wrolstad (Seattle Christian), Ed Santos (South Kitsap), Lance Wilson (Steilacoom), Tim Thomsen (Sumner SD), Jennifer Kubista (Tacoma SD), Tony Davis (Tahoma), Paul Dean (Timberline), Jerry Turner (Tyee), Stephanie Spencer (Vashon Island), Shelly Thiel (WCD), John Portnier (Wilson)

GUESTS: Louis Larson, Job Shadow Student from Kentlake HS

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

1. **WELCOME & GUESTS**

- Dan Heltsley, president, welcomed everyone. **Forty-one (41)** AD's in attendance.

2. **SPORTSMANSHIP REPORT – TIM THOMSEN**

Tim Thomsen reported the committee met just before the October meeting and discussed the aspects of sportsmanship. Leagues shared their attempts at building a culture of sportsmanship with coaches, athletes and within their buildings. Sportsmanship takes work, continued discussion and a sense of trust among all participants. It is important to try to include community groups through the park and recreation departments to develop appropriate sportsmanship at young age and with parents. Sportsmanship is an ongoing mission that is facilitated by building trust. Winter sports are approaching and because of the inside venues, there appears to be a greater need for education of all who are involved.

3. **ELIGIBILITY COMMITTEE REPORT – Tom Reardon**

Fall Hearings have been completed and the committee has had 2 additional meetings to deal with emergency situations bringing the total of hearings to 74 for the fall.

- 2008-09 Eligibility packets may be found on WCD website
- Tom Reardon's e-mail address is Reardonwcd@comcast.net
- Tom Reardon's Fax #: 253-853-6491
- Meetings are conducted at Fife School District Administration Center
- There have been 5 scheduled hearing dates so far with 3 emergency hearings and one emergency hearing to be held next week
- 71 total appeals have been heard to this point with 48 being approved, 23 denied, 46 appeals of transfer, 18 appeals of previous semester, 5 scholarship/previous semester, 2 scholarship and 1 transfer/season limitations

- there are 7 hearing dates remaining for winter and spring sports
- Intra district transfers impact have been minimal with only 4 so far
- 11 appeals that were denied were appealed to WIAA. 4 were granted, 2 were determined eligible by rule, 5 were denied and 2 are pending
- Thanks to Rick Wells and Wendy Malich for providing locations for emergency hearings
- Teresa Fisher at WIAA has been both accessible and helpful in providing direction and assistance in resolving questions and problems with eligibility issues
- This year's committee has put in over 40 hours of time while conducting hearings thus far

4. WIAA REPORT – ED PLOOF AND WENDY MALICH

- There was a recent meeting of District 7 and 8 states to discuss common issues. It is apparent that issues are similar throughout and that we are ahead of the curve in regards to finances and coaches education
- Other states charge higher fees to member school and some currently reimburse schools for playoffs
- We appear to be a little behind in the use of technology
- There was an injury to a worker at a state event. A claim was filed with L&I and denied as WIAA did not pay in to L&I for workers. This practice will change and WIAA will be paying in to L&I in the future. There are ramifications for Districts and Leagues in regards to L&I for workers at events. Reports will need to have hours worked as well as pay received. A history needs to be developed to determine L&I rates. This could cost WIAA \$20-30,000 per year and this could trickle down to WCD and Leagues as well
- The Board streamlined the process for schools to change WIAA Districts
- The Board produced guidelines for the use of 27.5.2 use of an ineligible player appeal rule and these guidelines were included in the WCD packet
- Approved the regional wrestling alignment with help in the 4A's from Bob Jones in establishing a 12 man bracket with district 1
- The window for participating in a spring jamboree will be the first 4 weeks of the season this year to allow for WASL conflicts
- Lengthy discussion was held regarding the use of certified track officials at the state meet. Mike Colbrese presented a 3 phase plan which would require certified officials at the state meet in phase 1, phase 2 would require certified officials at all post season and state meets and phase 3 would require specified positions to be certified officials at all meets in the 2010-2011 school year.
- Approved a continued experiment in the Trico to allow 2 sub varsity basketball games to be played in the same day. If interested in doing something similar, contact Ed Ploof at Bellarmine
- Wendy reported on the Culminating Events Committee that they are reviewing state facility bids, the volleyball tournament format, the basketball format and other possible options
- The Finance Committee is looking for ways to increase revenue, decrease travel and whether or not to increase member fees to build the reserve faster to allow for school reimbursement
- The Officials Fees Committee will meet Veteran's Day to begin discussing an increase
- The 4A Football Championship will be played at 4:00pm on Saturday to allow for live television coverage of the game
- The Board heard a number of reports from schools who had excessive ejections last year.

5. WSSAAA REPORT – WENDY MALICH

- Membership forms have been mailed out for 2008-2009 and are available on line at www.wssaaa.com.
- Dual membership is now possible by sending your form to Dave Tikker for WSSAAA along with NIAAA payment and Dave will take care of you NIAAA registration
- WSSAAA Conference is in Spokane April 5-8.
- Wendy is the Awards Chairperson and would like everyone to consider making nominations for the annual WSSAA Awards
- WSSAAA now has a monthly e-news that comes out and you should receive it via email. Past issues are available through the website
- If you would like to write an article for the e-news, please do so and send it to Shelly to get it included

6. WCD REPORT – SHELLY THIEL

CROSS COUNTRY REGISTRATION

- Jerry Bamburg updated us on registration
- AD's/Coaches need to register their teams on line at www.athletic.net. You enter 9 team members, but only 7 will actually run the day of the race
- Information as to how to register is available on the WCD website with a link to athletic.net.

- The course map is on the website. The course start/finish has changed and you will want to make note of that change
- The team area is now further away from the start line and coaches will need to plan accordingly
- It is impossible to preview the course on the day of the race. The only time available to preview the course is the Friday before the race
- All participants will receive wrist bands to gain entry to the course. They are required and participants will not be allowed to enter without the wrist band. Schools with full teams will receive 2 wrist bands for Boys coaches, 2 for girls coaches and 1 manager per school.
- Certificates will be in the coaches packets, Additional certs can be ordered on line
- 3A allocations are different for boys and girls. Make sure that coaches understand that the boys allocation is 7 and the girls is 8.

PACKET INFORMATION

- Information was presented about the mileage increase for official travel. We are developing geographical committees to review fees in all areas of WCD. If you are interested in being a part of a committee, please contact Tim Thomsen in Sumner. Geographical committees will meet in January, the full committee meets in February and recommendations go to the Board in March
- Volleyball brackets were approved by the Board, but there is a question on the 3A bracket. Shelly will do some research to make certain we the issue resolved.
- Remember that reimbursement is done only on line and that if you miss the deadline, the system will not allow you to enter your information
- For the first time 2A/1A Swim will have their own WCD Meet to be held at Olympic HS. Standards have been developed for qualifying and are available
- Information was presented regarding the Toyota Football Games
- A review was given of admission prices for WCD events. Prices are now \$7.00 for adults and students without ASB, \$5.00 for students with ASB and Senior Citizens, \$4.00 for under 12 and Free for preschool with a parent.
- Copies of the football and soccer draws for each classification were reviewed. District Directors will be meeting to discuss the regional format for soccer and how to best apply the concept.
- Copies of the Regional wrestling alignments were presented.
- An article on making a difference was also provided

7. WCD ATHLETIC DIRECTOR OF THE YEAR

Leagues are reminded that we will need your nomination for the WCD Athletic Director of Year by the November 20th meeting. Please send nominations to Dan Heltsley at dheltsley@bethelsd.org or bring to the November 20th Meeting.

8. NEXT MEETING

Thursday, November 20th at the Sumner School District Offices at 11:00am.