

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING  
Red Lion Denver Southeast  
January 21, 2009**

**MINUTES**

**1.0 ROLL CALL**

President Land convened the meeting at 8:00 a.m. All members were present with the exception of State Legislative Representative Nancy Todd, Associate Commissioner Paul Angelico and Colorado Department of Education Representative John Condie

P	Don Anderson	P	Tom Sifers
P	Kevin Aten	P	Stephen Strong
P	Harry Bull	P	Dennis Tjaden
P	Dave Callan	A	Nancy Todd
A	John Condie	A	Paul Angelico
P	Alex Halpern	P	Rhonda Blanford-Green
P	Richard Hargrove	P	Bert Borgmann
P	Andy Johnson	P	Bill Reader
P	Dick Katte	P	Tom Robinson
P	Kevin Land	P	Bethany Schott
P	Shelli Miles	P	Harry Waterman

**2.0 APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

2.1 Minutes of CHSAA Executive Committee meeting of November 19, 2008 – The Executive Committee considered approval of the minutes from the November 19, 2008 committee meeting. It was moved (Katte) and seconded (Miles) to accept the November minutes. There was no discussion and the motion passed unanimously.

**3.0 ADDITIONAL ITEMS**

President Kevin Land asked for any additional agenda items. None were offered.

**4.0 PRESIDENT'S AND COMMISSIONER'S REPORTS**

4.1 President's Update – Kevin Land, CHSAA President, welcomed everyone, expressed his excitement over the meetings that would take place over the next two days and wished everybody well in their deliberations.

4.2 Commissioner's Update – Commissioner Bill Reader welcomed the committee and indicated that he was glad to see everyone once again. He then congratulated Executive Committee members whose schools won state championships this past fall. He also talked of many of the recent happenings within the Association. Following that, he directed the committee to a series of articles on club sports that were found in the packet sent to committee members.

- 4.2.1 Probation/Restriction Review for Action – Commissioner Reader reviewed the schools/coaches that were listed as being on probation. He recommended that all the probations should be removed. It was moved (Tjaden) and seconded (Aten) to remove these teams/coaches from probation. There was no discussion and the motion passed unanimously.

There was only one request for removal of restriction. It was moved (Reader) and seconded (Miles) to remove the Classical Academy from restriction. After some discussion the motion passed unanimously.

- 4.2.2 Ticket Requests – Commissioner Reader directed the committee members to an order form for complimentary tickets for Executive Committee members. He indicated that they should fill out the forms and return them to the CHSAA liaison in charge of the sport at their earliest convenience.
- 4.2.3 CADA Outreach Schedule – President Land directed the committee to a list of Outreach Meetings held prior to the January Board of Control. The list shows the dates, locations, times and the CHSAA representative in attendance at the meetings.
- 4.2.4 Commissioner Evaluation Process – President Land mentioned that each Executive Committee member had a Commissioner's Evaluation form which they should complete and return to Kevin in the self-addressed, stamped envelope within a period of one week. He indicated that these would be tabulated and there would be an evaluation conference held with the Commissioner before the February Executive Committee meeting. The subcommittee (Land, Sifers, Miles, Bull) will meet on February 25th to review the results and make a recommendation.
- 4.3 Legislative Update – In the absence of Nancy Todd, Assistant Commissioner Bert Borgmann directed the committee to a statement from Steve Durham, the CHSAA lobbyist, which showed two bills in progress that indirectly related to the Colorado High School Activities Association. There were no comments or action taken.
- 4.4 Legal Update – CHSAA legal counsel, Alex Halpern, reviewed two cases that had happened this past fall requiring assistance from his office. Alex indicated that the Association was successful in both cases.
- 4.5 January 2009 Hall of Fame Banquet – Assistant Commissioner Bert Borgmann reviewed the time schedule and duty schedule for the Executive Committee in regards to that night's Hall of Fame Banquet. Following Bert's review, Rhonda Blanford-Green, CHSAA Assistant Commissioner, gave a brief talk about the silent auction that would occur at the Hall of Fame Banquet with the proceeds going to the CHSAA Foundation.

## **5.0 OLD BUSINESS**

### **5.1 Treasurer's Update**

- 5.1.1 Budget Report through Dec. 31, 2008 – Commissioner Reader reviewed the CHSAA financial picture as of the end of December 31, 2008. He went through the significant line items indicating why they were either up or down.

Following questions, he finished his report by indicating that the Association is \$275,000 behind where they were last year at this particular time due primarily to the increased refund given to the member schools by \$188,000.

- 5.1.2 Budget Committee Update – Commissioner Reader gave a brief review of the Budget Committee Report which will propose freezing the dues and fees for the 2009-2010 school year and then asking for a minimal increase in dues and fees for the next three years. It was also mentioned that the Budget Committee increased the cost of courtesy cards from \$45 to \$50.
- 5.2 Ticket Prices – A copy of the 2008-2009 ticket prices was included in each committee member's packet. It was recommended that there be no increase in ticket prices for the 2009-2010 school year, but that ticket prices should be examined shortly after that for increases. It was moved (Bull) and seconded (Miles) to keep all prices as listed except removing the all-session pass for track and field. There was no discussion and it passed unanimously.

## **6.0 NEW BUSINESS**

- 6.1 N.F. Winter Meeting Report – Commissioner Reader gave a brief report about the activities at the National Federation Winter Meeting which all state directors attend. He indicated that a very promising program was presented that concerned the recruiting of officials entitled "Back In the Game" for officials. Commissioner Reader indicated that the CHSAA is proposing to use this program at a one-time cost of \$6,000.
- 6.2 Kansas Lost School Time Survey – The Kansas Lost School Time Survey was included in the packet. It was mentioned that this is a very comprehensive and time consuming survey with results that would be very similar to what most likely would be found in Colorado. It was mentioned there was no desire to duplicate this survey in Colorado, but we could use the information from Kansas to explain what may occur in Colorado with lost school time.
- 6.3 Editorial Boards Presentation – Assistant Commissioner Bert Borgmann gave a quick review of the Editorial Boards presentation that he and Commissioner Reader had made at a number of newspapers throughout Colorado and how this could be an effective PR program for the Association.

## **7.0 APRIL 9, 2009 BOARD OF CONTROL**

- 7.1 Potential Bylaw Proposals – Commissioner Reader led the discussion regarding possible April BOC bylaw proposals and whether they should move forward or be eliminated.
  - 7.1.1 Determination of Residence – The committee is supportive of this idea and it will go forward.
  - 7.1.2 New Spirit Championship – Hip-Hop would be added under the State Spirit competition as one classification. The committee is supportive of this idea and it will go forward.
  - 7.1.3 One School Night Activity Per Sport Per Week – The committee will not support this proposal and thus will be eliminated.

- 7.1.4 A Reduction of Game Limits by 10% - The committee is supportive of this idea and it will go forward.
- 7.1.5 An Appeal for Game Limit Violations – The committee will not support this proposal and thus will be eliminated.
- 7.1.6 A clarification to explicitly state that the school enrollment count will be a 4-year number (grades 9-12) – Commissioner Reader will clarify with a Question & Answer Section in the bylaws.
- 7.1.7 A proposal change to clarify the equity code with regards to transgender – Assistant Commissioner Rhonda Blanford-Green requested wording be added to the equity code. The committee is supportive of this idea and it will go forward.
- 7.1.8 One day of no player/coach contact per week as determined by the school district – Dave Callan proposed allowing each school district the choice of one day during the week to designate as their non-contact day. The committee will not support this idea and thus it will be eliminated.

It was also requested that the CHSAA Transfer Rule be reviewed at the August 2009 Executive Committee Retreat.

## **8.0 JANUARY 22, 2009 BOARD OF CONTROL REVIEW**

- 8.1 Orientation – The schedule for the January Board of Control Orientation was presented. Further, the Executive Committee's role with this meeting was also reviewed.
- 8.2 Proposals for Executive Committee Comment – The Executive Committee went through the different bylaw and sport proposals and committee reports to determine if they wished to address any of these issues on behalf of the Executive Committee.
- 8.3 Nominations, Executive Committee Openings
  - District 4 – Joe Shehan, Skyview H.S., will be nominated to replace Kevin Land
  - District 9 – Carl Lindauer, Las Animas H.S., will be nominated to replace Richard Hargrove
  - The CASE Superintendent Representative will be appointed to replace Don Anderson. His replacement will be announced at the April Board of Control.
- 8.4 Nomination for CHSAA President – President Land led the nomination process for the CHSAA President position for 2009-2011. Kevin Aten, Dick Katte and Shelli Miles were all nominated. Shelli Miles was elected as the nominee from the Executive Committee for this position.

## **9.0 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE AND DISTRICT REPORTS**

### 9.1 District Reports

District 1 - Western Slope – Andy Johnson did not have a report.

District 2 - Centennial, Frontier, Northern – Harry Bull did not have a report.

District 3 - High Plains, Lower Platte, Mile High, North Central, Patriot, Union Pacific, YWKC  
– Dennis Tjaden did not have a report.

District 4 - Jefferson County, Skyline – Kevin Land reported that Jeffco has committed to purchasing AED's for all schools, Englewood High School was forced to drop their girls' basketball program and there was no report from the Skyline League.

District 5 - Denver, Metropolitan, Northern Front Range – Dick Katte had no report from the Denver or Northern Front Range Leagues. The Metro League reported that several of their schools could be dropping to 2A due to declining attendance.

District 6 - Continental, Front Range, Pioneer, 5280 – Dave Callan reported that the 5280 League provides good feedback. The Pioneer League discussed alignment and how they will fit into already set schedules and formats. The Continental League is concerned about potential classification fluctuations within their league if ADM-4, "Play Up in One, Play Up in All," passes at this BOC meeting.

District 7 - Black Forest, Colorado Springs Metro, Tri-Peaks, West Central – Shelli Miles reported that the Black Forest League has concerns regarding geography and size of their league. The West Central League does not support including geography as a criteria for developing playoff formats. All leagues had concerns with officials' fees and attendance numbers.

District 8 - Fisher's Peak, Intermountain, San Juan, Southern Peaks, Southwestern – Steve Strong did not have a report.

District 9 - Arkansas Vy., Santa Fe, So. Central, So. Eastern – Richard Hargrove did not have a report.

- 9.2 School Board Association Update – Tom Sifers reflected on the changing goals of education. There are concerns with Amendment 23 expiring and how that affects the budget.
- 9.3 State Department Update – John Condie was absent and thus no report was given.
- 9.4 CADA Update – Dave Callan reported on the success of the CADA Outreach sessions. In April there will be additional LTC training (leadership training) opportunities.
- 9.5 CASE Update – Kevin Aten addressed the dates of the CASE Winter Leadership Meeting. The BOC and CASE dates are currently overlapping. Don Anderson reported that the superintendents had questions regarding basketball regional hosts, travel expenses, and the term "voluntary" practice as addressed in the ADM-11 proposal.

**10.0 ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business brought before the committee, it was moved (Land) and seconded (Hargrove) to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried unanimously and President Land adjourned the meeting at 12:05 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Approved by:

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Bethany N. Schott  
Assistant Commissioner

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William R. Reader, Ed D  
Commissioner