

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
Red Lion Denver Southeast
8:30 a.m.**

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 8, 2009

MINUTES

1.0 ROLL CALL

President Kevin Land called the meeting to order at 8:05 a.m. Assistant Commissioner Bethany Schott held roll call and everyone on the CHSAA Executive Committee was present except John Condie, Colorado Department of Education, Nancy Todd, Colorado State Legislature and Richard Hargrove, Springfield, District 9 Representative.

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	P	Paul Angelico
P	Michelle Murphy	P	Rhonda Blanford-Green
A	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 – It was moved (Miles) and seconded (Katte) to approve the February 25, 2009 Executive Committee minutes. There was no discussion and the motion passed unanimously.

3.0 ADDITIONAL ITEMS

President Land asked for additional agenda items and none were offered.

4.0 PRESIDENT'S UPDATE

4.1 Comments – President Land welcomed the committee to the April 2009 Executive Committee Meeting and wished them well on their deliberations.

4.2 Sign-up Spring Events – President Land passed around a schedule of the spring championship events for Executive Committee members to sign if they were planning to be in attendance.

5.0 COMMISSIONER'S UPDATE

Commissioner Reader also welcomed the committee and made the following comments:

- It has been relatively quiet since the last Executive Committee meeting other than a hockey ineligible and ultimate forfeiture.
- He complimented Bert Borgmann on the great job he did conducting the CHSAA state basketball championship indicating that our attendance was up and the behavior exhibited by schools was very good.
- He expressed his appreciation for Douglas County Schools and Highlands Ranch High School for hosting the state speech tournament. The event was very successful and went without a problem.
- Thanked Kevin Land and Steve Strong for conducting rounds of the state basketball tournament.
- Congratulated Don Anderson, an Executive Committee member who was the coach of the Burlington girls' basketball team, that were 2A consolation champions.
- Indicated that music is currently happening now and appears to be well organized by Bethany Schott.
- He then went through the itinerary for the next two days.

- 5.1 Probation/Restriction Action List – Commissioner Reader recommended the committee remove those schools/coaches listed on probation. It was moved (Tjaden) and seconded (Aten) to remove those particular schools/coaches on probation. When asked about these particular baseball teams on probation, Assistant Commissioner Bert Borgmann assured the committee that there were an excessive amount of ejections last year and the schools have had concerted efforts to improve their behavior. Without further discussion, the motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Reader then recommended the committee remove those schools/coaches listed on restriction and place them on probation. It was moved (Bull) and seconded (Tjaden) to remove those schools listed on restriction. Hearing no discussion, the motion passed unanimously.

- 5.2 Committee Selections – President Land reviewed his responsibility to approve the committee selections.
- 5.3 Goals Update - Commissioner Reader gave a brief review and status update of the Executive Committee's Goals for the Commissioner.
- 5.4 Staff Evaluation - Commissioner Reader directed the committee to review the staff evaluation form enclosed in the packets. No recommendations for change were made.

- 5.5 Outreach Agenda – Voting Concerns – Commissioner Reader addressed the staff and Executive Committee's concerns over the lack of discussion at the Board of Control. The CHSAA staff addressed these concerns at the CADA Outreach meetings and gave direction on how the Board of Control members should vote. Voters should be educated on the agenda, have researched the topics, and be fully aware of the consequences.

6.0 **OLD BUSINESS**

It was then moved (Aten) and seconded (Tjaden) to move into Executive Session. After the CHSAA staff came back into the meeting, President Land called the meeting back to order. It was moved (Katte) and seconded (Bull) to exit out of Executive Session.

It was moved (Miles) and seconded (Anderson) to implement a step increase for Assistant and Associate Commissioners and a 2% raise for the Commissioner and the remaining support staff. Hearing no discussion, the motion passed unanimously.

- 6.1 Board of Control Review – Commissioner Reader reviewed the by-law proposals and committee reports and determined if Executive Committee members wanted to address any of these at the Board of Control.

6.1.1 April 2009 By-law/Committee Report Review – Commissioner Reader directed the committee through a brief reading of the Board of Control proposals.

- 6.2 Legislative Update – In Nancy Todd's absence, Associate Commissioner Paul Angelico gave the legislative update. Paul reviewed one inquiry by a state legislator concerning state laws referring to participation at other high schools when the home school does not offer a program. He said there was a question raised in Colorado Springs about multiple schools forming a swim team which had become very competitive. He reviewed the state statutes concerning this issue.

- 6.3 National Federation Summer Meeting – Chicago – Paul Angelico reviewed the itinerary, the expense reimbursement procedures for registration for the National Federation Summer Meeting at which the Executive Committee will attend.

Assistant Commissioner Bert Borgmann noted that he will be collecting banquet tickets for the National Federation Summer Meeting in order to ensure that the Executive Committee and staff may sit together.

- 6.4 May 6, 2009 CLOC Meeting – Commissioner Reader quickly reviewed the potential agenda for the May 6 CLOC meeting. No questions or answers followed.

- 6.5 Large Group Music Festival Report – Assistant Commissioner Bethany Schott passed out a summary of the number of schools which had elected to participate in the CHSAA Large Group Music Festivals and gave a quick review of the beginning of that process.

- 6.6 State Speech Report - Paul Angelico gave a further summary of the state speech tournament indicating that it was a great success and expressing his appreciation to Highlands Ranch High School.

- 6.7 State Basketball Report – Assistant Commissioner Bert Borgmann reviewed in greater detail the conduct of the 2009 state basketball championships indicating that there were roughly 450 playoff games throughout the State of Colorado that were conducted with greater attendance and better sporting behavior than in the recent past. He reviewed some of the issues that will be addressed at the Board of Control. Of particular note were the differences of opinion in 1A basketball and three different suggested proposals for change.
- 6.8 June Executive Committee Meeting – Commissioner Bill Reader reviewed the schedule for the June Executive Committee meeting, indicating that there will be an awards banquet that evening for spouses and committee members so that we may express our thanks to those people whose terms have expired.
- 6.9 Ice Hockey Forfeitures – Assistant Commissioner Rhonda Blanford-Green reviewed in greater detail the situation regarding Machebeuf High School and the participation of ineligibles in hockey playoff games. She indicated that the CHSAA processes for appeals were implemented fully and correctly and after all avenues of redress were presented, it was determined that Machebeuf was no longer eligible to compete in the 2009 ice hockey championships.

7.0 NEW BUSINESS

- 7.1 State Sites 2009-10 – Assistant Commissioner Harry Waterman presented a partial list of the 2009-2010 state playoff sites. It was moved (Tjaden) and seconded (Katte) to accept the sites. After no discussion, the motion passed unanimously.
- 7.2 CASSA/CHSAA Meeting Review – Commissioner Bill Reader gave a quick report concerning the conduct of the CASSA/CHSAA Superintendents meeting that happened two days prior.
- 7.3 All-School Meeting – August 2009 – Paul Angelico gave a quick review of the schedule for the 2009-10 school year All-School Meeting that will happen on August 4-5 at the Doubletree Hotel, I-25 & Orchard Road. He indicated that the meeting will be the afternoon of the 4th and the morning of the 5th. More information will follow.
- 7.4 August Retreat Agenda Topics – Commissioner Reader asked for potential items for the August Executive Committee Retreat. A list of potential topics was taken and will be considered for that meeting. Such topics include: compensation package, Sunday Contact Rule discussion, Public vs. Private Schools, and Courtesy Cards.
- 7.5 TV Contract – Assistant Commissioner Bert Borgmann gave a report concerning the progress or lack thereof made in obtaining a TV contract for the 4A/5A state football championship and 4A/5A girls and boys state basketball championships. He indicated at this time no one has come forth with a reasonable or appropriate TV contract for these events and that the process is still in works to find a TV station that will broadcast these events.

8.0 REPORTS/MONTHLY ITEMS

8.1 District Reports

District 1 - Western Slope – Andy Johnson reported that 1A basketball is a hot topic and the consensus at his outreach meeting would be to go back to a 16-team bracket. The Southwestern League is looking to move to District 1 for Executive Committee representation.

District 2 - Centennial, Frontier, Northern – Harry Bull had no report.

District 3 - High Plains, Lower Platte, Mile High, North Central, Patriot, Union Pacific, YWKC – Dennis Tjaden reported discussions involving 1A and 2A basketball.

District 4 - Jefferson County, Skyline – Kevin Land reported that Jeffco continues to have discussions regarding the concept of “neutrality” and the costs surrounding officials. Also, there have been many issues regarding religious holiday scheduling conflicts and costs of athletic trainers. Skyline had no report.

District 5 - Denver, Metropolitan, Northern Front Range – Dick Katte had no report from the Northern Front Range League. The Denver League supports the 10% reduction in games. The Metro League held discussions regarding the Christmas practice prohibition indicating that both the coaches and administrators are now not in support of the change.

District 6 - Continental, Front Range, Pioneer, 5280 – Dave Callan reported that Front Range and Continental leagues had no report. The Pioneer League is meeting regarding new additions from Colorado Springs, west, etc. The 5280 League is concerned with the economy and the declining enrollment for the private schools, perhaps even cutting programs and jobs.

District 7 - Black Forest, Colorado Springs Metro, Tri-Peaks, West Central – Shelli Miles reported that the C.S. Metro League is in favor of reducing the number of qualifiers instead of reducing the number of games. They also are concerned about gymnastics and the number of 4A teams, officials’ fees and further expenses.

District 8 - Fisher’s Peak, Intermountain, San Juan, Southern Peaks, Southwestern – Steve Strong had no report.

District 9 - Arkansas Valley, Santa Fe, South Central, Southeastern – Richard Hargrove was absent thus no report.

- 8.2 School Board Association Update – Tom Sifers reported that during the school board association meeting they discussed different ways to receive more stimulus money and how to sure that certain regulations passed in their favor.
- 8.3 State Department Update – John Condie was absent thus no report was given.
- 8.4 CADA Update – Dave Callan thanked the staff for attending the CADA outreaches. The CADA Conference will be held in Breckenridge at the end of April.
- 8.5 CASE Update – Don Anderson reported from the superintendents that they are concerned about basketball formats and expenses. Kevin Aten had no additional report.
- 8.6 Treasurer’s Update
 - 8.6.1 March Budget Report – Commissioner Reader gave a quick review of the month end budget report for March 31, 2009. He indicated that we are approximately \$400,000 behind where we were last year at this particular time when considering income over expenses. He then went through the report to indicate why this had happened.

His final comments indicated that we had not received a large amount of money from the state basketball tournament which distorted this bottom line to a certain extent. Further, he indicated that gate receipts from all winter state playoff events were up and that the budget should reflect that at the next meeting.

- 8.6.2 Budget/Property Administration Committee Report (11:00 a.m.) – Budget Committee Chairman Randy Miller was present to give a report on the activities that happened at the March 19th Budget Committee meeting. He gave a general review of the meeting and presented to the Executive Committee the line item budget proposed by the Budget Committee. Questions and answers followed.

It was moved (Aten) and seconded (Tjaden) to accept the budget as presented to the committee in addition to the staff salary updates. After no discussion the motion passed unanimously.

- 8.7 Legal Update – It was indicated that Commissioner Reader and legal counsel Michelle Murphy would be attending the National Federation Legal Meeting in Indianapolis on April 16-17.

9.0 **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business brought forth by the committee, it was moved (Bull) and seconded (Miles) to adjourn the meeting. Hearing no discussion, the motion passed unanimously and the meeting adjourned at 2:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Approved by:

Bethany N. Schott
Assistant Commissioner

William R. Reader, Ed D
Commissioner