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# MPSSAA Board of Control Minutes

December 8, 2015

Mr. Kevin Hook called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone. Mr. Andy Warner reported 46 voting members present. Mr. Hook requested a motion to approve the minutes from April 2015. Mr. Bryan Ashby motioned and Mr. Mike Sye seconded. The motioned carried.

Mr. Andy Warner reviewed the preliminary Fall and Spring Financial Report. No questions followed. Mr. Hook requested a motion to accept the Fall and Spring Financial Report. Mr. Stosh Schtierman motioned and Mr. Jim Rodriguez seconded. The motion carried.

### **Old Business**

#### A Fall Tournaments

- Golf Mr. Eric Michael provided a handout and thanked everyone for their help in facilitating the tournament as this was his first state championship as committee chair. Mr. Michael acknowledged the winning individuals and team winners.
- Cross Country Mr. Mike Sye provided a handout and thanked everyone who helped make this year's state championship at Hereford High School a success.
- Field Hockey Ms. Phyllis Hemmes provided a handout and thanked the committee and Washington College for conducting a great tournament. Ms. Hemmes mentioned the seeding meeting will be conducted on October 20. The 2015 Sportsmanship Award was awarded to Kent Island High School.
- Soccer Ms. Marianne Shultz provided a handout and reported on an outstanding tournament for both the boys and girls held at Loyola College. The Steve Malone Sportsmanship Awards were awarded to Bel Air High School (girls) and Meade High School (boys).

- Volleyball Ms. Jill Masterman spoke for Ms. Sybil Modispacher. Ms. Masterman thanked everyone for their dedication for a successful tournament at Ritchie Coliseum. Ms. Masterman mentioned that Towson High School won the Leslie A. Cooke Sportsmanship Award.
- Football Mr. Mike Calhoun provided a handout and thanked everyone for another successful year for the tournament held at M & T Bank Stadium. Mr. Calhoun mentioned that all four games were broadcasted live by Sinclair on WB54 and Comet TV. The John Cox Sportsmanship Award was won by Howard High School.

# B. Sportsmanship

Mr. Andy Warner presented the 2015 Field Hockey Sportsmanship Award to Mr. John Schrecongost of Kent Island High School. Mr. Warner presented the John Cox Sportsmanship Award to Mr. Michael Duffy of Howard High School.

# C. Student Leadership Conference

Mr. Michael Duffy summarized the sixth annual Student Leadership Conference that was held at North County High School. Mr. Duffy thanked everyone for their help with the conference. Mr. Duffy mentioned that the next Student Leadership Conference will be held at Gaithersburg High School in Montgomery County in the first week of August as a date has not been confirmed.

# **New Business**

### A. Election of Officers 2016-2018

Mr. Andy Warner mentioned that the president and president-elect serve for a two year term. The Nominating Committee submitted the names of Mr. Kevin Hook for president and president-elect Ms. Dana Johnson for 2016-2018. Mr. Eric Michael motioned to accept Mr. Kevin Hook as president and Mr. Earl Hawkins seconded. The motion passed unanimously. Ms. Lynette Mitzel motioned to accept Ms. Dana Johnson as president-elect and Mr. Michael Duffy seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

# B. Marketing/Sponsorship/Volleyball/Baseball/Lacrosse

Ms. Jill Masterman mentioned a one-year contract with the Mid-Atlantic Dairy Association for low fat chocolate milk to be the exclusive beverage of the MPSSAA. Volleyball and baseball are the next ball adoptions for review. Seed balls were given to both committees for feedback which was due December 1. Proposals from interested ball manufacturers are due in before winter holiday. Materials will be presented at Winter Executive Council meeting for decision on each new five-year contract. Next year the Lacrosse ball contract will be up for renewal.

# C. Bylaw Amendment Update

Mr. Andy Warner reported that the Swimming Seasonal Limitations proposal was presented to the State Board at the July 28 meeting. The proposal will be voted on at the State Board meeting in December.

### D. Winter Tournaments

- Basketball Ms. Lynette Mitzel mentioned the boys and girls basketball press conference will be on March 8 and the girls' tournament will return to SECU Arena at Towson University on March 10, 11 and 12 and the boys' will return to College Park on March 10,11 and 12.
- Indoor Track Mr. Joe Sargent provided a handout and mentioned the state championship will be held on February 15 and 16 at the Prince George's Sports and Learning Complex. Mr. Sargent reported the state seeding meeting will be held on February 13 at Milford Mill Academy and if not entered by the entry deadline (72 hours), teams will not be allowed to enter the state tournament. Mr. Sargent reported that all participants and spectators must have a "G.I." ID to enter the Armory. All bags will be checked at the entrance.
- Swimming Mr. Earl Hawkins reported no changes and he thanked everyone for a successful tournament.
- Wrestling Mr. Brian Layman reported the new venue for the state tournament on March 4-5 will be at the Show Place Arena/Prince George's Equestrian Center. Mr. Layman mentioned the wrestling dual meet state final on February 13 will be held at North Point High School.

### E. Medical Advisory Committee

Mr. Andy Warner reported on the October meeting of the MPSSAA Medical Advisory Committee. Mr. Warner provided copies of "Anyone Can Save a Life" to all counties and mentioned the Female Sports Injury Task Force completed their report.

### F. Spring Tournaments Proposals

- Baseball Mr. Jason Woodward thanked the committee and mentioned the draw will be on May 24 with the state finals to be held at Ripken Stadium on May 27-28.
- Softball Ms. Lynn Pitonzo provided a handout and mentioned for the first time in tournament history, both the finals and semifinals will be played with regulation outfield fences.

- Lacrosse Mr. Ken Zorbach provided a handout and mentioned the draw date will be May 9. The state finals will be held at Stevenson University on May 20 and 21.
   Mr. Zorbach mentioned the boys Sportsmanship Winner is North East (Cecil) and the girls Sportsmanship Winner is Walt Whitman High School.
   Ms. Melba Williams provided a handout and made mention of the equipment changes beginning in 2017. Ms. Williams reported that Ms. Liz Brush, Manager Officials Education Women's Game for US Lacrosse has replaced Ms. Sue Diffenderffer as The MPSSAA Rules Interpreter.
- Tennis Mr. Jim Rodriguez reported that the new venue for the state finals on May 27-28 will be held at the Olney Manor Park in Montgomery County. Mr. Rodriquez mentioned the seeding meeting will be on May 24 at Howard High School starting at 5:30 pm.
- Track & Field Ms. Beth Shook thanked everyone for their help in running the tournament.
   Ms. Shook mentioned the state meet will be held at Morgan State University on May 26, 27, 28.

Mr. Kevin Hook asked for a motion to approve spring tournament proposals. Mr. Steve Lee motioned and Mr. John Davis seconded. No discussion followed. The motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Melissa Kelly of Special Olympics Maryland provided a handout on Interscholastic Unified Sports on the following: Indoor Bocce, Strength & Conditioning Invitational, Outdoor Bocce and Track & Field Invitational.

Mr. Earl Hawkins mentioned the Coaches Conference will take place on June 18, 2016 at Paint Branch High School.

Mr. David Byrd motioned to adjourn the meeting.

The meeting was adjourned.

