

CENTRAL DISTRICT ATHLETIC BOARD

April 12, 2023 – 3:00 PM

OHSAA Offices

Molly Feesler, AAA Rep.

Mark Shively, AAA Rep.

Ryan Fitzgerald, AA Rep.

Scott Beery, AA Rep.

Andy Scholz, A Rep.

Lane Warner, A Rep.; President

3:10 p Pam Bosser, Female Rep.; V.P.

Scott Reeves, Ethnic Minority Rep.

Jay Cauley, Middle School Rep.

AGENDA – Meeting called to order at 3:02 p.m.

1. Approve April agenda.

Motion: Ryan Fitzgerald 2nd: Molly Feesler Vote: 7-0

2. Review and approve the minutes from the February 8, 2023, Board Meeting. (Britton)

Motion: Mark Shively 2nd: Scott Beery Vote: 7-0

3. Review and approve the financial report – February/March 2023 (Hayes)

Mr. Hayes reported that the winter tournaments went well and attendance for events has been up this year. He also gave a summary to date of gate receipts, stating that although attendance is up, revenues are down due to a change in ticket prices and an increase in the amount we pay schools to host tournament contests.

Motion: Molly Feesler 2nd: Lane Warner Vote: 7-0

4. Winter Tournament Evaluatons

- a. Gymnastics – McClain/White 3:15 p.m.

Marty McClain reported that the 2023 tournament ran smoothly and it was good to get back to a regular tournament atmosphere. There was concern from the coach's regarding teams moving on to the State meet as the Central district number of qualifiers dopped to 2 from 3 teams. The coach's would also like to see live scoring in the future much like at the State meet. One other concern was that there was no cash option for spectators to purchase tickets and some people had trouble purchasing with their phones at the event. It was relayed to Ms. McClain that there are no plans to change in the future and that spectators can purchase tickets prior to the event online at home. Ms. McClain and Ms. White announced that they will be stepping down as tournament managers. On behalf of the board, Mr. Warner thanked them for their time and service over the years and said that they would be hard to replace.

- b. Swimming and Diving – Reidler 3:30 p.m.

Mr. Reidler handed out items for discussion and action which are attached. The biggest item of concern was that we had venues sell out of tickets and some spectators were not able to get into the events. Another item to consider is letting the schools select their sites as opposed to being assigned sites. Both of these issues will be revisited for solutions in the future. The board did ask Mr. Reidler to continue the work as tournament manager and congratulated him on a job well done, considering his personal struggles.

5. Spring Tournament Updates and draw hosts:
 - a. Baseball 3:15
 - i. D1 – Chris Ludban
 - ii. D2 – Ryan Fitzgerald
 - iii. D3 – Pam Bosser
 - iv. D4 – Mark Shively
 - b. Softball 3:30
 - i. D1 – Mark Shively
 - ii. D2 – Rita Pendexter
 - iii. D3 – Evan Doughty
 - iv. D4 – Dan Snively
 - c. Boys Tennis
 - i. D1 – Kathy Kinnard
 - ii. D2 – Mike O’Callaghan
 - d. Track and Field
 - i. D1 – Chris Ludban
6. General Sports regulations – charging for scrimmages was allowed in 21-22 SY not sure if it is still in effect. This was brought up by a member school because officials are not working scrimmages for free, as they did in the past. Ms. Feesler will be speaking with Mr. Goldring in the near future.
7. Spring Tournament Awards Presentations – Warner
Mr. Warner will have google sheet available by Monday April 17, 2023 for board attendance at District finals.
8. Board of Directors Report – Molly Feesler
The Board of Directors will be conducting a survey of basketball coaches about using the Martin RPI for seeding purposes moving forward. Informally the coaches have said that they like the program but would like to continue placing their teams on the bracket in an open draw and not NCAA assignment.
There have been several OCR complaints around the State regarding the unequalness of boys and girls basketball games and when they are played. The OHSAA will be addressing this in the future.
Offseason workouts can now begin May 15 with 13 days of contact. July 31st is the start date for fall athletics and soccer has been granted extra days for acclimation. The field hockey regular season has been increased to 18 games, as opposed to 16.
The OHSAA is looking at ways to grant money back to school districts and changing from Arbiter for the 24-25 school year.
9. All Boards Committee Report – Mark Shively
Nothing to report.
10. Liaison Reports
 - a. Baseball – Nothing to report.
 - b. Basketball – D1 wants to come back to in person draws. Do not go back to OU. Would like more passes. Would like to see times shortened between state games.

- c. Bowling – Nothing to report.
 - d. Cross Country - Nothing to report.
 - e. Golf - Nothing to report.
 - f. Gymnastics - Nothing to report.
 - g. Soccer - Nothing to report.
 - h. Softball - Nothing to report.
 - i. Swimming/Diving - Nothing to report.
 - j. Tennis - Nothing to report.
 - k. Track - Nothing to report.
 - l. Volleyball – New sites for 2023 Whitehall is out replaced by Granville.
 - m. Wrestling - Nothing to report.
11. Other: - Post Gymnastics meet manager position.
- a. Next meeting May 10, 2023, 3:00 p.m. at OHSAA offices. Mr. Warner cannot attend, and Ms. Bosser may have jury duty. If they are both unavailable Mr. Fitzgerald volunteered to conduct the meeting in May.
12. Adjourn – Meeting was adjourned at 4:37 p.m.

Motion: Scott Reeves 2nd: Pam Bosser Vote: 8-0