

# CENTRAL DISTRICT ATHLETIC BOARD

February 21, 2024 – 3:00 PM

OHSAA Board Office

Pam Bosser, Female Rep., President

Molly Feesler, AAA Rep.

Scott Beery, AA Rep.

Lindsey Smith, A Rep

Matt Gallatin, Middle School Rep.

Bob Britton, Secretary

Ryan Fitzgerald, AA Rep. VP

Mark Shively, AAA Rep.

Lane Warner, A Rep

Scott Reeves, Ethnic Minority

Jim Hayes, Treasurer

## **AGENDA – President Bosser called the meeting to order at 3:05 p.m.**

1. Approve February agenda.

Motion by Molly Feesler 2<sup>nd</sup> Matt Gallatin Vote 8-0

2. Review and approve the minutes from the January 17, 2024, Regular Board Meeting. (Britton)

Motion by Ryan Fitzgerald 2<sup>nd</sup> Mark Shively Vote 8-0

3. Financial Report (Hayes)

Motion by Scott Beery 2<sup>nd</sup> Lane Warner Vote 8-0

4. Spring Tournament Updates

- a. Boys Tennis – Talked with Kathy about seeding with a google doc.
- b. Track and Field – All information is posted and is correct.
- c. Baseball – Information needs to be posted.
- d. Softball – Representation change, DII now has two regional qualifiers. Three districts had 19 schools and Central won the coin toss for the additional qualifier. Allow Lisa to survey the coaches to see if they would like to see 2:00 p.m. games.
- e. Survey Results -

5. Winter Tournament Draw Review

- a. Bowling – Draw was interesting at HP with full tournament going on, half in person and half online. Jo will survey coaches to see if they would like to see top 16 total pins from both days combined or top 8 from each day.

- b. Girls Basketball – Went well.
- c. Boys Basketball – One glitch, there were two separate meeting invitations sent and the coaches were in two different meetings.
- d. Gymnastics – Went well all coaches present, interesting that some coaches coach more than one team.
- e. Wrestling – DIII went well, DI sectional still misunderstanding the bump ruling that they can select another site, and with four sites could be confusing.

6. Media Awards

Print Media – John Hulkenberg

Broadcast Media – Whitney Harding NBC4

7. Tournament Expansion Discussion – We are going to have to communicate and work together to find more sites to host finals. What are travel distances going to look like? Not sure discussions are still in progress about how the divisions will be set up. DI and DII will not need as long to play their respective district tournaments. We will be combined with other districts. Smith, any thought given to pushing out how long schools host? At this time, we are still looking at only district finals at neutral sites. There are no firm plans on who and where will games be hosted. We will need to look at locations for mid-point hosting when districts are combined. Will we alternate between districts hosting? District boards will rely on the OHSAA sport administrators to take the lead on how the tournaments will be set up. Boards will need to contact AD's and schools seeking help in hosting. Moving schools between districts may not be an issue. There may be enough schools in each division to have their own regional qualifiers. The number of schools that are needed to have a regional qualifier is nine. Proposing to start with basketball and then taking that template, and farm it out to other sports. It will take all of us to secure sites and find host sites. Neutral sites will probably not come into play until District finals. Philosophy is to allow each District Board to run their district tournament at their discretion. We will need to wait and see what the numbers are going into next year. Discussions will be taking place moving forward. There will be more good than bad.

8. Board of Directors Report (Feesler) – Referendum voting is coming in May.

- a. Ability to move up to DI in any sport.
- b. Calamity days will not count in eligibility in processing grades.
- c. Allow transfers to compete immediately but at a lower team, ie: sub-varsity.
- d. Schools will determine what transgender rules you will follow.
- e. All Board dates for 24-25 12/5/24, Canton 3/21/25 Dayton
- f. Financials are better this year than last year.
- g. Spring update will be April 22.

- h. Director of Sport Administrator and Officials. Dr. John Kronour will be the new hire in that position. Another person of interest for a position in the official's office.

9. All Boards Committee Report (Shively) – Nothing to Report

10. Liaison Reports –

- a. Baseball –
- b. Basketball –
- c. Bowling – D2 district champions already crowned D1 will be 4 days this week and next Tuesday District finals.
- d. Cross Country -
- e. Golf –
- f. Gymnastics -
- g. Soccer -
- h. Softball -
- i. Swimming/Diving – Matt went to every site to get a grip on what was going on with ticketing. Who makes the call if there is a weather event? It is a Board decision to see if we can still go.
- j. Tennis -
- k. Track –
- l. Volleyball –
- m. Wrestling –

11. Other –

- a. Hotel needs Track and Field – Add Lane Warner to the list.
- b. All Boards meeting Friday March 22, 2024, at UD arena.
- c. Next regular CDAB meeting April 10, 2024, at the OHSAA offices 3:00 p.m.

12. Adjourn – Meeting was adjourned at 4:03 p.m.

Motion by                      Scott Beery                      2<sup>nd</sup>                      Lindsay Smith                      Vote 8-0