

The Central District Athletic Board met in person at the OHSAA office on June 21, 2021.

Attending the meeting:

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Molly Feesler, AAA Rep.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Lane Warner, A Rep
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mark Shively, AAA Rep., President	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pam Bosser, Female Rep. (9:45 AM)
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ryan Fitzgerald, AA Rep., (left 4:30)	<input type="checkbox"/> TBA, Ethnic Minority
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Chad Little, AA Rep. (left 4:15)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jay Cauley, Middle School Rep., VP
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Bob Britton, A Rep.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jim Hayes, Secretary/Treasurer

President Mark Shively called the meeting to order at 9:35 AM

Approval of meeting agenda – motioned by Ryan Fitzgerald, seconded by Chad Little to approve the meeting agenda. Motion passes 7-0 (Bosser absent)

Mr. Shively welcomed Lane Warner, Superintendent of Elgin Schools. Mr. Warner is replacing Troy McIntosh as a Class A Representative.

May 19, 2021 Minutes -- motioned by Bob Britton, seconded by Molly Feesler to approve the minutes. Motion passes 7-0 (Bosser absent)

May Financial reports prepared by Treasurer Hayes:

Financial Report-checking from the March report:

Beginning Balance May 1 , 2021	\$ 76,040.00
Plus Deposits	\$244,522,07
Minus Payments	<u>\$ 19,036.58</u>
Ending Balance, May 31, 2021	\$301,525,49.

Additional funds not included above:

Arbiter Balance April 30, 2021 - \$8713.99

OHSAA Cash Consolidation Account – May 1	\$538,400.00
Arbiter fees deducted	\$ 54,000.00
Balance May 31, 2021	\$484,400.00

Mr. Hayes commented that the change in charging admission for sectional baseball, sectional softball, and all boys tennis had a major, positive impact on our financial picture. History over the previous ten years has spring sports showing an overall **net loss** ranging from \$2200 to \$60,000. This year we had **net profit** of \$119,667.

During the May report it was shared that a few schools still owed bowling lineage. All schools have now paid.

All expenses related to spring sports (Host school Flat Fees, F.A.T. Timing, tournament managers, assigners) have been paid for spring sports.

Mr. Hayes shared summary reports for 2021-22 tournaments compared to previous years including revenue, expenses, net profit (loss) and attendance sport by sport, season by season. Winter Sports took the biggest “hit” because of COVID restrictions.

Motioned by Jay Cauley, second by Molly Feesler to approve the financial reports. Motion passed 8-0

Ethnic Minority Member – Mark Shively shared with the board that Bill Warfield has resigned from the board effective immediately. Mr. Warfield has accepted a new principal's position in the Hilliard School District which results in the board having two members in that district. The OHSAA constitution states that is not permitted. Chad Little made a motion to accept the resignation, seconded by Bob Britton. Motioned passed 8-0.

Mr. Shively instructed Mr. Hayes to post the position immediately to begin the replacement process.

Meeting Dates – 2021-22 meetings were shared which includes a return to hosting Central District Administrators for a luncheon meeting in September. Motioned by Pam Bosser, seconded by Jay Cauley to accept the dates as presented. Motion passes 8-0

District Tournament sites – Volleyball, Soccer, Basketball, Baseball and Softball – because COVID restrictions during the 2021 season all tournaments were hosted by the better seeded team through District finals. Chad Little made a motion to return to procedures used prior to the 2020-21 school year, seconded by Bob Britton. Motion passed 8-0.

As a result of this motion, in the sports of Volleyball, Basketball, Baseball and Softball all district level events will be at neutral sites. In Soccer, the District Semi-final will be hosted by the better seeded team and the District finals will be a neutral site.

CDAB Policy Manual review - multiple policies were reviewed and changes drafted. Mr. Hayes will prepare a list of all the proposed changes to be presented to the board at their August meeting for approval.

Tournament Managers

- a. Golf – Larry Morris – Mr. Morris presented tournament information for golf including dates and sites. Motion to approve by Bob Britton, seconded by Ryan Fitzgerald. Motion passes 8-0
- b. Softball – Lisa Morelli – Ms. Morelli reviewed her notes from the softball tournament. Positive response to having a virtual draw meeting. She has frequent communication with the coach's association. Overall, all went well, no issues.
- c. Baseball – Mark Aprile – Mr. Aprile reviewed his notes for the baseball season. Home sites seemed to work well. Only two situations where games should have been moved because of field conditions but were not, so games were postponed. He shared we need clarification on how to enforce the pitch count rule. He closed by saying the 2022 season may be his last a tournament manager. The board took time to recognize Dan Steiner who has retired as the Central District Baseball Assigner after 37 years of service.
- d. Gymnastics – Marty McLain and Debbie White - reviewed the 2021 tournament evaluations, comments, and the adjustments made to accommodate COVID protocols. Overall, it went well. Ms. McLain expressed concerns about the size of the Central District meet. She feels we have reached the maximum number of teams we adequately service. A contributing factor in the issue is the number of teams sent to the Central District from other Districts. The OHSAA has stated that all tournaments in 2021-22 will follow same district assignments as 2020-21. Ms. McLain has requested that OHSAA and the CDAB evaluate the possibility of sending some schools to the SW or NE in future years.
- e. Wrestling – Cal Adams and Tom Rooney – Mr. Adams reviewed the tournament evaluations and comments. Virtual meetings went well. COVID protocols were followed with the cooperation of all sites. In 2022, Division 1 and 2 sites will

remain the same; Division 3 will be hosted by Ridgedale. Mr. Adams was recognized by the board as he is retiring after serving at the Tournament Wrestling Manager for 18 years.

- f. Swimming/Diving – Frank Croft – reviewed the tournament and struggles he had finding all the needed sites to accommodate the COVID protocols. Looking forward to returning to normal procedures next year and traditional sites. Has confirmation from Upper Arlington, Worthington Pools, and Columbus Academy. Still waiting to hear from Kenyon and Ohio State.
- g. Girls Tennis – Kathy Kinnard and Mike O’Callaghan – reviewed spring tournaments, provided updates for fall tournaments – dates and sites. Want to continue to have virtual meetings and make a few adjustments in the online process for sharing rosters with coaches to assist in site selection and a few adjustments in the individual/doubles seeding process. Mr. Hayes will speak with Bruce Gerber about these adjustments.

Online Seeding - Bruce Gerber– reviewed the new OHSAA guidelines for online seeding. Mr. Gerber had already been using these guidelines for some of the sports he coordinates for the OHSAA. Thought the year went well. Few problems. Mr. Hayes thanked Mr. Gerber for going above and beyond in reaching out to coaches that have not submitted requested information by the defined deadlines.

Webpage webmaster – Brenda Murray - Mrs. Murray will be retiring from the OHSAA in June but will continue as the CDAB’s webmaster. Tournament Managers will continue to communicate with her as they have in the past. She will continue to assist with seeding, building brackets, communicating with coaches and tournament evaluations as needed.

Liaison Reports

- a. Basketball – Bob Britton reviewed notes provided by Tournament Manager Tom Stoughton.
- b. Soccer – Tournament Manager Kyle Hamrick sent general tournament information and drafts of the tournament brackets.
- c. Track/Field – concerns were expressed about the condition of some of the field event areas at Westerville North, specifically the high jump.

Board of Directors – no report. (BOD member absent. Bill Warfield absent as he resigned from the board. Ryan Fitzgerald had to leave early for a meeting at his school)

DAB Committee – Mark Shively reported the DAB Committee will be meeting in June and continue discussions on tournament consistency across the state.

Adjournment – Motioned by Jay Cauley, seconded by Molly Feelser to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed 6-0 (Little, Fitzgerald absent.)

Meeting adjourned at 5:10 PM.

Note -there was a one-hour lunch break during this meeting. Reported items are not in the specific agenda sequence, but all agenda items are reported.

Next scheduled meeting is August 11, 3:00 PM the OHSAA.