

The Central District Athletic Board met at the OHSAA office on Wednesday, January 19, 2022

Attending the meeting:

<u> X </u> Molly Feesler, AAA Rep.	<u> X </u> Lane Warner, A Rep
<u> AB </u> Mark Shively, AAA Rep.	<u> X </u> Pam Bosser, Female Rep.
<u> X </u> Ryan Fitzgerald, AA Rep.	<u> X </u> Scott Reeves, Ethnic Minority Rep.
<u> X </u> Chad Little, AA Rep.	<u> AB </u> Jay Cauley, Middle School Rep., President
<u> X </u> Bob Britton, A Rep., Vice President	<u> X </u> Jim Hayes, Secretary/Treasurer

Vice President Bob Britton called the meeting to order at 3:00, as President Jay Cauley was unable to attend.

Approval of meeting agenda – motioned by Mr. Little, seconded by Ms. Bosser to approve the meeting agenda. Motion passed 7-0

December 8, 2021 Minutes -- motioned by Mr. Fitzgerald, seconded by Ms. Feesler to approve the minutes. Motion passed 7-0

October Financial reports prepared by Treasurer Hayes:

Financial Report- Checking account	
Beginning Balance December 1, 2021,	\$216,165.11
Plus, Deposits	\$ 143.68
Minus Payments	<u>\$ 5,312.45</u>
Ending Balance, December 31, 2021,	\$210,966.34

Additional funds not included above:	
Arbiter balance December 31 ,2021	\$5,844.99

OHSAA Cash Consolidation Account –	
Balance, December 1, 2021	\$619,750.85
+August – November Interest	\$ 305.86
-Transfer to Investment account	<u>\$500,000.00</u>
Balance December 31, 2021,	\$120,056.71

OHSAA/Central Investment Account	
Deposit, December 2021	\$500,000.00
Investment earnings December	<u>\$ 6,470.73</u>
Balance December 31, 2021	\$506,470.73

Motion by Mr. Warner, second by Ms. Feesler to approve the financial report. Motion passed 7-0.

Mr. Hayes shared some updates that are taking place in the accounting office. A senior accountant has been hired and will be starting by the end of January. This will bring the full time accounting staff back to a staff of three. August 1 is a target date to have accounting services consolidated in the Columbus office. All deposits and payments will be from one account, with Columbus staff issuing all checks. This is in response to findings made by the consulting firm that spent time reviewing the association's procedures and items listed in audit reports. The primary purpose is "risk reduction" as the association currently have seven sets of bank accounts (Columbus + 6 DABS). DAB treasurers will still have a role in

serving as a liaison between the OHSAA and DABs and schools. DAB treasures will remain the primary point of contact between schools and the OHSAA regarding tournament finances.

Site Fee Proposed increase – Mr. Hayes submitted a proposal to increase the standard site fee paid to high schools serving as neutral site hosts. As has been past practice, the CDAB will continue to pay the base fee plus local custodial fees for the use of the facility. Motion by Mr. Britton, seconded by Mr. Little to approve the following increased base fees: Basketball, \$300.00 per game, Gymnastics, \$750.00 per day, and Wrestling \$750 per day. Motion passed 7-0.

Winter tournament updates –

Gymnastics – Debbie White - Ms. White shared there are still ongoing discussion whether to Have two sessions with two flights or two sessions with three flights. There will be awards presentations, but most likely will not have processional. Board agreed limit meet roster to 12 participants. This is increase from the 10 permitted in 2021.

Wrestling – Tom Rooney – Mr. Rooney share the OHSAA has changed the draw date from January 30 to February 13. This change may create a conflict for some coaches as that is also the same date as the Girls Wrestling District that is conducted by Wrestling Coaches Association. Discussions on ongoing with the OHSAA about the possibility of hold the draw meeting at a time other then 2:00. OHSAA is working with two different software venders – Track Wrestling and Baumspage. Concerns were shared about the official’s tournament fee schedule and the process in assigning officials to district meets when there are multiple athletic districts competing.

Bowling – Mr. Fitzpatrick – Mr. Fitzpatrick shared that Tournament Manager Jo Dimond has expressed concerns about the size of the D1 tournament. As more schools add bowling, we may need to go to add a day of competition as the bowling center is nearly maxed out.

Basketball – Mr. Britton/Mr. Little – reviewed notes sent by Tournament Manager Tom Stoughton. He has completed his play date schedule, Mr. Berry is working on official assignments, a list of schools interested in hosting District Semi-finals is being finalized, and all District finals will be at Ohio Dominican or Capital University. Board members volunteered to assist with the draw meetings on January 30 and February 6.

Swimming – Mr. Reeves/Mr. Hayes – Mr. Hayes shared updates from Tournament Manager Frank Croft. Sites finalized this week. Worthington will now host a third day of sectionals and one of the other sites backed out. Ohio State has agreed to allow spectators, so we will remain at Ohio State. Diving is being split between Upper Arlington (D1) and Jefferson Country Club – Byers Family Aquatic Center (D2).

Spring Tournament Review

Boys Tennis – Kathy Kinnard – Ms. Kinnard shared the Division 1 information. She is still looking for one more Sectional site and a District site. Mr. O’Callaghan send a copy of the Division 2 information – sites will continue to Columbus School for Girls and Columbus Academy. Both divisions are starting one day earlier to provide an extra make up day in case of inclement weather.

Track and Field – Mr. Hayes shared the Tournament Manager Chris Ludban had a last minute conflict and was unable to attend. All sites are set to remain the same as last year – Hilliard Darby, Westerville North and Granville.

Baseball – Mr. Aprile has finalized District sites. Mr. Fitzgerald shared a process for distributing

baseballs to Sectional and District sites.

Fall Tournament Evaluations

Girls Tennis – Mrs. Kinnard reviewed comments made by the coaches. One site had multiple complaints because of the condition of the courts. There is interest in allowing coaches the opportunity to discuss their players before the individual seeding take places. Currently they are provided the opportunity to included written comments when they submit their rosters.

Volleyball – Jill Logan – reviewed comments made on the evaluations. Minor concern with one of the sites, one of the draw meetings had a technology issue that took time to resolve. Board liaison Molly Feesler shared concerns she heard about official assignments, particularly with those that qualified to officiate Regional and/or State level contests and were not assigned District level contests. There were also multiple sites that were notified on match day they would need to find one or two line judges.

Baseball Tournament Manager – Ryan Fitzgerald – Mr. Fitzgerald shared that Jay Smith, Assistant Athletic Director at Hilliard Darby HS was the only one person responded to the posting on the CDAB website about the opening for a Baseball Manager. Mr. Smith has been actively involved in the baseball tournament management process over the last few years by assisting Mr. Aprile. It was motioned by Mr. Fitzgerald, seconded by Mr. Reeves, that Mr. Smith be contracted to mentor with Mr. Aprile this spring and become the CDAB Baseball Tournament Manager at the conclusion of the 2022 tournament season. In this role, Mr. Smith will be paid half of the Tournament Managers stipend. Motion passed 7-0.

Board of Directors Report – Mr. Fitzgerald/Mr. Reeves - Mr. Reeves shared the following as resent discussion items:

- Diversity Summit – April 8
- Audit Committee – reviewed the most recent audit report. Fall season was good financially and the organization is getting back on solid ground.
- New OHSAA is being rolled out. All new apparel purchases will include the new logo
- BOD approved Girls Wrestling and Boys Volleyball as sanctioned sports for the 2022-23 school year. eSports gaining in interest and consideration as an emerging sport.
- Each DAB to be provided 10 passes for tournament events.
- Referendum items being finalized
 - Superintendent’s agreement between two public districts to allow students to participate in another district when their district does not offer a sport
 - Bullying transfer language to include bullying from an adult
 - NIL language being discussed.
 - Flexibility for the Executive Director to adjust the 50% games out for violating transfer bylaws if the athlete is injured and can not participate.
 - Language allowing a public to private transfer without penalty if certain criteria are met
 - Amateurism to allow a student to be pro in a sport in which they do not participate in for high school or OHSAA.

Motion to adjourn by Ms. Bosser, second by Ms. Feesler. Motion passes 7-0. Meeting adjourned 4:45 PM.

Next scheduled meeting is Wednesday, February 9, 2022 – OHSAA.