

SWDAB Board of Directors Business Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, November 13, 2024

Via Zoom

- Roll Call – Phil Poggi, Secretary, called the meeting to order at 8:32 am
 - **Board Members Present:** Andy Bixler, Tim Cook, Jonas L. Smith, Doug Foote, Paul Stone, Scott Kaufman, Ashley Naff, Matt Macy, Tom Nerl, Phil Poggi (Secretary), Joe Roberts (Treasurer)
 - **Board Members Absent:** N/A
- Approval of October Meeting Minutes
 - Motion by Scott Kaufman, seconded by Tom Nerl, to **approve** the SWDAB Meeting minutes from business meeting on October 8, 2024. Motion passed 9-0.
- Treasurer’s Report
 - Joe Roberts shared with the board that they just wrapped up submitting financial reports for Volleyball and Soccer last evening. Noted an issue that was discovered in volleyball where 16 matches were entered twice. The SWDAB paid \$98K in officials pay for the Fall
 - The current balance of \$1,312,465 which is just over \$200K to the positive from same time last year.
 - Motion by Tom Nerl, seconded by Paul Stone, to **approve** the SWDAB Treasurer’s Report as presented. Motion passed 9-0.
- Fall Tournaments
 - Volleyball
 - Phil shared a concern from assignors regarding holding all District Quarterfinals on that Saturday. Officials were difficult to secure for the number of games. Every available official did work a game on that date.
 - Golf Sectionals
 - Phil shared a proposal from the GGCA/MVGA to increase the number of Girls Sectionals to 4 total in Division 1 to match the Boys. Data included that the Girls have more teams and individuals playing.
 - Motion by Scott Kaufman, seconded by Tim Cook, to **approve** the request and add a 4th Sectional to the Girls Division 1 tournament in 2025. Motion passed 9-0.
- Winter Tournament
 - Winter Team Placements
 - The board reviewed team placements for Division 3 Boys Wrestling with the move from 3 sectionals to 2 sectionals to be held at Versailles (North) and Blanchester (South).
 - Motion by Andy Bixler, seconded by Scott Kaufman, to **approve** Division 3 Boys Wrestling team placements as presented. Motion passed 9-0.
 - The board reviewed the recommended placements for both Boys & Girls Swimming/Diving and Gymnastics.
 - Motion by Scott Kaufman, seconded by Doug Foote, to **approve** the placements for Boys & Girls Swimming and Gymnastics as presented. Motion passed 9-0.
 - Girls Wrestling team placements were discussed but no action was taken until the four sectional sites have been established. Western Brown and Loveland will be the south hosts while Greenview and one additional north school will host Girls Sectionals. Harrison will host the District Championships.
 - Wrestling
 - Boys Host Sites
 - Recommendation for Northwestern High School to serve as the North host for Boys Division 2 wrestling, replacing Graham High School
 - Motion by Andy Bixler, seconded by Tim Cook, to **approve** Northwestern High School as the host for Boys D2 Wrestling Sectional. Motion passed 9-0.
 - Diving Recommendation
 - Ward Billhimer and his team brought a recommendation to the board regarding an update to how “cuts” are determined in diving sectionals and districts and add those to the SWDAB regulations.

- Motion by Tom Nerl, seconded by Jonas L. Smith, to **approve** the regulation update as presented. Motion passed 9-0.
- Basketball Brackets & Host Sites
 - Scott and Phil presented a draft of the brackets for Boys & Girls Basketball. Next step is to determine all neutral host sites for each division.
- New Business
 - No new business.
- OHSAA Update
 - Andy and Paul reported that we saw a growth of 30% in the JH Cross Country Championships. In addition, a number of positive reports and feedback on NCR and Firestone hosting State Golf Championships.
- Next Meeting
 - Board Meeting – Friday, December 6 in Canton, OH – Time TBD

Motion by Ashley Naff, seconded by Doug Foote to **adjourn** the meeting. Motion passed 9-0. Meeting adjourned at 10:16 am.

Respectfully Submitted,

Phillip J. Poggi
Secretary