

**NEBRASKA SCHOOL ACTIVITIES ASSOCIATION
OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF CONTROL**

The Board of Control met September 18, 2009, at the Association Office, Lincoln, Nebraska, with members present as follows.

District I	--	Mark Norvell, Fillmore Central
District II	--	Dr. Bob Reznicek, Omaha Westside
District III	--	Jay Bellar, Battle Creek
District IV	--	Max Kroger, Ord
District V	--	Dr. Dallas Watkins, Dundy County-Stratton
District VI	--	Kent Halley, Mitchell

Also in attendance were Rick Moses, Nebraska Department of Education liaison; Mike Purdy, NSIAAA; College View Academy Principal David Branum; Tethloach Chut, student; College View Academy Boys Basketball Coaches Garth Glissman and Mike Buck; and Julia Plucker, NSAA Lobbyist.

Chairman Max Kroger called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m.

1. It was moved by Kent Halley, seconded by Jay Bellar, to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. **Motion Carried, 6-0.** Consent Agenda items included approval of the agenda for the meeting as presented and amended; approval of the Minutes of the August 28, 2009, Regular Meeting; approval of the August 2009 financial statements; and approval of a new cooperative sponsorship for Omaha Roncalli Catholic, Omaha Christian Academy, and Concordia High Schools for wrestling.
2. It was moved by Jay Bellar, seconded by Bob Reznicek, to approve the NSAA Winter Activities Manuals. **Motion Carried, 6-0.**
3. It was moved by Mark Norvell, seconded by Bob Reznicek, to approve the proposed 2009-10 NSAA Budget. **Motion Carried, 6-0.**
4. It was moved by Jay Bellar, seconded by Kent Halley, to enter closed session at the request of the hearing parties for a closed hearing at 8:39 a.m. **Motion Carried, 6-0.**
5. College View Academy requested an age determination for Tethloach Chut. Following a presentation of the evidence, those representing the student provided clarifying information and answers to Board members' questions.
6. It was moved by Bob Reznicek, seconded by Jay Bellar, to exit the closed session at 10:10 a.m. **Motion Carried, 6-0.**
7. It was moved by Mark Norvell, seconded by Dallas Watkins, to approve the following policy regarding Insurance/Medical coverage for event staff at NSAA events. **Motion Carried, 6-0.**
Event staffers at all NSAA events are considered Independent contractors, not employees of the NSAA, and each worker must provide their own insurance for injuries that happen while working NSAA events. The NSAA General Liability and Excess Liability insurance coverage is not Health/Medical insurance. General Liability coverage at these events extends coverage to spectators, players/participants and third party claims only. Workers are not covered under the NSAA insurance policy.
By working an NSAA event, you need to understand that you are considered an Independent Contractor and are personally responsible for providing your own medical coverage. Therefore, if you get injured working an event, you are expected to utilize your own medical insurance. By working a NSAA event, you assume all risk and responsibility regarding injuries and medical costs.

8. The Board discussed the organized practice rule, specifically how it relates to swimming and diving.
9. The Board discussed Baseball Contest Limitations.
10. It was moved by Jay Bellar, seconded by Kent Halley, to approve the following wording on tie-breaker procedure for classification procedures. **Motion Carried, 6-0.**
If schools are tied in enrollment for the last position or positions of a class, the following tie-breaker will be applied:
 1. *The first tie-breaker will be a three-year average of enrollment which includes the year on which the current year's classification is based and the two previous years. The higher three-year average will be in the larger class.*
 2. *If the tie still exists, then the school with the higher immediate previous year's enrollment will be placed in the larger class.*
 3. *If a tie still exists, it will be decided by a coin flip in the NSAA office.*
11. The Board discussed the Sports Medicine Advisory Committee's recommendations for concussions and football heat acclimatization.
12. The Board discussed H1N1 issues and potential ramifications to high school activities.
13. The Board discussed the issue of inspecting sports field light poles.
14. It was moved by Dallas Watkins, seconded by Kent Halley, to dissolve a cooperative sponsorship for Omaha Burke and Blair High Schools for boys swimming at the schools' request. **Motion Carried, 6-0.**
15. The Board discussed the upcoming Fall NSAA District Meetings, the NSAA staff persons who have been assigned to cover those meetings and some of the legislative proposals that will likely be introduced.
16. The Board heard a report on infractions by member schools that resulted in sanctions. York High School reported a violation of the outside participation rule for a girls golfer; a one-meet suspension was issued. Southern Valley High School reported a violation of the outside participation rule for a football player; a one-game suspension was issued.
17. It was moved by Mark Norvell, seconded by Kent Halley, to enter closed session to discuss legislative strategy and evidence from the eligibility hearing. **Motion Carried, 6-0.**
18. It was moved by Kent Halley, seconded by Dallas Watkins, to exit the closed session at 12:10 p.m. **Motion Carried, 6-0.**
19. In open session, the Board further addressed the age determination for Tethloach Chut. On a motion by Dallas Watkins, seconded by Kent Halley, the Board approved the age validation as presented and determined that the domicile eligibility has been met. **Motion Carried, 6-0.**

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 12:15 p.m.

The next meeting of the Board of Control will be held in Lincoln on Friday, October 9, 2009.

Debra Velder, Associate Director