

## ATHLETIC DIRECTOR/PRINCIPAL MEETING MINUTES December 10, 2014 – Dewitt Board of Education

**Schools present:** Dewitt, East Lansing, Eaton Rapids. Fowlerville, Grand Ledge, Haslett, Holt, Ionia, Jackson, Lansing Catholic, Lansing Eastern, Lansing Everett, Lansing Sexton, Mason, Okemos, Owosso, Portland, St. Johns, Waverly, Williamston

Principal Bart Wegenke of Haslett called the meeting to order and chaired the combined athletic director/principle discussions. November meeting minutes were approved.

## Old business items were reviewed as follows:

The YTD financial report was given. Expenses and revenue continue on track with budget figures and a projected surplus for the fiscal year. A sponsor for the Senior Scholar Athlete program will continue to be sought.

Academic games for the Blue Division were reviewed and surcharge invoices distributed. It was decided the event will continue with the Blue Division schools and not become a league-wide coordinated activity as schools in the Red and White Divisions all have various kinds of similar programs.

Committee assignments were discussed. The commissioner will set dates to meet with members of the sportsmanship, assignor and constitution committees in the early months of 2015. Expectations are for proposals on updated adult & student spectator conduct and restrictions, re-write of some sections of the constitution and requirements and duties for officials assigning.

In other miscellaneous old business; winter officials fees were reviewed, the banner project updated, reminders given on MHSAA academic eligibility standards and an MIAAA report from Greg Lattig on the recent Board meeting and 2015 conference plans.

A break took place for Division meetings and principles discussions at 10:30 a.m.

## New business topics were discussed as follows:

Eligibility issues regarding transgender students was discussed. It was generally agreed that following the MHSAA tournament protocols for such students would be best practice for the regular season with a committee to study the issue further and report at the May joint principle/AD meeting.

A proposal from the West Michigan Sports commission for participation by CAAC schools in a football event was reviewed. It would involve giving up a home FB game, therefore most schools were not interested unless there were adequate financial guarantees and transportation provided. Some schools may be interested if they have a road opening available on a OTO basis. This will be shared with the event contact and the league will await a further proposal, likely for 2016 at the earliest.

Plans for a CAAC/MHSAA student leadership summit and a second CAP session were discussed. Follow-up with the MHSAA on both will take place with a report in January.

AD's were reminded that each CAAC Division is asked to complete the MHSAA survey regarding out of season coaching rules changes and return by January 16.

Plans for the coordination and hosting duties for the December 20 hockey Showcase at Suburban ice were reviewed. Four games will take place with each home/host school responsible for event management, gate receipts and expenses.

The commissioner reviewed the updates in Web content including basketball scores and standings, bowling score files and standings and hockey scores and standings. Work continues on new content and updated categories. Standard results requirements for schools hosting conference events will be developed.

In other miscellaneous topics discussed; it was suggested a post-game media "cooling-off period" be considered by the sportsmanship committee for adoption, language be developed for conference position on youth football to share with the football coaches association, and a league Captains curriculum be developed as part of the student leadership initiative with Steve Baker and Brian Osborn taking the lead.

Next Meeting – Jan. 14, 9:00 a.m. – Grand Ledge Board of Education conference room.