

CAAC ATHLETIC DIRECTOR/PRINCIPAL MEETING MINUTES May 10, 2017 – Booksellers Meeting Room, Mason

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

President Tom Hunt of East Lansing called the meeting to order and chaired the discussions. April meeting minutes were approved. Commissioner Randy Allen reviewed the agenda.

Old business items were reviewed as follows:

A brief review of the April meeting alignment discussion and decision took place. There were no new questions or comments.

With several principals in attendance, it was asked if the league should continue with two combined athletic director/principal meetings which have historically been held in December and May. It was unanimously agreed that one such combined meeting would suffice and it will be in December of each school year, the May meeting will no longer be a combined meeting.

The 2017 Senior Scholar Athlete awards program recently held at St. Johns was reviewed with excellent feedback on the planning and staging of the event. Jackson will host the 2018 program.

A report was given on the recent basketball coach season review session with the CAAC officials assigner and representatives of the CAOA. Most coach feedback was to improve officials' communication with coaches. It was agreed in the future a pre-season meting may be more beneficial.

The commissioner updated the group on a meeting with the two league gymnastics officials' assigners. It was recommended that the two current assigners continue to work independently as a merged effort does not seem workable. Schools sponsoring gymnastics may choose which assigner they wish to utilize, there will not be an official CAAC gymnastics assigner.

The April 24th hockey coach 2017-18 scheduling meeting was reviewed. The meeting was not attended by all programs and a post meeting change of available dates communicated by facility management have created some obstacles to getting all league dates confirmed. The commissioner will work with coaches to finalize the schedule and enter into Arbiter for officials assigning purposes.

Spring post-season tournaments in lacrosse and girl's soccer were reviewed. Lacrosse will conclude with 3rd place and Championship games at Okemos for girls and Lansing Catholic for boys. Procedures for the soccer seeding plan will be communicated again to schools and coaches with the seeds and pairings finalized May 14 for first round games May 16. Lansing Catholic will host the Silver and Gold Cup Championship games May 23.

Other review topics included distribution of remaining trophies and medals for spring team sports; an update on Unified Games future potential for CAAC schools under the Special Olympics umbrella; a financial update for principals which reviewed 3rd quarter figures and budget surplus projections; and a reminder to supply league assigners with football, boys' soccer and volleyball schedules for the fall of 2017.

New Business Items were reviewed as follows:

The annual invitation by the Greater Lansing Sports Authority for a social outing at a Lansing Lugnuts game on Thursday, August 10 was shared. AD's will RSVP to the GLSA office directly if they wish to attend.

Competitive Cheer dates and Division alignment for 2017-18 for the two league divisions were confirmed as follows:

Red Division – Grand Ledge, Holt, Dewitt, Mason, St. Johns, Waverly

Jan. 10 @ Waverly Jan. 24 @ Holt Feb. 7 @ Mason

White Division - Eaton Rapids, Charlotte, Fowlerville, Portland, Williamston

Jan. 10 @ Williamston Jan. 24 @ Charlotte Feb. 7 at Fowlerville

Other new business topics with reports given or discussions held were as follows:

- JV wrestling officials' fees for division tournaments a meeting will be forthcoming with league assigning personnel to review for a possible new schedule
- It was confirmed that the JV soccer mercy rule will be the same as varsity
- Chris Ervin was unanimously selected as CAAC President for 2017-18
- The league golf outing will be June 21 at Brookshire, schools should indicate participation soon
- A possible VNN league Web site will be pursued
- Status of Academic Games as a league function or left to each division for coordination
- The first fall AD meeting of the 2017-18 school year will be August 16 at the MHSAA

Next Meeting – Wednesday, August 16, 9 a.m. – MHSAA Office, East Lansing