

NEBRASKA SCHOOL ACTIVITIES ASSOCIATION
REPRESENTATIVE ASSEMBLY
Friday, April 13, 2012
NSAA Office, Media Room, Lincoln

Vice Chairman Bob Reznicek called the 2012 Representative Assembly to order at 9:00 a.m.

Mr. George Woolstrum presided as Parliamentarian.

Jerry Barteo and Dallas Watkins, serving as the Credentials Committee, reported 51 delegates present. With 51 delegates present, it was necessary for an item of business to receive 31 favorable votes to pass.

The following delegates were in attendance:

District 1 – Ryan Ruhl, Norris; Wendy Henrichs, Lincoln East, Neal Randel, Beatrice; Dr. Pat Hunter-Pirtle, Lincoln Southeast; Dr. Bob Michl, Freeman; Keith Muller, Wilber-Clatonia; R.J. Metteer, Lincoln Southeast; Jerry Rempe, Southern; Steve Borer, Seward; Mitchell Stine, Waverly.

District 2 - Dr. Bob Reznicek, Boys Town; Dr. Jerry Barteo, Omaha Public Schools; Dan Novak, Elmwood-Murdock; Bob Danenhauer, Omaha Public Schools; Tim McNamara, Yutan; Holly McCoy, Omaha Mercy; Mike McMahon, Omaha Skutt; Chris Loofe, Omaha Bryan; Tom Ramsbottom, Elkhorn South; Andy Fedoris, Lourdes Central; Jeff Johnson, Papillion LaVista-South; Rick Hook, Millard West; Michelle Egr, Schuyler; David Struebing, East Butler; Kevin Broderick, Bellevue West; Robin Greene, Howells; John Krogstrand, Columbus; Merritt Nelson, Oakland-Craig.

District 3 – Jay Bellar, Battle Creek; Rocky Ruhl, Wayne; Dennis Dolliver, Norfolk; John Cerny, Bancroft-Rosalie; Eric Miller, West Point-Beemer; Gary Timm, Pierce.

District 4 – Dr. Brian Maher, Kearney; Mark Armstrong, Kearney; Carl Dietz, Ogallala; Bill Mowinkel, Northwest; Teresa Rotert, Hershey; Mel Shoemaker, Kearney; Mark Skillstad, North Platte St. Pat's.

District 5 – Dr. Dallas Watkins, Dundy County-Stratton; Vic Young, Wilcox-Hildreth; Alan Garey, Medicine Valley; Craig Newcomb, Bertrand; Galen Kronhofman, Alma.

District 6 – Kent Halley, Mitchell; Bruce Parish, Hyannis; Robert Johnson, South Platte; Kevin Thomas, Potter-Dix; Dan Brost, Mullen.

Dr. Steve Shanahan presented the Executive Director's report.

The chairman announced that the items on the agenda would now be considered.

I. Change in Constitution

A. It was moved by Jeff Johnson, seconded by Holly McCoy, to approve the proposal dealing with:
Yearbook: Article 1 Section: 5 Page: 2

1.5.4 Classification Caucus Committee

1.5.4.1 Each classification of member schools established pursuant to this Constitution shall form a caucus made up of member schools in such classifications which shall be referred to as a Classification Caucus.

1.5.4.2 Meetings. Each caucus shall hold a meeting each year.

1.5.4.2.1 A Classification Caucus may initiate proposals for adoption, amendment or repeal of Association bylaws, provided that any such proposal shall not affect student eligibility or materially affect Association finances. Each such proposal shall include a cost and revenue analysis, and the proposed effective date of the proposed adoption, amendment or repeal of an Association By-Law.

1.5.4.2.2 All proposals for the adoption of, amendment to or repeal of Association by-laws must be submitted by a Classification Caucus electronically to the NSAA no later than October 1.

1.5.4.2.3 After the October 1 deadline, the NSAA shall forward the proposals to the Classification Caucus Review Committee.

1.5.4.3 Classification Caucus Review Committee

1.5.4.3.1 The Classification Caucus Review Committee shall be comprised of two representatives from each of the four (4) NSAA classifications representing Classes A, B, C and D qualified to serve

under paragraph 1.5.1.4, and the Chairman of the NSAA Board of Directors. The NSAA Executive Director or designee shall serve in an Ex-officio capacity.

1.5.4.3.2 The Classification Caucus Review Committee shall hold a minimum of two meetings each year. Minutes shall be taken of such meetings, and posted on the NSAA website. The first meeting shall be held between October 10 and October 31 and the second meeting shall be held between February 1 and February 20.

1.5.4.3.2.1 At the first meeting of the Classification Caucus Committee, the committee shall (a) review each submitted proposal; (b) take action to adopt comments and recommendations with regard to each submitted proposal; (c) and, return the proposal to the submitting Classification Caucus along with any adopted comments and recommendations. The Classification Caucus may consider the committee's comments and recommendations, and may submit amendments to the proposal on or before November 15.

1.5.4.3.2.2 At the second meeting of the Classification Caucus Committee, the committee shall consider all submitted proposals and any subsequent amendments thereto, and take action on all submitted proposals with amendments, if any.

1.5.4.3.3 The Classification Caucus Review Committee shall approve or disapprove proposed Classification Caucus proposals for the adoption of, amendment to, or repeal of Association By-Laws. To be approved, all proposals must receive an affirmative vote of two-thirds (2/3) or more of the committee members present and voting on the proposal. Disapproved Classification Caucus proposals shall be referred back to the Classification Caucus submitting same with a statement from the committee of reasons for such disapproval. Approved Classification Caucus proposals shall be forwarded to the Board of Directors for action according to this article.

1.5.4.4 Each proposal approved by the Classification Caucus Review Committee will be posted on the NSAA website as an approved Classification Caucus proposal, and each such proposal shall be presented as an information item at the annual NSAA Representative Assembly meeting.

1.5.4.5 Following the annual representative Assembly meeting, the Board of Directors shall direct the Executive Director to conduct a referendum on the Classification Caucus proposal which shall be submitted to the members Classification Caucus participating in the activity subject to the proposed By-law Change. The Classification Caucus proposal shall be accompanied by a statement of the rationale for such proposal. Each Classification Caucus proposal must be ratified by a two-thirds (2/3) majority of the member schools voting in such referendum. The Classification Caucus proposal shall become a part of the Association By-Laws on the effective date set forth in the approved proposal. **Motion Carried, 50 For** (Ruhl, Henrichs, Randel, Hunter-Pirtle, Michl, Muller, Metteer, Rempe, Borer, Stine, Reznicek, Bartee, Novak, Danenhauer, McNamara, McCoy, McMahon, Loofe, Ramsbottom, Fedoris, Johnson, Hook, Egr, Struebing, Broderick, Groene, Krogstrand, Nelson, Bellar, Ruhl, Dolliver, Cerny, Miller, Timm, Maher, Armstrong, Dietz, Rotert, Shoemaker, Skillstad, Watkins, Young, Garey, Newcomb, Kronhofman, Halley, Parish, Johnson, Thomas, Brost) **1 Against** (Mowinkel).

II. Change in Athletic Bylaws

A. It was moved by Robin Groene, seconded by Steve Borer to approve the proposal dealing with:
Yearbook: Article 3 Section: 3.2.3 a. Page: 2,3

3.2.3 a. Football and Soccer. An organized practice in 11-man football shall mean more than seven students under direct supervision of a sponsor. An organized practice in 8-man football shall mean more than five students under the direct supervision of a sponsor. If more than one group is practicing at the same time, it shall be called an organized practice. The only pieces of general equipment shall be footballs, shoes, helmets, kicking tees, and hand held dummies and there shall be no contact with a mechanical training devices or blocking sleds or with another player. **Motion Carried, 40 For** (Ruhl, Hunter-Pirtle, Michl, Muller, Metteer, Rempe, Borer, Reznicek, Bartee, Novak, Danenhauer, McNamara, McCoy, McMahon, Loofe, Ramsbottom, Fedoris, Johnson, Hook, Egr, Struebing, Broderick, Groene, Krogstrand, Nelson, Bellar, Ruhl, Dolliver, Cerny, Miller, Timm, Armstrong, Dietz, Mowinkel, Shoemaker, Watkins, Young, Garey, Newcomb, Kronhofman) **11 Against** (Henrichs, Randel, Stine, Maher, Rotert, Skillstad, Halley, Parish, Johnson, Thomas, Brost).

B. It was moved by Jon Cerny, seconded by Dan Novak to approve the proposal dealing with:

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3.2.8.2 D. If a summertime school-sponsored camp/clinic is held in football, contact shall be allowed with the use of hand held dummies only. The no-contact rule shall prohibit contact with mechanical or training devices, as well as with other players. The use of blocking sleds, and other mechanical devices are prohibited. The not-contact rule does not preclude incidental or inadvertent contact, or the touching of a ball carrier with the hand(s). The only pieces of general football equipment shall be footballs, shoes, helmets, kicking tees and hand held blocking dummies. **Motion Carried, 40 For** (Ruhl, Hunter-Pirtle, Metteer, Rempe, Borer, Reznicek, Bartee, Novak, Danenhauer, McNamara, McCoy, McMahon, Loofe, Ramsbottom, Fedoris, Johnson, Hook, Egr, Struebing, Broderick, Groene, Krogstrand, Nelson, Bellar, Ruhl, Dolliver, Cerny, Miller, Timm, Maher, Armstrong, Dietz, Mowinkel, Rotert, Shoemaker, Watkins, Young, Garey, Newcomb, Kronhofman) **11 Against** (Henrichs, Michel, Randel, Muller, Stine, Skillstad, Halley, Parish, Johnson, Thomas, Brost).

The Representative Assembly adjourned at 10:06 a.m.

Debra Velder, Associate Director