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PARLIAMENTARIAN
George Woolstrom

NSAA STAFF

*Dr. James Tenopir, Executive Director
Debra Velder, Associate Director*

*Larry Mollring, Jim Angele, Jennifer Schwartz, Bud Dahlstrom, Tom Millsap, Darin Boysen,
Assistant Directors*

Margie Pinkerton, Business Manager

Ronda Schmidt, Cindy Callaway, Jen Blachford, Megan Huber, Administrative Assistants

Meeting Time Agenda

- I. **8:30 A.M.**-Continental Breakfast Served For Delegates.
- II. **9:00 A.M. Call to Order**- Max Kroger, Chairman
- III. **Report of Credentials Committee**-Jay Bellar and Dr. Dallas Watkins

*A three-fifths majority vote for each proposal is necessary to pass the body.
Following is the vote total required, depending on the number of delegates present:*

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| <i>Delegates--49</i> | <i>Votes Required—30</i> |
| <i>Delegates--48</i> | <i>Votes Required—29</i> |
| <i>Delegates--47</i> | <i>Votes Required—29</i> |
| <i>Delegates--46</i> | <i>Votes Required—28</i> |

In addition to a three-fifths majority of the delegates, proposals dealing with the Constitution and/or Bylaws dealing with eligibility also must be sent to the membership of the Association for a referendum vote. Any proposal so referred shall become valid as a rule of the Association when approved by three-fifths of the member schools voting on the issue, provided the votes cast in favor of such proposal shall equal or exceed thirty-five percent of the total membership of the Association. See Article 1.5.3 of the 2009-2010 Yearbook.

- IV. **Introduction of Delegates and Reports of the NSAA Districts**--
District Chairperson.
- V. **Report of the Executive Director**—Dr. James Tenopir
- VI. **Business**-(See Agenda on following pages.) A space is placed after each proposal for amendments on votes and vote recording.

Additional proposals may be made from the floor and may be considered with the consent of a majority of the members of the Assembly. Any new proposals brought up shall be presented in written form with sufficient copies to provide one for each representative.

Any proposal heard from the floor and passed by the Assembly must pass a referendum vote of the member schools prior to being enacted.



2010 Delegates to the Representative Assembly



| | Delegate | Alternate |
|---|---|---------------------------------------|
| 1 | Mark Norvell, Fillmore Central, Board of Control | Ryan Ruhl, Norris |
| 1 | Kevin Simmerman, Fairbury, Chairman | Dr. Bob Michl, Freeman |
| 1 | Dr. Pat Hunter-Pirtle, Lincoln Southeast, Vice Chairman | Jerry Dunn, York |
| 1 | Dr. Bob Michl, Freeman, Secretary | Neal Randel, Beatrice |
| 1 | Keith Muller, Wilber-Clatonia | |
| 1 | R. J. Metteer, Lincoln Southeast | Steve Teget, Crete |
| 1 | Jerry Rempe, Southern | Jack Tarr, Malcolm |
| 1 | John Gingery, Lincoln East | John Farrand, Lincoln East |
| 1 | Karen Hand, Lincoln Public Schools | Clayton Heath, Lincoln Northeast |
| 2 | Dr. Bob Reznicek, Omaha Westside, Board of Control | Dan Novak, Elmwood-Murdock |
| 2 | Dan Novak, Elmwood-Murdock, Chairman | Bob Danenhauer, Omaha Public Schools |
| 2 | Bob Danenhauer, Omaha Public Schools, Vice Chairman | Bill Fitzgerald, Fremont |
| 2 | Tim McNamara, Platteview, Secretary | Marty Rogers, Blair |
| 2 | Marty Rogers, Blair | Shaun Brothers, Plattsmouth |
| 2 | Holly McCoy, Omaha Mercy | Mike McMahan, Omaha Skutt Catholic |
| 2 | Darin Williams, Omaha Central | Roni Huerta, Omaha South |
| 2 | Kevin Broderick, Bellevue West | Jeff Johnson, Papillion-LaVista South |
| 2 | Father Robert Roh, Falls City Sacred Heart | Kyle Steckler, Conestoga |
| 2 | Rob Geise, Louisville | Mike Barrett, Weeping Water |
| 2 | Bill Fitzgerald, Fremont | Steve Eubanks, Omaha Northwest |
| 2 | Kelley Hood, Millard North | Nolan Beyer, Millard South |
| 2 | Michelle Egr, Schuyler | Todd Mueller, Gretna |
| 2 | Terry Chadek, Shelby | Terry Gray, Twin River |
| 2 | Robin Groene, Howells | Fred Ivey, Scribner-Snyder |
| 2 | Tom Ramsbottom, Elkhorn | Chuck Johnston, Papillion-LaVista |
| 2 | Mike Lynch, Douglas County West | Jason Libal, Wahoo |
| 3 | Jay Bellar, Battle Creek, Board of Control | Dennis Dolliver, Norfolk |
| 3 | Rocky Ruhl, Wayne, Chairman | Jeff Bellar, Norfolk Catholic |
| 3 | Dennis Dolliver, Norfolk, Vice Chairman | Mike Sanne, Clearwater |
| 3 | Dan Navrkal, Pierce, Secretary | Dale Martin, Orchard |
| 3 | Mike Sanne, Clearwater | Derek Ippensen, West Point CC |
| 3 | Ann Kramer, Crofton | Bill McCallister, West Holt |
| 4 | Max Kroger, Ord, Board of Control | Dr. Brian Maher, Kearney |
| 4 | Joe Kutlas, Grand Island | |
| 4 | Dave Barrett, Adams Central, Vice Chairman | Rick Peters, St. Paul |
| 4 | Bill Mowinkel, Northwest, Secretary | Seth Ryker, Gothenburg |
| 4 | Teresa Rotert, Hershey | Howard Schumann, GI Central Catholic |
| 4 | Mel Shoemaker, Kearney | Sheri Chittenden, Paxton |
| 4 | Mark Skillstad, North Platte St. Pats | Jim Landwehr, Adams Central |
| 5 | Dr. Dallas Watkins, Dundy County-Stratton, Board of Control | Ron Streit, Cambridge |
| 5 | Vic Young, Wilcox-Hildreth, Chairman | Dan Keyser, Cambridge |
| 5 | Alan Garey, Medicine Valley, Vice Chairman | Damon McDonald, Arapahoe |
| 5 | Ron Streit, Cambridge, Secretary | Carl Ashman, Minden |
| 5 | Galen Kronhofman, Alma | |
| 6 | Kent Halley, Mitchell, Board of Control | Troy Unzicker, Kimball |
| 6 | Bruce Parish, Chadron, Chairman | |
| 6 | Robert Johnson, South Platte, Vice Chairman | Tim Wallace, Alliance |
| 6 | Dick Scott, Sidney, Secretary | Kevin Thomas, Potter-Dix |
| 6 | Lee Dick, Scottsbluff | |

I. Change in Constitution

A. The proposal deals with: Yearbook: Article 1 Section: 1.6.1.1 Page: 3

Board of Directors. The judicial and administrative authority of this Association shall reside in a Board of Directors, which shall be composed of one representative from each district. [Also impacted by this language change would be change from “Control” to “Directors” in the following bylaws and approved rulings: 1.3.2; 1.4.2; 1.5.1.3; 1.5.2; 1.5.2.1; 1.5.3.7; 1.5.3.8; 1.6.1.2; 1.6.1.3; 1.6.1.4; 1.6.1.5; 1.6.1.6; 1.6.2; 1.6.2.3; 1.7.1; 1.7.2; 1.7.4; 1.7.5; 1.10.1; 1.10.2.4; 1.10.2.5; 1.10.2.12; 1.10.2.13; 1.10.2.15; 1.10. 2.16; 1.10.2.17; 1.10.2.18; 1.10.3.6; 1.10.3.11; 1.10.3.12; 2.5.4; 2.6.1.1; 2.6.2.3; 2.8.1; 2.8.2; 2.8.2.2; 2.11.1; 2.11.2; 2.11.5; 2.11.6; 2.13.1; 1.13.1.1; 2.13.4; 2.13.4.4; A.R. 2.13.4; 2.15.2.1; A.R. 2.15.1; 3.1.2; A.R. 3.3.1.2; 3.3.4; 3.3.5; 3.3.7; A.R. 3.3.7; 3.3.7.1; 3.7.3; 3.9.1.1; 3.10.1; 3.11.4.8; 3.12.4.1; 4.5.6; 5.6.1; 5.6.2; 6.3.3; 6.6.1; 7.4.1; 7.4.3; 7.6.1; 8.3.1; 8.5.1; and 9.7.1.]

Cost Analysis of Proposal: No anticipated cost.

Rationale for the proposed change: There are those who get “hung up” on the name Board of Control. Even a state senator quizzed the NSAA Board and staff about that moniker, implying that the membership was “controlled” by the Board. Other states—Missouri, for example—have switched to a less imposing title of Board of Directors. While the term Board of Control has been used for nearly 100 years, it is deemed important to minimize the negative perceptions that the term conveys to some persons.

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B. The proposal deals with: Yearbook: Article 1 Section: 6.1.1 Page: 3

1.6 JUDICIAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE AUTHORITY

1.6.1.1 Board of Control. The judicial and administrative authority of this association shall reside in a Board of Control which shall be composed of one representative from each district and one additional representative from each NSAA district whose total grades 9-11 student population exceeds 12,000 students.

Approved Ruling 1.6.1.1 The Nebraska School Activities Association was founded upon the doctrine of equality of all school members and equal treatment of all of the students and staff of its member schools. The NSAA school membership presents a diverse population of students and staff to be represented by the district representative on the Board of Control with differences of race, color, national origin, religion, marital status, sex, age, or disability. In selecting the district representative for the Board of Control, school members of each district are encouraged to consider the diversity of the member schools, students, and staff of such district in the context of the representation of such diverse groups as part of the nomination and individualized consideration of each applicant for a position on the Board of Control.

1.6.1.2 Each member of the Board of Control shall be a superintendent of schools, a high school principal, or a supervisor whose duties are primarily administrative and are of such nature to require an administrative and supervisory certificate.

1.6.1.3 Election and term of office. Members of the board of control shall be elected at annual district meetings. The term of office shall be three years and shall commence on August 1 succeeding the date of election. An alternate member of the Board of Control shall be chosen in each district to succeed to membership on the Board of Control in case of a vacancy in the district represented. The alternate member shall serve as the member of the Board of Control of the district represented in all interschool controversies in which the member from that district has a special or a personal interest.

1.6.1.3.1 When an NSAA district’s student population dictates that a second Board of Control member be elected, that second board position shall be elected from among qualified candidates from the classification of schools in the district whose grades 9-11 student population represents the greatest student population.

Cost Analysis of Proposal: Additional meeting expenses for additional Board members.

Rationale for the proposed change: To provide a more equitable representation to the Board of Control.

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II. Change in Bylaws for all Activities

A. The proposal deals with: Yearbook: Article 2 Section: 13.4.1 Page: 13

No more than four member schools shall be permitted to combine and compete. (Cooperative Sponsorship)

Cost Analysis of Proposal: None.

Rationale for the proposed change: The enrollment in rural schools is continuing to decline. In addition, student participation in current activity offerings is declining. An adjustment in this guideline is needed to maintain current activity offerings and/or to create additional student opportunities.

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III. Change in Athletic Bylaws

A. The proposal deals with: Yearbook: Article 3 Section: 1.1.2 Page: 1

Girls Golf -Monday, Week 6 August 9, 2010 First Practice
 Thursday, Week 7 August 19, 2010 First Contest

Cost Analysis of Proposal: None

Rationale for the proposed change: Allow one more week for the girls golf season to help alleviate days of schools missed by the girls golfers by having several meets before school begins.

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B. The proposal deals with: Yearbook: Article 3 Section: 1.1.2 Page: 1

The soccer season shall begin the first day of practice as permitted by NSAA rules and shall end with the state tournament.

Week 36 March 7, 2011 First Practice
 Week 38 March 24, 2011 First Contest
 Week 45 May 9-12, 2011 District Tournaments
 Week 46, 47 May 18-24, 2011 State Tournament

Cost Analysis of Proposal: None

Rationale for the proposed change: Finish district boy's basketball tournaments before starting soccer practice. A week later allows for possible improved weather for the soccer season.

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C. The proposal deals with: Yearbook: Article 3 Section: 1.1 Page: 1

Activities Manual: Softball Page: 9

Future Dates

| Year | First Practice | First Contest | District Tournament | State Tournament |
|------|----------------|---------------|---------------------|------------------|
| 2010 | August 9 | August 19 | October 7-8 | October 13-14-15 |
| 2011 | August 8 | August 18 | October 6-7 | October 12-13-14 |
| 2012 | August 6 | August 16 | October 4-5 | October 10-11-12 |

The season starts the first day of practice. The first date of practice is Monday of Week 6 of the Standardized Calendar. The first date for a contest is Thursday of Week 7 of the Standardized Calendar. The season ends with the State Tournament.

Cost Analysis of Proposal: None

Rationale for the proposed change: This would allow Softball to have the same length of season for playing contests as Baseball and there is no longer a Title IX issue concerning the length of season for playing contests. Both Softball and Baseball would now have 7 weeks of regular season play before beginning District Tournaments.

By adding a week to the season the schedule of contests could be spread out so that there wouldn't be as many contests per week and therefore have time out of school be decreased per week.

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D. The proposal deals with: Yearbook: Article 3 Section: 3.11.11.3 Page: 15

The following school and student limitations apply:

- (1) In other than tournament competition, three schools playing two contests or playing two other schools in one session (night), counts as only one match.
- (2) No student shall take part in more than four volleyball matches per day in tournament competition. When a Nebraska team plays in an out-of-state tournament, the Nebraska school may play five matches in one day if that is the rule of the governing body of that state.
- (a) In other than tournament competition, no student may participate in more than two matches per day.
- (b) No student shall take part in more than six volleyball matches per week , except in tournament competition. The matches-per-week limitation does not apply to postponed contests.
- (c) Any participation during a set on any match counts as participation in that match.
- (3) A school that violates the team match limitation may be disqualified from district and state tournament competition. When a Nebraska team plays in an out-of-state tournament, the Nebraska school may play five matches per day if that is the rule that governs play in that state.
- (4) A school that violates the player limitations shall be assessed a point or side out and the player shall be removed from the match. The match shall then continue.

Cost Analysis of Proposal: None.

Rationale for the proposed change: The surrounding states have the following one-day match limitations:

Colorado: no single day limit (limits on total contests)

Kansas: single day limit of six matches

Iowa: single day limit of six matches

South Dakota: no single day limit (tournament and contest limits for season)

Wyoming: single day limit of five matches

Rule 3.11.11.3 Section 2 does allow Nebraska schools to play four matches in a single day when playing out-of-state, however since no surrounding state has a four match limit this rule is essentially ineffective and meaningless.

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IV. Change in Middle Level Activities

A. The proposal deals with: Yearbook: Article: 9 Section: 9.2 Page: 2

Delete section 9.9.2. A student shall become eligible for four semesters of junior high/middle school activities participation beginning with his/her initial enrollment in grade seven.

Cost Analysis of Proposal: None

Rationale for the proposed change: Middle School purposes states that:

9.1.1 The primary goal of seventh and eight grade activities programs is participation. The purpose should be to encourage and promote participation of all students in a variety of activities; every student who chooses to participate should be granted that opportunity.

9.9.2 Contradicts the above statement and should be removed. It should be a local administrative decision on whether a middle level student needs to repeat a grade level for various reasons and should not be denied the opportunity to participate.

9.9.3 states that: No student who has attained the age of fifteen years shall be eligible for junior high/middle school interschool competition except as follows: a student who becomes fifteen years of age on or after August 1 shall be eligible on the basis of age until the end of the current school year. This section is sufficient control of length of participation.

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B. The proposal deals with: Yearbook: Article 9 Section: 10.1 Page: 2

If a member junior high/middle school does not offer a particular activity program, it is permissible for that school to enter into a cooperative sharing agreement with another school that does offer the program.

Cost Analysis of Proposal: None.

Rationale for the proposed change: Recommendation from the Advisory Committee for Middle Level Activities to permit member junior high/middle schools to enter a cooperative sharing agreement with another member or non-member junior high/middle school.

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V. New Business

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