KPSAA General Membership Meeting Minutes

Thursday, April 17, 2014

10:00 a.m., Warehouse DMC Room

1. Curtis Schmidt called the meeting to order at 10:04 a.m.
2. Roll call

Members present: John O’Brien, Curtis Schmidt, Trevan Walker, Tony Graham ,

Amy Johnson, Jim Beeson, Jay Griffel, Bill Holt

Justin Zank – excused absence

1. Approval of February 20, 2014 Executive Board Meeting minutes

Motion was made by Bill Holt to approve the February 20, 2014 Executive Board Meeting minutes.

Amy Johnson seconded the motion.

Vote: Passed unanimously.

1. April 17, 2014 agenda approval

Motion was made by Jim Beeson to amend the April 17, 2014 KPSAA General Membership meeting by grouping all the music related agenda items together and address them when Renee’ Henderson arrives. In addition add to the agenda the H.S. Borough track update.

Bill Holt seconded the motion.

Vote: Passed unanimously.

1. Guests:

Laurie Olson, Renee’ Henderson

1. Executive Secretary report/communications

* Volleyball and Basketball ‘A’ Teams and Soccer details for Soldotna Middle School (Skyview Middle School) – John O’Brien/Sarge Truesdell

Sarge Truesdell is fully committed to implementing B teams for the upcoming school year. The KPSAA board was sensitive to having two ‘A’ teams competing with each other and felt it was not healthy for the students. With this change, more students will be able to compete. The KPSAA board is open to John O’Brien and Sarge Truesdell working together on monitoring numbers

* To re-instate the track stipend for Ninilchik was approved due to sufficient participation numbers.
* A request for Seward High to add a second assistant track coach has been approved due to sufficient participation numbers.
* A request for Glen Allen to be allowed to attend Nikiski Middle School track meet on 5/10/14 has been approved.
* A request for Susan B. English Track stipend (10 students) be reinstated has been approved.
* Current parent representative’s 3-year term is up after this year (Jay Griffel).

A certificate

1. Action and Discussion items

* Activity Bus Driver Research Results – John O’Brien/Tony Graham

This is not part of negotiated agreement so monies would be coming from the sports programs’ budget and fundraising. A few members felt that a $2.00/hour increase would not help with getting more drivers. Eighty percent of applicants cannot pass the drug testing. John O’Brien will attain input from principals and discuss costs of using First Student with Laurie Olson. This will be a fall KPSAA meeting agenda item.

Motion was made by Jim Beeson to have John bring the results of his research to the fall KPSAA meeting.

Bill Holt seconded the motion.

Vote: Passed unanimously.

* Report on Mass Choir and Grace Christian Attendance and request to add Kodiak to the “Schools Permitted to Come” list for high school music festivals, including both honor and mass festivals.

The Leadership Team is very much in favor of allowing them to attend however would like a commitment in order for the District to plan the budget. At this time, Grace Christian and Kodiak cannot afford to attend but they like the opportunity for when they have the funding.

Motion was made by Tony Graham to issue and invitation each spring and ask them to let us know if they are attending by September 10. The host school/coordinator will send out invitations. In addition coordinator will ensure our district’s students are not bumped from attending.

Amy Johnson seconded the motion.

Vote: Passed unanimously.

* Renee’ Henderson proposed Central Peninsula as being the host each year for High School Music Festivals due to decreased attendance in Homer.

KPSAA board felt that since we are a vibrant district and have various facilities, directors should be allowed to host. This allows local community folks to participate as well as giving the community an opportunity to shine. In addition, it was felt that this is a service to parents who are not always able to travel to the Central Peninsula.

It was recommended by the board that principals include music in their travel money.

Formula reconfiguration will be addressed at the fall KPSAA meeting.

Motion was made by Bill Holt for John O’Brien to send out a Memo to principals strongly recommending them to include music in their travel money budget

Amy Johnson seconded the motion.

Vote: Passed unanimously.

* Music Festival Fees – Amy Johnson

It was suggested that music festival fees, participation and gate, be put into the KPSAA handbook.

High school choir participation fee will now be: $20.00 (was $25.00)

High school band participation fee will now be: $25.00 (was $25.00)

Middle school choir participation fee will now be: $10.00 (was $15.00)

Middle school band participation fee will now be: $15.00 (was $10.00)

The above fees will be re-visited at the April 2015 KPSAA meeting.

In an effort to attain transparency, Tony Graham motioned these fees be put in the KPSAA handbook.

Bill Holt seconded the motion.

Vote: Passed unanimously.

Both High school and middle school gate fees will now be:

Adults - $5.00

Senior Citizens - $3.00

Students - $2.00

Family - $15.00

Motion was made by Trevan Walker to change the gate fees to the above amounts.

Amy Johnson seconded the motion.

Vote: Passed unanimously.

* Approval of 2014-15 Activity Calendars

1. Co-curricular Calendar of Events for SY 2014-15 (H.S.)
2. Middle School Activity Schedule
3. Music Activities Calendar of Events for SY 2014-15 Amy Johnson amended the first calendar presented to the KPSAA board.
4. ASAA Calendar of Events for SY 2014-15
5. Borough Tournament Schedule and Sites (M.S. and H.S.) One change made on H.S. track – May 9th only.

Motion was made by Tony Graham to approve the 2014-15 Activity Calendars as listed above.

Amy Johnson seconded the motion.

Vote: Passed unanimously.

* Handbook Changes
* Amend XII. Activity Rules, Soccer (Boys and Girls) in the KPSAA Middle School Handbook with the following:

3. Each team shall consist of eleven players, one of whom shall be the goalkeeper. At local contests and tournament play, a minimum of an eight-member team may be used if a school is unable to field eleven players. The opposing team will not be required to play the same number of players. They may use a full squad of eleven players if available.

- Restructuring KPSAA Meeting Calendar by moving spring meeting up from end of April

until middle of April.

* High school mass/honor band date change to March 23-24 and at this same time frame subsequent years.
* Change KPSAA By-laws to read as follows:

Article III – Membership, 3. A high school is defined as a school which offers grades 9 through 12 or any combination thereof.

Article VI – Sanctioned Activities, 2. Each participating school shall have submitted their proposals for suggested activities and tournament sites by the last Tuesday of March. Also change 3. The Board shall act on these proposals at the April meeting.

Article VIII – KPSAA Board – 2. D. to read ‘one elementary representative’. Remove one borough assembly member. Add one K-12 small school representative

Article X – Term of Membership, A. Four newly elected members and then add one K-12 small schools representative.

* Borough Cross Country Running Race will be held midweek and the race will be a distance of 3 kilometers.
* Student Requirements for Participation in Interscholastic Activities – correspondence or charter program, Middle School Handbook, p. 9, B. 3 & 4:

3) Eliminate the word ‘only’

4) Should read as follows: Students attending a KPBSD approved correspondence or charter program that has been granted separate school status may participate in any non-team related activity at their declared school of eligibility within the district on a space-available basis as determined by the school administrator and/or site council. This may only occur if the correspondence or charter program does not offer that activity.

* Change the language in the Middle School Handbook, page 29, J. 4. –

**FROM:**

If a middle school has two “A” level teams in any sport, each team will be evenly balanced by skill level across both grade levels as approved by the building administrator.

**TO:**

“If a middle school has two “A” level teams in any sport, there will be one 7th grade A team and one 8th grade A team.

* Appendix D – Team/Staffing Guidelines: Football; add 4th assistant coach for 60+ participants. Basketball; add 2nd Assistant coach for 25+ participants. Assistant Cheer; new coaching position and range.

Motion was made by Jim Beeson to approve all the above KPSAA Handbook changes.

Amy Johnson seconded the motion

Vote: Passed unanimously

* Election Results. The following seats were vacant and needed to be filled (see below). Voting was conducted electronically prior to the meeting and sent to Nancy Hamburg. The results of the voting were announced and are listed below.

1. Activity Representative Amy Johnson

Was elected

1. Secondary Administrative Representative Curtis Schmidt

Was elected

1. Representative at Large Trevan Walker

Was elected

1. Middle School/Jr. High Representative Jason Bickling

Was elected

1. Parent Representative – NOTE: This position will be finalized at our September 2014 KPSAA Meeting. This is due to the Board needing to go through a process to fill this and then informing us of their appointee prior to the September 2014 meeting.
2. High School Representative Alan Fields was nominated to fill in for Jim Beeson for the 2014-15 school year.

Motion was made by Tony Graham to approve the above election results.

Amy Johnson seconded the motion.

Vote: Passed unanimously.

1. Adjournment

At 12:45 p.m., Jim Beeson moved to adjourn

Amy Johnson seconded the motion

Vote: Passed unanimously.

* 2014-15 KPSAA meeting dates:

Thursday, September 18, 2014

Thursday, November 13, 2014

Thursday, February 19, 2015

Thursday, April 16, 2015