**KPSAA Executive Board Meeting Minutes**

**Thursday, September 17, 2015**

**10:00 a.m., Redoubt Conference Room**

1. Call the meeting to order
   1. Meeting called to order by Curt Schmidt at 10:02 a.m.
2. Roll call
   1. Members present: Amy Johnson (by phone), Bill Holt, Bridget Clark, Conrad Woodhead, Curtis Schmidt, Dan Beck, John Pothast, Kent Peterson, Steve Klaich, Trevan Walker. Members not present: none
3. Seat new representatives – Curt Schmidt 10:04 a.m.
   1. Conrad Woodhead – Elementary Representative
   2. Dan Beck – Middle School Representative
   3. Kent Peterson – High School Representative
4. Approval of April 16, 2015 Executive Board Meeting Minutes
   1. Motion to approve Executive Board Meeting Minutes from the April 16, 2015 meeting at 10:06 a.m. by Trevan Walker, second by Bill Holt, no opposition
5. September 17, 2015 Executive Board Meeting Agenda approval 10:08 a.m.
   1. Request by Curt Schmidt to add 7e ‘Agenda Creation for the next KPSAA Meeting’ to the current agenda
   2. Request by Bridget Clark to add 7f ‘Mercy Rule discussion’ to the current agenda
   3. Motion to approve agenda as amended by Bill Holt, second by Bridget Clark, no opposition
6. Guests: N/A
7. Executive Secretary report/communications – John Pothast 10:09 a.m.
   1. Camp approvals: Homer High – Alaska Basketball Academy; Homer High – Football Basic Skills Camp; Soldotna High – Football Camp; Skyview Middle – Basketball camp
   2. SWMS 6th grade participation in soccer
   3. Homer Middle waiver for soccer
   4. Electronic End of Season Analysis reporting
8. Action and Discussion items 10:14 a.m.
   1. ASAA Update – Steve Klaich – Discussion 10:14 a.m.
      1. April ASAA Board meeting recap; next meeting is the first week of October, send items to Steve if you want something discussed at the board level.
      2. Football discussion regarding realigning conferences; need feedback from schools regarding cutting the number of teams that move to post season, currently 8 of 13 teams, which is high. Possible opt in/out of unifier scheduling, there will not be a procedure change with how the scheduling process is currently being handled, just a change in the school being able to have the option.
      3. Juneau will be the host site for swim/dive in 2016, schools may need to do more fundraising for team travel to Juneau.
      4. Approved language changes to out of season contact contract, recommend that the coaches take a look at the new language. This is related to the coach contact with students during the summer months and contact with small groups.
      5. A proposal will be coming back up in October regarding schools requesting a co-op that are not part of the same district. Currently the co-op schools need to be part of the same district. Steve is looking for feedback on this to take to the board meeting.
      6. Changes to the ejection policy, changes to a sliding scale based on the school’s enrollment. Also changed the policy so the Admin could call in or electronically go in front of the ASAA board, rather than go to the board in person.
      7. ASAA updated waiver forms when changing school of eligibility, change of residence, and the new forms ask for a lot more information from the sending school to determine if there is a legitimate change in residence.
      8. Changed the wording when a student changes schools after the start of practice, using the first contest as the deciding factor instead of first practice. A student can be enrolled at one school, transfer to another school, and participate in a sport at both schools as long as the school has not held their first contest.
      9. Approved changes to process of how state football hosting sites are decided, to a bid process. This came from SoHi/Kenai co-operative application to host state. Possible issue with home field advantage, Kent Peterson indicated that they put in the request that the host school would not have home field advantage. Steve Klaich indicated that there is still time to modify your application and clarify.
      10. Section 9 of the transfer rule, now does not apply to music, fine arts, rural language, and student government.
      11. 3A basketball, berths to state was out of skew, and it will now be an at large, and WPI (winning percent index) will determine; so any of the conferences could get the birth to state. ASAA requires weekly reporting team sports on 365, there will be a fine and reduction in WPI points.
      12. Approved girls wrestling as an unclassified state tournament, so there will be one tournament for all school classifications.
      13. Football camp; wording about contact limits for football camps due to concussions. Limits exist for regular season football. New language regarding camps
      14. SMAC made recommendations to change the 2 consecutive day of no contact after a concussion, there was a change made to allow contact with restrictions.
   2. Review of 6th grade/MS participation – Discussion 10:59 a.m.
      1. Dan Beck to take the lead on continuing the middle school and 6th grade participation conversations. Possibly work with Steve Klaich and Conrad Woodhead for the small school perspective. Issues that we see; relook at the language that we changed and find out how that has impacted the schools, figure out how to accommodate the small schools that need a waiver every year to include 6th graders to have a team, take a look at A team B team issues.
   3. Proposed meeting date change – November 19, 2015 - Action 11:22 a.m.
      1. Discussion to change the meeting to November 17, 2015 location TDB; motion to approve by Steve Klaich, second by Dan Beck, no opposition
   4. Agenda creation for next meeting - Discussion 11:42 a.m.
      1. Letter from Phil Leck regarding track safety and coaches, limited to 3 coaches max, look at using 710 fundraising money to get additional coaches. Does this create an equitable situation?
      2. Discussion regarding stipends and request to take a look at the current student/coach ratios with regards to stipends.
      3. 6th grade participation in sports
      4. Discussion regarding co-ed teams for MS
      5. Current eligibility requirements for students at the end of the school year, with ASAA changing the start of the season, there isn’t really a penalty for those over the summer ineligibility because they have three weeks or practice before they play a game, so there is not a game penalty for the student.
      6. Forms regarding travel - discussion
   5. Mercy Rule – Discussion 11:27 a.m.
      1. Concerns regarding recent MS scores
      2. Discussion regarding the previous tentative approval to consolidate some MS teams to one team instead of two teams
9. Adjournment
   1. Motion to adjourn at 12:02 p.m. by Trevan Walker, second by Bill Holt, no opposition