

KPSAA Executive Board Meeting

MINUTES

NOVEMBER 13, 2018

10:00 AM – 1:30 PM

SOPREP PD ROOM

CALL TO ORDER – The meeting was called to order at 10:01 AM

ROLL CALL:

Dan Beck: *Middle School Representative (2019) - Present*
Dan Carstens: *Representative at Large (2020) - Present*
Kari Dendurent: *Executive Secretary – Present*
Jeremy Hamilton: *Parent Representative (2020) – Present*
Mike Illg: *Board of Education Representative – Present*
Steve Klaich: *K-12 Schools Representative (2020) – Present*
Kyle McFall: *Activities Representative (2020) – Present*
Kent Peterson: *High School Representative (2019) – Present*
Trevan Walker: *Secondary Administrator (2020) – Present*
Conrad Woodhead: *Elementary School Representative (2019) – Arrived 10:03*

Procedural – Quorum established

Approval of September 13, 2018 Executive Board Meeting Minutes

- Motion to approve minutes by Dan Beck, seconded by Dan Carstens (Carried – Unanimous Consent)

Approval of November 13, 2018 Agenda with Flexibility

- Motion to approve the agenda by Dan Beck, seconded by Kyle McFall (Carried – Unanimous Consent)

Executive Secretary Report/Communications

- Declined waiver for CIA to use players in grades 5-9 to play soccer vs Chapman
- Approval for Ninilchik to change middle school basketball to a Co-Ed team to accommodate two girls wanting to play basketball (not enough girls to field a team)
- Approval for Nikiski Middle to use 6th graders to play soccer due to ineligibility given they are not bumping 7th/8th graders
- Approval for Nikiski M/H to add Range 10 girls basketball coaching stipend
- Approval for Nikolaevsk to start Volleyball tournament at 2:00 Oct. 18-19, visiting teams; request is to facilitate five matches
- Aurora Borealis requested procedure for adding Nordic Skiing activity this year
- Approval for KCHS to conduct Basketball fundraiser on Nov. 10, prior to season starting
- Miscellaneous: Procedural / Meeting times
- Approval for Nikiski Middle to allow 6th grade to participate in A Team Boys Soccer

Discussion Items

- Kari contacted several districts regarding if they maintain minimum participation numbers for Cheer stipends. Anchorage, Mat-Su, and Fairbanks all reported not having minimum numbers to fund a Cheer stipend. The board discussion noted all extra-curricular activities currently have minimum numbers. Dan C. suggested four (4) participants as a minimum. Cheer draws in girls that typically don't participate in any other activity. It's not an additional cost as Cheer stipends are already in the budget. Move to Action Item.
- District administration has asked all middle and high school principals to meet and discuss the athletic director's request for additional scheduling days. The decision was made to not create a committee at this point, and to keep extra-curricular at the building level. HR said this could be done under Inservice activities with Mr. Pothast's permission. Discussion tabled.
- Conrad brought forward discussion regarding the recent Small Schools Basketball tournament for middle schools and the fact that Nanwalek, Port Graham and Tebughna have expressed interest in participating as a Co-ed Small School division. It was noted that no across the water schools are listed in Appendix D (Staff Guidelines). Trevan suggested Conrad draft language encompassing the conversations he's had with small school administrators and the issues he's encountered while hosting the Small Schools Middle School Basketball tournament. Board will take Action at the February meeting.
- Kent explained to the board that band directors nationwide are very busy during March Madness. The issue makes it extremely difficult to secure conductors for the KPBSD Honor/Mass band festival. He proposed possibly moving the festival to early April. The board suggested Kent send correspondence to band directors and principals asking for their feedback and present the outcome at the February meeting.
- Mr. Pothast notified the board that Aurora Borealis Charter School is proposing to move forward with their plan to add high school grades, becoming a K-12 school. Mr. Pothast feels this will pass school board approval and requests for KPSAA to co-op their athletes until they maintain enough participants to field school teams. He said it's very likely Aurora Borealis will be proposing to KPSAA to add athletics to charter schools. There is still work to do in having conversations with administration. Aurora will need to develop school eligibility with ASAA. Mr. Pothast said it's possible Aurora will be starting teams with just freshmen (9th grade), they will choose their eligibility school for extra-curricular participation. More on this in February.
- Board members discussed whether KPSAA should maintain concussion certification renewal every two years or re-align to coordinate with ASAA, which is every 3 years. Board felt it's better to err on the safety of the students. The training being on every other year rotation is easier to track. JP will have the conversation

with superintendent Dusek and Dr. Ermold for their feedback. The certification is included in the district training bundles, but that is not accessible to coaches that are not district employees. JP will follow up and report back in February.

- The board discussed two changes to middle school sports.
 - Middle school basketball press rule. Does amending the pressing component conflict with the philosophy of middle school sports. In particular skill building vs competitiveness. The board recognizes the need to learn how to press, and also how to break a press. Middle school players should first learn to love the sport, then learn skill sets.
 - Middle school volleyball best of 3. Amend to guarantee 3 sets for each match, even if third set is for “fun”.
- Dan Beck will investigate with middle school administrators and solicit their feedback. He will propose language changes for February if he receives a consensus.

Discussion Items, cont.

- ASAA Update:
 - Met October 1 & 2 in Anchorage
 - Student government will be held in Spring 2019 in Bethel.
 - Coaches fall under the mandatory reporter training requirement. Does KPBSD want to track this in Arbiter for record keeping? (Can ASAA provide the link?)
 - TAD and concussions will be tracked in Arbiter (call ASAA office for now).
 - ASAA Hall of Fame ceremony on May 5.
 - Soccer coaches requested State berths change from 6 to 8 in both classifications .
 - ASAA board said “no” to basketball reclassification.
 - Volleyball reclassification, Region V proposal to move 3A top from 500 to 800 (discussed moving only southeast schools, not statewide).
 - With the elimination of WPI, adopted selection and seeding criteria for basketball.
 - Football scheduling passed with minor changes.
 - Arbiter Athlete for grades 7-8, negotiating a rate (\$5 per kid?). Can forms be merged with high school forms?
 - Working on a rotation for State tournament sites.
 - TAD statute of limitations...to be determined by school or district, not ASAA.
 - First Aid, Concussion and Sudden Cardiac Arrest certification expiration date, proposing new language to clarify that all certifications are good for 3 years.
 - Approved Homer – Ninilchik co-op request for wrestling
 - Now requiring soccer scores to be reported on ASAA 365.
 - January 30 statewide scheduling meeting at Lakefront.
 - E-Sports update: 7-8 valley schools and 16-18 schools statewide participating, fall and spring season. Process exists for ASAA sanctioning and State event, anticipate Region III request in December (Mat-Su).

Action Items

1. The board voted to change the high school Travel Limitations as follows:

VI. GENERAL ACTIVITIES POLICIES FOR THE KPBSD

A. Travel Limitations

1. Students traveling more than a ~~25~~ 30 mile radius to or from all District-sponsored practices or contests not held at your home site must do so in school provided vehicles, unless specifically released in writing by their parent or legal guardian and approved by the building administrator or his/her designee to travel by some other method. "Home Site" is defined as the location where your school is hosting an event or all schools share a site (e.g. Soldotna Sports Center).
- Motion to approve Action Item 1 by Dan Beck, seconded by Dan Carstens
(Carried – Unanimous Consent)
2. The board voted to approve sending the date change for the Borough Student Council Meeting on Monday, March 4, 2019 to the School Board for early approval.
- Motion to approve Action Item 2 by Dan Beck, seconded by Dan Carstens
(Carried – Unanimous Consent)
- Motion to Adjourn at 12:32 PM by Dan Carstens, seconded by Dan Beck
(Carried – Unanimous Consent)
- Next meeting Thursday, February 21, 2019