



MIAA  
Board of Directors  
Wednesday, January 15, 2020  
MIAA Office  
MINUTES

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MIAA FULL BOARD COMMITTEE MEETING

1. Meeting called to order at 11:17am
2. Attendance – members present: Tom Arria, Dan Bauer, Tim Brillo, Keith Crowley, Deborah Davis, Charlie Flahive, Jeff Granatino, Thom Holdgate, Patrick Mara, Naomi Martin, Wes Paul, Jim Pignataro, Dan Shine, Stephanie Sibley, Mark Sullivan, Matthew Trahan and Lindsey von Holtz.  
  
Members regret: Gordon Smith, Brian McCann, Christine Vigneaux and Gregg Brighenti submitted his resignation.
3. Minutes of December 11, 2019 were approved unanimously.
4. Lindsey von Holtz reported on the Finance Committee meeting, some changes noted were Game Officials and NFHS rule books. Fall tournament review took place, gate is up approximately \$20,000, expenses were up about 4.5%, net for fall is approximately \$100,000. Lindsey noted these are not final numbers as fall tournament financials are not 100% complete as of this date. Football at Gillette was discussed – net is comparable as last year.
5. Executive Director Bill Gaine presented a report on Educational Athletics which included a menu of upcoming programs as well as an Inclusion video which was previewed at the DEI Summit.
6. Tara Bennett reported on communications. Social media report: followers on Twitter and Instagram has increased within the last few months. An email to membership was forwarded yesterday to increase communication on initiatives completed by the MIAA since the Board's Strategic Plan charge.
7. Executive Director Bill Gaine provided a PowerPoint presentation in regards to Board composition in regards to the recently approved redistricting proposal (see attached). Motion to amend voting members to 22 and increase the number of principals to 9 and athletic directors to 9 as well as changing the District language from A to H to 1 to 9 – approved unanimously.
8. District Athletic Committee (DAC) composition – New Language- Suggested by District Athletic Committee: The District Athletic Committee (DAC) will be comprised of no more than eight members. The DAC should be comprised of either an administrator or an athletic director annually nominated by each league in that district, and elected by the Board of

Directors. Membership on each district athletic committee should be evenly divided between principals and athletic directors. On district committees with an uneven number of members, administrators, whenever possible, shall sit in the majority. Each DAC shall elect its chair annually - voted unanimously to approve.

9. Statewide Tournament Proposal – Members of the TMC Johanna DiCarlo, Jim O’Leary and Shaun Hart visited with the Board to discuss a timetable and site for an Assembly meeting. TMC is recommending to the Board that a separate assembly meeting take place separate from the Annual meeting – the last week of February with a snow date of first week of March. Motion – hold a separate general assembly meeting the last week of February – voted to approved 14-3. Further discussion decided February 28<sup>th</sup> was the preferred date with doors opening at 9:00am – start time at 10:00am. The TMC further recommended the format for the vote via ballot with attendance taking when you arrive and attendance taken at the ballot box. It was recommended to be posted and emailed to all members.
10. Jeff Granatino asked volunteers to participate in the Annual Meeting subcommittee to start planning and preparation – Thom Holdgate, Lindsey von Holtz, Keith Crowley, Jeff Granatino and Stephanie Sibley all agreed to volunteer. Further communication will be forwarded next week.
11. MSSADA – Thom Holdgate reported the MSSADA Executive Board is wrapping up their Strategic Plan. He also announced a sportsmanship partnership with MIAA (see attached letter).
12. MASC – Deb Davis reported the Board is looking to fill vacancies on our leadership document.
13. MASS – Jeff Granatino reported that the Executive Board meeting is scheduled for January 22<sup>nd</sup> and members of the MIAA and TMC will provide a presentation to the Board.
14. MSAA – Brian McCann sent his regrets today but will provide ongoing reports.
15. Executive Director Bill Gaine reported on the NFHS Winter meeting he attended in Texas the first week of February. He presented a PowerPoint that illustrated NFHS online courses. Two major issues that was discussed during the conference was National Championships and Concussions in Football.
16. Strategic Plan Charge / Timetable / Meeting Date(s) – the committee is looking at 2 days of meetings. A date has yet to be established. The subcommittee will update the Board on any new information as they meet. It was decided that the entire Board receive meeting notices for them to decide if they would like to attend each meeting.
17. Next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, March 4, 2020.
18. Meeting adjourned at 2:01pm.