

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Arkansas Activities Association Board of Directors Thursday-Friday, January 14-15, 2010

The Board of Directors of the Arkansas Activities Association met on Thursday, January 14, 2010, at the AAA Building at 4:00 p.m. with President George Foshee, Jessierville, presiding. Other board members present were:

Bobby Acklin, North Little Rock	Dr. Delena Gammill, Ozark Mtn.	Rick McLaughlin, HS Lakeside
Max Adcock, Mineral Springs	Nathan Gills, Glen Rose	Howard Morris, Riverview
Wesley Berry, West Memphis	Doug Graham, Nashville	Micky Pierce, East Poinsett County
Joe Couch, Bergman	Alfred Hogan, Turrell	Andrew Tolbert, Warren
Lewis Diggs, Centerpoint	Frank Holman, Lincoln	Fred Walker, IZard Co. Consolidated
Carl Easley, Wynne	Jim Loyd, Paris	Wesley White, Russellville

Present from the AAA staff were Lance Taylor, Kathy Tadlock, Don Brodell, Joey Walters, Wadie Moore, Annette Savage and Amber Balboa. Also present was Mike Simmons representing the Arkansas Department of Education. ADE

Guests included representatives of member schools and media representatives having an interest in the selection of sites for championship events.

2010 CHAMPIONSHIP SITE SELECTIONS – The following were selected or reported as sites for 2010 championship events.

BASKETBALL

Region, February 24-27

Class 4A

North	Farmington
East	Heber Springs
South	Fordyce

Class 3A

Region 1	Lincoln
Region 2	Riverview
Region 3	Manila
Region 4	Prescott

Class 2A

North	Midland
West	Hector
East	White County Central
South	Mineral Springs

Class 1A

Region 1	Lead Hill
Region 2	Calico Rock
Region 3	South Side, Bee Branch
Region 4	West Side, Greer's Ferry
Region 5	Nevada County

State, March 2-6

Class 7A	Van Buren
Class 6A	West Memphis
Class 5A	No Bid
Class 4A	Highland
Class 3A	Jessierville
Class 2A	Carlisle
Class 1A	Hillcrest

BASEBALL

Region, May 7-10

Class 4A

North	Berryville – Harrison Parks & Rec
East	Valley View
South	Nashville

Class 3A

Region 1	Greenland
Region 2	Bauxite
Region 3	Tuckerman
Region 4	Parkers Chapel

Class 2A

North	Marked Tree
West	Union Christian
East	McCroly
South	Woodlawn

Class 1A

Region 1	Alpena
Region 2	Izard County
Region 3	South Side Bee Branch
Region 4	Poyen

State, May 14-17

Class 7A	North Little Rock (Burns Park)
Class 6A	No Bid
Class 5A	Monticello
Class 4A	Rogers – Veterans Park
Class 3A	Bergman
Class 2A	Norphlet
Class 1A	White Hall – PB Taylor Field

State Finals, May 21-22

All Classes	UA, Fayetteville
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SOFTBALL

Region, May 7-10**Class 4A**

North	Berryville
East	Newport
South	Star City

Class 3A

Region 1	Green Forest
Region 2	Bauxite
Region 3	Tuckerman
Region 4	Parkers Chapel

Class 2A

North	Marked Tree
West	No Bid
East	McCrary
South	Woodlawn

Class 1A

Region 1	Scranton
Region 2	Viola
Region 3	South Side Bee Branch
Region 4	Poyen

State, May 14-17

Class 7A	Cabot
Class 6A	CAC - Sherwood
Class 5A	Wynne
Class 4A	Nashville
Class 3A	Parkers Chapel
Class 2A	Junction City
Class 1A	Viola

State Finals, May 21-22

All Classes	Fayetteville - UA
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SOCCER**State, April 30 – May 3**

Class 7A	Rogers
Class 6A	Mountain Home
Class 5A	Harrison

Class 4A	LR Episcopal Collegiate
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State Finals, May 8-9

All Classes	Fayetteville, U of A
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SWIMMING AND DIVING**State, February 26-27**

All Classes	UA, Fayetteville (Bentonville HS)
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TRACK AND FIELD**State, April 29, 30 and May 1**

Class 7A	UA, Fayetteville (Fayetteville HS)
Class 6A	Lake Hamilton
Class 5A	Paragould
Class 4A	Pocahontas
Class 3A	Prescott
Class 2A	Mineral Springs
Class 1A	Genoa Central (Trinity Christian)

MEET OF CHAMPIONS**May 8**

All Classes	Lake Hamilton
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DECATHLON-HEPTATHLON**May 12-13**

All Classes	Cabot
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CROSS COUNTRY

State, November 6	Rogers
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VOLLEYBALL**State, October 26-28**

Class 7A	Bentonville
Class 6A	Benton
Class 5A	Wynne
Class 4A	Harrison Youth Center (Berryville)
Class 3A	Fountain Lake

State Finals, October 31

All Classes	Bentonville HS
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The board authorized the AAA staff to secure sites for those events having no invitations. (Motion: Berry/Adcock, 19-0)

Friday, January 15, 2010**AAA Board of Directors Meeting Resumed**

The Board of Directors of the Arkansas Activities Association met on Friday, January 15, 2010, at the AAA Building at 9:00 a.m. with President George Foshee, Jessierville, presiding. All board members were present. AAA staff members present were Lance Taylor, Kathy Tadlock, Don Brodell, Joey Walters, Wadie Moore, Annette Savage and Amber Balboa.

Guests present included Kevin Danaher, representing the Arkansas High School Athletic Administrators Association, Joe Mallett, Conway St. Joseph, representing ANSAA and Mike Simmons, Arkansas Department of Education liaison to the AAA.

MINUTES – The minutes of the board meeting of October 22, 2009, were unanimously approved as presented. (Motion: Diggs/Tolbert, 19-0)

FINANCIAL REPORT – Amber Balboa presented the December 2009 financial report and the football financial report. The board unanimously accepted both reports as presented. (Motion: Loyd/Berry, 19-0)

FOOTBALL PLAYOFFS – Don Brodell commented on the success of this year’s football playoffs and commended the University of Central Arkansas for stepping up to assist with the 3A finals.

SPRING SPORTS CONFERENCES – The board unanimously approved tentative conference assignments for all spring sports. (Motion: Holman/Morris, 19-0).

2010 BASEBALL/SOFTBALL FINALS SCHEDULE – Baseball and softball finals will be played May 21-22 at UA, Fayetteville, on the following schedule:

SOFTBALL		BASEBALL	
<u>Friday, May 21</u>		<u>Friday, May 21</u>	
2:00 p.m.	3A	2:00 p.m.	5A
4:00 p.m.	2A	4:30 p.m.	6A
6:00 p.m.	1A	7:00 p.m.	7A
<u>Saturday, May 22</u>		<u>Saturday, May 22</u>	
10:00 a.m.	5A	10:00 a.m.	1A
12:00 p.m.	6A	12:30 p.m.	2A
2:00 p.m.	7A	3:00 p.m.	4A
4:00 p.m.	4A	5:30 p.m.	3A

BOWLING CONFERENCES AND STATE SITES - The board unanimously approved tentative conference assignments and state sites for bowling. (Motion: McLaughlin/Berry, 19-0)

7A-6A	5A-4A	3A-2A-1A
Tuesday, February 16, 2010 11 a.m.	Tuesday, February 16, 2010 11 a.m.	Tuesday, February 16, 2010 11 a.m.
Fast Lane Entertainment 1117 N. Dixieland Lowell AR 72745	Jonesboro Bowling Center 3102 Shelby Drive Jonesboro AR 72401	Professor Bowl 901 Towne Oaks Drive Little Rock AR 72207

SPRING SURVEY – Joey Walters reported that he is compiling questions for the Spring Survey to be discussed at the Activity District meetings. He encouraged board members to submit any additional items they wish to be added.

SPORTS MEDICINE – Joey Walters updated the board on the meeting and work of the Sports Medicine Advisory Committee. The board unanimously approved committee recommendations to (1) send out an email to AAA voting representatives and coaches about MRSA precautions for basketball; and, (2) adding MRSA as the 2010-2011 Sports Medicine Point of Emphasis. (Motion: Berry/Hogan, 19-0) The board also approved Lightning Guidelines that will be added to the AAA website and sent out prior to spring outdoor sports seasons. (Motion: White/Berry, 19-0)

CORPORATE SPONSOR UPDATE –Wadie Moore updated the board with information on corporate sponsorships including the addition of Musco Lighting as a new sponsor. The association now has 28 corporate sponsors. Potential sponsorships are pending with Arkansas State Police, Diamond Bank and a medical equipment supply company. There is some interest from the U.S. Marines in sponsoring wrestling.

GOLF RECOMMENDATIONS – The board unanimously approved two proposed golf rules recommendations: (Motion: Couch/White, 19-0)

1. Monitors - To require monitors for all groups at conference and state tournaments, and
2. Coaching - When all groups are covered by a monitor/scorer, head coaches may be allowed to coach their athlete(s) while walking from green to green, but cannot delay play or stop walking.

VOLLEYBALL RECOMMENDATIONS – The Volleyball Advisory Committee recommendations to add four items to the AAA Volleyball Manual were unanimously approved. (Motion: Couch/Gammill, 19-0).

1. Hiring Officials – It is unethical for a school to hire a game official (R1 or R2) immediately related to a coach or player.
2. Coach/Team – Officials Relations – It is inappropriate for game officials to mix socially with coaches or players on game day.
3. Reporting of Scores – Scores must be reported by the home team as soon as possible (same night) after each playing date to the statewide and local newspaper and any person, website or other place agreed upon by the conference.

4. Position Statement - In determining a team's season record matches to be used will be those played as 2/3 or 3/5 in regular season play and tournament bracket play. (This is not to include mini-sets or pool play.)

3A VOLLEYBALL STATE BRACKET – In order to return to qualifying 16 teams to the state tournament, the board unanimously approved a bracket plan where the 3A conferences would rotate sending a fourth place finisher as a state tournament qualifier each year. (Motion: Loyd/Adcock, 19-0)

7A AND 6A PLAYOFF PROPOSAL BALLOT – The director explained the proposed plans for conducting championships for 7A and 6A schools for football, basketball, volleyball, baseball, softball and soccer. The 7A proposal was unanimously approved for a mail ballot. (Motion: Morris/Tolbert, 19-0) The 6A proposal was unanimously approved for a mail ballot. (Motion: Berry/White, 19-0)

WILSON BALL ADOPTIONS – The board approved the new Wilson ULTiMO soccer ball and the new iCOR volleyball with NFHS-approved colored panels. Volleyball championship play will continue to be with the all white balls as supplied by Wilson to the AAA. (Motion: Morris/Loyd, 19-0)

LITIGATION UPDATE – The director updated the board on the court case now in progress with Lamar High School.

PERSONNEL – The board unanimously approved the following personnel items: (1) accepted proposal from Kathy Tadlock to begin working half-time with half salary beginning January 1, 2010 (Motion: Tolbert/Diggs, 18-0); (2) accepted the retirement letter of Kathy Tadlock, effective June 30, 2010 (Motion: Diggs/Acklin, 18-0); (3) extended the contract of the Associate and Assistant Directors for an additional year through June 2012 (Loyd/Acklin, 18-0); (4) extended the contract of the Executive Director an additional year through June 2013 (Motion: Berry/McLaughlin, 18-0); and (5) authorized the director to begin a search for the new Associate Director who will begin employment on July 1, 2010. (Motion: Holman/White, 18-0)

BANKING ARRANGEMENTS – Amber Balboa requested official board action for the following banking arrangements. The board unanimously approved all bank accounts and authorized signatures as listed. (Motion: Berry/Tolbert, 18-0)

ACCOUNT TYPE	BANK(S)	AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE(S)	
General	Regions Bank Bank of the Ozarks	Any two: Lance Taylor Kathy Tadlock Don Brodell Joey Walters	Wadie Moore Amber Balboa Annette Savage
Payroll	Bank of the Ozarks	One signature: Lance Taylor Kathy Tadlock	Don Brodell Joey Walters
Certificates of Deposit	As designated	Lance Taylor	Amber Balboa

NEXT MEETING - The next regular meeting of the board will be Thursday, March 11, 2010, at noon at the Hot Springs Convention Center.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

President/Chair

Secretary

Date