

# **Oregon School Activities Association**

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# STUDENT ACTIVITIES ADVISORY COMMITTEE

## **September 26, 2017**

## **MINUTES**

#### 1. Call to Order; Introductions

Cindy Simmons (OSAA Asst. Executive Director in charge of Band and Orchestra), called the meeting to order. Committee members in attendance included: Christine Cooper (OCCA), James Underwood (OCCA), Kimberly McConnell (OMEA), Jeremy Zander (OMEA), Jane Berry-Eddings (OHSSLCA), Jen Loeung (OHSSLCA), Jenn Wilson (DDCA), and Mary Lou Boderman (OSAA Executive Board Activities Representative). OSAA Staff members in attendance included: Peter Weber (Executive Director), Kyle Stanfield (Asst. Executive Director in charge of Dance/Drill and Solo Music), Kelly Foster (Associate Director in charge of Choir and Cheerleading), and Brad Garrett (Asst. Executive Director in charge of Speech). Jennifer Chaffee (DDCA) was absent. The new committee members this year are Jenn Wilson (DDCA), Kimberly McConnell (OMEA), and Jen Loeung (OHSSLCA).

- 2. Roster / Rotation Schedule Reviewed by Cindy Simmons.
- 3. Charge to the Committee Reviewed by Kyle Stanfield.
- **4. Review of Timeline for OSAA Rule Changes –** Reviewed by Brad Garrett.

#### 5. Election of Chair and Vice-Chair for 2017-18

James Underwood nominated, Christine Cooper seconded, and it was unanimously agreed to elect Jeremy Zander as the Chairperson. Christine Cooper nominated, Jane Berry-Eddings seconded, and it was unanimously agreed to elect James Underwood as the Vice-Chairperson.

### 6. Approval of Minutes from the May 24, 2017 Meeting

James Underwood motioned, Jane Berry-Eddings seconded, and it was unanimously agreed to approve the May 24, 2017 minutes.

## 7. OSAA Report

Peter Weber updated the committee on several recent developments from the OSAA Executive Board meeting that took place on September 11, 2017.

- **a.** The Classification and Districting Committee's last public meeting was September 25, 2017. The Committee's final recommendations will be reviewed and voted on by the Executive Board prior to being presented to the October 16, 2017 Delegate Assembly to be acted upon.
- **b.** The State Championship Committee has four meetings left to review all championship formats, including qualifying standards. The October 9, 2017 meeting will be focusing on individual sports and activities. The final recommendations will be submitted to the February 12, 2018 Executive Board meeting for review and action.
- **c.** The Executive Board sponsored a proposal to the October 16, 2017 Delegate Assembly Meeting to amend Choir Rule 1.3 Accompanist Eligibility. The proposal clarifies eligible personnel allowed as accompanists for choirs. Unanimous vote.
- **d.** The Executive Board sponsored a proposal to the October 16, 2017 Delegate Assembly Meeting to amend Music Rule 8.1 School Music Class Participation Requirement. The proposal adds options for being enrolled in an appropriate performing class as part of the requirement. Unanimous vote.

- **e**. The Executive Board sponsored a proposal to the October 16, 2017 Delegate Assembly Meeting to amend Music Rule 8 Individual Eligibility Q&As. The proposal clarifies the definition and details of a qualifying competition and participants. Passed with an 8-2 vote.
- **f**. The Executive Board adopted a proposal to add a Board Policy Anti-Hazing. It creates an Association policy regarding anti-hazing, effective immediately. Unanimous vote.
- g. The Executive Board voted to convene a Football Ad Hoc Committee as soon as possible to review the state of football in Oregon. Specifically, to investigate special district alignments, current 11-man and 8-man structures, and the possibility of 9-man and/or 6-man games, and strategies to address declining participation numbers.
- **h**. The OSAA continues to work with the NFHS and the three main music licensing companies to resolve the Music Copyright Laws and the increased number of violations nationally by either providing a licensing option for the schools or offering an exemption.
- i. The OSAA worked closely with the ODH, DEQ, and the Sports Medicine Advisory Committee chairperson during the air quality challenge caused by multiple forest fires across the state. Peter envisions a board policy being created with more definitive guidelines being set for the future.
- 8. NFHS Heart of the Arts Award Cindy Simmons reviewed the nomination timeline. The OSAA needs to receive the state nominations in early January 2018. All final nominations are due to the NFHS by February 1, 2018. Nominations from OSAA member schools and NFHS Section 8 states have been minimal in the past. The hope is that more OSAA schools will become involved in the nomination process for deserving individuals/groups in their school/community. Nomination forms will be sent out by the OSAA later in the fall after they have been received from the NFHS.
- 9. NFHS Outstanding Music Education Nomination Section 8 Winner Mary Lou Boderman, Coordinator of Music & Drama, Salem-Keizer School District. She will be honored at the Delegate Assembly Meeting on April 9, 2018 and at the OSAA Band and Orchestra State Championships in May.

#### 10. Spirit Safety Certification

- **a.** Kelly Foster reported that the new online Spirit Safety Certification course has been put into place. The course is specific to Cheerleading, Dance/Drill, and/or Tumbling and must be completed annually to fulfill the OSAA Spirit Safety Certification requirement. The new online certification process is free. This and all certification requirements must be obtained before assuming coaching duties.
- **b.** Over 780 people have taken the online certification course so far. Notification of completing and passing the certification process is sent to the participant by email and they are added to an online list of participants who completed the course for the year.

### 11. Activity Reports

<u>CHEERLEADING</u> – The OCCA will be presenting a proposal to the State Championship Committee. The proposal includes having a preliminary and final event for a two (2) day OSAA Cheerleading State Championship. The OCCA will again be polling the membership and track the latest opinions. The OCCA held a Category Championship event as a fundraiser for the OCCA scholarship fund. There were 90 performances by 37 groups. <u>DANCE AND DRILL</u> – 3 Proposals. Certified Drill Down Pullers for competitions. It was determined that this certification requirement is a DDCA decision and process. The DDCA proposes a new Time Definition in Traditional Season Routines to be consistent with how routines are timed in the fall category season, to help tech judges with timing, and give coaches a clear understanding of how long their routine would be without music delays in the competition setting. The DDCA also proposes to have small and large divisions in the larger classification(s) at State. It would most likely effect only the 6A classification. The other classifications would likely stay 20 teams or less. This proposal would need to be presented to the State Championship Committee on October 9, 2017.

#### MUSIC

Choir – No new information to report.

Band – No new information to report.

Solo – No new information to report.

SPEECH – The proposals mentioned in May 2017 will be presented to the State Championship Committee October 9, 2017. The new Speech Advisory Committee is working on a new computer program for the state championships. The "Tab Room" is the new computer program. All schools will be required to use it and the state entries will be drawn from it. Other benefits are potential plagiarism being flagged, multiple students having the same topic or title being flagged. The OSAA Executive Board will consider adopting a policy that will require all schools who qualify students into the 2018 State Speech Championships to pay a \$100 judge bond fee. Any school who fails to provide at least 1 judge for every 8 entries, or nominates a judge who fails to meet the minimum assignment expectations as outlined by Championship Committee staff, would forfeit the bond. The schools meeting both requirements will not be charged the fee.

- **12.** January Meeting Agenda Items None provided.
- 13. Future Meeting Dates Tuesday, January 30, 2018, 1pm and Wednesday, May 23, 2018, 1pm.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:09pm by Jeremy Zander, Chairperson.