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STUDENT ACTIVITIES ADVISORY COMMITTEE

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MINUTES

1. Call to Order; Introductions

Patrick Leahy, Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 1:02pm. He welcomed the members of the committee and OSAA staff members. Committee members in attendance included: Amanda Wilcox (DDCA), Danielle Cox (DDCA), Marci Taylor (OMEA), Janet Fryback (OCCA), Debbie Groff (OHSSLCA), and Patrick Leahy (OHSSLCA). OSAA Staff members in attendance included: Tom Welter (Executive Director), Cindy Simmons (Asst. Executive Director in charge of Band/Orchestra), Peter Weber (Asst. Executive Director in charge of Speech), Kyle Stanfield (Public Relations/Marketing in charge of Dance/Drill and Solo Music), Molly Hays (Events Coordinator in charge of Choir and Cheerleading) and Susie Orsborn (OSAA Executive Board Activities Representative).

Absent from the meeting: Jennifer Muller (OMEA) and Tracy Coyle (OCCA).

Guests at the meeting: Christine Cooper, President, OCCA; and Melissa Hoekert, Vice President, OCCA.

2. Approval of Minutes from the September 25, 2012 Meeting

Amanda Wilcox motioned, Marci Taylor seconded, and it was unanimously agreed to approve the September 25, 2012 minutes.

3. OSAA Report

Tom Welter updated the committee on several recent developments at the OSAA and Board Action Items. [Click here for link to December 3rd, 2012, OSAA Executive Board meeting summary.](#)

a. The OSAA Executive Board accepted the Audit Report for 2011-12. The net value of the OSAA increased by \$208,000.00.

b. The Board voted to delay distribution of \$44,429.00 in revenue from the 2010-11 school year until December 2013, distributing revenue from 2010-11 and 2011-12 school years at that time.

c. Caucus Items discussed at the October 29, 2012 Delegate Assembly Meeting included: (1) Whether the OSAA should oversee regular season television (linear or web streaming) rights. The consensus was to leave the process up to the local schools; (2) What are the main issues/concerns that schools/leagues/classifications have regarding classification and districting? Some responses were maintaining a school's current competitive edge, travel time and distances, class time missed, more schools per league are preferred, and schools do not like hybrid leagues; (3) Computation of member school's ADM has been done the same way for the last 95 years. A Boundary/Non-Boundary Committee new computation process proposal that addressed multiple factors including the 2,500 online students enrolled in Associate Membership schools was defeated.

d. The Executive Board voted to table a proposal to amend Board Policy "Fall Sports Practice Model" until the May, 6, 2013 meeting to allow time for the OADA and OACA to meet with the Sports Medicine Advisory Committee regarding the revised proposal. Football coaches indicated their athletes need three weeks of practice before competing which would mean starting Fall Practice a week earlier than currently allowed or changing the first contest date to be after Labor Day.

e. The Executive Board heard a first reading of a proposal from the Sports Medicine Advisory Committee requiring all coaches to take the free NFHS course "A Guide to Heat Acclimatization and Heat Illness Prevention" every other year beginning with the 2013-14 school year.

f. Logos Christian High School was approved for full membership and is registered in Band and Solo music only.

g. The Executive Board voted to have Willamette HS, Woodburn HS and Bend HS remain as 5A schools.

h. The Executive Board voted to approve Toledo HS and Marshfield HS to move to a lower classification beginning with the 2013-14 school Year. Days Creek Charter School's petition to "Play Down" was denied.

- i. The State Championship Committee will be appointed at the February 4, 2013 Executive Board Meeting. Some items to be reviewed/discussed are removing the consolation games from the championship tournaments and local regional playoffs prior to the championship rounds. The committee will submit their recommendations at the October 2013 Delegate Assembly meeting to go into effect Fall 2014.
- j. The Officials Fee Review Committee will be appointed at the February 5, 2013 Executive Board Meeting. The committee is comprised of three athletic directors, three commissioners/officials, and one OSAA executive board member.
- k. All State Associations received a directive from the U. S. Department of Education through the National Federation to provide and improve opportunities for children and youth with disabilities to participate with their peers in after-school athletics, clubs, and physical education.
- l. The OSAA has partnered with Play-On Sports (OSAA.tv) for several years, providing online streaming of OSAA championship events at no charge. Starting with the 2013 Cheerleading Championships there will be a fee to view OSAA.tv - \$3.95 per 24 hrs. Live, \$6.95 per week Live, or \$9.95 a month Live. Event archives will continue to be accessible for free. Play-On Sports may be providing nationwide broadcasting through the National Federation of State High School Associations.
- m. Susie Orsborn's second term as the Activities Representative to the OSAA Executive Board expires May 2013. The Student Activities Advisory Committee will need to select a new Activities representative to the Executive Board this Spring.
- n. Term Limits for SAAC committee members will be on the OSAA Executive Board Summer Workshop agenda as a discussion item. Committee members are invited to submit information in support of their preferences at the May SAAC meeting.

4. Activity Reports

CHEERLEADING: OCCA members are "struggling" with the amended Board Policy #12 *Club and Unattached Competitions*. A small percentage of high school teams have All-Star team affiliations. The OCCA is discussing the possibility of proposing a change in the Cheerleading Championship format. Items mentioned were the classifications and numbers in the categories; having one all day session – removing the need for alternate team members, spectators, etc. to purchase a separate ticket for afternoon performances; keeping morning and afternoon sessions with separate tickets but offer a discounted all day pass; or look into other venue possibilities. NOTE: This is the type of request that is submitted to the State Championship Committee.

DANCE AND DRILL: The teams have done a good job educating themselves about the safety rules. There are much fewer violations.

MUSIC – BAND AND ORCHESTRA: No update.

MUSIC – CHOIR: Emailed questions regarding the Choir State Championships can be cc'd to Molly Hays.

MUSIC – SOLO: There is a *DEADLINE* link under State Solo on the OMEA website that has added an *Add/Drop Cutoff* date for solo participants. It includes an explanation regarding the school of any student who drops after that date or is a "No Show" at the State Solo Championship event will be subject to fines, forfeitures, and/or other penalties as determined by the OSAA Executive Board.

SPEECH: Oregon will be hosting the NFHS CX Debate Topic Selection Meeting in August at the Red Lion Hotel on the River.

5. Other Business

POSSIBLE TERM LIMITS FOR SAAC COMMITTEE MEMBERS – All OSAA committees, except for the SAAC, have term limits for their membership. The OSAA Executive Board, at the 2013 summer workshop, will discuss the pros and cons of term limits for this committee. Each group represented on the OSAA SAAC is encouraged to provide input for the OSAA Executive Board on this topic.

Questions/Comments

1. The Cheerleading SAAC representatives are OCCA elected positions.

2. The Speech and Cheer coaches associations have policies in place regarding the selection process for their representative to this committee.
3. New people and perspectives can be good for a committee.
4. Activities are separate and different than athletics. Each year coaches are being directed to conform more to athletic rules. "Consistency" with what is done elsewhere doesn't need to be the priority.
5. Other activities coaches may prefer not to be treated or considered separate or "special".

Marci Taylor suggested that the different activities represented by this committee include the history of representation and the challenges of filling the position in their information in support of their preferences submitted at the May SAAC meeting for the Executive Board Summer Workshop discussion.

NEW EXECUTIVE BOARD ACTIVITIES REPRESENTATIVE SELECTION – Susie Orsborn suggested to the committee members that they recommend potential candidates to the executive position that have the passion and dedication to activities that the committee members themselves have. The OSAA is a great organization to be a part of. She estimates that two trips a month for OSAA business and meetings are on her schedule. She offered to discuss and answer any questions with the potential candidates.

***Article 5.2.1. Executive Board Qualifications*

To serve as a member of the Executive Board, the classification representatives and the activities representative shall hold a current Oregon administrative license and shall be employed at a 0.49 FTE level or greater in a position that has at least some responsibility for secondary education and is at least equal in rank to the position of high school assistant principal at a school district of a full member school, or at a high school which is a full member of the Association. The Oregon School Boards Association representative, the Oregon Athletic Directors Association representative, the advisory Oregon Athletic Coaches Association representative and the advisory Oregon Athletic Officials Association representative shall each be currently serving in the role being represented on the Board.

6. May Meeting Agenda Items

- a. Interview and select the new Executive Board Activities Representative.
- b. Cheer Proposals

7. Future Meeting Dates

Tuesday, May 21, 2013, 11am --- Interviews for OSAA Executive Board Activities Representative, followed by SAAC meeting. Lunch will be provided.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 2:43pm by Patrick Leahy, Chairperson.