MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS June 6, 2025

The regular spring meeting of the Board of Directors was held in a hybrid format on June 6, 2025.

The meeting was called to order by President Ingold at 10:04 a.m. The following members were present in person: Haupt, Hogue, Johnson, Chavers, Ingold, Biggs, and Davis. Present via Zoom was Kerr. Also present were Nicole Schaefbauer, Chris Frasco, Jackie Litwiller, and Jonathan Hauter from the IESA staff. Not present were Wranke, Marski, Yoder, Marquardt, Vanausdoll, Drees, and Duncan.

Motion by Davis/Hogue to approve the April 2025 regular meeting minutes as presented. Carried.

Dr. Hogue presented the Treasurer's report. **Motion by Hogue/Chavers** to approve the Treasurer's report as of May 2025. **Carried.**

Division Reports

Division B- Dr. Hogue received communication from a school within his division regarding a track and field entry issue. The issue was discussed by the Track and Field Advisory Committee, and a possible solution was to be presented during the Track and Field recommendations.

Division F- Mr. Johnson was contacted by a collection of schools inquiring about track and field sectional host assignments. Mr. Johnson explained the process and encouraged the schools to submit their interest in hosting.

Division K- Mrs. Biggs was contacted by a member indicating the Rawlings softball/baseball models were challenging to find. Mr. Frasco would follow up with our Rawlings contact and connect them with the member. She also reiterated the concerns of her coach, which were submitted to the Track and Field Advisory Committee regarding the restrictions on 4x100 and 4x200 participation. The Track and Field Advisory Committee considered the concerns, and a possible solution was to be presented during the Track and Field recommendations.

Administrative Reports

Matt Hawkins, TPG- Provided an update to the Board on the status of pending proposals and plan for the upcoming school year.

Jonathan Hauter, Assistant Executive Director- Shared with the Board the selection of the wrestling Grand Marshals and the date of the next Girls Wrestling Advisory meeting. Reviewed the IESA Bowling State Tournament. Reviewed the Celebration of Excellence and thanked everyone for their involvement. Updated the Board on Golf registrations and preparations for the upcoming tournament.

Jackie Litwiller, Assistant Executive Director- Shared music updates with the Board. Updated the Board on the organizational status of the upcoming softball state tournament. Reviewed the upcoming Volleyball state host sites. Highlighted her meeting with BSN regarding the new libero color requirements. Shared information on the planning of the cheer state competition. Updated the Board on the Athletic Director Workshop and her work with IADA. Her meeting with Special Olympics Illinois was productive, and she will also be working with the NFHS on incorporating their Paralympics information.

Chris Frasco, Associate Executive Director- A review of the Scholastic Bowl state tournament was shared with the Board. Reviewed the dates for the Baseball post-season. Highlighted the dates for both the Girls and Boys Basketball seasons. Informed the Board that the Association will be presenting a session at the NFHS Summer Meeting on Sportsmanship.

Nicole Schaefbauer, Executive Director- An update was provided on the re-enrollment numbers. Additional information was provided on the work of our trademark attorney on a use and royalty policy. Highlighted the need to start working with an architect on finding additional office space within the building footprint. Congratulated the staff on an outstanding year.

Old Business

Tabled Cheerleading recommendation- The rubric recommendation will remain tabled as more discussion is needed by the Committee.

New Business

Transgender Participation Policy- Additional discussion was held on the current policy.

Wrestling State Meet- Discussion was held on negotiations with NIU and the DeKalb Wrestling Club.

Board Committee Reports

Staff Relations- Motion by Johnson/Davis to approve the contract of Litwiller. CARRIED.

Finance- None.

President Ingold recessed the meeting for lunch at 11:30 a.m. and reconvened the meeting at 12:00 p.m.

Advisory Committee Reports

Bowling— The Bowling Advisory Committee met on May 2, 2025. **Motion by Johnson/Chavers** to approve all recommendations presented (#1- expand to six sectional sites with corresponding advancement changes, #2 - update advancement language, #3 -move roster deadline, and #4- adopt cheering recommendation). **CARRIED.** Complete advisory minutes may be found at the following <u>link</u>.

Scholastic Bowl—The Scholastic Bowl Advisory Committee met on May 30, 2025 via Zoom. Motion by Haupt/Davis to adopt all recommendations presented (#1- question challenges, #2- change the bonus question format, #3- adopt maximum team points to 500, #4- tiebreak language update). CARRIED. Complete advisory minutes may be found at the following link.

Track and Field--The Track and Field Advisory Committee met on June 6, 2025 via Zoom. Motion by Johnson/Hogue to approve recommendation #1 (include stipend for shells in the officials fee). CARRIED. Motion by Johnson/Chavers to approve recommendation #2 (requirement for each school to provide one volunteer at the sectional meet). CARRIED. Motion by Johnson/Biggs to approve recommendation #3 (set progressions for sectional high jump and pole vault). CARRIED. Motion by Johnson/Chavers to approve recommendation #4 (seed meetings will now be virtual only). CARRIED. Motion by Johnson/Biggs to approve recommendation #5 (limited number of acceptable changes at the sectional seed meeting). CARRIED. Motion by Johnson/Biggs to approve recommendation #6 (incorporation of the 1600 Mid-Distance Medley). CARRIED.

Recommendation #7 (season start date) died for lack of a motion. Complete advisory minutes may be found at the following <u>link</u>.

Music—The Music Advisory Committee met on May 29, 2025. Motion by Hogue/Johnson to approve both recommendations (#1- eliminate Division III ribbons, #2- remove Choir Chimes from Music Organization). CARRIED. Complete advisory minutes may be found at the following <u>link</u>.

Activity composites were reviewed.

The dates of the meetings for 2025-26 were announced- Sept. 15, Jan. 30, April 10, and June 18.

Motion by Hogue/Johnson to approve the expenses of the meeting. CARRIED.

There being no further business, **motion by Biggs/Haupt** to adjourn the meeting. **CARRIED.** President Ingold adjourned the meeting at 12:36 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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