

Nebraska High School Officials Association

Meeting: September 13, 2015

NSAA Office, Lincoln, NE 11am

Present:

Kelly Classen (Executive Director)

Shane Smith (Football-Alt)

Scott Johnson (Basketball-Alt, Website)

Renee Williams (Softball)

Sue Mailhot (Volleyball)

Todd Parr (Wrestling)

Doug Epps (Soccer)

Rob Wennstedt (Swim Dive)

Jon Dolliver (NSAA – Basketball, Cross Country, Supervisor of Officials)

Dan Masters (NSAA - Baseball, Softball, Music, Unified Sports)

Dennis Podjenski (Nebraska Officials Foundation)

Jessi Stafford (HUDL)

Absent:

Tim Higgins (Baseball)

Chad Lyons (Basketball)

Vernon Breakfield (Track)

Chris Carlson (Football)

Treasurer's Report:

P/L for 2014-15 will be emailed to all board members

Total Income from membership dues \$28,500

March 22, 2015 Meeting minutes were read and approved.

Jessi Stafford from HUDL was introduced to the board. Jessi discussed our purchase of HUDL and the options we can use to have officials receive game film. Each official will have a HUDL account to access game film. HUDL doesn't have an "Official" section. All officials will be listed as a "Coach" and the NHSOA will be listed as a "Team". Each sport will have 5 admin accounts to send/receive game film and place in libraries.

Questions were pre-submitted to Jessi.

1. *Are all game films grouped together and do all officials have to find their own game or does someone have to assign each game to a specific official?* Could be either way. Admins could send games to all officials or everyone have their own login and they're responsible for going in and finding their own game. Would need an administrator to put all the games into a HUDL library. Administrators could email game film directly to officials instead of having all officials have HUDL accounts.
2. *Would you be able to upload your own games to HUDL?* Yes. From any phone, tablet, camera, or DVD. Expect for every minute of game film to be a minute to upload to HUDL.
3. *Can game films be automatically sent to our HUDL Libraries?* Currently not available. The coach from each school has to send it to an administrator.
4. *If you're an administrator do you only see that sport?* Yes

5. *Would there be a HUDL administrator to oversee all sports?* Yes. This could also be a group of people.

Discussion topic: Do we have people willing to go out and start filming games for NHSOA?

- Several schools have HD game films with multiple angles (press box / end zone / wide / narrow)
- These angles might not fit the needs of officials to review

Discussion topic: How to get game films to officials?

- Talk to Darin Boysen @ the Nebraska Coaches Association

Supervisor of Officials Report

There have been changes in the NSAA office since the last meeting. Dr. Jim Tenopir has become the interim Executive Director. Dr. Tenopir is favorable to the NHSOA and has a national perspective to sports and officiating.

Sue Mailhot met at the NSAA office to work on policy manuals. Wording has been changed on a few to make things clearer. Changes will be brought up for approval at the next meeting.

Need to have timelines and duties from each NHSOA board member to help with any new board members elected/appointed to the board.

Did not receive any suggestions regarding game fee structures. Rhonda wanted to table this discussion. There has not been any changes to game fees/contracts since 2009. Mileage is still an issue since the NSAA doesn't assign officials as crews except for football.

Changes in the classification of officials has been discussed. The Approved classification status is up for elimination. Trying to determine what effect this may have on all sports.

The Championship Officials Pass (COP) Card is now available for purchase. There is an order form available for officials. Officials only receive one card, have to be NHSOA members, and it has to be used by an official. The cost for the card is sport specific. The NHSOA receives no proceeds from the sale of the COP card. All proceeds go to the NSAA.

The NSAA will be going to local colleges for mentoring officials at intramural sites. Materials are being produced for recruiting officials.

Sport Specific Reports

Rob Wennstedt (Swim Dive): Month away from starting. Talked with Jennifer. Nothing budgeted for Swim/Dive. No clinics scheduled as officials get trained at clinics from outside events.

Renee Williams (Softball): Season is in full swing. We had 4 clinics in Lincoln and 1 in Grand Island. There were 28 umpires in attendance at the clinics. Looking to make changes to committee members.

Sue Mailhot (Volleyball): Season is in process. We've had an increase in NHSOA membership. There are 194 members. Had 7 clinics held during each school's scrimmage. Averaged 30 officials at each clinic. Had one newsletter recently sent out.

Discussion topic: Should all sports require clinics every 3 years to work post season? Every year? Needs to be consistent for all sports.

Todd Parr (Wrestling): Had 2 clinics. One in Omaha and one in North Platte. Mentoring program will be looked at. No newsletter was produced last year. There will be one sent out on a regular basis.

Discussion topic: Should we provide discounts for new official registrations?

Scott Johnson (Basketball): Had 5 clinics during the summer. 129 officials in attendance for those 5 clinics. One more clinic scheduled in October at Creighton Prep. Jeff Schwartz has been working on newsletters and will get one out before the season starts. Recruiting for new officials. Having an officiating class at McCook College. The Metro Assignor asked to be a member of the basketball committee, however no determination was done as of yet.

Doug Epps (Soccer): Had a female working the middle of high school men's championship final. First time ever. She's now working in a women's professional league. Clinics haven't been setup yet. Probably will set a minimum number of officials needed before a clinic can be held. Talked at a sports officiating class.

Shane Smith (Football): All clinics are done. Had 226 officials in attendance.

Website: The NHSOA website has been switched to a new host and updated. Easy to update and makes changes more timely.

Dennis Podjenski (Nebraska Officials Foundation): Received a Thank You from Ryan Smith after being selected for the Bill Lewis Scholarship in 2014. This was the first Thank You received from a recipient. Applications for the 2015-16 scholarship go out in January.

Executive Director Report

Cliff Keen: NSAA and NHSOA were in contract with Cliff Keen. NSAA are no longer under contract as they would not mandate uniform requirements for officials. Cliff Keen has approached NHSOA for contract. Cliff Keen is requesting a 5 year contract, pay NHSOA \$250 for agreement, 5% of all sales from Cliff Keen website, and 2% of all sales from vendor dealers. Asked for financial data from previous years. Nothing received. Cliff Keen wanted exclusivity for NSAA patch.

Hoenigs wants to do a similar contract. They would provide 10% royalty from all logo'd articles, however 1 vendor would be sole provider.

Discussion topic: Cliff Keen contract / website

Budget: 1358 members across all sports, 950 paying members. Total income amount from dues = \$28,500.

Board of Directors: Should we look for a new Baseball Board Member?

Future Meeting Dates:

November 1st, 2015 1pm

March 20th, 2016 1pm

Meeting Adjourned 1:25pm.