

**Executive Committee Meeting Agenda
Doubletree Hotel Wednesday, 9/18/13 @ 10:00 AM**

I. Call to order- R. Stolski

II. Attendance:

Present: Marc Bachman; Jon Bakken; Jim Dotseth; John Gross; Beau LaBore; Paul Lemke; Dave Nelson; Dave Nigon; Scott Tschimperle; Gary Sloan; Ron Stolski; Rick Sutton & Jeff Weiland.

Absent: Claud Allaire; Jeff Ferguson; Dave Fritze; Flint Motschenbacher; & Will Wackman;

III. Approve 5/6/13 minutes - Approved

IV. Additions/deletions to agenda

V. Reports

A. Financial Report (Dotseth) – Approved

- Finances remain strong

B. President's Project (Sloan)

- Helmet banner with proper fitting techniques was sent out to all the head coaches.
- Coaches need to be sure fitting is done by someone who knows proper fitting techniques.
- R. Stolski recommended we have a session at the clinic on helmet fitting
- Recommendation to print helmet fitting banners to handout at the clinic.
- NFL/USA Football Youth Summit.
 - i. Sessions on character & equipment. Also sessions on x's & o's. Also Issues that make the game safer.
<http://nflabor.files.wordpress.com/2013/07/yf-summit-press-release-draft-7-12-13-21.pdf>
 - ii. Recommend visiting head's up football website:
<http://usafootball.com/headsup>
 - iii. One coach from the MFCA will be recommended for attendance each year. Gary Sloan attended the 2013 summit. Stolski, LaBore, Nelson & Sutton have previously attended.
- MSHSL update
 - i. Minutes from the 9/11/13 Advisory committee meeting were reviewed.
 - ii. MFCA had zero input on the selection of Spalding.
 - iii. 6A has a playoff proposal that was unanimously approved by the Advisory Committee. Only affects 6A football.
 - iv. 2014 the Prep Bowl will be one week before Thanksgiving
 - v. 2015 – two weeks before Thanksgiving...11/12, 11/13, & 11/14.
 - vi. The MFCA does not want section competition to be limited to four teams.
 - vii. Jon Bakken will propose a schedule that would have section finals finished by October 24, 2015 to be presented at the conference reps meeting in November.
 - viii. The MSHSL is working on a plan that would place schools in football only clusters of 12-16 teams. Regular season scheduling would occur in these clusters. Size of school and location would be the

consideration. This concept is already in practice in some areas of the state.

C. Ex. Director Report (Stolski)

- Spoke on behalf of the MFCA for support of Coach Kill. Primarily for Coach Kill and his staff.
- A survey was completed on the number of Minnesota High School players on college rosters.

D. Membership (Motchenbacher)

- Currently 970 members

E. Mr. Football (Sutton)

- Banquet is December 8th at 12 noon.

F. Scholarships (Wackman)

1. Due to the fact that we will now be offering 16 scholarships, we need four more coaches to name the scholarships after. The following names have been submitted, so far, for consideration in regard to "scholarship names".

Frank Fredlund, St. Peter; Ken Baumann, Mahnomen; Dan O'Brien, New Prague; Earl Wetzel, Farmington; Paul Schmidt, Red Wing; Buz Rumril, Glencoe-Silver Lake; Ron Stolski, Brainerd

2. We are also looking to add a member to the committee (Shannon Gerrety can no longer serve on the committee.) There are four nominations for this position: Ed Cremers Virginia, Derek Parendo Proctor, and Scott Hanson Faribault Bethlehem Academy & Ryan Bartlett White Bear Lake.

- No action taken on the above scholarship committee requests.

G. All-Star Game (Fritze)

- Fritze requested that the committee have a discussion about moving the game from SCSU to St. John's or St. Thomas in 2015. There was also a discussion about moving to TCF Bank Stadium.
- The committee consensus is that unless there are strong reasons to leave SCSU the committee likes the current site. Moving to TCF Bank Stadium would be worth strong consideration
- There were positive comments on the running of the All-Star game by Dave Fritze and his staff.

H. Post High School Scholarships (Bakken)

- 21 nominees – four chosen at the 2013 All-Star game
 - i. Connor McCormick, Caledonia, St Olaf
 - ii. Jacob Kent, Benson, Alexandria
 - iii. Colby Ring, Brainerd, UMD
 - iv. Logan Connelly, Benson, Alexandria

I. Hall of Fame (Lemke & Tschimperle)

- 15 nominees left from 2013.
- A good number from which to select.
- Tschimperle and Lemke will send a thank-you letter to Marty Davis at Cambria once the payment for the HOF rings is received. Dotseth will send them the address.

J. Awards Committee (Dotseth)

- No activity at this time. Nomination forms will be sent out once the season is over.

K. Awards Banquet (Nelson)

- March 29, 2014.

L. Tackle Cancer (Nelson)

- Discussion about having the All-Star game be the kick-off for Tackle Cancer.
- 160 high schools; 14 colleges participating. Northern Sun & MIAC conferences, plus other colleges.
- Dave thanks coaches on the committee for their efforts. Also the 16 regional reps.
- Moritko has a kick-off at Moe's following the fall scrimmage date.
- U of M will host Tackle Cancer game this week's against San Jose State.
- Stillwater & Minnetonka made commercials they show on the morning announcements.

M. Recruiting Fair (Ferguson)

N. MFC Clinic (Allaire)

- Committee is working again this year to improve the clinic for 2014. Dates are March 27, 28 & 29, 2014.

O. NFF (Nigon)

- MFCA sponsors two scholarships
- Nigon will contact Sean Gauthier about moving banquet to the Doubletree.

P. Retired Coaches (Gross)

- Retired coaches reunion at clinic very successful again

Q. Community Service (LaBore)

- Article again in the Summer magazine.

R. Concussion Awareness (Bachman)

S. Everything but X's & O's Clinic (Weiland)

- January 25, 2014 at Orono middle school
- 6 speakers
- Recommendations for speakers

VI. Old Business

A. Scholarship names

B. MFCA Documentary (Kirch)

- Currently the process is in a stall.
- Marc Bachman would be willing to serve on the committee

C. 6A Regions (Stolski)

- 6A Advisory committee representatives Larry Thompson and Kelly Sherwin will submit a proposal to the MSHSL for a reformatting of the 6A section & state playoffs.

VII. New Business

A. 2nd Vice President (3A, 1A, 4A, 2A, 6A, 9M, 5A)

- Scott Tschimperle will be recommended to the conference reps as the 2nd vice president nominee for 2014 .

B. Heads Up Football

C. MN high school players on post high school rosters

D. National convention in Indiannpolis

- There was a motion to fund a \$500 stipend for Dotseth and Sloan to attend AFCA convention. Motion passed.

Executive Committee Meeting: Saturday 1/4/14 @ 9:00 AM – Doubletree

Next Conference Reps meeting: Friday, November 15th at the Doubletree at 9:00 AM