WISTCA MEETING

January 20th - 7:00pm

Zoom Link

Virtual



Members Present: Thomas Hoogester, Lauren Waller, Denis Meyer, Mike Price, Bill Richards, Chrisie Wright, Jon Schwantz, Mark Hoffman, Jim Stephany, Jerome Missian, Mark Maas, Nadine Rovang, Vincent Komar, Joe Hackbarth, Patrick Reichling, Sean Currie, Geoff Steinbach, John Masanz, Vince Lease, Mike Mulrooney, Paul Raley, Matt Buchman

1. Call Meeting to Order

President Tom Hoogester called the meeting to order at 7:02 PM

2. Review Meeting Minutes from the November Meeting

Motion to approve: Mike Price

Second: Bill Richards

3. WIAA Update - Kate (Tom)

- Tom asked us, even though it is really hard, but if possible to sit tight.
- The WIAA is working hard at planning out the spring seasons with both a plan A and plan B
- They understand and appreciate the need to get your seasons planned but the WIAA has too many moving parts to make any definite statements.
- If possible, try not to call the WIAA. All of the complaints will not make Kate/WIAA move faster. They just released the winter tournament information and are already revising items.
- As WISTCA, please run any interference between schools and WIAA and encourage patience.

4. Items to cover at the Business Meeting - PreRecorded

- Presentation Will share on Wednesday
- Reminder of Season Dates including the tournament series.
- Rule/Case Books from 2020
- Change in date for the State Tournament (June 25th & 26th)
- WIAA Information
- Looking for Meets & Looking for Coaches help
 - These pages are up to date and ready for 2021 information.
- All State, Conference Championship, and Academic All State Certificates
- WISTCA 2021 Freshman Invite
- Caucus Meetings format

5. Freshman Meet

- The Freshman Meet committee would like to table the decision on the 2021 Freshman Meet for now.
- If possible they would like to not cancel it at this time
- The Freshman Meet committee would like to meet outside of this meeting and come back to the WISTCA committee with a recommendation.

6. Caucus Items - Items to be discussed at each Caucus

Discussion about planning for upcoming meets. Many track coaches are asking members of WISTCA about scheduling meets. Unfortunately the WIAA has not released their COVID guidelines as of yet. Our suggestion is to schedule the meets as you would normally. However, our suggestion is to work with your District Administrators and Local Health Officials (departments) for any regulations that may be put in place. Once the WIAA releases their information then you can adjust as needed.

- Just a reminder that the WIAA has extended the "sunset clause" in relation to the Track & Field Division realignment. The reason for this decision is the verbiage in the sunset clause called for two years of data prior to making a recommendation for realignment. Since the 2020 Spring season was canceled and that was to be year two of data the 2021 season will now be the second year. Also, please note that when a recommendation is given to the WIAA it will not take effect until the 2023 season.
- Freshman Meet is being looked into. The Freshman Meet committee will be looking into possible dates and regulations for the upcoming year. They will be meeting soon and will bring information to the WISTCA Executive board.
- For the 2021 season (only) any track coach who completed the WIAA Track and Field Coaches Exam may serve as an "Emergency" official at a meet when needed. This would only be in emergency situations such as last minute cancellations, official is ill/injured or rain date official, etc.
- Proposal from a Coach (Discussion): When there are less than 4 qualifiers from a regional, then
 additional qualifiers would come from the other regional(s) to ensure that there are 16 participants in D2
 & D3 and 8 participants in D1 in the sectional meet. In the event of ties, the tied participants would all
 qualify. In the event of an injury or illness and a qualifier not being able to compete the above process
 would also apply.
- Districts 2, 4, and 6 will solicit nominations and voting for District Rep.
- Solicit other items from constituents
- 7. Clinic Business Mark Hoffman
 - Registration will be open until April 1st(?)
 - At the moment we have low registration numbers.
 - The biggest concern with the low numbers is a small membership moving forward.
 - We have always had a voice with the WIAA, we need to promote the clinic to ensure that voice carries forward.
 - There is a membership only link on our Clinic Website.

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- 8. Hall of Fame and Awards Jim Stephany
 - We will tentatively host a Hall of Fame program at the Marriott in Middleton (in person if possible) on July17th. This will be virtual if we are unable to gather in person.
- 9. Door Prizes Mike Price
- 10. Final Note
- 11. Adjourn
 - The meeting was adjourned at 8:42 by Mike Price
 - Seconded by Vince Komar
- 12. Next Meeting --- Monday March 8th

Removed from "Normal Meeting Notes"

USTFCCCA Update
USATF Update
Anniversary Dinner
Power Rankings