

SDHSBA Board Meeting Minutes

September 8, 2019

Sioux Falls, SD

Members present: Bauer, Norden, Sundall, Lawrence, Kortan, and Barman, with Yde and Pekny by teleconference

1. Call to Order by President Bauer
2. Financial Report discussed
3. Administrative Manual Review

Several topics were discussed based on issues/incidents that arose during the 2019 season.

Waiting Period for previously voted on proposals was discussed with a 3 year wait before items can be brought to a vote again. Motion by Norden with a 2nd by Lawrence. Any proposed rule change that is either approved or denied will have a 3 year waiting period before it can be brought to another vote. Motion unanimously passed.

With that being said, the BBCOR/wood bat issue can't be voted on again until 2021.

Academic All State nominations will be due when rosters and schedules are due to the SDHSBA Office. That date will be March 30th.

Class B Regions will be determined once registrations have been finalized.

A 15-run rule was discussed. Action: NO 15 run rule will be added to the manual.

Pitch Count was discussed. The American Legion had updated their rules for pitching in two games of a DH. We will adopt the new American Legion Baseball pitch count rules as they pertain to pitching in DH's. Add ALB rule.

Coaching ejections were discussed. Action:??

Administrative fee for ejections was also discussed with no action taken.

Last date to play Class A games that count towards power points is Tuesday, May 12th.

We will be adding plate appearances to the All Region stats form.

The new DH rule was discussed. Please see 2020 NFHS rulebook for wording of new rule.

In 2020, according to NFHS rules, both baseball and catchers equipment need to have the NOSCAE stamp on them. The SDHSBA had previously adopted the Diamond D1NFHS as our official ball for SDHSBA sponsored play in 2018, but it didn't get recorded in the minutes or manual. Other 2020 Rule Changes and "Points of Emphasis" by the NFHS were discussed. These items will be addressed at the annual meeting.

Declaring a Weather Emergency was discussed. No weather emergency will be declared earlier than April 15th.

4. New Business

Coaches Clinic was discussed. Date to be December 7th at the Holiday Inn Downtown in Sioux Falls. Agenda with times and more details will be emailed a later date. Looking to add vendor booths like we did in 2018.

Five proposals were submitted by Eric Hortness from Madison. The proposals were discussed in length.

1. Elimination of Divisions within Regions was discussed. A survey of coaches will be done prior to the Annual Meeting in December to determine interest of the general body of teams on specific issues.

2. Class B Power Points System was discussed—Class B will not be going to Power Points at this time.

3. Solidifying the Tie-Breaking Format was discussed with no action being taken.

4. Adopt SDHSBA Baseball—This was previously done in 2018. The Diamond D1NFHS is the official ball of the SDHSBA.

5. BBCOR/Wood Bats—Based on our motion made earlier in the meeting, this will not be able to be voted on until 2021.

A player eligibility matter was discussed. It was asked if a Class A baseball player could play if they lived in Class A town, but attend school in Class B town. Issued was discussed and determined that the Class A players cannot play for the Class A team.

5. Annual Meeting—Further details will be released at a later date.

December 7th at Sioux Falls Downtown Holiday Inn

Coaches Clinic to start at 8:00

Annual Membership Meeting and Dinner at 12:00

Board Meeting at 1:00

6. Meeting was adjourned