

Wisconsin Athletic Directors Association (WADA)
2004 Fall District 3 Caucus

MINUTES
Sunday, November 7, 2004

1. Member Attendance

In order to insure that appropriate awards are made in a timely manner for years of service, everyone needs to sign-in and indicate their years of service as an Athletic/Activity Director.

- Members not in attendance need to contact Linzi Gronning with their name and years of service upon reading the minutes. This will insure service awards are presented annually when they have been earned.

2. Welcome New AD's

New AD's in attendance at the caucus meeting were recognized. They are:

- Mike Crneckiy (Royal)
- Mark Stoesz (Ellsworth)
- John Neiderhauser (Menomonie)
- Steve Hole (La Crosse Logan).

3. Service Recognition

The following AD's were recognized for numerous years of service:

- Jerry Berseth (Fall Creek) – 31 Years
- Tom Goller (G-E-T) – 25 Years
- Terry Allen (Regis) – 29 Years

4. Tournament Recognition

District 3 again has many outstanding individual student-athletes and teams competing in the WIAA fall tournament series. Congratulations to Eleva-Strum and E.C. Regis, both with teams advancing in the football playoffs. La Crosse Central participated for the 22nd year in a row in the cross country state meet. Regis placed 2nd in state volleyball. E.C. Memorial placed second in team state for girl's tennis and Onalaska boy's soccer advanced to state.

5. District 3 Representatives on WADA Board and Caucus Reps & WIAA Advisory

- Joe Beran (La Crosse Central) continues in his role as Treasurer for the WADA Board of Directors
- Linzi Gronning (Holmen) serves as the District 3 Board Representative
- Ron Johnson (Onalaska) as the District 3 Gender Representative serves as Linzi does on the WIAA Sports Advisory Committee
- Kathy Allen (Baraboo Middle School) serves on the WADA Board as the Middle Level Liaison and heads the Middle Level Caucus
- Gretchen Pease (Adams-Friendship) serves as the Gender Liaison to the WADA Board and heads the Women's Caucus

6. Middle Level Election

- Kathy Allen was supported by our District 3 AD's to continue in her role as the WADA Middle School Board Liaison and head of the Middle Level Caucus. Her position will be voted on at the Middle Level Caucus meeting.

Kathy encouraged middle level AD's to attend the caucus meeting and to share their concerns with her any time.

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7. WADA Door Prizes

Ideas to facilitate the purchase of prizes for the package sponsored by District 3 were discussed. 2004 will be the last year for “cash” to be included as part of a prize package. The WADA Board is looking at a limit around \$500 for the package value.

- Rather than have prizes from all over District 3, prizes that involve travel should be in a similar geographic area.
- One idea to generate funds for the prize package would be to have each AD donate \$10.
- Another idea would be to develop a rotation schedule by conference (s) that would be responsible for putting together the package.
 - Bryan Yager (Reedsburg) offered to coordinate the prize package for 2005. THANK YOU BRYAN! Suggestions and ideas for the District 3 prize package can be directed to Bryan at (608) 524-4327 or by email: byager@rsd.k12.wi.us

8. NIAA Delegate

Those attending the National Conference in December were encouraged to serve as a NIAAA delegate.

- Tom Curran (Tomah) offered to serve as a delegate and has done so in the past. He will be nominated for consideration at the WADA annual meeting. THANKS TOM!

9. WIAA Issues

- John Frizzell (WI Dells) would like the WIAA to consider that schools in the same conference be schools that are in the same WIAA defined district.
- Mark Froehle (EC Memorial) would support the WIAA hiring baseball and softball officials for regional and sectional tournaments.
- Tom Curran (Tomah) suggested that seeding meetings not be allowed to be conducted by fax or email.
- Dave Turner (EC North) suggested the use of teleconferences or the Distance Learning Lab (DLL) for seeding meetings when travel is an issue.
- Tom Goller (G-E-T) would like the WIAA to define “excessive” travel regarding playoff games. He also had questions about all schools making the football playoffs in the future.
- Todd Fischer (Osseo-Fairchild) suggested that the WIAA allow 9th grade students who transfer after the allowable date to be eligible for below varsity level competition—at least for the winter and/or spring seasons.

10. WADA Constitution

Linzi noted that a copy of the bylaw and constitution changes was included in everyone’s packet and the changes would be voted on at the annual meeting. Specific changes included adding a vision/mission statement and statements of purpose for WADA. She noted that the constitution and changes had been reviewed by an attorney.

Linzi recognized her committee members:

- John Frizzell (WI Dells)
- Brian Smith (Waunakee)
- Greg Smith (West DePere)
- Todd Sobrilsky (Beaver Dam)

11. Awards & Service Recognition

District 3 AD of the Year will be voted on at the Spring Caucus meeting along with the Distinguished Service Award. AD’s will be asked to submit their nominees in March in advance of the Spring meeting.

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12. WADA Golf Outing

Information and registration forms for the WADA Summer Golf Outing can be found on the website (wadawi.org). Feedback on the location and if the event should be annual or bi-annually was sought.

- Consensus was to keep the summer golf outing an annual event, but there was some interest in moving the event to different areas of the state.

13. Poster Scam

Mark Froehle (EC Memorial) and Mark Stoesz (Ellsworth) both shared concerns on potential poster scams where funds generated did not benefit the schools. Schedules are easily obtained by contacting the schools or downloading off of the websites. Businesses are being contacted and spending money advertising on posters that sometimes the schools don't even receive in a timely manner.

- Joe Beran (La Crosse Central) suggested contacting local Chambers of Commerce and informing them of the practice and to check with the schools on authorized posters.

14. WADA Scholarship

Discussion continues at the WADA Board level on the possibility of establishing a WADA scholarship to be awarded annually to a member (s) son/daughter. Volunteers to serve on a scholarship feasibility committee are being sought. Two District 3 AD's volunteered and they are:

- Tom Curran (Tomah)
- Todd Fischer (Osseo-Fairchild)

15. WADA 2005 Workshop

Joe Beran (Central) informed everyone that the registration forms for the November, 2005 WADA Workshop will be on the website. He noted this will save considerable mailing costs for WADA.

16. WADA Website -- Resource

Linzi noted a "resource" addition has been added to the WADA website. She congratulated Mike Montgomery on an outstanding letter he had written enlisting community support to address the continued use of alcohol by teenagers. This letter is now posted on the WADA website as a "resource."

17. WADA Workshop Evaluation Forms

Members were encouraged to complete and turn in the workshop evaluation forms. Suggestions are appreciated.

18. Middle Level AD Issues

none.

19. Correspondence

Linzi read a letter from Doug Chickering thanking the District 3 AD's for their generous contribution on behalf of his wife. A floral arrangement was sent for her funeral and a \$100 donation was made towards her memorial.

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20. Games Wanted

Linzi asked to make sure the D-3 games wanted email she was sending out was viewed as helpful. She will continue to route out email games wanted to D-3 AD's on a daily basis as she receives them. Please include the sport, level, date/season and contact information (name, phone/email).

- Blair—Girls BKB Tournament December 2005
- Central—Girls Soccer Quad
- Onalaska—Girls Soccer Quad May 18
- Bangor—Softball 2005 & 2006
- Tomah—JV Hockey 2004-05
- Menomonie—Week 1 Football 2005
- Royal—JV Softball 2005 & Girl's Soccer 2005
- WI Dells—April 15-16 Boy's Golf
- Loyal—Girls BKB 2005-06
- Tomah—Girls Softball Invite May 14

21. College Credit

Joe Beran (Central) shared that college credit from Viterbo, La Crosse, WI can be earned through attendance at the WADA workshop. The cost is \$160 for 1 credit and would involve summarizing the sessions attended and writing a 2-3 page papers. He indicated that forms needed to be turned into him prior to the end of the workshop.

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22. November 2004 District 3 Caucus Attendance

NAME	SCHOOL	E-MAIL	# of YEARS
Rich Roginski	Eleva-Strum	roginskr@esschools.k12.wi.us	4
Lance Bagstad	Bangor	lbagstad@bangor.k12.wi.us	2
Mark Froehle	EC Memorial	mfroehle@ecasd.k12.wi.us	7
Mike Montgomery	Sparta	mmontgomery@spartan.org	6
Dave Turner	EC North	dturner@ecasd.k12.wi.us	14
Terry Allen	EC Regis	tallen@case.k12.wi.us	29
Bryan Yager	Reedsburg Area Schools	byager@rsd.k12.wi.us	5
Tim Schuette	Portage	schuettet@portage.k12.wi.us	2
Dave Hedgepath	Baraboo	dheadgepath@baraboo.k12.wi.us	2
John Frizzell	Wisconsin Dells	jfrizzel@sdwd.k12.wi.us	3
Karl Stoker	Westby	stokekar@westby.k12.wi.us	5
Ron Johnson	Onalaska	johro@mail.onalaska.k12.wi.us	11
Joe Beran	La Crosse Central	jberan@mail.sdax.k12.wi.us	8
Pete Swanson	Viroqua	swaped@viroqua.k12.wi.us	24
Todd Fischer	Osseo-Fairchild	tfischer@ofsd.k12.wi.us	5
Kyle Cronan	Necedah	kcronan@necedah.k12.wi.us	2
Gerald Blaha	Blair-Taylor	anderr@btsd.k12.wi.us	12
Dave Durni	Lincoln High	ddurni@achm.k12.wi.us	20
Tom Goller	G-E-T	tgoller@getschools.k12.wi.us	25
Randy Fabian	Mauston	Randy_Fabian@pc.mauston.k12.wi.us	17
Ted Knutson	Aquinas	tknutson@aquinas.la-crosse.wi.us	10
Graeme Williams	Loyal	grwill@loyal.k12.wi.us	11
Bob Lenz	Greenwood	rolenz@greenwood.k12.wi.us	4
John Neiderhauser	Menomonie High		1
Jerry Berseth	Fall Creek		31
Tim Lee	Viroqua Middle	leetim@viroqua.k12.wi.us	9
Tom Curran	Tomah Middle & High School	tomcu@tomah.k12.wi.us	15
Scott King	DeSoto	skin@desoto.k12.wi.us	11
Wayne Schreiber	Kickapoo	wschreiber@kickapoo.k12.wi.us	7
John Benish	Wonewoc-Center	benijoh@wc.k12.wi.us	7
Ken Clinton	Brookwood	kclinton@now.k12.wi.us	2
Mike Crneckiy	Royall		1
Bob Ratigan	Onalaska Middle	ratro@mail.onalaska.k12.wi.us	15
Gretchen Pease	Adams-Friendship	pease_g@af.k12.wi.us	5
Kathy Allen	Baraboo		16
Rod Anderson	Augusta	anderrod@augusta.k12.wi.us	4
Mark Stoesz	Ellsworth	stoesz@ellsworth.k12.wi.us	1
Steve Hole	La Crosse Logan	shole@sdax.k12.wi.us	1
Dave Vortherms	Prescott	dvorther@prescott.k12.wi.us	2
Timothy Flood	Nekoosa	tim_flood@nekoosa.k12.wi.us	2
Rollie Hall	River Falls	rohall@rfsd.k12.wi.us	3
Linzi Gronning	Holmen	grolin@mail.holmen.k12.wi.us	10

Thank you to Ron Johnson for taking the notes!

Respectfully submitted,

Linzi Gronning, District 3 Representative
Holmen, WI