

WISTCA MEETING

February 2nd, 2017 - WISTCA Clinic



Present: John Masanz, Joe Hackbarth, Craig Shepard, Mike Price, Matt Polzin, Jeroma Missian, Owen Jarrette, Vince Komar, Paul Raley, Scott Schwantes, Mark Maas, Kevin Streveler, Kurt VandenHeuvel, Dan Friege, Tom Hoogester, Randy Skellenger, James Houdek, Jayme Wyss, Kari Krakow, Jason McMahon, Matt Buchman, Kevin Kravik, Stephanie Hauser, Mike Mulrooney, Vince Lease, Paul Heigel, Brad Mexiner (tardy), Bill Richards, Geoff Steinbach

1. Call meeting to order
2. Review Clinic Minutes from November
 - a. Motion to accept: Craig Shepard
 - b. Second: Joe Hackbarth
3. WIAA Updates - Stephanie
 - a. WIAA Rules Updates
 - i. Rule change - standing starts only for races 800+ or longer. Blocks will not be allowed.
 - b. State meet info
 - i. This year at the State Track meet there will be an auto assigning of the dorms. No more standing in lines to claim the best spots. Rooms will be determining by the time/state stamp of the reservation.
 - ii. From Cross Country - allowing schools to provide feedback on host sites for Regional and Sectional meets.
 - c. Other?
 - i. Becky Oakes will be retiring after 41 years. (We will miss her!)
4. USATF/USTFCCA - Richards//Price/DeVoe/Hoffman
 - a. Bill and Mark H attended this year in Orlando
 - b. In terms of coaching education - if you have had Level I prior to 2013 you need to go back to Level I.
 - c. If you have athletes that are competing in the summer on rec teams you must be on the coaches registry to coach them during the summer
 - d. National Senate - talked about the divide between the 2. USTFCCA - Mostly College Coaches. USATF - mostly high school. The two do not communicate as well as they could. They strive to do better in the future.
5. Items to cover at the Business Meeting
 - a. Introduce Stephanie Hauser, Assistant Director WIAA in charge of Track and Field
 - a. Introduce Officers: Joe Hackbarth-LaCrosse Logan, President Elect; Mark Hoffman-South Milwaukee, Treasurer; Kari Krakow-Portage HS, Secretary; Bill Richards-Mequon Homestead, Past-President.
 - b. Thank Clinic Staff and Convention Staff-Geoff Steinback and Mark Maas, Co-Clinic Chairs; Mike Price, Door Prizes; Mike Chapes, Technology; Paul Hiegel, Vendors: Vince Lease and Craig Shepard, Clinic Registrars; all the other men and women in the long sleeved red shirts who have made this weekend so special thus far. Please join me in giving them a round of applause.
 - c. Middleton Tourism Commission Chairperson-Hans Hilbert
 - d. Why WISTCA?
 - e. WIAA Admin and State Meet Info.
 - f. Senior Spotlight Meet-University of Dubuque, Head Coach Chad Gunnelson, Director of Senior Spotlight Meet
 - g. Questions for WIAA in boxes in back of room. Be respectful please.
 - h. Questions from the floor regarding WISTCA
6. Caucus Items-Meeting afterwards to discuss this with Joe Hackbarth

- a. New way of determining divisional placement. Still keeping three divisions. Four divisions is not a viable option. Please gather feedback from anyone based on how cross country does. Current: 138 (D1) D2 and D3 are then split evenly.
 - i. Small charter schools is one of the biggest concerns out there. This leads to empty lanes or teams pull out before regionals. Then there becomes an imbalance.
 - ii. Paul Raley - is there any punishment for the schools that pull out. Stephanie - at the moment there is no ramification. They just need to re-apply for the tournament series.
- b. Athletes wearing music at the state track meet. Do we want to ban music? Athletes not hearing their names? It is a safety issue during warm ups.
- c. For safety issues - is it possible to get the hurdle warm up moved into the Mitchell Hall? Would coaches be open for this?

7. Hall of Fame & Awards – Craig Shep

- a. Make sure you pick up your plaques.
- b. Video is good to go. (James)
- c. John M will be announcing the coach of the year.

8. Power Rankings - Joe/Matt

- a. There is a 90 minute presentation ready to go. They are all set ready to go!

9. Clinic Business – Hoffman/Steinbach/Maas

- a. We are on track to get over 1,100 participants
- b. Very very important that we stay on time throughout the clinic.
- c. The crowd gets very thick leading up to the first session. More things to hand out - help out if you can!
- d. If you are a presider - you are the liaison between you and this clinic. You are responsible for being there at the beginning and at the end.
- e. Refer to the color coded papers that have just been handed out when it comes to the Business/Rules meeting and District/Officials Caucus meetings.
- f. Results from the elections (caucus meetings) please give to your President or President Elect right away.

10. Door Prizes-Mike Price

- a. Place all door Prizes on table for Mike's assistance in an organized fashion by district-Thanks!
- b. All hands on deck for Friday Night, Mike with administration. No libations
- c. other

11. Motion to Adjourn. Get to Work