



MINNESOTA STATE HIGH SCHOOL LEAGUE

Region 8AA

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MEMBER SCHOOLS

Alexandria
Becker
Bemidji
Brainerd
Detroit Lakes
Fergus Falls
Little Falls
Monticello
Moorhead
Rocori
St Cloud Apollo
St Cloud Tech
Sartell-St Stephen
Sauk Rapids-Rice
Thief River Falls
Willmar

Region 8AA held a special planning meeting at 1:00 PM, Wednesday, May 10, 2023 via Zoom.

PRESENT:

John Ross, Region Secretary
***Ben Kvidt, Alexandria, AD**
***Jack Freeman, Brainerd, AD**
Eric Ruska, Tech, AD
Bruce Thompson, Sartell, AD
Joel Baumgarten, Rocori, AD
Phil Klaphake, SRR, AD
***Dean Haugo, Moorhead, AD**
***Kevin Jordan, Little Falls, AD**
***Annie Krause, Little Falls, Speech Rep**

***Ryan Blahosky, Willmar AD**
***Bob Sansevere, Buffalo, Board Rep**
Karl Heine, Apollo AD
***Kristen McCrae, Bemidji, AD**
***Bradley Bergstrom, SRR Superintendent**
***Jared Matson, Big Lake AD**
***Gary Revenig, Monticello, AD**
Keith Cornell, STMA, AD
Dave Niemi, Becker AD
Nick Guida, Buffalo AD

***Indicates Committee member or Proxy**

ABSENT:

***Seth Freundsuh, Bemidji, Music Rep**
***April Thomas, DL, Board Rep**
***Kim Bowen, Girls Sports Rep, Big Lake**
***Tim Bjorge, Little Falls, Principal**
***Paul Schmitz, Willmar, Principal**

***Eric Olson, Monticello, Superintendent**
Derek Abrahams, Fergus Falls, AD
***Jon Ammerman, Moorhead, Boys Sport Rep**
Rob Nielsen, Detroit Lakes, AD

Ben Kvidt, Chair, welcomed everyone and opened the meeting at 1:00 PM

Motion by Sansevere, seconded by Bergstrom, to accept minutes from 4/19/23 region meeting. Motion Carried.

New Section assignments were reviewed. The following Fall and Winter 2023-24 tournament details were approved:

Motion by Krause, seconded by Sansevere to approve dates for 8AAA Soccer. Motion carried.

Boys 8AAA Soccer Dates:

QF – Thursday, 10/12/23 @ High Seed
SF – Tuesday, 10/17/23 @ High Seed
Final- Thursday, 10/19/23 @ High Seed

Girls 8AAA Soccer Dates

QF – Wednesday, 10/11/23 @ High Seed
SF – Saturday, 10/14/23 @ High Seed
Final- Tuesday, 10/17/23 @ High Seed

Motion by Revenig, seconded by Blahosky to approve the 8AA Cross country site (Little Falls 2023, Detroit Lakes 2024) and future rotation of the meet. Motion carried.

Motion by Sansevere, seconded by Matson to approve 8AA Girls Hockey dates. Motion carried.
Seed Friday, 2/2/24, QF Tues. 2/6, SF Sat. 2/10, Final Wed. 2/14 – NS

Motion by McCrae, seconded by Revenig to approve dates for 8AA Boys Hockey.
Dates: Seed Wed. 2/14/24 (CV), Play in Sat. 2/17, QF Tues. 2/20, SF Sat. 2/24, Final Wed. 2/28 (NS)

Motion by Jordan, seconded by Sansevere, to approve dates for 5A Boys Hockey. Motion carried.
Dates: Seed Fri. 2/17/24 (CV), Play in Sat. 2/18, QF Tues. 2/20, SF Sat. 2/24, Final Wed. 2/28 @ Elk River

8AAAA Girls and Boys Basketball dates tabled until July meeting.

Motion by Blahosky, seconded by Krause, to approve dates for 8AAA Boys and Girls Basketball. Motion carried.
Girls Dates: Seed- Mon. 2/26/24, QF Thur. 2/29, SF Sat. 3/2, Final Thur. 3/7 (NS)
Boys Dates: Seed – Sat. 3/2/24, QF Tues. 3/5, SF Fri. 3/8, Final Thur. 3/14 (NS)

Motion by Revenig, seconded by Matson, to approve 5AAA Boys and Girls Basketball dates. Motion carried.
Girls dates: Seed- Saturday, 2/21, PI Mon. 2/26, QF Thur. 2/29, SF Sat. 3/2 (NS), Final Thur. 3/7 (NS)
Boys dates: Seed- Saturday, 3/2, QF Tues. 3/5, SF 3/8 (NS), Final Thur. 3/14 (NS)

Motion by Sansevere, seconded by Revenig to approve 8AA Gymnastics at Moorhead 2/17/24. Motion carried.

4AA Dance, Nordic Ski, 3A Boys Swim and 8AA Boys Swim tabled until July meeting.

Motion by Sansevere, seconded by Matson to approve 8AA Wrestling dates and sites. Motion carried.
8AAA Team Wrestling – Seed – Fri. 2/9/24, QF Wed. 2/14, SF/F Fri. 2/16 @ Buffalo
8AAA Ind. Wrestling – Seed (zoom), Sat. 2/24/24 @ Moorhead

Motion by Blahosky, seconded by Matson to approve Region 8AA events to have all host sites use online ticketing only starting in Fall 2023. Ticket vendor to be selected at July meeting. Motion carried.

Next meeting will be Wednesday, July 19, 2023 at Sartell High School. Lunch to follow at Blackberry Ridge Golf Course.

Motion by Sansevere, seconded by Krause to adjourn at 2:10 PM

Respectfully submitted,

John Ross
Region 8AA Secretary