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Minutes
Zoom Meeting
September 25, 2020

1. Meeting was called to order by Secretary Pete Cheeley. All members were present.
2. **Agenda.** M/S/P: Scott/Bob. To approve the agenda as presented. Motion passed.
3. **Officers for 2020-21 School Year.** M/S/P: Rick/Denise. Nominated Vern Capelle as Chairman, Rick Gossen as Vice Chair and Scott Berning and Damian Patnode as Auditors for the Region 5A Committee. Motion passed.
4. **May Minutes.** M/S/P: Rick/Denise. To approve the May minutes as presented. Motion passed.
5. **Depository.** M/S/P: Vern/Rick: To approve Deerwood Bank as the official depository of Region 5A for the 2020-21 school year. Motion passed.
6. **HLWW/Holy Trinity Co-op.** M/S/P: Lee/Damian. To approve the Co-op between HLWW and Holy Trinity as presented. Motion passed.
7. **Financial and Reconciliation Report.** M/S/P: Lee/Damian. To approve the Financial and Reconciliation Statements with a balance of \$89,818.26.
8. **Region 5A Handbook.** Pete reported the Handbook had been updated but would not be printed this year in order to save printing costs. The Handbook will be put on the Region 5A website of the MSHSL when the website is ready.
9. **Region Passes.** M/S/P: Scott/Brooke. No Region 5A passes would be printed or used this year in order to save money for the Region. Motion passed.
10. **Cross Country Update.** Pete reported that both Section 5A and 6A would have to be run on two separate days each; the girls on day one and the boys' on day two. Sites would be golf

courses at Long Prairie, Mora and New London. Costs were expected to double since the meet would have to be run on two days instead of one to follow MDE Covid Guidelines.

11. Girls Swimming and Tennis update. The Section 5A girls' tennis meet will be just a team tournament and the individual portion of the tournament would not be held as per MSHSL guidelines. The entire tournament will be held outdoors with high seeds hosting through the tournament. The two Sections of girls' swimming will be held at three sites per Section over two days..... one for diving and one for swimming. Sites will be Sauk Rapids, Monticello, Becker, Morris, Sauk Centre and Alexandria.

12. Volleyball and Football Updates: St. John's University and St. Cloud State will not allow playoff games to be held on their fields this year due to Covid concerns. Region 5A administers six different Sections of football. The Committee recommended that the finals be played on turf fields if possible. Pete and the football coordinators will look into schools with turf to hold the Section finals.

13. Cuts and Reductions in Region 5A. Due to possible financial difficulties this year in the Region, Pete presented a list of possible cuts in programs, increased entry fees for non-revenue sports and virtual presentations in selecting Triple A candidates. There will be no banquets at the Triple A gatherings this year.

A. M/S/P: Vern/Lee. To have golf teams pay for their own green fees through the entire golf tournament. Motion passed.

B. M/S/P: Damian/Brooke: To use two umpires in baseball and softball games this spring. Motion passed.

14. Subsection Coordinator's Pay. M/S/P: Lee/Don. It was recommended that the monthly pay for Subsection Coordinator's be suspended for the remainder of the year and they be paid according to the tournaments they run. This would be a substantial savings for the Region. Their pay will be reviewed again at the end of the 2020-21 school year. Pete will meet with the Coordinator's to determine a fair amount for running tournaments in the Region. Motion passed.

15. Webcasting. Pete will look into getting webcasting companies to webcast events in Region 5A in order to help defray costs involved in running the tournaments.

16. Next meeting will be a Zoom meeting in December. Meeting adjourned.

Submitted by,

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