All members were present except Becky Beissel, Hastings and Isaac Heins, Faribault.
Welcome and introductions. Byron and Stewartville were recognized as new members of Region 1AA. Casey Indra had everyone introduce themselves. New Committee members include Annette Freiheit from Winona, Tim Malone from Stewartville, Becky Beissel from Hastings, Isaac Heins from Faribault and Donny Holcomb from Rochester Mayo.

1. Elect a chairperson. Mark Kuisle nominated Casey as the AD’s recommendation for the 2021-22 Region Chair. There were no other nominations. Motion to approve by Kuisle/Achterkirch. Passed.

2. Approve the minutes of the April 22nd meeting. Motion to approve by Baumann/Achterkirch. Passed.

3. Approve Region disbursements from April 22nd to July 30th. Motion to approve by Quednow/Timmer. Passed.

4. Name a bank depository. The Region 1AA banking will continue to be at 1st Alliance Credit Union in Rochester. Motion to approve by Kuisle/Achterkirch. Passed.

5. Winter/Spring financial report. The Region Secretary reported that the winter tournament financial report had been approved electronically. He reported that the COVID financial protocol had worked and the Region showed a profit for the winter activities. With the Committee’s decision to continue with the same protocol for the spring tournaments, a profit was also made in the spring. Speech was the most costly spring activity at a little over $5,400, due largely to the cost of judges. Boys’ and girls’ lacrosse and baseball showed significant profits. Motion to approve by Freiheit/Timmer. Passed.

5. Spring tournament reports. Chair Indra summarized the reports made at the AD meeting as follows:
   BASE – Jeff Whitney reported that there were no weather postponements for first time in many years. He thanked Red Wing and New Prague for hosting the final four in each class and congratulated Farmington.
and Albert Lea on their Section championships. With New Prague leaving Region 1AA, he recommends that Austin host the 3A next year and Red Wing host the 4A.

SOFT – Lisa Quednow reported no weather related issues and said things went great. Lakeville North and Winona were champions.

BGOLF – Keith Badger reported that everything went well. Great weather. He recommends going back to the Jewel in Lake City next spring.

GGOLF – Casey Indra reported that everything went well. There was some concern over the use of the Wanamaker scoring system, but it went fine. He recommends returning to Cannon Falls.

B/G LX – Mike Zweber stated that things went well and the hi seed locations were good. Getting officials continues to be a challenge and required changing some game times. We should be able to set our own times next year.

BTEN – Joel Olson reported a unique year for Section boys’ tennis. The individual tournament had to go to subsections in order to stay in pods. Mayo won the championship.

B/G TRK – Tom Dasovich registered his concern and disappointment over the weather related decisions that were made by the League staff. The extreme heat was a concern for the host management. Conditions were barely within the heat guidelines and questionable. Hopefully we will not experience this in the future. Greg Utecht was complimented again for the great job he does managing this event.

7. Region Secretary’s report. - It was reported that Region 1AA has seven new Section tournaments to administer this year with the addition of another class in B/GCC, VB, B/GSOC and B/GTRK. This will likely result in an increase in expenses without a corresponding increase in revenue.

- The Region secretary summarized the COVID financial protocol that was used this past year.

- The annual disbursement calculation procedure was explained and it was noted that the League Board of Directors is allowing regions to use their 2019 retention calculations due to the COVID financial adjustments that were made by regions. The 2020-21 member schools were given a check for $4,350.

- The Region secretary reported the new sub-regions being used as a result of the MSHSL administrative region realignment. Sub-region 1 is now Winona Red Wing, Century, Mayo and John Marshall. Sub-region 2 is Austin, Byron, Kasson Mantorville and Stewartville. Sub-region 3 is Albert Lea, Owatonna,
Faribault and Northfield. Sub-region 4 remains Farmington, Hastings, Lakeville North and Lakeville South.

- The Region secretary reviewed the tournament report procedure and will send a summary to the ADs and their assistants. When a school serves as a host for a Section event they are to submit the Region Tournament Report Form to the Region secretary with 5 days after the event. The report should also include Independent Contractor Forms for the officials if they are going to be paid by the Region. (Note: discussion later in the meeting indicated that officials will be paid by the host school and reimbursed by the Region.)
- The Region secretary reported that Lisa Quednow has been elected to the MSHSL Board of Directors, representing Regions 1AA and 2AA.
- The Region 1AA Annual Meeting was set to be held at the Hubbell House at 11:30 on September 8th. This meeting is our annual awards/recognition meeting and because there are no awards to be presented this year, the ADS recommended cancelling the meeting. The meeting was cancelled.

8. Financial committee report/recommendations. The finance committee minutes were summarized by Broc Threinen. The COVID protocol, annual disbursement and tournament reports were covered in the Region secretary’s report.

- Ticket prices are currently $8 for adults and $5 for students. The finance committee discussed electronic ticketing which many of the schools are now using. After extensive discussion, the ADs recommended that we use Home Town Ticketing and increase ticket prices to $10 and $6 to offset the fee to use this system.
- The finance committee recommended keeping tournament coordinator pay, site manager pay and worker pay the same. Officials’ pay will continue to be negotiated with associations. The ADs supported this recommendation.
- The ADs determined that it would be very difficult to charge admission for most of the non/low revenue activities so no change was suggested.
- It was recommended that we wait for a year before making any changes in entry fees for non/low revenue activities.
- Streaming fees and procedures will be taken up at the October meeting.
- The finance committee is recommending no change in the $8 food allowance for workers and officials at all-day events. If a host school chooses to go beyond that amount, it will be at the school’s expense. Motion to approve the Finance Committee and AD recommendations by Quednow/Baumann. Passed.
9. Review and provide input on the spring advisory recommendations. There were no spring advisory recommendations.

10. Update Region Directory. The directory was circulated among the ADs for revisions. It will be updated and sent out.

11. VB, GBB, BBB venues for semis and finals. AA B/G TRK. After discussion the ADs recommended going back to the Mayo Civic Center for the VB, GBB and BBB finals. It was recommended that we contact Greg Utecht about the possibility of hosting both the AA and AAA B/GTRK at the same site. Lakeville South is willing to host with the understanding that the host site have a voice in decisions regarding weather, if needed. Motion to approve ADs’ recommendations by Malone/Timmer. Passed.

12. Triple “A” timeline 2021-22. There was no timeline set by the League.

13. Annual Meeting plan. The ADs recommend cancelling the meeting due to the fact that there are no awards to present this year. There was support for this recommendation.

14. Region 1AA Awards Committee report. Chair Indra shared Jeff Whitney’s report that the Awards Committee did not meet during COVID and no recipients had been selected. He also noted that there is a need for more nominations in most categories.

15. Review 2021-2022 Calendar. The calendar was reviewed by the ADs noting the following revisions: BASE will be May 28, 31, June 2, 4, 8. SOFT will be May 24, 26, 31, June 2. B/G LX will be May 31, June 1, 4, 7. The calendar will be revised, sent out and posted.

16. Activities Directors and Region Committee meeting dates for 2021-22:
   - Thursday, August 12th – Cabela’s
   - Wednesday, September 8th – Annual Meeting – CANCELLED
   - Wednesday, October 6th – Cabela’s
   - Wednesday, January 5th – Cabela’s
   - Wednesday, April 13th – Cabela’s

17. Representative Assembly members, (2). The ADs recommend Tom Dasovich and Kevin Kleiner to serve on the Representative Assembly. Motion to approve by Baumann/Malone. Passed.

18. Items from the floor: Lisa Quednow reported that a one year waiver in the transfer rule, due to COVID, will be announce by the League. Joe Timmer distributed a proposed solo/ensemble contest format for action at the October meeting.
