

The Region 7A Committee

Minnesota State High School League

Sub Section 25

Dan Manick Bd. of Ed.
Dave Foster A.D.

Sub Section 26

Jay Belcastro Supt.
Jeff Salo Bd. of Ed.

Sub Section 27

Jeff Burgess Supt.
John Vukmanich Prin.

Sub Section 28

Brent Schimek A.D.
Ken Decoster Prin.

At Large

Jeff Gronner, Rhaya Tomberlin-Anderson, Kristen Cooper, Cassie Thuen.

Region Executive Secretary

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Region 7A Minutes

March 23, 2022

Valentini's

Not Official until approved on May 5, 2022

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Foster at 10:30 AM. The roll was taken and a quorum was certified. Jay Belcastro, Ken Decoster, and Kristen Cooper were absent, Cassie Thuen was represented by John Peterson, Jeff Burgess was represented by Jim James, and Jeff Salo was represented by Julian Bertogliat.

1. Motion James, second Vukmanich to adopt the agenda. **Motion Carried**
2. Motion Gronner, second Manick to approve the minutes of February 2, 2022. **Motion Carried**
3. Open Forum: None.
4. The financial report which covered the January and February bank reconciliations and a review of the region secretary expenses since the last meeting. Motion Bertogliat, second Vukmanich to approve the financial report. **Motion Carried**
5. Executive Secretary Report: Reviewed winter tournaments highlighting basketball concerns relative to the significant margins of victory in a number of first round contests. Overall the Basketball tournament atmosphere appears to be back and attendance at UMD and Hermantown High School were good. Communicated an increase in logistical and financial commitments in Nordic Ski as a result of the sprint medley addition to the event. Music in the South Subsection is ongoing but typically over on March 8th, our tournament manager made this decision in an effort to limit the number of schools coming together at UMD. Spring tournament planning is moving forward and we expect a typical Spring Season. Shared topics from the last two Region Secretaries meetings, including the league's decision to sunset state tournament reimbursements, add two new associate directors, and hire general staff member positions at the league office. Shared the league has concerns with security at Winter tournaments due to unruly behavior of some fan and fan sections. Communicated the news of two Region Secretaries retiring this Spring, meaning half of the positions have turned over in three years.
6. Old Business
 - a. AAA - Reviewed the Banquet held at Amsoil on March 2, 2022.
 - b. The Board of Directors Election will be held in May. Anyone interested in running for this position should contact Region 7A Secretary, Chad Stoskopf.
 - c. Dave Foster, Brent Schimek, and John Vukmanich will represent Region 7A on May 10th at the Rep Assembly meeting scheduled to take place at the Minneapolis Marriott West.
 1. Representative Assembly Proposals:
 - a. Boys Volleyball moved forward with support of 9 of the 16 regions. Last year 11 of the 16 supported the proposal moving forward to the Rep Assembly but it narrowly failed by roll call vote.
 - b. Bylaw 110 has been moved forward by the board.

7. New Business:

- a. The bylaw 110 proposal was explained and discussed. There is some concern that tracking years of eligibility will be a bit more challenging based on a student's ability to repeat either 7th or 8th grade but still have four years of consecutive eligibility beginning in 9th grade.
- b. Activity Advisory Proposals were briefly discussed and will be voted on in May by the Region Committee.
- c. The fees and allowances committee will meet at 9:30 on May 5th and make recommendations for the 2022-2023 school year. Recommendations will be up for action at the full committee meeting.
- d. Motion Schimik, second by Manick to approve the following coops. **Motion Carried:**
 - Nashwauk-Keewatin and Greenway - baseball
 - Carlton-Wrenshall - softball
 - TH-Marshall-LCA - football

8. Other: None

9. The next full committee meeting is set for May 5, 2022 at 10:30 am at Valentini's in Chisholm.

10. Adjourn: Motion Vukmanich, second Peterson to adjourn the meeting. **Motion Carried**
The meeting was adjourned by Chairman Foster at 11:00 AM

Respectfully Submitted,

Chad Stoskopf, Exc. Secretary

Date

Dave Foster, Chairman