Region 8AA held the Fall meeting at 9:30 AM, Wednesday, September 21, 2022 at the Holiday Inn in Alexandria.

PRESENT:

John Ross, Secretary  *Paul Schmitz, Willmar, Principal
*Ben Kvidt, Alexandria, AD  *Tim Bjorge, Little Falls, Principal
Jack Freeman, Brainerd, AD  Ryan Blahosky, Willmar AD
*Kim Bowen, Girls Sports Rep, Big Lake  Eric Ruska, Tech, AD
*Jon Ammerman, Moorhead, Boys Sport Rep  *Nick Guida, Buffalo AD
Joel Baumgarten, Rocori, AD  Jared Matson, Big Lake AD
*Rob Nielsen, Detroit Lakes, AD  Keith Cornell, STMA, AD
Dean Haugo, Moorhead, AD  *Seth Freundshuh, Bemidji, Music Rep
Kevin Jordan, Little Falls, AD  Dave Niemi, Becker AD
Troy Hendricks, Bemidji, AD  *Annie Krause, Little Falls, Speech Rep
Bruce Thompson, Sartell, AD  Phil Klaphake, SRR, AD
Emmett Keenan, Cathedral, AD

*Indicates Committee member or Proxy

ABSENT:  Alex Badger, Apollo, AD  Gary Revenig, Monticello, AD
*Eric Olson, Monticello Superindent  *April Thomas, DL, Board Rep
*Bob Sansevere, Buffalo, Board Rep

Ben Kvidt, Chair, welcomed everyone and opened the meeting at 9:15 AM

Motion by Ammerman, seconded by Schmitz, to accept minutes of 7/20/22 region meeting. Motion Carried.

Ross presented an update on MSHSL items.

Ross presented financial update and progress of new Audit by Clifton Larson Allen.

Ross presented information on fall tournament financial procedures and informed on ticket prices of other regions.

Motion by Freundshuh, seconded by Nielsen to change adult ticket prices to $10. New ticket prices are $10/$5. Motion carried.

Winter tournament dates and sites were reviewed. Only change is to the location of 8AA Gymnastics. St. Cloud Tech will host.

Spring tournament dates and site were reviewed. Listing of dates and sites are on the 8AA web page of the MSHSL website.

Motion by Krause, seconded by Bjorge to accept the spring tournament dates and locations. Motion carried. 9-1.
Spring Activity Advisory proposals were reviewed and discussed. Ross will send feedback form to MSHSL for the board of directors to consider at the October board meeting. Overall review was support for Clay Target, Speech, and Music proposals. Nonsupport for Baseball and Softball proposals.

Discussion was held regarding streaming fees. No motion to change the current language on waiving fees. Language will be reviewed with potential changes for nonprofit organizations that do have advertising.

Current policy: Streaming fees are waived for a school endorsed stream that has no pay wall or advertising. School YouTube channel and Hudl are examples that can have fees waived if school endorsed and no advertising. NFHS and Live Barn are examples that are for profit (with pay wall) and are not allowed without paying the fee structure. $300/$600/$900.

Currently SpudTV is not granted a waiver, but will be reviewed in January.

Next meeting will be Wednesday, January 18, 2023 at the Holiday Inn in Alexandria.

**Motion by Fruendschuh, seconded by Bjorge to adjourn at 12:05 PM.**

Respectfully submitted,

John Ross  
Region 8AA Secretary