

The Region 7A Committee
Minnesota State High School League

Subsection 25

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

Subsection 26

Jay Belcastro Supt.
Todd Rengo Bd. of Ed.

Subsection 27

Jeff Burgess Supt.
John Vukmanich Prin.

Subsection 28

Travis Vake 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

February 1, 2023

Valentini's

Not Official until approved on April 5, 2023

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Foster at 10:30 AM. The roll was taken and a quorum was certified. John Vukmanich was absent. Cassie Thuen was represented by John Peterson, Jay Belcastro was represented by Scott Ross, and Dan Manick was represented by Tony DeLeon.

1. Motion Kristen Cooper, second Travis Vake to adopt the agenda. **Motion Carried**
2. Motion Ken Decoster, second Scott Ross to approve the minutes of December 20, 2022. **Motion Carried**
3. Open Forum: None.
4. The financial report which covered the December bank reconciliation and a review of the region secretary expenses since the last meeting was shared by Finance Chairperson, John Peterson. Motion Cooper, second Jeff Gronner to approve the financial report. **Motion Carried**
5. Executive Secretary Report: Reviewed the administrative region AD meeting that included updates for our Winter tournaments, previewed the Spring tournaments, summarized the MNIAAA report provided by Rock Ridge AD Chad Hazelton regarding the state AD conference on March 28-30, 2023 in St. Cloud, reminded all that the MSHSL foundation form B is due by February 15, 2023 and relayed feedback on the Fall Advisory Proposals. Communicated topics of conversation from the Region Secretary meeting; explained the "Emerging Status" process for a sport to move from a club activity to a sanctioned MSHSL sport, and the leagues plan to host two simultaneous girls wrestling section tournaments at the same location due to increasing participation numbers in the sport. Communicated the possibility of an exclusive live streaming contract for the 7A girls hockey championship with NSPN.
6. Old Business
 - a. Region Calendar updates included the elimination of a play-in date in the 7AA GBB tournament, moving the 7AA Golf venue from the Legends to the Quarry, and communicated the location of both the instrumental and vocal portions of the music contest respectively to Eveleth/Gilbert and Virginia high schools.
 - b. Volleyball 2023: The league will allow region finals to continue to be played on the last Saturday of the tournament window. Discussion was held regarding the possibility of the last day becoming the preceding Friday.
 - c. Foundation Form B2 includes \$300,000 worth of grant money. Applications are due on February 15, 2023. This is the first time in a few years that this grant is available.
7. New Business:
 - a. The Region Committee approved the appointment of Todd Rengo in replacement of former school board member Jeff Salo. Motion Decoster, second by Peterson to approve the appointment. **Motion Carried**. Todd will complete the term representing subsection 26 on the Region Committee. A replacement for former school board member Dan Manick is also being sought for subsection 25.
 - b. AAA Results - Each subsection selected a girls and boys winner and then the four candidates from each gender were reviewed and an overall section winner was determined.
 - c. AAA Recognition on March 1, 2023 at Amsoil Arena during the 7A Boys Hockey Championship.

1. Committee members and AAA Families should arrive between 6:00-6:30
 2. Subsection winners will be on ice between 1st & 2nd periods for presentation of the AAA awards.
 - d. Souvenir Hockey and Basketball Programs are being produced by the Ely Echo. Schools are reminded to update their team photos, school information, rosters and results on rSchool.
 - e. Fed Mileage Rate as of January 1, 2023 is 65.5 cents per mile.
8. Other: None
9. The next full committee meeting is set for April 5, 2023 at 10:30 am at Valentini's in Chisholm.
10. Adjourn: Motion Gronner, second Tony DeLeon to adjourn the meeting. **Motion Carried**
The meeting was adjourned by Chairman Foster at 11:20 AM

Respectfully Submitted,

Chad Stoskopf, Exc. Secretary

Date

Dave Foster, Chairman