

ALASKA SCHOOL ACTIVITIES ASSOCIATION
REGION 1 A.S.A.A WINTER MEETING
CITC Conference Room - December 5, 2012

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Billy Strickland at 1:27 P.M. on December 5, 2012, at CITC Conference Room in Anchorage.

II. Roll Call

Luke Meinart	Aleutians East Borough S.D.	member	yes
Jeff Erickson	Bering Strait School District	Ex. Sec.	yes
Mike Larsen	Bristol Bay Borough	member	yes
John Johnson	Dillingham City Schools	member	no
Jeff Bader	Iditarod School District	member	no
Ulric Ulron	Kashunamiut School District	member	yes
Wayne Morgan	Kuspuk School District	member	no
Ed Lester	Lake and Peninsula Schools	member	yes
Carlton Kuhns	Lower Kuskokwim Schools	member	yes
Byron Ulak	Lower Yukon School District	member	yes
Patrick Callahan	Nome City Schools	member	yes
Robert Johnson	North Slope Borough Sch. Dist.	member	yes
Craig McConnell	Northwest Arctic School Dist.	member	no
(Brett Slaathaug subbed in)			yes
Jamie Stacks	Pribilof School District	member	no
Dewayne Bahnsen	St. Mary's School District	member	no
Brett Scott	Southwest Region School Dist.	member	no
Jim Wilson	Unalaska City School Dist.	member	yes
Steve Craft	Yupit School District	member	yes

III. Introduction of Guests

Sharon Wagner, LKSD, Billy Strickland, Bethel High School, Robert Stewart LYSD, Brian Freeman-NSBSD and Bill McCloud-DLG were also present.

IV. Order of Agenda

Robert Johnson moved to approve the amended agenda; second by Byron Ulak; motion carried.

V. Approval of Minutes, September 28, 2012 - Meeting

Carlton Kuhns moved to approve the minutes of September 28, second by Robert Johnson; motion carried.

VI. Financial Report

Jeff Erickson, Executive Secretary, presented the Financial Report. At the present time, Region I has a cash balance of \$44009.86. A budget summary and check registry of the FY13 year-to-date were presented. Ed Lester moved to accept Financial Report, Luke Meinart seconded; motion carried unanimously.

VII. Communications

No communications.

(Gary Matthews, ASAA joins meeting at 1:39pm)

VIII. Old Business

a. Academic Excellence Awards

This year Region I will be awarding Academic Excellence Medals. To be nominated for this award, the student athletes must meet the following items:

- 1) A member of an ASAA sanctioned activity (Listed in Article 7, Section 2 & 3.)
- 2) Meet ASAA eligibility requirements for the first three quarters of the school year.
- 3) A G.P.A. of 3.70 or better based on the first three quarters of the school year.
- 4) Verification letter by the school principal on the above items.
- 5) Enrolled in grades 9-12.

The medals will be awarded by mail and sent by May 1, 2013. Bovey Trophies have donated the medals in Anchorage.

Please send your nominations by May 1, 2013 to:

Jeff Erickson
Bering Strait School District
P.O. Box 225
Unalakleet, Alaska 99684
jerickson@bssd.org

b. Music Festival

The Region I Music Festival will be held in Bethel on April 25-27, 2013. Billy announced that Dick Barker coming up to direct, 2 Kenai and 1

Minnesota, adjudicators have already been named and is working on event. Nome, Bethel, Dillingham, Unalakleet, Unalaska. Additional information will be sent to each school district by Bethel as needed.

c/d. Policy Review Committee/Tournament Directors Handbook : Previously discussed.

Motion to accept the Policy/Procedure & Tournament Handbook revisions as a “first reading” made by Jeff Erickson, seconded by Carlton Kuhns.

Discussion on section format. Necessary items for all basketball conference tournaments.

Brackets

- 2 – best of three series
- 3 – single/true second
- 4-7 – double/true second
- 8+ - single/true second

Referee Selection: Host organized; Championship selection by coaches (using elimination process)

Seeding done by participating school designee. Monday prior to tournament ballots are sent out. Cannot vote for your own school. Each school **must** vote to be seeded.

Motion to accept the Basketball guidelines made by Jim Wilson, seconded by Robert Johnson. Motion passes.

Single-district conferences may do their own thing.

d. 2013/14 Tournament Site Selection and 2012/13 Site verification

Discussion about Barrow being included in host rotation for wrestling and XC. BF wondered about every site paying a certain amount annually to ease the “pain” from the years when a long trip is necessary. Question raised about whether Barrow would be willing to pay some money to help teams travel to Barrow. Some concern about whether a Barrow tournament might whittle down participation numbers even more. Further discussion about berths and how to hang on to them – tournament in Barrow may limit numbers due to travel costs which could damage likelihood of gaining a berth back. Tabled until March meeting.

Some discussion about 3A basketball tournament in Anchorage. Pros/Cons. Do it this year in ANC with plan to continue for the 3rd year unless something changes in March.

e. Website Development: Brad Potter (ASAA) has agreed to design and has given a quote. LM says the quote is reasonable for the work. GM says Region 1 is getting first crack at Brad. LM willing to be Reg1 “web expert”. Approximate initial cost: \$2500. Ed Lester makes motion to approve \$2000 additional expenditure for website development, Robert Johnson seconds, passed unanimously.

f. State BB semi-final game venue. – Unlikely due to the early morning semi-final game. GM says it is also a financial consideration with smaller crowds.

IX. New Business

- a. A.S.A.A. October/December Meetings report :
1. Solo/Ensemble moved to May 6-7
 2. Mixed 6 Northwest was split
 3. Increased max number of basketball games/season for this year only
 4. State wrestling seeding: Proposal to use Trackwrestling program to seed. ASAA likes the program and next year it will be required. \$50/year/school to be a part. Host teams do pay a event fee. 4A tournament will be TW seeded and ASAA seeded and will compare to see how close. Every site will have to enter data.
 5. Track/Field – Region 1 sites must notify BS by March 1 so berths can be assigned elsewhere if available.
 6. New Classification system: Timeliness has been a problem due to EED issues. Start FY15 – Spring 2014 notifications. No change that year but they’d move the following year. Would be 3 years at a time with spring notification. GM presented an example of cycle. JE recommends that we use a 3 year average instead of a single year to eliminate the problem with a single “peak” year. BS will propose a 3 year average. GM also commented that this doesn’t change the subtraction of 5th year seniors from enrollments and added that not many schools use this option.
 7. 8th grade participation: R1 has asked the 20 student limit (or 10/10) be bumped up to 30 students (15/15 by gender). Will be an action item. BS says R2 and R5 are others affected and R5 didn’t seem too interested.
 8. Foreign students living with coach. Right now it’s not allowed, but request is in to allow. (Region 1 opposes.)

b. Wrestling Tournament Reports

Great Alaska Conference(Bethel):

Bethel – Large Schools
New Stuyahok – Small Schools

Northern Conference (Kotzebue):

Kotzebue – Large Schools
Unalakleet – Small Schools

c. Volleyball Tournament Report

3A Girls Volleyball (Kotzebue)

Nome was first and Barrow second.. No profit.

1/2A Girls Volleyball (Kalskag)

Dillingham was first and Koliganek was second. No profit.

1/2A Girls Volleyball (Chevak)

Hooper Bay won. \$514.14 profit.

d. Mix-Six Volleyball Tournament Reports

Region I (Arctic)

The Arctic-North Slope Mix-Six Volleyball Tournament was held in Anaktuvak Pass. Alak (Wainwright) won the berth. No profit.

The Arctic-Kobuk Mixed 6 Volleyball Tournament was held in Amber. Noatak won first. No profit.

Region I (Western/Interior)

The Western/Interior tournament was held in White Mt. Unalakleet won and Elim was second. \$596 profit.

Region I (Yukon River)

The Yukon River Mix-Six Volleyball Tournament was held in St. Marys. Won by Emmonak. \$960.85 profit

Region I (Kusko)

The Kusko Mix-Six Volleyball Tournament was held in Tuluksak and won by Akiachak. \$1247 profit

Region I (Southwest)

The Southwest Mix-Six Volleyball Tournament was held in Nikolaevsk and won by Glacier View. (Region 2 hosted)

- e. 3man basketball official training discussion.
- f. Discussion about the allocation of wrestling berths between North/South.
- g. Tournament Official Charges – setting Region 1 rate schedule – in updated manual
- h. Large/Small school decision/definition – (Move to March)
- i. Mixed 6 State – Give up berth/or expand State Tournament discussion
- j. NYO – State is on Sunday – doesn't work great for outling districts

X. Date and Site of Next Meeting

The spring meeting of the Region I Board of Directors will be on Wednesday, March 20, 2013 at the Sullivan Arena at 8:30 a.m.

XI. Adjournment

Ed Lester moved that the meeting be adjourned; seconded by Carlton Kuhns; motion carried.