



CHSBUA Board of Directors 4Q21 Meeting Agenda

Meeting Agenda 10/10/21 3p-5p Meeting In Person and Zoom Conference Call

In Person Location:

Caliber Collision
4890 N Robb St
Wheatridge 80003

Conference Call via Zoom for anyone unable to attend in person

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Attendees (**bold**):

Executive Committee

President – Ross Chase
President Elect – Kennie Monger
Past President – Ryan Roark
Secretary – Greg Holstine
Treasurer – Terry Angell
Members at Large – John Juranek; Chad Rangel; Mason Smith

Area Directors

Area 1 Denver: Gary Czachowski; Bill Fleming; Mike Tycksen
Area 2 Colo Springs: Don Howard; David Patterson
Area 3 Pueblo: Pat Garcia
Area 4 La Junta: **Vacant**
Area 5 Trinidad: Kirby Bonato
Area 6 Lamar: Jason Dittenburner
Area 7 Northeast: Cody Roth
Area 8 Greeley: Chuck French
Area 9 Ft Collins: Rob Montoya
Area 10 Boulder: Pat Corcoran
Area 11 Durango: Derek Kibel
Area 12/17 Salida/Buena Vista: Dave Granzella
Area 13 Alamosa/Monte Vista/San Luis Valley: Rodney Winters
Area 14 Grand Junction: Doug Levinson
Area 15 Delta/Montrose: Dan Cholas
Area 16 Craig/Meeker/Steamboat Springs: Bob Richardson

CHSBUA Rules Interpreter

George Demetriou

Colorado High School Activities Association

CHSAA Liaison – Adam Bright
CHSAA Officials Liaison – Tom Robinson

CHSBUA Member

Discussion:

Ground Rules for the meeting

- **participate**
- **get focus**
- **maintain momentum**
- **reach closure**

Call meeting to order

- Roll call – Greg
- Welcome and opening remarks – Ross

Approval of previous minutes

- Accepted previous meeting (3Q21) minutes (provided) (No corrections were received)
 - Motion:
 - 2nd:

- Outcome: 3Q21 meeting minutes adopted

Treasurers Report

- Financials – Terry
 - P&L posted on website

CHSAA Report

- CHSAA update
 - Review discussion/outcome of Ross/Adam meeting 9/23

Rules Interpreter Report

- Update?

Old business

- Master Clinic 2022 – Ross
 - Planning to have the 2022 Master Clinic in person
 - Must set the date soon and publish
 - Suggestions – send any ideas and comments to Ross in next few days
 - Have speakers on various topics
 - Work to limit to 2 hours
 - Recommended to be in person
 - Could be via Zoom in live mode
 - Also record and distribute
- Positions open – Ross
 - Area 4 - La Junta: **Vacant**
 - Currently no plan for a replacement
 - Discussion about how to proceed
 - What does state association composition look like?
 - Possible Pueblo and Lamar covering La Junta
 - Trinidad also has AD that opted out last year
 - Pat confirmed John Gonzales is registered
 - He wants to recruit new umpires
 - Ross to host discussion with EC and effected areas
- 2022 Test Discussion – Ross
 - Greg sent out options in a survey to vote on:
 - Agreed to keep format from 2021 test
 - 1 membership/new umpire test (100 question test; 80 T/F & 20 2 person mechanics)
 - 1 postseason test (80 question test; 60 multiple choice & 20 3 person mechanics)
 - Smaller database of questions
 - AD's will be involved in picking questions
 - The same 60 multiple choice questions for all umpires with only 2 chances to pass the test
 - Must provide a communication about the test formulation to the membership to ensure they understand more about the test and that it is made up from NFHS test questions and not meant to be a “stump the umpire” test

- EC will narrow the database from 225 to 100
- BOD will pick the final 60 questions
- Set dates for 2022 – Terry, Greg
 - Need to send out notice to association members
 - Dues/registration plan/post season eligible/dates
 - Discussed with Monica about registration process
 - Working to activate new registration and pay program
 - MC plan/date
 - Test plans/date
 - Training
 - Kickoff Meetings
 - Season start/finish dates
 - Keep 2020 rule books
 - What else?
- Golf Tournament August 7th at Raccoon Creek – John
 - More details will be provided as the team wraps up their work
 - Next year's tourney will be Friday, July 29th at the Omni in conjunction with the NASO convention
- HOF Banquet
 - Will look at 1Q22 meeting to induct next members
 - We should look at inducting umpires
- Check signer
 - Need to change 2nd signee – Ross
 - Ross will be added
- Post season awards update – Greg/Committee
 - Distribution of awards planned for 1Q22 meeting
- Years of service award – Greg/Terry
 - Distribution of awards planned for 1Q22 meeting

New business

None

Next Meeting

- 1Q221 BOD meeting – TBD (in conjunction with MC)
- Details to be provided closer to the date
- It is important to have BOD membership attend our meetings (in person and telephone conference) in order to conduct business

Close the meeting

- Closing comments – Ross

Closed items from 2Q21 meeting

- HOF Banquet
 - Committee – Lead – John; members: Ryan, Ross, Kennie
 - Committee has secured Applewood Golf Course Banquet room
 - Sunday, October 10th, 530p-930p
 - Both Don and Dan can make that date
 - Information about the event will be publicized soon
 - John is targeting to have invites out the 1st week of September
 - May need to distribute via USPS – Joe Rossi can help
 - Terry has past lists of attendance
 - Terry has put the list of past inductee names on the website
 - Reminder of HOF inductees from 2020
 - Don Hegi – has moved to Texas
 - Dan Ringsby
 - A bio for each of them is on the website
- Rule Books for 2022 – Ross
 - As covered above – For the 2022 season, there is only rule change and it doesn't really change the way we will umpire games (it will serve as a point of emphasis).
 - The change is: Pitchers who do not receive signs from the catcher must now simulate taking a sign with one foot on the rubber.
 - The purpose of the rule is to prevent quick pitches.
 - It has been a long-standing rule that a quick pitch is an illegal pitch and we have not received any reports that has been a problem in CO.
 - The EC recommends not purchasing 2022 rule books for returning umpires
 - This could reduce the returning umpire dues
 - For veteran umpires
 - Remind umpires to keep 2020 books
 - Area Directors contact umpires ASAP
 - For new umpires:
 - We will use any outstanding 2020 rule books that Monica has
 - Need to verify how many she has
 - We can order them for \$5.99/each on amazon (print or digital copy).
 - We could buy new 2022 book sets needed.
 - Also, a PDF link to the 2020 rulebook is available
 - https://cdn3.sportngin.com/attachments/document/0037/2464/2020_HS_Rule_Book.pdf
 - Motion: Pat Garcia
 - 2nd: Terry Angell
 - Outcome: Above recommendations adopted
- 2022 Test Discussion – Ross

- Discussed options for 2022 testing
 - Use 2021 plan
 - Post season 60 multiple choice questions & 20 3 person mechanics
 - Membership/regular season 80 True/False questions & 20 2 person mechanics
 - Current test questions are from the past 5 years of NFHS tests
 - ~225 multiple choice questions & 20 3 person mechanics
 - 80 True/False questions & 20 2 person mechanics
 - They were vetted by a dozen umpires before the 2021 test
 - Additional feed-back was received and all of the test questions have been reviewed for clarity and grammar since the 2021 test
 - Use the same questions for test(s)
 - Purchase NFHS Test ~\$100 (need to verify cost and what it would provide)
 - Arbiter is offering an NFHS equivalent test with Parts A and B as part of their package
 - There will be 50 questions on each part
 - Those will be available on the NFHS schedule
 - Encourage the umpires not to wait until last week to take test
 - Provide AD's rule book reference for umpire to look up

- Umpire recruitment/retention – Ross
 - What do we do to get guys in and keep them?
 - Some issues are specific to individual areas were reviewed
 - Week day single or DH at 2p or earlier
 - Baseball doesn't have a time limit so it goes on (unlike football or basketball)
 - Youth games are paying more than HS sub varsity games with a time limit
 - \$60-\$70/game
 - Some umpires opt to do youth softball tournaments on weekends instead of working baseball
 - Multiple games that shorter in duration
 - Sub Varsity games not covered with 2 umpires which takes a toll
 - Unqualified officials doing games – not part of CHSBUA
 - Unknown guys doing games
 - Assignors using non CHSBUA umpires
 - This causes numerous issues around officiating quality
 - Some guys doing the same teams everyday
 - Fed up and short fuse

- Ideas to submit to CHSAA for 2022
 - Sub-Varsity games - State adoption timing/game management rules:
 - No new inning after 1:45
 - Drop dead at 2:00
 - Adding a "3-6-9" rule.
 - Three outs, six runs, or nine batters per half inning.
 - Change run rules to 15/10/8 after 3/4/5 innings
 - Currently have 20/15/10 after 3/4/5 innings in effect
 - Umpires/Coaches/Players/Schools are generally on same page about the games being too long
 - Non-Certified Umpires:

- Possibly adding an alternate level?
 - Class B, Class 2
 - Use Arbiter to block them from Varsity games
 - Possible use a patch to show certification
 - Schools notified of non-certified umpires
 - NO Varsity assignments, NO EXCEPTIONS!
 - Not required to take test
 - Not required to attend local meetings/Master Clinic
 - No voting rights
 - Required to take background check per CHSAA guidelines
 - Insurance requirement???
 - Must reconcile and address these umpires
 - Must identify and let folks know that are not CHSBUA officials
 - Non certified umpires could cause issues related to calls
 - i.e. Ejection example
- Varsity games covered by CHSBUA certified umpires
 - Sub varsity games can be done by anyone
- Dual registration for CHSBUA and insurance/arbiter
 - Must have better joint (CHSAA & CHSBUA) communication about what is required
- Other ideas? Please send to Ross
- Ross will have a meeting with Adam to discuss these ideas