

Minnesota Football Coaches Association

Fall Meeting, Friday, November 16th at the Doubletree Hotel at 9:00 AM

Officers

President	Jon Bakken, WEM – 2A
First Vice President	Gary Sloan, Grand Meadow – 9M
Second Vice President	TBA (5A)
Past President	Jeff Weiland, Orono – 4A
Secretary-Treasurer	Jim Dotseth, Mpls
Executive Director	Ron Stolski, Brainerd

- I. Call to Order – Jon Bakken, WEM – 2A
- II. Approval of minutes from spring meeting – Approved
- III. Additions/deletions to agenda: NONE
- IV. Roll Call – Dotseth
- V. **PRESENT:** **Southern Confederacy**, Tom Murphy, Nicollet; **Gopher Valley 1A**, Chad Gilbel, Blooming Prairie; **Little Sioux**, Mike Damman, MACCRAY; **Prairie South**, Wayne Petermeier, Browerville; **Southern Minnesota**, Cory Haala, Sleepy Eye Public; **Gopher Valley 2A**; Jon Bakken, Waterville-EM; **Heart-O-Lakes Classic**; Dave Haugen, Pelican Rapids; **Prairie North**, Bryan Strand, Barnsville; **Granite Ridge**, Larry Herm, Foley; **Minnesota River**, Justin Johnston, Belle Plaine; **Minneapolis City**, Giovanni Jenkins, MPLS Washburn; **North Suburban**, Will Wackman, Spring Lake Park; **Tri-Metro West**; Sean McMenomy; DeLaSalle; **Wright County**, Paul Lemke, Glencoe-Silver Lake; **Central Lakes**, Jon Konold, Willmar; **Mississippi 8**; Mike Hennen, Cambridge-Isanti; **Missota**, Jody Stone, Shakopee; **Classic Suburban**, Eric Longtin, North St. Paul; **Lake**, John DenHartog; Hopkins; **NW Suburban**, Tom Develice, Blaine; **South Suburban**, Rick Sutton, Eagan;. **Great Polar Blue**, Mike Gindorff, Crosby-Ironton; **West Central South**, Scott Gonnerman, Benson;
Committee Chairs: Scott Tschimperle, Dave Fritze, Con Natvig, Dave Nelson, Ron Stolski, Dave Frisell, Jeff Weiland, Jim Dotseth. **Absent:** Jeff Ferguson, Terry Turek,, Beau LaBore, Bubba Sullivan, Claud Allaire
ABSENT: **St. Louis County/Big North**, Wally Kostich, Mt. Iron-Buhl; **North Tri-County**, Dustin Flaten, Ulen-Hitterdal ; **Pheasant South**, Tony Thiel, Weaton; **Great Polar Red**, Mitch Dorr, Cook County; **Central Minnesota**, Jon Thielen, Eden Valley-Watkins; **Three Rivers South**, Brent Schroeder, Caledonia; **Heart-O-Lakes North**, Chris Trostad, Crookston; **South Central**, Mat Mahoney, Fairmont; **Three Rivers North**, Bill Ihrke, Plainview-EM; **St. Paul City**, Dave Zeitchick, Highland Park; **Tri-Metro East**, Todd Niklaus, St. Anthony; **Great Northern**, Jeff Gronner, Cromwell; **Southeast**, Gary Sloan, Grand Meadow; **Top-of-the-State**, Cory Waling, Kittson Central; **Pheasant North**, Mike Mahlen, Verndale; **Northstar East & West**, Mark Nohner, Lk/Woods-Baudette; **Sea Range**, Derek Parendo, Proctor; **Great Polar White**, Dave Louzek, Moose Lake/Willow River; **Southwest**; Paul Dunn, Springfield; **Hiawatha Valley Gold**, John Austinson, Byron; **Hiawatha Valley Blue**, John Austinson, Byron; **Big Nine**, Jon Vik; Rochester Century; **Suburban East**, Beau LaBore, Woodbury; INDEPENDENT, Troy Hendricks, Bemidji;
- VI. Treasury/Membership update:
 - A. **Financial Report – Dotseth**
 - A sound financial statement was presented and approved.
 - B. **Membership Report – F. Motschenbacher** Current membership is 1099.
- VII. Committee Reports:
 - A. **Executive Director’s Report – Ron Stolski**
 - Ron extended encouragement and thanks to the committee chairs for their efforts in

keeping the Association a top organization.

- Ron attended an Executive Directors meeting in Waco where Executive Directors from MN and other states shared ideas on high school football.
- MFCA members are encouraged to become AFCA members. Membership benefits are listed on the AFCA website: <http://www.afca.com/article/article.php?id=37>

B. President's Report – Jon Bakken

- Planning to attend the AFCA national convention January 5-9 in Nashville.
- Jon's Presidents project is instituting a \$500 Post high school scholarship. Info can be found on the MFCA website: http://www.mshsca.org/football/scholarship_post_hs.htm
The drawing will take place annually at the June MFCA All-Star game.

C. Academic All-State Reports – Con Natvig & Dave Frisell

- Changes have been made in the criteria for 2012. Information and applications can be found on the website: http://www.mshsca.org/football/scholarship_post_hs.htm .
- There are more gold's now. Before there were eight – now 12.
- Go to Dean of students - takes about 20 minutes to compile the info..
- Individual list is on the website: <http://www.mshsca.org/football/academindividuals.htm>

D. Mr. Football Report – Rick Sutton

- 34 nominations – highest number to date.
- 10 finalists will be chosen at the November 17th committee meeting.
- The banquet will be on December 9th at the Doubletree at 8:30 AM.
- All finalists will be on Viking all-state team and attend the noon Viking game against Chicago on December 9th.
- Contact Jim Dotseth for tickets – dotsethj@comcast.net

E. Butch Nash/Coach of the Year – Dotseth

- Questionnaires are on the website: <http://www.mshsca.org/football/nash.pdf>
- Currently Class 6A does not recognize section champions, so a motion was passed to include coaches of state qualifiers as candidates for Class 6A COY.

F. Hall of Fame – Scott Tschimperle & Paul Lemke

- Could use more nominations
- Candidates can be nominated posthumously.
- Everything is on the website: http://www.mshsca.org/football/hof_criteria.htm
- Nominations remain in the pool for 5 years

G. Hall of Fame Banquet – Dave Nelson

- Saturday April 6, 2013 at the Doubletree

H. Tackle Cancer – Dave Nelson

- \$113,000 so far. 10 schools still to turn in. Randy is overwhelmed with the response.
- 16 reps are responsible for 20 schools
- Funds allocated – in December several U of M doctors will present requests to a Randy Shaver committee for grants.
- All the money stays in Minnesota.
- Funds are not allocated to any specific cancer.
- Over 90 cents of every dollar goes to research

I. Recruiting Fair – Jeff Ferguson

- Moved from Tuesday to Monday, May 6th

J. Scholarships – Will Wackman

- March 15 deadline.
- Information on the website: <http://www.mshsca.org/football/scholarship.htm>

K. Camp Outreach – Ribsy Petermeier

- When the program started there were 6 camps. That has increased to 14 in 2012.
- Forms on the website: <http://www.mshsca.org/football/mfcateamcamp.pdf>

L. All-Star Game Report – Dave Fritze

- Sat. June 29. Largest banquet ever – 425.
- North/South a good format
- St. John’s – adding a practice field for next summer
- Saved \$5,000 moving to St. John’s
- A couple on on-site management issues will be corrected.
- Work to establish a better culture so the end-of-game issue isn’t repeated.
- Should get forms out by December.
- Limiting number of players nominated to 3 per school. Coaches will need to number applicants 1 through 3.
- Coaches are sent tickets and requested \$60 in return. If all coaches participate it would raise over \$20,000. Conference reps are requested to contact the coaches in their conference to participate.

M. Community Service Awards – Beau LaBore

- Everything for the Community Service Committee is updated and some forms are in.

N. MFC Clinic – Claud Allaire

- April 4-6.
- Claud does a great job with the speaker schedule
- Working with the U of M on a headliner
- Raise funds through vendors. Encourage coaches to visit vendors.

O. Power of Influence – Bubba Sullivan

- Needs nominations

P. Publications – Terry Turek

- Get conference reps report in
- Contact Ron or Jim on any changes

Q. Everything but “X’s & O’s” Clinic – Jeff Weiland

- 80-85 coaches attended in January 2012
- 2013 Clinic is at Orono Middle School on January 26th.
- Geographic representation
- Jeff will pre-print speaker notes and make available at the start of the clinic.
- Info on the website: <http://www.mshsca.org/football/>

R. NFL's High School Player Development (HSPD) camps – Austinson

VIII. New Business

A. MSHSL Update – Kevin Merkle Notes:

- I will be doing a survey of all of the 6A coaches to get feedback on this year’s tournament – what we learned, how we might make it work better, etc
- 9-man Committee is meeting on November 29 and will likely bring forward a recommendation to change the cut-off for 9-man. Our Board meets on December 6, and they would likely make a decision at that time.
- Not final yet, but the classification committee has recommended no major changes in how enrollments are calculated, and how the free and reduced lunch numbers are calculated. Also no major changes in how enrollment is calculated for schools in a co-op.
- I’ve been told that there is a group of schools that are asking members of our board to put Section Football on the Board agenda – not sure if it will happen, or what will happen if it does get on the agenda.
- I think it’s great if the coaches association continues to work on a plan to regulate what goes on in the summer. I think it can be done in such a way as to protect kids and coaches and still allow coaches to accomplish what they want to do.
- The other piece that will be looked at by our board, is the issue of participation and whether or

not there needs to be a limitation on the number of games or quarters in which an individual can participate in a week, or within 72 hours or something similar. Would not change the season limitation, but look at adding a weekly or daily limitation – only a discussion at this point.

- A reminder to coaches to return the survey in regard to onside kick injuries – that will hopefully go out sometime yet this week.

B. Summer Practice survey

A survey was sent out to all high school head coaches with the subject of whether or not the MFCA membership was in favor of limiting summer contact with players (not including weight room contact). 89 coaches responded.....percentages below.

- Please check your football classification:
 - 6A – 9%
 - 5A – **25.8%**
 - 4A – 11.2%
 - 3A – 16.9 %
 - 2A – 13.5%
 - 1A – 9.0 %
 - 9M – 14.6%
- Metro (34.8%) or Outstate (**65.2%**)?
- Are you in favor of limiting the number of sessions available for summer activities?
 - **Yes – 71.89%** No – 21.8%
- Including all football activities (camps, 7 on 7, team camps, local camps, etc.), how many total days do you schedule activities during the summer waiver period? (weight room is excluded)
- How many padded (full gear or shells) sessions? (A two-day camp counts as two sessions)
- If a limit was placed on summer contact, should sessions be counted or days counted?
 - Days – **57.3%**
 - Sessions – 25.8 %
 - No limit – 16.9%
- If number of sessions were to be the determining factor, which of the following models would you prefer?
 - 15 sessions total – 8 padded – 23.6%
 - 15 sessions total – 6 padded – 19.1%
 - 10 sessions total – 6 padded – 27.0%
 - 10 sessions total – 4 padded – **30.3%**
- Comments.....there were several who commented. Too numerous to include.
- NO ACTION WAS TAKEN

C. The “Keepers of the Game” documentary – Ray Kirch

- A committee headed by Ray Kirch, Osseo AD, is working on a football documentary to hopefully be ready for release in the fall of 2014. Additional committee members are John Gross, Dave Giles, Jon Hersch, John Millea (MSHSL), Ron Scott, and Jim Dotseth,

D. 2nd Vice President – Nominee Jeff Ferguson, Totino Grace (5A) - APPROVED

E. Adjournment

NEXT MEETING: Friday, April 5, 2013 at the Doubletree at 7:30 AM