

Minnesota Football Coaches Association

Spring Meeting, Friday, March 27, 2015 at the Doubletree Hotel at 7:15 AM

Officers

President	Jeff Ferguson, Totino Grace – 5A
First Vice President	Scott Tschimperle, GSL – 3A
Second Vice President	John Clark, Jr. – 1A
Past President	Gary Sloan, Grand Meadow – 9M
Secretary-Treasurer	Jim Dotseth, Mpls
Executive Director	Ron Stolski, Brainerd

I. **Call to Order** – Jeff Ferguson, Totino Grace – 5A

II. **Approval of minutes** from fall meeting

III. **Additions/deletions to agenda:**

Guests:

Wilson Edwards – NFL Punt Pass & Kick and Youth Football

- Odell – Assistant director
- Partner with NFL for three events
- Thank-you to Merkle & Stolski for their cooperation

III. **Roll Call** – Dotseth

Conference representatives/Conference changes

V. **Treasury/Membership update:**

A. Financial Report – Dotseth

B. Membership Report – F. Motschenbacher

- 1147
- Membership remains constant

VI. **Committee Reports:**

A. Executive Director's Report – Ron Stolski

- Vibrant association we can be proud of the programs we support
- Use the clinic program. Includes info on the speakers, ads, etc
- Sept exec directors meeting
- Internal audit, ferg, fritze, stolski, dotseth, nelson,
 1. Increase dues by \$10
 2. Discontinue advertising with Dave Shama
 3. Go paperless with Recruiting Fair
 4. Limit camp outreach and give priority to 1st time applications
 5. Reach out to current sponsors for increase and also to recruit additional sponsors
- Encourage members to utilize sponsors

B. President's Report – Jeff Ferguson

- Practice changes process work with MSHSL – summer restrictions and summer acclimatization
- Changes needed to be made
- Merkle was awesome
- Guidelines impacted by medical board
- Limit on days – 11 practice days
- Definition of contact and limit of 30 minutes of contact per day – concussions can occur with repetitive
- Restrict eye contact practice – not live, action above the waist

- Practice length – 2 hours. Second practice after 2 hour break
- Fall practice definitions same
- Double sessions no longer occur
- If two one day, one the next
- Walk-through is allowed, however.
- This year presents unique challenges with the restricted schedule.
- Two hour break presents serious challenges for rural areas where students have to drive considerable lengths and/or require parents to bring and pick them up
- Merkle – If 45 minute walk-through is prior to the two hour practice only a 15 minutes rest period is required.

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

- Team – all the same reps;
- Individual – same

D. Mr. Football Report – Rick Sutton

E. Butch Nash/Coach of the Year – Dotseth

F. Hall of Fame – Scott Tschimperle & Paul Lemke

- Need more nominations

G. Hall of Fame Banquet – Dave Nelson

- Saturday night March 28, 2015
- Four inductions – John Sherman, Sun Newspapers; Steve Solem, BOLD; Paul Miller, Apple Valley; Jeff Ferguson, Totino Grace.
- Over 280 registered

H. Tackle Cancer – Dave Nelson

- Tackle over 280K
- Couple years away from raising a total of 1 mill

I. Recruiting Fair – Jeff Ferguson

- May 4th @ Doubletree
- PrepTree – recruiting service – no charge
- No book – paperless
- Thanks to Rob & Jim
- Colleges love it.....don't have to drive across the state
- Questions, contact Fergie

J. Scholarships – Will Wackman

- Biggest pool – 44
- Selected 16
- Winners posted on the website

K. Camp Outreach – W. Petermeier

- Going strong
- Will be able to fill the 10 – many new

L. All-Star Game Report – Dave Fritze

- June 27th @ SCSU
- Practice at St. John's

M. Community Service Awards – Beau LaBore

- Greg Spahn, Grand Rapids
- Victory Day
- John Millea – story on website

N. National Football Foundation – Nigon

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O. MFC Clinic – Claud Allaire

- About 1250 pre-registered
- 66 vendors

P. Power of Influence – Bubba Sullivan

- Jon Bakken, WEM
- Information is on website

Q. Publications – Terry Turek

- Magazine to come out in August.
- Send conference summaries to Terry

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

- Moved clinic date
- 60-75 attendees

VII. Old Business

A. Site for fall meeting – Discussion, but not decision to move from the Doubletree

B. Conference reps to sub-district reps

- Schools have to purchase their own awards

VIII. New Business

A. AFCA Convention – January 10-12, 2016

- San Antonio

B. Submit schedules for review

C. Encourage younger participation

NEXT MEETING: Friday, November 13, 2015 at the Doubletree at 9:00 AM