

## BOARD OF DIRECTORS

### Arkansas Activities Association Board of Directors

Wednesday-Thursday, January 11-12, 2006

The Board of Directors of the Arkansas Activities Association met on Wednesday, January 11, at the AAA Building at 4:00 p.m. with President, Dr. Mike McSpadden, Alma, presiding. Other board members present were:

Bobby Acklin, North Little Rock	George Foshee, Jessieville	Danny Sample, Harrisburg
Max Adcock, Mineral Springs	Dr. Delena Gammill, Clinton	Don Smith, Cross County
Wesley Berry, West Memphis	Doug Graham, Nashville	Don Swiney, Bradford
Dr. James Bridges, Mountainburg	Alfred Hogan, Turrell	Andrew Tolbert, Warren
Joe Couch, Bergman	Carl Hughes, Cutter Morning Star	Johnny Tyler, Conway
Lewis Diggs, Centerpoint	Dr. Bobby New, Fayetteville	Fred Walker, IZARD Co. Consolidated

Present from the AAA staff were Jimmy Coats, Lance Taylor, Kathy Tadlock, Don Brodell, Wadie Moore and Belle Summers. Also present were Buzz Bolding, Conway, representing the Arkansas High School Athletic Administrators Association, and Mike Simmons, Arkansas Department of Education liaison.

Guest included representatives of member schools and media representatives having an interest in the selection of sites for championship events.

**2006 CHAMPIONSHIP SITE SELECTIONS** – The following were selected or reported as sites for 2006 championship events.

#### **BASKETBALL**

**Regional, Feb. 20-25**

##### **Class AAA**

Region 1 – Gentry  
Region 2 – Pocahontas  
Region 3 – Clinton  
Region 4 – Fordyce

##### **Class AA**

Region 1 – Greenland  
Region 2 – Flippin  
Region 3 – IZARD County  
Region 4 – Earle  
Region 5 – Perryville  
Region 6 – Augusta  
Region 7 – Centerpoint  
Region 8 – Parkers Chapel

##### **Class A**

Region 1 – Alpena  
Region 2 – Cushman  
Region 3 – Hillcrest  
Region 4 – Scranton  
Region 5 – Nemo Vista  
Region 7 – Van-Cove  
Region 8 – Saratoga

##### **State, February 28-March 4**

Class AAAAA – LR-NLR School Districts @ UALR  
Class AAAAA – Magnolia  
Class AAA – Riverview  
Class AA – Jessieville  
Class A – Prescott

##### **Finals, March 10-11**

Alltel Arena, North Little Rock

#### **SWIMMING**

Feb. 24-25 – Bentonville @ UA HPER Building

#### **SOCCER**

**State – April 29-May 4**

Class AAAAA – El Dorado  
Class AAAAA – CAC-Pulaski Academy @ Burns Park

**State Finals – May 6**

Fayetteville @ University of Arkansas

#### **GYMNASTICS**

**State – April 22**

Springdale HS

#### **TRACK**

**State – May 17-18**

Class AAAAA – Cabot  
Class AAAAA – Hot Springs  
Class AAA – Dardanelle  
Class AA – Jessieville  
Class A – Mineral Springs

**Meet of Champs – May 24**

Hot Springs

**Decathlon/Heptathlon – May 31-June 1**

Cabot

**CROSS COUNTRY - November 11**

Lake Hamilton @ Oaklawn Park

**BASEBALL****Regional – April 30-May 5****Class AAA**

Region 1 – Harrison Parks and Recreation  
 Region 2 – Pocahontas  
 Region 3 – TBD  
 Region 4 – Warren

**Class AA**

Region 1 – Greenland  
 Region 2 – Cotter  
 Region 3 – IZARD COUNTY  
 Region 4 – Buffalo Island Central  
 Region 5 – Poyen  
 Region 6 – Des Arc  
 Region 7 – Horatio  
 Region 8 – Woodlawn

**Class A**

Region 1 – Omaha @ Harrison Parks & Recreation  
 Region 2 – South Side Bee Branch  
 Region 3 – Black Rock  
 Region 4 – County Line  
 Region 5 – Taylor

**State – May 6-11**

Class AAAAA – North Little Rock @ Burns Park/Lakewood  
 Class AAAA – Mills University Studies  
 Class AAA – Ashdown  
 Class AA – Greenland  
 Class A – Regional Park, Pine Bluff

**Finals – May 13**

Fayetteville @ University of Arkansas

**SOFTBALL****Regional – April 29-May 4****Class AAA**

Region 1 – Farmington

Region 2 – Pocahontas

Region 3 – Clarksville

Region 4 – Ashdown

**Class AA**

Region 1 – Hackett  
 Region 2 – Valley Springs @ Harrison Parks & Recreation  
 Region 3 – IZARD COUNTY  
 Region 4 – Rector  
 Region 5 – Central Arkansas Christian @ Cabot Parks  
 Region 6 – Des Arc  
 Region 7 – Horatio  
 Region 8 – Parkers Chapel

**Class A**

Region 1 – Omaha @ Harrison Parks & Recreation  
 Region 2 – South Side Bee Branch  
 Region 3 – Black Rock  
 Region 4 – County Line  
 Region 5 – Taylor

**State – May 6-11**

Class AAAAA – Cabot  
 Class AAAA – Wynne  
 Class AAA – CAC @ Sherwood Complex  
 Class AA – Murfreesboro  
 Class A – County Line

**Finals – May 13**

Fayetteville @ University of Arkansas

**VOLLEYBALL****State – November 1-4, 2006**

Class 7A – Fort Smith School District  
 Class 6A – LRSD  
 Class 5A – HS Lakeside  
 Class 4A – Valley View  
 Class 3A – Harrison Parks & Recreation

The board authorized the AAA staff to secure sites for those events having no invitations.

**Thursday, January 12, 2006****AAA Board of Directors Meeting Resumed**

The Board of Directors of the Arkansas Activities Association met on Thursday, January 12, 2006, at the AAA Building at 9:00 a.m. with President Dr. Mike McSpadden, Alma, presiding. All board members were present. All AAA staff members were present as well. Mike Simmons, ADE liaison, Mark Benton representing the Arkansas Association of Nonpublic School Administrators, and Buzz Bolding, AHSAAA liaison, were also in attendance.

**MINUTES** – The minutes of the board meeting of October 20, 2006 were unanimously approved as presented. (Motion: Hughes/Foshee, 19-0)

**FINANCIAL REPORT** – Belle Summers reported that all football gate receipts had been received and all expenses are in, concluding a successful football season, aided by good team support and good weather. The board unanimously accepted the financial report. (Motion: Sample/Smith, 19-0)

**FOOTBALL PLAYOFFS** - Lance Taylor gave a report on the football playoffs and a review of the finals at War Memorial Stadium the first two weekends in December. Congratulations were extended to two board members whose schools participated in the football finals.

**SPRING SPORTS CONFERENCES** – The board unanimously approved all tentative conference assignments for bowling, soccer, track, baseball and softball. All spring sports conferences are based on basketball conference membership except Class AAA track, which is based on football conferences, as approved in 2002-03 and shown on the track page of the AAA web site. (Motion: Diggs, Smith, 19-0)

**BASKETBALL REGIONAL AND STATE TOURNAMENTS** –The board unanimously approved the regional and state tournament brackets and schedules, including the basketball finals at Alltel Arena in North Little Rock on March 10 and 11. Board members were reminded to wear their AAA name badges to the finals. (Motion: Hogan/Hughes, 19-0)

**STATE BASKETBALL FINALS SCHEDULE**

Friday, March 10, 2006			Saturday, March 11, 2006		
Time	Class	B/G	Time	Class	B/G
3:30	AA	Girls	11:30	AAAAA	Boys
5:15	AAAA	Boys	1:15	A	Girls
7:00	AAA	Girls	3:00	AA	Boys
8:45	A	Boys	4:45	AAAAA	Girls
			6:30	AAA	Boys
			8:15	AAAA	Girls

**SPRING SURVEY** – Lance Taylor reported that he is compiling questions for the Spring Survey to be discussed at the Activity District meetings. He encouraged the board to submit any additional items that they wish to be added.

**CORPORATE SPONSOR UPDATE** –Wadie Moore reviewed and updated information on the status of AAA corporate sponsorships and announced a two-year renewal with State Farm Insurance as well a renegotiated and extended contract with Wilson in their sponsorship role. Continuing sponsorships include Gatorade, Tyson, Greystone, Davis/Pack Associates, Athletic World Advertising, American Business, Inc., Wal-Mart, Russell Athletic, lhigh.com, Arkansas Athletic Trainers Association, Stone Links, Alert Services, Lindsey and Associates, Regions Bank, Hot Springs Convention Center, Brown’s Graduation Supplies and Kessler’s. SBC/AT&T recently signed on as a sponsor of the state football finals and state basketball finals. Negotiations are in progress with First Security.

**VOLLEYBALL** – The board unanimously approved tabling all volleyball recommendations until the next meeting. ((Motion: Foshee/Tolbert, 19-0)

**PENALTY/FINE FOR NOT REPORTING FOOTBALL AND BASKETBALL SCHEDULES** – The board unanimously approved that a \$50 penalty/fine be assessed for each sport for which schools fail to report their football and/or basketball schedule by June 1 for the upcoming school year. For later changes or filling of open dates, updates will be accepted when these are known. The schedule brochure will be printed during the summer so as not to delay the printing of the AAA directory. (Motion: Diggs/Foshee, 19-0)

**UCA-AAA PARTNERSHIP** – Jim Lord, representing Varsity Spirit, Inc. addressed the board about formalizing and extending the partnership between the AAA and Universal Cheerleaders Association. The board unanimously approved the signing of a formal partnership agreement. (Motion: Hughes/Hogan, 19-0)

**PERSONNEL** – Following an Executive Session the board extended the contract of the Associate and Assistant Directors for an additional year through June 2008, and the contract of the Executive Director-elect through June 2009. (Motion: Berry/ Hughes, 19-0)

Upon the recommendation of the Executive Director-elect, the board approved the change in employment status of Annette Savage to become an Assistant Executive Director, effective July 1, 2006. (Motion: Sample/Smith, 19-0)

**NEXT MEETING** - The board unanimously approved a called meeting to be held prior to the next regular meeting to consider classification proposals regarding qualifying for and conducting championships and for considering the tabled volleyball recommendations. (Motion: Hughes/Diggs, 19-0)

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

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President/Chair

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Secretary

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Date