

Executive Board Meeting Minutes for OHSBVA

A meeting of the Executive Board was held on Wednesday, December 1, 2021, online via Google Meet.

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Anitra Brockman, President, at 8:04 PM.

II. ROLL CALL

The Roll Call was made by Tina Gustely, Secretary.

Members present:

Anitra Brockman, President

Sean Tierney, Vice President

Tina Gustely, Secretary

Vicki Phillips, Treasurer

Mark Tullis, Executive Director

Matt Mihelic, OHSAA Liaison

Ned Gruber, OBSVCA President

Absent, but invited:

Lucas Tuggle, State Officials' Coordinator

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

There were no previous minutes to approve.

IV. OLD BUSINESS

- Mark Tullis, Executive Director, emailed a report to the board yesterday for review where he discussed the legwork he has been executing. Mark reported he has been in contact with several possible venues for the 2022 State Championship. Capital University has a conflict on the weekend our tournament will be held. One more venue will be considered before the board votes.
- Vicki Philip, Treasurer, informed the board we made over \$10,000 on the 2021 State Tournament, the largest earnings to date. All taxes and W-9s are finished for the year.
- Princeton High School has elected to be a host site for the South Regional Tournament. The other regional sites have not been filled yet.
- Matt Mihelic, OHSAA Liaison, discussed the online change.org petition in support of sanctioning boys' volleyball in Ohio. There will be a QR code posted in Columbus in conjunction with the weekend activities of the NCAA/AVCA/OHSBVA on 12/16/21 that will help boost the petition. Currently, the petition has over 4,844 signatures. Matt will meet with OHSAA Executive Director, Doug Ute, Emily Watson, Senior Sports Administrator, and Bob Goldring, Director of Communication and Special Projects in mid-December to continue discussions about moving boys' volleyball to an Emerging Sport within the OHSAA. Matt has been emailing these administrators weekly and wants to be prepared with all pertinent documentation for the upcoming meeting.

V. TREASURER'S REPORT

- Vicki Phillips, Treasurer, gave a financial report stating the association has \$48,000 in the account. She is waiting for a few more contracts to be signed and returned. Dues for the 2022 season will start to roll in soon.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

- The board discussed a request for a rule exception regarding the age of an athlete of a member school. No vote was taken, as the board would like more time to gather information about the case.
- The grant program deadlines are approaching quickly. The renewal deadline is December 15, and the deadline for new schools to apply is January 15. The renewal schools are Toledo Scott, Centennial, Westfall, Berlin, and Firestone. Berlin is in its last year of the grant program. An OHSBVA Grant Application was sent to Columbus Christian on 10/27/2021. Anitra will send reminders to these schools.
- Ned Gruber, OBSVCA President, has tentatively set the next membership meeting for December 18th in Columbus at 10:45 am in Meeting Room A. The meeting will be 30 minutes and will be held during the OBSVCA Coaches Clinic.
- It was suggested that we get the times of the state tournament matches on the website, as many schools may have conflicts with graduation, baccalaureate, etc.
- The board discussed the addition of a volunteer position, a regional ambassador, who would act as a mentor to help new coaches with their programs. Anitra will reach out to veteran coaches from each region to gauge interest.
- Lucas Tuggle, State Officials' Coordinator, was absent from the meeting. Although a virtual meeting is an option, the board determined that an in-person Preseason Rules Interpretation Meeting would be constructive.
- Sean Tierney, Vice President, proposed the idea of adding a General Board composed of the Executive Board, plus the Regional Reps who would meet twice a year. This would offer the Regional Reps an opportunity to stay apprised and bring concerns and questions to the board. The Executive Board now meets as needed, and the General Membership meets twice a year in December and at State.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

- Anitra Brockman adjourned the meeting at 10:01 PM. The next Executive Board Meeting is tentatively scheduled for January 15, 2022, time TBD.

-Minutes prepared by Tina Gustely, Treasurer, on December 2, 2021.