



**Southwest District Board Minutes  
Spring Board Meeting  
Cincinnati North Marriott  
April 13-14, 2007**

**ROLL CALL – FRIDAY, APRIL 13, 2007, 9:15 P.M.**

Andy Bixler, President, Gene Klaus, Vice-President, Dave Gray, Mark Hughes, George Rise, Ray Spicher, Bob Huelsman, Treasurer, and Dale Creamer, Secretary.

**MEETING ITEMS**

1. Mr. Gray distributed scholarship applications. Board members reviewed criteria used for selection of honorees.
2. Mr. Bob Huelsman handed out financial report. It will be discussed in more detail during the May meeting.
3. Board members discussed the format for the next day's meetings, and also discussed the banquet for retired board members scheduled for the next evening.
4. Board reviewed information for the Administrators' Breakfast scheduled for Friday, April 27, 2007, 9:30 a.m., at the Dayton Marriott Hotel.
5. Board discussed the placement of a Division IV Volleyball Sectional Tournament at Williamsburg High School for the 2007-2008 Tournament. Mr. Ron Ogden would be the manager. Motion by Ray Spicher and seconded by George Rise to make this move.  
Motion passed 6-0.
6. Board discussed the alignment of teams for the Girls Golf Sectionals for 2007-2008 Tournament. Mr. Creamer will submit a list of schools and their site assignment in May, 2007 meeting.

**SATURDAY, APRIL 14, 2007**

**9:15 – 10:00 a.m. – Basketball Coaches' Representatives**

Present: Mr. Tom Rettig and Ms. Mary Jo Huisman

Thoughts and concerns:

1. Anderson High School is not an adequate site because of size of gym and locker rooms.
2. One day turnaround between semis and finals is not enough.
3. Administration of the Anderson High School tournament is great and there are no complaints.
4. Coaches were upset when allowances were made for a coach that was late.
5. Could consideration be given to the amount of time between the last season game and tournament game? If possible, cut down this time.
6. Coaches liked the online seeding and the new process of seeding went well.

**10:15 – 11:00 a.m. - Bowling**

Present: Mr. Greg Coulles, Mr. Andy Parker, and Mr. Ray Littleman

Thoughts and concerns:

1. Very positive tournament. Parents had a good view, conditions were tough but fair, recaps were timely, and moving each game and then ranking for Baker was outstanding.
2. Individual qualifiers should compete against each other rather than competing against teams.
3. Rope off areas that allow coaches and players to get through the crowd.
4. Players and coaches should comply to dress code.
5. Posting of the shot should be on website.
6. Lunch specials should be worked out prior to the start of the tournament.
7. Coaches that have a team in the tourney should not be involved in running the tourney.
8. Seeding and placement of teams in sectionals should be done via an open draw.

**11:15 – 12:00 Noon – Wrestling Coaches**

Present: Mr. Gary Wise, Mr. Bill Roll, Mr. Bryan Pennix, and Mr. D. McCoy.

Thoughts and concerns:

1. Unfair to not have officials at Central District Tournament involving Southwest athletes.
2. Distribution of athletes in Division III Sectionals is not good.
3. Not enough floor passes for coaches. Not enough coaches to have two coaches at each mat during competition.
4. Moeller High School interested in hosting tournament.
5. Fairfield is a good site and coaches like the administration of this tournament.
6. Many concerns about Milton Union High School as a site—not large enough, location not good for teams competing. Administration of this tournament is good.
7. Excellent tournaments at Covington and Kettering.
8. Some feel that more officials are needed at Districts.
9. A concern was shared about the system used to evaluate officials.

**1:00 – 2:00 p.m. – Athletic Directors**

Present: Mr. Tim Cook, Mr. Jon Payne, Mr. Matt Shomper, and Mr. Mike Schiering

Thoughts and concerns:

1. Perception of officials officiating in tournaments without being partial.
2. Open draw in bowling.
3. Tournaments being conducted in one day when they have small number of schools participating.
4. District softball tournament and Lakota East having home field advantage.
5. Officials charging unfair fees for scrimmages.
6. Anderson High School not adequate basketball tournament site.
7. Starting times in basketball tournament should be 5:00 when you have multiple games on that night.
8. Time allowed to cut check to cover participating cost when a team qualifies for the District Tournament.
9. Softball tournament should be conducted on regulation field and should be a neutral field.

**2:00 – 2:45 – Swimming Coaches**

Present: Mr. Mark Sullivan, Mr. Ed Bachman, and Mr. Tim Beerman

Thoughts and concerns:

1. Deck passes for coaches.

2. Awards at sectional and district tournaments.
3. Non-competitors should pay to get into meet.
4. Three coaches should get in meet free. All coaches should be allowed on deck.

**2:45 – 3:15 – Executive Session**

Board conducted a private meeting with a tournament manager.

**3:15 – 4:00 – Gymnastics Coaches**

Present: Mr. Steve Conner and Ms. Gail Mandrell.

Thoughts and concerns:

1. Tournament went well and Centerville High School, along with manager Christy Willett, should be commended.
2. Sites were discussed for future years.

***Adjournment.***