

Gopher Conference Fall Meeting Minutes (8-21-14)

Eight Conference schools were in attendance. The following voting members were present: Ed Friesen (FBA-Designated Rep./A.D.), Barry Olson (BP- Supt.), Dan Anderson (MR- Supt.), Kevin Werk (Med-Designated Rep./A.D.), Dr. Dennis Goodwin (NRHEG- Supt.), Jerry Jensen (USC- Supt.), & Jeff Boran (WEM- Designated Rep./A.D.). Also, in attendance Bob Nahlovsky (Conference Secretary), John Worke (BP- A.D.), Jeff Annis (MR- A.D.), Dan Stork (NRHEG- A.D.), & Sue Summer (USC- A.D.)

1. Call to order by Dr. Dennis Goodwin (NRHEG- Supt.) 5:30 p.m.
2. Approval of Secretary's Minutes from 5/7/14 Spring Meeting. Moved: WEM
Second:
3. Approval of 8/21/14 Treasurer's Report. Moved: Maple River Second: USC
4. Additions to agenda: (Gopher/Valley Cross Country Adding Schools to Gopher Conference)
5. A clarification of the Golf proposal at last spring's Meeting (2014) was presented. A separate sheet clarifying this proposal was attached for reference.
6. Constitution update was presented. This is still on going.
7. For Superintendents and Designated Representatives a cost break down of conference sports was presented.
8. Jeff Boran gave a report on District Football. Also a report on the future of the Gopher/Valley Cross-Country. Discussion on adding teams to the Gopher Conference.
9. R school Today report was presented by Ed Friesen.
10. Adjournment Moved: WEM Second: Maple River

Gopher Conference Winter Meeting Minutes (1-7-15)

Six Conference schools were in attendance. WEM absent. The following voting members were present: Ed Friesen (FBA-Designated Rep./A.D.), John Worke (BP- AD/Designated Rep.). Dan Anderson (MR- Supt.), Richard Dahmen (Med- Supt.), Dan Stork (NRHEG- AD/Designated Rep.) . Jerry Jensen (USC- Supt.) Also, in attendance Bob Nahlovsky (Conference Secretary), Jeff Annis (MR- A.D.), Kevin Werk (Med.- AD), Dan Stork (NRHEG- AD), & Sue Summer (USC- A.D.)

1. Call to order by Jerry Jensen (USC- Supt.) 12:37 p.m.
2. Approval of Secretary's Minutes from 8/21/14 Fall Meeting. Maple River Moved Medford Second
3. Approval of 1/7/15 Treasurer's Report. BP Moved NRHEG Second
4. Additions to agenda: A resolution must be adopted for applying for grant money from the MSHSL to help fund a "Why We Play" workshop for Gopher Conference coaches. Plans for hosting the "Why We Play" workshop. Motion made to accept additions to the main agenda.
5. A motion was made to adopt the following: The Gopher/Valley Conference schools shall compete in a combined Fall cross-country meet. Top 15 finishers will receive all conference honors. 16-25 finishers will receive honorable mention. The host school will be responsible for securing awards and paying any other expenses. Schools participating will be billed for reimbursement of the host school. NRHEG Moved Maple River Second
6. A discussion was held on having a Band/Choir Gopher Conference Event A survey of Conference schools has been conducted with results showing an interest by Band/Choir Directors. A motion was made to have the Athletic Directors pursue such a Band/Choir Event. Maple River Moved Medford Second
7. The following motion was made to secure MSHSL Grants: Gopher Conference and Gopher Conference schools will apply for MSHSL Grants to fund expenses for a August 20, 2015 coaches workshop "Why We Play" to be held at United South Central Schools. Medford Moved Maple River Second
8. Ed Friesen had nothing to report on the "r School Today".
9. Adjournment: Maple River Moved Blooming Prairie Second

Gopher Conference Spring Meeting Minutes (5-7-14)

Eight Conference schools were in attendance. The following voting members were present: Ed Friesen (FBA-Designated Rep./A.D.), Barry Olson (BP- Supt.), Dan Anderson (MR- Supt.), Rich Dahman (Med- Supt.), Dr. Dennis Goodwin (NRHEG- Supt.), Aaron Soule (Rand.- Designated Rep./A.D.), Jerry Jensen (USC- Supt.), & Joel Whitehurst (WEM- Supt.). Also, in attendance Bob Nahlovsky (Conference Secretary), John Worke (BP- A.D.), JeffAnnis (MR- A.D.), Kevin Werk (Med- A.D.), Dan Stork (NRHEG- A.D.), Sue Summer (USC- A.D.), & Jeff Boran (WEM- A.D.).

1. Call to order by Dr. Dennis Goodwin (NRHEG- Supt.) 12:07 p.m.
2. Approval of Secretary's Minutes from 1/8/14 Winter Meeting. Moved: USC Second: MR.
3. Approval of 5/7/14 Treasurer's Report. Moved: Med Second: WEM.
4. Additions to agenda: Fall meeting date & location, changes to honorable mention teams, & golf proposal)
5. Due to Spring weather conditions the following changes will be as follows: (Baseball/softball single round robin and Tournament only for B/G Golf)
6. Gopher Conference was given a \$2,000 grant for the December 4, 2013 Team Up Seminar held at Randolph H.S. Total cost of program was \$2,548.94. The conference absorbed the \$548.94 additional debt.
7. Jeff Boran reported on the status of a possible Conference Coaches Workshop. Tabled for the 2014-2015 season. Will be revisited in 2015-2016.
8. Bob Nahlovsky gave a brief report on the Constitution editing and by law updating. The Constitution and by laws will be updated on the r School Today site.
9. Agenda additions: Point of Information. The Fall meeting will be held at Lakeside CC in Waseca on Thursday August 21, 2014. Because of the conference being reduced to seven teams it was decided the number of honorable mention would equal the number of teams participating in the conference sport.
10. Golf proposal by John Worke was approved. (seeattachment) Moved USC Second BP
11. R School Today report. (Ed Friesen). Everything seems to be running smoothly.
12. Gopher/Valley report (Jeff Boran) Football schedule set for 014-2015. MSHSL District football plan will be in place for 2015-2016.
13. Adjournment.

