

Gopher Conference Fall Meeting Minutes (8-15-13)

Eight Conference schools were in attendance with soon to be Conference member Maple River, also, in attendance. The following attending members were present: Ed Friesen (FBA- A.D./Designated Rep.), John Worke (BP- A.D. /Designated Rep.), Bill Adams (WJP-Supt.) Rich Dahman (Med- Supt.), Dan Stork (NRHEG- A.D./Designated Rep.), Mike Kelly (Randolph-Supt...), Jerry Jensen (USC- Supt.), & Joel Whitehurst (WEM-Supt.). Also in attendance Bob Nahlovsky (Conference Secretary), Jeff Adams (WJP- A.D.), Jeff Annis (MR- A.D.), Kevin Werk (Med- A.D.), Aaron Soule (Rand- A.D.), Sue Summer (USC- A.D.), & Jeff Boran (WEM-A.D.)

1. Call to Order (5:40 p.m.) by Rich Dahman (Med.- Supt.)
2. Introductions
3. Approval of Secretary's Minutes (5/8/13. WEM- moved NRHEG- second (approved)
4. Approval of Treasurer's Report (8-15-13). USC- moved NRHEG- second (approved)
5. Additions to agenda (none)
6. Approval of a request by Golf Coaches to hold the Conference Golf Meet at the neutral site of Lakeside Country Club in Waseca. The cost will be \$90.00 per team to be paid by each Conference school that has golf. BP- moved NRHEG- second (approved)
7. Need for Fall meeting site (2014). Conference Secretary will confer with A.D. and Supt. at NRHEG to establish site.
8. Point of discussion. Conference Secretary reports a significant increase in operating expenses for Conference Track Meets. A.D.'s will look for ways to decrease expenses for Jr. High Track Conference Meet. The Varsity Track Conference Meet's expenses are usually covered by the gate receipts.
9. Jeff Boran (WEM-A.D.) reported on Team Up meeting. (Date held will be 12-4-13 with Randolph hosting. Craig Hillier will be the speaker and each school will receive a motivational books called "Playing Beyond the Scoreboard", all paid by conference funds. A meal will be provided and the payment for the meals will be decided at the Winter Meeting (2014).
10. Jeff Boran (WEM- A.D.) gave a report on the Gopher/Valley. JWP is coming back to the A conference in football. Schedule is still to be worked out.
11. Ed Friesen (FBA- A.D.) gave a report on r School Today. Site will be updated after November 10th when JWP leaves conference and Maple River joins.

Adjournment USC- moved BP- second

Formally submitted Bob Nahlovsky, Gopher Conference Secretary

Gopher Conference Winter Meeting Minutes (1-8-14)

Eight Conference schools were in attendance with soon to be Conference member Maple River, also, in attendance. The following voting members were present: Ed Friesen (FBA- A.D./Designated Rep.), Barry Olson-BP)Supt Dan Anderson- MR Supt.) Rich Ahman (Med- Supt.), Dennis Goodwin- NRHEG Supt.) Aaron Soule- Randolph A.D.) Jerry Jensen (USC- Supt.), & Jeff Boran- WEM A.D.) Also in attendance Bob Nahlovsky (Conference Secretary), John Worke- BP A.D.) Jeff Annis (MR- A.D.), Kevin Stork (Med- A.D.), Dan Stork (NRHEG A.D.), Sue Summer (USC- A.D.), & Jeff Boran (WEM-A.D.)

1. Call to Order (12:05) Dennis Goodwin-NRHEG Supt.
2. Introductions
3. Approval of Secretary's Minutes (8/15/13) USC- Moved MR-Second- MR (Approved)
4. Approval of Treasurer's Report (1-8-14) MR-Moved Second-Medford (Approved)
5. Additions to agenda (none) MSHS grant resolution, single round schedule for Softball, & conference coaches workshop.
6. Randolph's request to leave conference after the 2013-2014 season. Roll call vote 7—0 to approve.
7. Salary compensation for Bob Nahlovsky & Ed Friesen. Conference Secretary 2014-2015 (\$1750.00)/ 2015-2016 (\$1800.00) Conference web site and r School Today coordinator 2014-2015 (\$550.00)/2015-2016 (\$600.00. WEM-moved NRHEG-second (Approved)
8. Point of information. Athletic Directors set conference events at their 11:00 a.m. (1/8/14) meeting. Typed copies will be mailed to Athletic Directors & Superintendents by the conference secretary. Fall meeting (2014) will be at Lakeside Country Clun in Waseca.
9. Motion made to have the Gopher Conference treasury pay for the cost of the meals at the Team Up Seminar at Randolph (12—4—13). Total coast \$398.94 USC- moved Medford- second (Approved)
10. Point of information. Conference Secretary reported on letters of correspondence to Hayfield, Kenyon-Wanamingo LCW and St. Clair about possibility of joining the Gopher Conference. No interest by these 4 schools.
11. Superintendents by consensus gave approval for the Conference Athletic Directors to pursue a possible workshop for improvement ideas for conference coaches. No motion necessary.
12. Approval of Softball going to a single single round schedule in 2014-2015 with one conference champion. BP- moved Medford – second. (Approved)
13. Motion made for the Gopher Conference to apply for a MSHSL grant for expenses of the December 4, 2013 Team Up Seminar held at Randolph High School. BP moved MR- second (Approved)
14. Jeff Boran gave a brief report on the Gopher/Valley Football. 7 Teams in the class A and the schedule will use zero week fulfill the schedule. Class AA wil remain the same.
15. Ed friesen reported on r School Toady. Most of the problems of Maple River joining the conference have been remedied.

Adjournment

Formally submitted Bob Nahlovsky, Gopher Conference Secretary

Gopher Conference Winter Meeting Minutes (5-8-14)

Seven schools were in attendance with the following voting members: Ed Friesen (FBA A.D./Designated Rep.), Barry Olson (BP-Supt.), Bill Adams (JWP-Supt.) John Currie (Med- Supt.), Kevin Wellen (NRHEG- Supt.), Mike Kelly (Randolph-Supt...), Jerry Friesen (USC- Supt..), & Joel Whitehurst (WEM-Supt..). Also in attendance Bob Nahlovsky (Conference Secretary), John Worke (P- A.D.),, Jeff Adams (JWP-A.D.), Kevin Werk (Med- A.D.),, Sue Summer (USC-A.D.), & Jeff Boran (WEM-A.D.), Guests Jeff Annis- (Maple River-A.D.), & Dan Anderson (Maple River-Supt.) Absent: Dan Stork (NRHEG-A.D.) & Mike Haase (Randolph-A.D.)

1. Call to Order by John Currie (Medford-Supt.) at 12:15 p.m. in Medford High School.
2. Approval of Secretary's Minutes from 1-9-133. (Moved WEM) (Second USC) Approved.
3. Approval of 5/8/13 Treasurer's Report. (Moved BA) (Second Randolph) Approved.
4. Additions to Agenda : Wrestling status of Gopher Valley & Team Up Program
5. A motion was made to deny the St James admission request to join the Gopher Conference for 2014-2015 Season. (Moved NRHEG) (Second-BP) Roll call vote of 8-0 to deny admission.
6. Because November 10, 2013 JWP leaves for the Valley Conference and Maple River joins the Conference on the same date it was necessary for a motion to set Conference dues for those two schools. A motion was made to assess JWP \$ 80.00 (Volleyball) Maple River was assessed \$720.00 (GBB, BBB, Wr, B/G Golf, B/G Track, Softball, & Baseball) (FBA moved) (Medford Second) Approved
7. The 2012-2013 \$2200 MSHSL Grant to the Gopher Conference provided for \$700.00 reimbursement for Conference AD's attending their AD Conference. Eight Conference AD's were in attendance amounting to \$87.50 per school. The grant, also, included Maple River soon to join the Conference. The NRHEG AD did not attend due to a Football Clinic obligation. A motion was made to reimburse BA, BP, JWP, Maple R., Med, Rand., USC & WEM for \$87.50. (BP moved) (JWP second) Approved
8. Point of information. Due to weather problems of the Spring Season the Softball and Baseball scheduling was changed. There will be no double round robin. The North Division (BA, Med, Rand, & WEM) and South Division (BP, JWP, NRHEG, & USC) will play two games in their division and one game against the other division. There will be no overall champion only division champions.
9. Point of information. The Gopher Conference now has a Federal Identification Number (46-2293740)
10. Gopher/Valley Wrestling There will be no merging of the Conferences. A possibility of some type of Tournament early in the season with revenue and expenses being shared by the two conferences.
11. A third Team Up Program is being planned. Craig Hillier will be speaker (\$1850.00 cost). If program was held at Randolph there would be no Motel cost for speaker only transportation cost. A motion was made to move ahead with plans for Team Up with finances tabled to a later date. (BA moved)(BP second) Approved
12. r School today Report by Ed Friesen was that everything seems to be working.
13. Jeff Boran's Gopher Valley report was the Wrestling item. Other sports will be reported on at the Fall Meeting

Adjournment