

**WADA District 6**  
**Spring Caucus Minutes     April 10, 2019**

1. Call meeting to order. **12:12 pm by Eric Plitzuweit**  
**Thank you to Scott Helms for the change in venue.**
2. Member attendance. **36 schools in attendance**  
Collect the following tenure information:
  - a. Years of service (at the conclusion of THIS school year)
  - b. CAA, CMAA status (\*Note- requirements for each changed on January 1, 2019)  
(Recognition is given for the following years; 10,15, 20, 25, 30 at the fall WADA Conference)

**Mark your years of service at the end of this school year. Add any status changes for CAA or CMAA.**
3. Note: any Athletic Directors who are retiring at the end of the year, please get “retired” information including address, phone, *personal* email to District Representative and pass on to Greg Harvey: [geharvey14@gmail.com](mailto:geharvey14@gmail.com)  
**No retirees at the meeting. Keith Milkowski, Waupun is retiring at the end of this year.**
4. Approval of 2018 fall meeting minutes.  
**Motion by Jill Stobber, Waterford**  
**Second by Jeff Thomas, Laconia**
5. WADA Mentorship Program management (*District or Gender rep will update Google doc*)
  - a. Identify mentors and mentees in the program this year- **recognized mentors**
  - b. May choose to stay in the program a second year
  - c. Is anyone interested in being a mentor for next year?
  - d. If you know your school will have a new AD, let us know so a mentor can be assigned
6. Please check the WADA website regularly. Please check it! [www.gowada.org](http://www.gowada.org)
7. Update/recognize District championships won since the fall that are not listed in the fall minutes, add any winter championships  
**Marshall-Girls Basketball**  
**Beaver Dam-Girls Basketball**
8. How can members get involved in WADA/NIAAA
  - a. When you join WADA, it is a DUAL membership in WADA and the NIAAA – it is NOT an option to do one or the other. Benefits of being a NIAAA member include \$1,000,000 liability insurance (\$2,000,000 when you complete LTC 504 which will be offered annually at one of the LTI opportunities), \$2,500 term life insurance and professional publications to name a few.
  - b. WADA elections this fall in the odd numbered Districts (1, 3, 5, 7) this would be for District Rep, Gender Rep, and Scholarship Committee Rep- *one meeting requirement*

*after WIAA Annual Meeting*

- c. VP position is also open (Nominations due by October 1)
- d. Write an article for the WADA Newsletter (more information on this below)
- e. Apply to become a NIAAA Committee member (*form on NIAAA website*)
- f. NIAAA offers two student-athlete awards (3 sport athlete award and scholar athlete award) <https://members.niaaa.org/default.aspx> (Log in and they are under "Member Resources")

9. WADA Conference

- a. November 8 – 12 at the Kalahari in the Wisconsin Dells.
- b. Bring apparel/anything WADA to the conference to help raise money for the organization.
- c. On Saturday at 12:30pm families can meet on the pool deck to share pizza and drinks.
- d. Please plan to come on Sunday for the Opening General Session.
- e. As in the past, there will be a bowling tournament on Monday night.
- f. Is anyone interested in being a presider? District Reps will forward names to Nathan Delany <[delany@marshfieldschools.org](mailto:delany@marshfieldschools.org)
- g. Those attending the WADA Conference for the first time can apply for a grant to cover the cost of registration. The application is on the WADA website:  
[www.gowada.org](http://www.gowada.org). (September 15, 2019 is the deadline.)  
**Question: does grant apply to middle school AD's.**
- h. Incentive to anyone who refers a new vendor- you will receive \$25.00 off of registration. Contact Jim Sekel: [jsekел@dce.k12.wi.us](mailto:jsekел@dce.k12.wi.us). If you bring in a new corporate sponsor, you will receive 50% off of your conference registration. Contact Greg Smith: [gsmith.wada@gmail.com](mailto:gsmith.wada@gmail.com).
- i. Figure out who is supplying the door prize from your district and make sure it makes it to the conference!

**Southern Lakes Conference 2019**

- 10. 32<sup>nd</sup> Annual WADA Golf Outing open to active and all retired ADs will be July 17, 2019 at Trappers Turn in the Wisconsin Dells with a shotgun start at 12:30 pm. Go on the website for more information. Entry fee is \$100.00. This will be held in conjunction with the Summer Institute of LTI class offerings July 16 - 18 (CAA exam will be on July 17 in the morning- must bring own computer and know NIAAA ID #). Classes will be offered on Tuesday morning and afternoon and Thursday morning with the golf outing on Wednesday. Feel free to bring "give-aways" to the golf outing. (New AD workshop: July 22 in Stevens Point at WIAA offices)
- 11. If interested in having LTI "On the Road" classes, contact John Frizzell: [john.frizzell@wrps.net](mailto:john.frizzell@wrps.net) at Wisconsin Rapids Lincoln.
- 12. WADA Award nominations – please note the criteria before you nominate
  - a. [Distinguished Service Award](#) (need 5-10 photos for video)  
**Nomination by Jill Stobber, Waterford, 2nd by Jeff Thomas, Laconia**  
**Dan and Kathy Prailes, Cotton Exchange Waterford**
  - b. [Athletic Director of the Year](#) (need 20 photos for video)  
**Nomination by Eric Plitzuweit from Burlington, 2nd by Andy Trudell from Mukwonago**  
**Tim Collins, Big Foot - WADA District 6 AD of the Year - Congratulations!**

c. Wisconsin Service Award – each school can receive one award to be given to the person of your choice in your school community. (Let Brittany Spencer-Grant:

[brittany.spencer@ngsd.k12.wi.us](mailto:brittany.spencer@ngsd.k12.wi.us) at New Glarus know if plaque is damaged.)

**Eric to share document to fill in your school's recipient.**

d. Hall of Fame applications are due June 1, 2019 to Brittany Spencer-Grant.

-The Wisconsin Athletic Directors Association Board of Directors established the WADA Hall of Fame in 2013 to honor retired interscholastic athletic directors for their exemplary careers in athletic administration at the local, state and national levels. This honor is one of the highest awards a Wisconsin athletic director may receive from WADA. This award serves to promote the vocation of athletic directors and preserve the heritage of the profession. Further, this award has established a standard for athletic directors to emulate.

**WADA has nominated Don Dalton for the NIAAA Hall of Fame.**

13. Please submit articles for the WADA newsletter. Anything that you might have that works well. Send to Executive Director, Greg Smith ([gsmith.wada@gmail.com](mailto:gsmith.wada@gmail.com)) Please let Greg know if you are NOT receiving this electronic newsletter.

#### 14. WIAA Issues-

1. Officials Rankings—Typically, spring sport officials receive the fewest rankings—please encourage spring sport coaches to submit rankings for each of their games.
2. Required Number of Officials—A reminder to all AD's that Baseball and Softball games **(at all levels) must have the required number of officials in order for the game to be played.**

**Discussion regarding officials: WIAA is willing to make concessions of 5 inning games due to weather or other circumstances, but why not for officials? It would be consistent with soccer because soccer allows two people to be added to center official if lineman are not there.**

3. Constitutional Items:

Number 1—Membership--Tournament entry is only available to WIAA members in good standing.

Number 2—Tournament Hosting—BOC may remove opportunities to host WIAA tournament contests from members if necessary.

Number 3—Cooperative Team Deadlines—Co-ops for football shall meet a December 1 deadline for Football-Only Conference realignment.

Number 4—Tournament Entry—Football (both 11 and 8-player) declarations shall meet a December 1 deadline for Football-Only Conference realignment.

Number 5—Residence Eligibility—Provides unrestricted eligibility for transfer students who did not participate in athletics.

Number 6—Residence Eligibility—Restricts students who transfer with a pre-existing athletic relationship with anyone in the school the student is transferring into. The pre-existing relationship will include athletes on the same non-school team, school coaches working with the non-school team, school coaches from a previous school, summer contact whether school or non-school, personal training, etc.

**Falls on the schools to fill out EVT form, but families will be required to check the box if there was a pre-existing relationship. One more thing for us to police and get caught. Good question to ask whether it is team or individual penalty. Michigan currently uses this type of EVT. Hoping to see an example in the near future**

Number 7—Code of Conduct—Prevents a student who has been charged and/or convicted of a felony from competing until the student has satisfied all of the requirements of the court.

**State wide WIAA rule.**

Below you will find a link to each of the proposed Amendments to the Constitution, Bylaws and Rules of Eligibility, including the Editorial changes:

<https://meetings.wiaawi.org/system/files/2019-Amendments-V5.pdf>

15. Additional Discussion Topics:

- a. Things *new* to the WADA Conference:
  - i. Dedicated sessions for middle school ADs and AD assistants on Saturday and Sunday
  - ii. Vendor mini sessions Saturday and Sunday
  - iii. Two LTI offerings on Saturday
- b. Strategic Plan work

**Articulate what we are doing and lead intentionally.**

16. Local Issues:

**Student Athlete Character Development Program-**

**Kewaskum using program, elective class, RTI class. Feedback from students-going well.**

**Wrestling Lower Level**

**Badger-Matches for JV level wrestlers. Dual conference meets and not getting matches.**

**Asking WIAA for relief for lower level wrestling schedule restrictions. Mukwonago having issues with even varsity matches. Looking for relief from Wade. Slinger talked to WIAA about kids doing both JV and Varsity and what to do to make sure they do not go over maximums-  
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**Wisconsin Flyway Conference**

**Having issues with numbers at 7th and 8th grade using weight restrictions for football. No one has used this. Rock Valley has a middle school league, exploring options. Kewaskum club has some restrictions.**

**Meeting adjourned at 12:59 pm with a motion by Phil Tallman, Wayland Academy, second by Mike Daniels, Slinger.**

**Respectfully submitted,**

**Jill Stobber, Waterford Union**

**Eric Plitzuweit, Burlington**