

Class A Meeting  
Columbia, SC  
August 29, 2012

- I. Call To Order – Joey Haney
- II. Invocation – Russ Schneider
- III. Pledge – Donald Addis
- IV. Treasurer’s Report – Brandy Huggins – Balance \$8314.88
  - A. Class A Region dues are \$50.00 per school in your region. Invoice emailed out for dues.
- V. Roll Call – Absent: East Clarendon
- VI. Executive Committee Report – Mickey Pringle
  - A. Pre-Season Practice Plan – School are violating the 14 day Pre-Season Practice Plan implemented. There will now be a \$1000.00 per occurrence fine and if continued you will be considered having an illegal practice which puts each athlete participating in those practices as ineligible for one year and will carry additional fines.
  - B. There has been a lot of reported unsportsmanlike conduct from the Summer League Play. So the league doesn’t have to punish athletes during the regular season, each region is asked to think of ways of how to deal with the punishment and bring to the January meeting.
  - C. Students who are not enrolled in your school are not allowed to practice with your team. Everyone who participates in that practice would be considered ineligible.
  - D. Regions are asked to think of ways to handle awards ceremonies for Football and Basketball Championships and present at the November meeting.
- VII. High School League – Dru Nix
  - A. Report any concerns or problems to Mickey Pringle.
  - B. Paul Anderson is President of Executive Committee.
  - C. There was a constitution change at the spring conference; IB Program – students will have a one time move to that program and a one time move back to his/her home school without loss of eligibility.
  - D. All schools to review the two constitution changes that did not pass at the Spring Conference and see how that can be represented at this year’s Spring Conference
    1. Students in 7<sup>th</sup> – 10<sup>th</sup> graders being granted eligibility to play on sub-varsity level
    2. Superintendents approving transfers for their schools within their district.
  - E. Retiree Pass – A new five year pass is being issued to Retirees with their picture on pass.
  - A. Concussions & Heat Acclimatization courses must be completed by all coaches before their first day of practice. [www.nfhslearn.com](http://www.nfhslearn.com)
  - B. Home School Students – The student must have been home schooled at least one year prior to participation. The student can only participate at their home zoned school. A letter of intent must be submitted prior to the first day of practice for that sport season.
  - C. Charter Schools – The students can only participate at their home zoned school.
  - D. Governor’s Schools – If the Governor’s School doesn’t offer a particular sport, the student may participate in that sport at the local school. If the student commutes’ to Governor’s School and the sport is not offered there, they student may play at his/her home zoned school.

- E. Competitive Cheer – There must be at least 16 qualifiers now.
  - F. The fine for a final game coach ejection is now a minimum of \$250.00.
  - G. Fireworks on School Property –The fine has been increased to \$1500.00 for first offense.
  - H. 2014-2015 Realignment will use this years 135 ADM figure. Each region is asked to think of the process they want to be held for the new realignment. Who will produce the plan and will classifications hear appeals. Please have information ready by the Spring Conference.
  - I. Football Classifications – Each region is asked to think about the option of having a different classification for football. This would eliminate multi state championships for each class.
- VIII. Army ROTC – Mr. Richard Brown gave 10 minute program about college scholarship options for student athletes.
- IX. High School League
- A. Nessie Harris
    - 1. If you have school choice for 9<sup>th</sup> graders, you still have to do a transfer form on students.
    - 2. You do not have to do a transfer form for first time enrolled 7<sup>th</sup> graders.
  - B. Jan Hogan
    - 1. Transfers are posted at noon and every afternoon. If you don't see you student listed, please wait till the next morning and recheck and then call before resending paperwork.
  - C. Skip Lax
    - 1. The 8 quarter rule applies to only JV and Varsity. (If you have to reschedule for a Monday, the players can't play on Monday, Thursday and Friday.)
    - 2. If you serve as a Head Coach, you must be employed at least half time by your district. If you don't meet criteria, you are required to take the one day Coach Class. The class has a \$100 fee and the application is on website. (Support Cheer Coaches do not have to be employed.)
    - 3. Player and Coach ejections should be submitted by 12:00pm the following day. The player is ineligible until the principal of your school hears from the league office. If a coach is ejected he must leave. The player should not leave till after the game unless he/she is causing trouble then must be escorted out by coach.
    - 4. If a player is ejected on the final game of the season, the punishment is carried over to the next sport played or next season.
    - 5. If a Volunteer Coach is ejected he/she is done for the year.
    - 6. Assistant Coaches should not address issues with any official; it should be done by head coach.
    - 7. Do Not confront any official after a contest.
    - 8. It is required to video Football and Basketball games.
- X. 2011-2012 Sportsmanship Awards – Presented by Dru Nix and Skip Lax
- 1. Brashier Middle College
  - 2. Green Middle College
  - 3. CA Johnson High School
  - 4. North High School
  - 5. Branchville High School
  - 6. Charleston Charter High School
  - 7. East Clarendon High School
  - 8. Creek Bridge High School

- XI. SCAAA – Mike Beasley
  - A. Director’s Cup Winner – Christ Church
  - B. The NCAA will be having a meeting on October 4, 2012 to talk about the new eligibility rules for this year’s 9<sup>th</sup> graders. More information on [www.scaaa.org](http://www.scaaa.org)
  - C. SCAAA first newsletter will come out on September 14, 2012.
  - D. Spring Conference – March 6-10, 2013 in Charleston, SC.
- XII. Class A Business – Joey Haney
  - A. Playoff site for Boys Golf is being hosted by Whale Branch at TBA site in Beaufort County.
  - B. Girls Golf is in 3A.
  - C. Boys and Girls Tennis is in 2A.
  - D. Wrestling is in 2A.
  - E. Track is on May 4, 2013 at Whale Branch for Lower State.
  - F. Sports Chairmen
    - a. Football – Ken Schofield, Great Falls
    - b. Volleyball – Ron Nester, Branchville
    - c. Tennis – Phillis Elvington, Green Sea-Floyds
    - d. Boys Basketball – John Smith, Great Falls
    - e. Baseball – Kip Herlong, Lake View
    - f. Softball – Brandy Huggins, Lake View
    - g. Track – Carlos Cade, Whale Branch
    - h. Boys Golf – Dwayne Garrick, Williston-Elko
    - i. Soccer – Dave Wilcox, Christ Church
  - G. All regions need to gather information together for your region delete to bring to the next meeting about the following:
    - a. 2014-2015 realignment
    - b. Football have a different Classification then other sports
    - c. The two constitutional changes not passed at this past years Spring Conference
- XIII. Class A Football Playoffs – Mike Beasley
  - A. Class A Football Playoff Format was given out and is posted on the league website. If you have any questions please contact Mike Beasley or Donald Addis. The coaches will meet the first Saturday after the final regular season game at the league office.
- XIV. Class A Meeting – February 20, 2013 @ 10:00am
- XV. Meeting Adjourned