

IATC Spring Meeting

Saturday, June 4, 2011

@ Ames High School

Ames, IA

Al Neppi called the meeting to order at 9:37 a.m., with 24 members present.

Al welcomed everyone, and thanked them for coming and devoting their time to the organization. Al went over the agenda and explained that Dave Anderson (IHSAA) and John Overton (IGHSAU) could not be present as they had prior commitments at their organizations. G Thompson made a motion to accept the agenda and D Anderson 2nd the motion. The motion passed.

The minutes of the fall meeting were looked at by the members. T Mittman made a motion to accept the minutes and T Coleman 2nd, motion passed.

Introductions of those present were made.

Bill Neal gave the treasurer's report. M Jay made a motion and M Madsen 2nded it to accept the treasurer's report – motion passed.

Bill Neal gave the membership report. Bill reported that membership was down about 30 from last year. Reminders were sent by email this past year, also there are fewer schools.

Did the state and at-large "Coach of the Year" voting for boys' and girls' track for all classes.

Deb Anderson presented nominations for "Middle School Track Coach of the Year" and voting was done.

Al Neppi presented nominations for "Assistant Track Coach of the Year" for both boys' and girls', and voting was done.

Broke for lunch that Rhonda Schmaltz got from Hickory Park.

Committee Reports

Tim Thomas explained the voting for the "Hall of Fame" and committee members presented the nominees' bios. Voting was then done and winners will be honored at the banquet in December.

Tim Thomas also reported on the "Hall of Fame" banquet.

Dick Washburn reported on the website. Things are going well, and items can be posted if sent to Dick.

Kirk Schmaltz reported on All-State Selection. He would like to try to have certificates done on-line. B Henderson made a motion and T Mittman 2nded to start in the fall with certificates being done on-line. Coaches will be notified of selections and how to get certificates.

Al Neppel reported for Peggy Steva on Academic All-State.

Al Neppel reported for Mitch Anderson on 25 Year Coaching Awards. We are getting caught up and not having to award as many.

Mary Madsen reported on the Henderson Middle School Meet for the girls. She wants to have some rubber discs for next year.

Tim Thomas reported for the boys. Tim is giving up as the boys' meet director, and a replacement needs to be found.

The numbers were down for both the boys and girls this year.

Steve Roth reported on the State Pentathlons, everything went well.

Greg Thompson reported on the IATC Awards and will be getting plaques for the banquet.

Dick Washburn reported on the IATC Spotlight Meets. The track will be held in Plattville, Wisconsin on June 11th. Next year the meet will be in Illinois. A site is being looked at.

The CC meet has been suggested to remain in Ankeny at DMACC.

Marty Thomae reported for the Joint CC Advisory Committee. They recommended that the top 15 qualify for state. The boards took no action.

Steve Roth reported for the Joint Track and Field Advisory Committee. They will be meeting June 20th. (More on recommendations later)

Mary Madsen reported on the Washburn Middle School CC Meet. It will be held again at Saydel. She is taking bids for T-shirts. There was discussion about using Aspiemeetz for entries.

Al Neppel reported on the Power Rankings. B Henderson made a motion to provide a plaque to the top team in each class. The motion died for lack of a 2nd.

Todd Peverill reported on the State CC Rankings. They will be ranking the top 30 runners in the fall.

Al Neppel reported on the Drake Hospitality Room. There was a good turnout.

Old Business

There was none.

New Business

Bruce Henderson sought nominations for NHSACA "Coach of the Year". Those nominated were: Girls' Track – Bill Thomsen; Boys' Track – Bob Sanger; Girls' CC – Cindy Wagner; Boys' CC – Gary Bottorf.

Bruce also sought nominations for NFHS 'Coach of the Year'. Those nominated were: Track – Bob Sanger; CC – Jerry Becker.

Al Neppel talked about the format of the Hall of Fame banquet, and how it could be improved. This will be brought up again at the fall meeting.

There was discussion about the summaries sent in by coaches at the end of the season, most of it pertained to the new qualifying method. Bill Calloway and Will Hart made a presentation on the new qualifying system and its faults. There was much discussion. T Mittman made a motion and M Parker 2nded it to recommend to the Joint Track Advisory Committee that they push for a qualifying system of the winner plus the next best performances from place winners to get to 24 qualifiers. This motion passed unanimously 22-0. Al Neppi will draft a letter with the recommendation and send it to all the members on the Track Advisory Committee.

M Jay made a motion and K Schmaltz 2nded to adjourn the meeting at 2:16. Motion passed.

Rod Smith

IATC Secretary