

Twin State League

Meeting Minutes of 8/02/2023

- I. **The meeting was Called to Order by Commissioner Jim Hamric @ 11:16 a.m. @ Western Sizzlin' in Parkersburg, WV.**

- II. **Roll Call**
 - Fort Frye Matt Tullius
 - Marietta Cody Venderlic
 - Point Pleasant Kent Price (ABSENT – prior administrative engagement)
 - Warren Steve Harold
 - Commissioner Jim Hamric
 - Others: Payton Brooker (Gridiron Glory)

- III. **Approval of Minutes from 6.21.2023 Meeting**
 - MOTION to approve (Cody Venderlic-Marietta), seconded (Matt Tullius-Fort Frye). Motion was approved unanimously.

- IV. **Commissioner's Report**
 - A. **Financial Report (See Attachment)**
 - Commissioner Hamric indicated that a service charge of \$2 per month on the account was included by Peoples Bank. Hamric asked for a blessing from the group to call and ask about this fee and see if it could be eliminated.
 - Commissioner Hamric will be sending out the annual invoice for member dues. Fee is \$1,000.
 - B. **Future Meeting Dates**
 - Commissioner Hamric asked that future meeting dates be set for the coming year. The following dates were set:
 1. **Wednesday, October 25, 2023 @ 11:00 pm** (Football, Volleyball, and Soccer coaches need to attend to determine Fall sports awards). Plan is to discuss potential media event for winter sports and establishing a cheer competition.
 2. **Wednesday, December 6, 2023**
 3. **Wednesday, February 7, 2024** (Basketball coaches to attend)

- V. **Fall Sports Planning**
 - A. **Tournament Championships**
 - Chart for 2023-24 Championships was created (**see Attachment**) with all dates agreed upon by the Athletic Directors.
 - Commissioner Hamric suggested pursuing sponsor opportunities for League Championship events to generate more revenue for the League.

 - B. **Fees Chart for Commissioner, Assigners, and Officials**
 - Cody Venderlic will reach out via email to Rex Foster, Tammy Gillogly and Tonya Kidder to assist us with the fees and creation of the chart.

VI. Sportsmanship Policy

- Steve Harold, with the assistance of Commissioner Hamric, presented the group with a proposed Sportsmanship Policy (**see Attachment**) for the Twin State Leagues. Discussion ensued.
- **Motion was made by Cody Venderlic and seconded by Matt Tullius to approve the Sportsmanship Policy as written and add it to the League website. Motion was approved unanimously.**

VII. Gridiron Glory

- Payton Brooker of Gridiron Glory addressed the group on upcoming plans:
 1. Coverage of our member schools throughout football season
 2. Sunday, August 13 Media Day (email to follow with more details)
 3. Payton's contact info: pb284719@ohio.edu

VIII. Adjourn

- **Motion was made to adjourn (Cody Venderlic) & seconded (Matt Tullius); Motion passed unanimously**
- Meeting was adjourned at 12:33 p.m.

NEXT MEETING: Wednesday, October 25, 2023 @ Western Sizzlin' – 11:00 a.m.



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TSL Financial Report
Aug 2, 2023

Beginning balance as of 8/2/23		6,659.55
Income:		
7/24 Warren HS Track Meet	568.50	
Total		568.50
Expenses:		
5/10, 6/8, 6/22 Commissioner fee	600.00	
5/10, 6/7 BAK Trophies	682.50	
5/10 Western Sizzlin	268.17	
6/21 Cheryl's Diner	65.81	
3/31, 4/30, 5/31, 6/29 People's Bank (serv chg)	<u>8.00</u>	
Total		1,624.48
Balance in checking as of August 2, 2023		5,603.57

Submitted by,

Jim Hamric, Treasurer & Commissioner
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Point of Interest:

Possible meetings dates:

Oct 11, 2023

Dec 6, 2023 (possible Bk Media Day)

Feb 7, April 3, June 5, 2024

**Twin State League Championships
2023-24**

FALL		Date	Time	Location	Director	Notes
Cross Country	Girls	10/14/2023	9:00 AM	Warren	Steve Harold	Awards Ceremony
	Boys		9:45 PM	On-campus course		

Golf - Boys	Round 1	8/15/2023	4:00 PM	Riverside	Kent Price	9 holes
	Round 2	8/29/2023	4:00 PM	Marietta CC	Cody Venderlic	9 holes
	Round 3*	9/12/2023	4:00 PM	Lakeside	Matt Tullius	9 holes

Golf - Girls	Round 1	8/14/2023	11:00 AM	Marietta CC	Cody Venderlic	9 holes
	Round 2	8/30/2023	4:30 PM	Oxbow	Steve Harold	9 holes
	Round 3*	9/21/2023	1:00 PM	Lakeside	Matt Tullius	18 holes

Football	Champion based on regular season record					
Soccer	Champion based on regular season record					
Volleyball	Champion based on regular season record					

WINTER		Date	Time	Location	Director	Notes
Wrestling	Boys	2/7/2024	6:00 PM	Warren	Steve Harold	Awards Ceremony

Basketball-G	Champion based on regular season record					
Basketball-B	Champion based on regular season record					

Cheer	Proposal for Winter competition is forthcoming					
Swimming	Not currently a league-sanctioned sport					

SPRING		Date	Time	Location	Director	Notes
Baseball	Champion based on regular season record					
Softball	Champion based on regular season record					

Track & Field	Boys/Girls	4/23/2024	4:00 PM	Marietta College - Don Drumm	Cody Venderlic	Awards Ceremony
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Tennis	Not currently a league-sanctioned sport					
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Twin State League Sportsmanship Policy

This policy has been formulated by the Twin State League (TSL) Athletics Administrators and approved by member school Principals to help maintain a healthy balance between fair play and safety. This policy is a guideline to maintain good relations between coaches, officials, student-athletes and fans, with an emphasis on Sportsmanship, Ethics, and Integrity in the conduct of our TSL athletic events.

Definitions

- **Sportsmanship** is defined as the practice of participating in sports with a conduct and attitude considered to be befitting of a participant in that sport, especially fair play, courtesy, striving to win and accepting results, win or lose. It encompasses both Ethical Behavior and acts of Integrity.
- **Ethics** is defined as the principles of right and wrong that are accepted by an individual or a group. It is a system of principles governing acceptable conduct.
- **Integrity** is defined as a firm adherence to a code of values that incorporates the principles of honesty.

The TSL would like to challenge all administrators and coaches to work very hard at teaching these principles of ethics and integrity to our student-athletes, coaches, parents and fans, and to hold each group accountable for their actions. We believe this will allow us to achieve our goal of maintaining good sportsmanship in the conduct of our athletic events.

Handshaking is to be carried out by all athletic teams and their entire coaching staff. The sportsmanship hand shaking will be done after the event. All coaches will supervise the entire hand shaking procedure for the safety of the athletes and to promote good sportsmanship.

Unsportsmanlike conduct will not be tolerated in TSL contests. The specific acts outlined in the appropriate National High School Federation rule book defines the penalties. Members of the TSL are governed by the rules and regulations of their state associations. Ohio member schools are under the guidance of the Ohio High School Athletic Association (OHSAA), while the West Virginia schools fall under the jurisdiction of the West Virginia Secondary Schools Activities Commission (WVSSAC) rules and regulations. Contest officials are obligated by the OHSAA and the WVSSAC to report Unsportsmanlike instances to their state governing bodies for athletics.

The officials working TSL contests, or any contest involving a TSL team, are instructed to send a report to the specific sport Director of Officials regarding unsporting behavior (i.e. player/coach/fan ejections, penalties on the sidelines, and technical fouls on the bench, etc.) and complete any documentation required by the State associations. These reports are to be completed and sent within 48 hours of the contest. Additionally, this information is to be passed on to the Commissioner of the Twin State League.

Situations that may require further investigation will be evaluated on a case-by-case basis by the schools involved and the conference administration.

All members of the Twin State League understand that good Sportsmanship is an essential part of any athletic competition, and it is expected from athletes, coaches, officials, and fans. Attendance at and participation in interscholastic activities is a privilege with the expectation that all parties exhibit positive and respectful behavior before, during, and after the conduct of our athletics events.