

DW Athletic Combine Minutes
Regular Combine Meeting- 6:30 p.m.
January 7, 2019- Waitsburg School Library

Committee Members Present

X	Superintendent Dayton- Doug Johnson	X	Superintendent Waitsburg- Jon Mishra
X	Principal Dayton- Kristina Brown	X	Principal/AD Waitsburg- Stephanie Wooderchak
	Dayton AD- Nicki Luper		
	Board Member Dayton-Katie Leid	X	Board Member Waitsburg-Christy House
X	Dayton Alumni- Jason Mings	X	Waitsburg Alumni-Michelle Paul
X	Dayton Community- Steve Martin	X	Waitsburg Community- Charlie Barron
	Dayton Student- Will Add Later		Waitsburg Student - Will Add Later
X	Fiscal Agent-Paula Moisio		

Non- Committee Members Present: Wendy Richards, Des Jones

Mrs. Wooderchak called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Items discussed:

Student Athlete Handbook Alignment- Mrs. Wooderchak reported that the Waitsburg School Board has opted not to merge the two handbooks. She asked for input from Dayton on their board’s discussion about the handbook alignment. Discussion ensued on the topic. Concern was expressed about the schools maintaining separate rules for kids who are on the same team specifically relating to grades and eligibility. Mrs. Wooderchak noted that the board was taking more of a “wait and see stance”. Mrs. Wooderchak indicated that many of the items in the handbook were closely aligned (as demonstrated by Katie Leid’s presentation at the last meeting) but there were key items that have differences including eligibility. Wendy Richards noted that as a coach, she would maintain the same set of rules for all team members for consistency.

Charlie Barron brought up the topic of possibly having just one Athletic Director for the combine. Steve Martin also made note of that as a point of consideration as we move towards planning for next year.

Transportation Update- Mrs. Wooderchak reported that there were concerns in December regarding the return buses from away games in regards to having the buses caravan. She noted that the may have been resolved between the drivers and coaches. She asked if anyone felt that this is still a concern and requested feedback regarding bus transportation home after away games. The issue was discussed in detail and the concerns noted. A primary topic was in regards to whether teams should be able to stop or not for meals. Mrs. Wooderchak suggested that prior to the next sports season, all of the details be coordinated between the AD, Coaches, and Transportation. The issue of distance traveled was taken into consideration. It was brought up that being able to stop for the meals had a very positive impact on

the team building aspect of the travel. The schedule for the rest of the basketball season was reviewed. The remaining games are at home or close to home (WW/ Tri-Cities) so the distance issue was not as likely to require stopping for meals. Ironing out the details for the future needs to take place as well as establishing guidance that allow flexibility and coach preferences to be consideration.

Bus Schedule- Away Games Concern:

Mrs. Wooderchak reported the following concern from a parent: *It seems like the last two to three away games the JV bus shows up at the gym only to find the games are not at the 3 o'clock time but at 4:30 and they use two gyms. For example, today the JV bus showed up at 1:15 and no one was there to let them in the gym until 1:45, and the JV games start at 4:30 not 3:00. Parents cannot plan for what they do not know and we should not have kids just sitting for hours.*

Mrs. Wooderchak noted that the AD in charge for basketball for January and February is Dayton's AD (Nicki Luper). She will be in charge of confirming the remaining game times.

There was discussion on today's bus schedule. The practices were delayed and it was not apparent what went awry. Mrs. Wooderchak will be looking into it and she apologized for the confusion and indicated that she would look into what created the situation.

Discussion ensued on the importance of having contact information for all parties (principals, AD's, Superintendents, etc. for the teams in the league). Coaches need to have contact information to be able to get hold of in the event of problems that arise. It was suggested that driver phone numbers should be included along with other key players. Christy House suggested that the information be gathered and distributed before the next away game on Thursday.

Des Jones requested that varsity players be allowed (and encouraged) to arrive in time to watch the junior varsity games. There was a good deal of input on the subject. There was a request to make changes for the varsity to arrive in time for the JV games whenever possible. There was a suggestion that the varsity players from Waitsburg be able to ride the MS practice bus back to Dayton to be able to watch the JV game (or at least a portion). The concept is that players would be there to support their fellow teammates.

It was suggested that the coaches be responsible for filling out the bus trip schedules so that they can have input on the travel. There were several topics brought up about the changes in trying to coordinate between the two schools. It may be implemented that coaches would do the trip requests as soon as this spring or at the very least in coordination with the Athletic Director.

Spring Sports Coach Update:

HS Track and Field Head Coach interviews are scheduled for Thursday, January 10, 2019. We have three applicants. The interview committee will consist of Kristina Brown, Stephanie Wooderchak, Nicki Luper, Katie Leid, Russ Knopp, Dr. Mishra and Paula Moio

Other positions that we filled include:

- HS Assistant Track and Field
- HS Assistant Track and Field

- MS Head Track and Field
- MS Assistant Track and Field
- MS Assistant Track and Field
- MS Assistant Softball
- MS Assistant Baseball
- MS Head Baseball

Spring Sports Facility Update:

Just a reminder that Waitsburg will host MS and HS baseball and Dayton will host MS and HS softball, golf and MS and HS track and field. Mrs. Wooderchak reminded everyone that we will need to make sure our custodial staff and coaches are working together to insure the sites are ready. First practice for spring sports is February 25.

Evaluation of Coaches:

The following procedure for coach evaluations was discussed and accepted:

- JV Coaches- AD and Head Coach Collaborate in all sports
- JH Football – Football Head Coach-Troy Larsen
- HS Football - Waitsburg AD evaluates -Stephanie Wooderchak
- HS Volleyball - Dayton AD evaluates (based on where the sport started)-Nicki Luper with possible assistance this year from Clayton Strong
- JH Volleyball – Dayton AD and HS Head Coach evaluates (based on where the sport started)- Nicki Luper and Tara Brenner with possible assistance this year from Clayton Strong
- HS Cheer - Waitsburg AD evaluates
- HS Basketball (girls and boys) - Waitsburg AD evaluates (based on where the sport started)
- JH boys basketball - Dayton AD and HS Boys Head Coach evaluates
- JH girls basketball - Waitsburg AD and HS Girls Head Coach evaluates
- HS and MS track and field – Dayton AD evaluates
- HS and MS baseball – Waitsburg AD evaluates (Head HS coach assists with MS)
- HS and MS softball – Dayton AD evaluates (Head HS coach assists with MS)
- Golf- Dayton AD evaluates

Des Jones brought up the issue of reporting scores. The scores need to be reported to Max Preps, UB, Dayton Chronicle, Waitsburg Times, and Superintendent Johnson (for Website & App). There are several issues on the Max Prep site in the way that our girls' basketball team (listed as both DW and Dayton). It is causing several reporting errors including misrepresentation of win/loss records. Supt Johnson will ask Nicki Luper to look into it and work on a resolution.

The meeting adjourned at 7:40p.m. The next scheduled DW Combine Meeting is February 11, 2019 at 6:45 p.m. and will be held at the High School Library in Dayton.