

**Idaho High School Activities Association**  
**ANNUAL MEETING MINUTES**  
**DoubleTree Riverside**  
**August 5, 2009 – 1:30 p.m.**

Robin Stanley, IHSAA President for the 2009-10 year, opened the meeting by welcoming member school representatives and led in the Pledge of Allegiance. IHSAA Board members and administrative staff were introduced. Deceased friends and colleagues were honored by a moment of silence.

**Presentations**

**Y.E.A.**

Dick Curtis, Executive Director of YEA, reported on the 2008-09 fiscal year ending income, which was \$90,000. Dick has worked with the commissioners of each sport to make sure all jamborees are reported and the monies collected. Several fund-raising projects are available to member schools. Barbeques sponsored by Roady's Truck Stop, Smarty's and SYSCO foods at a cost of \$1.83 per person are available. Schools give half of the funds raised to YEA, and keep half to use as they see fit. Ticket sales for Idaho Stampede and for the PGA Boise Open may also be used as fund raisers.

**Schools of Excellence**

Julie Hammons presented plaques of the 2008-09 Schools of Excellence winners in each classification to school representatives. Those schools which earned the Exemplary Achievement award were recognized. This award is given to schools that received a score of 90% or more on the citizenship/sportsmanship component of the Schools of Excellence program and had no coach ejections.

The activities of speech, debate drama, cheer, dance and music will be added to the program for the 2009-10 year. These must be competitive groups; gpa's will be reported in the winter segment, but will NOT receive Academic Champions awards. Finish points from state tournaments will be counted.

**President's Report**

Barbara Taylor, 2008-09 IHSAA President, reviewed items she determined to be a highlight of the past year. The board did NOT enter into a football ball contract with Spalding at the request of member schools. Cost-saving measures instituted in the past year were seen in going to a two-day wrestling tournament, paperless board meetings, and on-line posting of all IHSAA publications. Criteria for wheelchair athletes participating in the IHSAA State Track Meet were approved, as were two new awards – Spirit of Sport and Official of the Year.

**IHSAA Annual Report**

John Billetz reported on the 2008-09 financial review completed by Ripley-Doorn. The IHSAA is in good financial standing. Outgoing board members Dave Neumann and Geoff Thomas were recognized and the IHSAA staff thanked for their efforts on behalf of member schools. State tournaments for 2008-09 had good gates overall. Tournament managers and principals of host high schools are to be commended for their hard work. The 5A soccer tournament was held in stadiums on turf fields for the first time. Seating for spectators at State Track was back on the west side of the stadium. New carpeting has been installed and walls repainted at the IHSAA office.

**Discussion and Information – Non-Action Items**

1. The IHSAA classification cycle / process was reviewed. The 2009-10 year is the "grace year" in which schedules are set for the year and petitions for schools moving up or down in classification are reviewed. Petitions must be received in the IHSAA office September 10.
2. In 2009, the State Wrestling Tournament moved to a two-day format to help reduce travel costs for member schools. A flat fee was charged per day and the arena was not cleared between sessions. Minor modifications will be made for the 2010 tournament.
3. For the twenty-seventh consecutive year, the United Dairymen of Idaho has renewed their sponsorship contract with the IHSAA. IHSAA Board of Directors declined the three percent increase for the 2009-10 year as the dairy industry has been hard hit by economic issues. The Dairymen expressed their thanks at the IHSAA Board meeting held on April 5, and confirmed their support for Idaho high schools.
4. The rule concerning non traditional students as it pertains to public chart schools is being reviewed. This rule was written when charter schools did not have activities. The IHSAA is working in conjunction with the State Department of Education to come up with a rule that creates fairness for all students.