

NORTH CENTRAL THUNDER  
SPORTS COOPERATIVE BOARD MEETING  
MONDAY MARCH 22, 2021

A joint meeting between the Edmunds Central School District, Eureka School District and Bowdle School District know as North Central Thunder Sports Cooperative Board was called to order by Edmunds Central Board Chairperson Haerter at 6:33 p.m. in the Edmunds Central Commons Area with the following members present: Edmunds Central Chairman – Elli Haerter, Toni Bukaske, Robby Fischer, Aaron Roth and Bryan Scherr, Superintendent Karen Fox, Athletic Director Riley Donovan and Business Manager Kelly Toennies. Eureka Chairman – Carie Kappes, Mark Opp, Corey Eberhart, Casey Wolff, Julie Hinton, Superintendent/Athletic Director Nick Weismantel and Business Manager Tonya Maier. Bowdle Chairman – Joshua Mitzel, Tom Zinter, Miranda Schlechter, Jeff Oxner, Sandra Frickson, Superintendent/Athletic Director Hector Serna. Others present were Cindy Schumacher Pride Publication and Tanner Frickson was in attendance for a portion of the meeting.

3-01-2021 Motion by Bukaske, seconded by Fischer to approve the agenda. All in favor. Motion carried.

3-02-2021 Motion by Wolff, seconded by Opp to approve the agenda. All in favor. Motion carried.

3-03-2021 Motion by Zinter, seconded by Schlechter to approve the agenda. All in favor. Motion carried.

There was no Conflicts of Interest

There was no Public Comment

The following winter and spring sports update numbers were given: elementary girl's basketball 23, elementary boys' basketball 21, middle school girls' basketball 18, middle school boys' basketball 21, girls' basketball 17, boys' basketball 23 and track 55.

The board discussed the North Central Sports Cooperative Joint Agreement. Board level voting was discussed. Currently a majority from each board has to vote for a motion to pass. Several ideas on how to do the voting was discussed.

3-04-2021 Motion by Frickson, seconded by Roth to change the way the Cooperative Board votes, effective July 1, 2021, to be simple majority with a minimum of 1 vote from each board to pass. All in favor. Motion carried.

Football practice and location was also discussed. A vast majority of practices will be in Bowdle, and if playing a game that needs to be played on a 100 yard field then they would like to practice in Eureka the night before. The board discussed home game location. Roscoe does not have a field. Suggestion 3 games in Eureka and 1 game in Bowdle.

Head Athletic Director Duties was discussed. Right now scheduling and the practice scheduling have been a little bit confusing, and other schools don't know who to contact. It was decided that Mr. Weismantel will become the Head Athletic Director and will distribute work to Donovan and Serna.

Financial Reporting Duties was talked about and Business Manager Maier will continue to do this, and will work with Business Manager Toennies and Business Manager Nelson to get the information needed.

Cheerleading for football only was discussed. It was agreed to advertise for a cheerleading coach and to see if we get enough interested.

The board discussed adding an athletic awards policy and a coaching staff leave of absence policy to the North Central Sports Cooperative Joint Agreement. Transportation to practice and events were discussed. It was decided to evenly split the events mileage starting FY2021-2022 equally between the 3 schools at \$2.00 per mile.

3-05-2021 Motion Roth , seconded by Frickson to approve the North Central Sports Cooperative Joint Agreement with the addition/changes discussed to include the following: Board level voting to be a simple majority. NCT football with most practices in Bowdle and 3 home games in Eureka and 1 home game in Bowdle, Nick Weismantal has Head Athletic Director and Tonya Maier to do the Financial Statement, to add cheerleaders for football, to add the Athletic Awards Policy, to add a coaching staff leave of absence policy, and transportation costs to be split for games. Upon roll call vote the following voted Aye: Fischer, Scherr, Roth, Bukakse, Haerter, Frickson, Oxner, Zinter, Schlechter, and Mitzel. Voting Nay: Wolff, Opp, Eberhart, Hinton, and Kappes. Motion failed.

The Eureka Board did not agree with the number of football games at Eureka and discussion was made regarding where the games would be held. Haerter opened up the motion to approve the agreement with a change that there will be 4 games in Eureka and 0 games in Bowdle.

3-06-2021 Motion by Fischer, seconded by Opp to approve the North Central Joint Agreement but to have 4 football games in Eureka and none in Bowdle. Upon roll call vote the following voted Aye: Fischer, Scherr, Roth, Bukaske, Haerter, Wolff, Opp, Eberhart, Hinton, Kappes, Oxner, Zinter, Schlechter, and Mitzel. Voting Nay: Frickson. Motion carried.

Training rules were handed out and went over.

Cheer coach will be paid the same stipend as the Assistant Cross Country coach.

3-08-21 Motion by Eberhart, seconded by Bukaske to go into executive session according to SDCL 1-25-2(1) Personnel matter and for SDCL 1-25-2(4) Negotiations at 8:36 p.m. with Board Members, Superintendents, Athletic Directors, Business Manager Toennies and Business Manager Maier. All in favor. Motion carried.

Chairperson Haerter declared executive session over at 9:10 p.m.

3-09-21 Motion by Kappes, seconded by Fischer to offer coaching contracts with an increase of \$75.00 for coaches and \$10.00 for track/cross country records for the following coaching positions: Head volleyball coach- Ashley Grenz, Junior high volleyball coach- Mariah Geier, Cross Country coach Aimee Lenocker, Head football coach- Riley Donovan, Assistant football coach Dyllan Rohrbach, Assistant football coach - Brad Johnson, Junior high football coach – John Huber, Junior high football coach – Jonathon Fargher, Assistant girls basketball coach – Ashley Grenz, Junior high girls basketball coach – Kaci Vander Vorst/Jennifer Heyne, 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> grade girls basketball coach – Bruce Alexander/Rachel Rohrbach, Head boys basketball coach – Logen Secker, Junior high boys basketball coach – Scott Heyne/Jonathon Fargher, 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> grade boys and basketball coach- Bruce Alexander.

3-10-21 Motion by Bukaske, seconded by Wolff to adjourn at 9:12 p.m. All in favor. Motion carried.

Elli Haerter, Edmunds Central Board Chairperson  
Carie Kappes, Eureka Board Chairman  
Josh Mitzel, Bowdle Board Chairman

Attest: Kelly Toennies, Business Manager  
Attest: Tonya Maier, Business Manager  
Attest: Carolynn Nelson, Business Manager