

# **SOUTH DAKOTA HIGH SCHOOL ACTIVITIES ASSOCIATION**

## **2018 OFFICIAL AMENDMENT BALLOT**

The deadline for the return of this ballot is **May 30, 2018**. In order to pass, a proposal must receive a 60% plurality. Please refer to the accompanying document for the text of the amendment and the rationale that was given at the Annual Meeting of the Board of Directors.

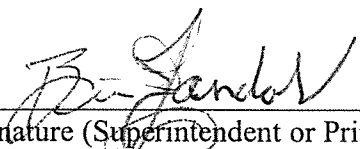
### **AMENDMENT NO. 1**

☐ Yes

☐ No

Elkton  
Name of Member School

May 14, 2018  
Date

  
Signature (Superintendent or Principal)

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Signature (School Board President)

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**BALLOTS DUE: May 30, 2018**

## **SOUTH DAKOTA HIGH SCHOOL ACTIVITIES ASSOCIATION PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS**

Proposed Constitutional Change—Submitted by SDHSAA Board of Directors:

### **TRANSFERS TO CHEYENNE-EAGLE BUTTE, CROW CREEK, FLANDREAU INDIAN, MARTY INDIAN, PINE RIDGE, ST. FRANCIS, TODD COUNTY**

**Addendum to Chapter II, Part I, Section I (found on p.23 of Constitution and Bylaws) Adopted by the Board of Directors on June 8, 2005**

A student who transfers to a twenty-four (24) hour ~~B.I.A./O.I.E.P.(Office of Institutional Education Programs)~~ **Bureau of Indian Education (BIE)** boarding school which is partially or wholly funded by ISEP (Indian Student Equalization Program): Cheyenne-Eagle Butte, Crow Creek, Flandreau Indian, Marty Indian, Pine Ridge, St. Francis or Todd County High School (students residing in Sicangu Owayawa Oti), from an SDHSAA non-member school, would be eligible for participation after ten (10) school days provided they meet all eligibility requirements as per SDHSAA Constitution and Bylaws, Part IV-Student Eligibility for Fine Arts and Athletic Participation, pages 14- 15. This would apply to the initial transfer only.

#### **Rationale:**

In both cases above, the change is simply clarifying language:

- B.I.A/O.I.E.P is now known as Bureau of Indian Education (BIE). This change strikes out B.I.A/ O.I.E.P. and changes it to Bureau of Indian Education (BIE).
- Regarding Sicangu Owayawa Oti residence hall, this is a residential facility used by both St. Francis and Todd County students. The proposed language adds clarification that this statute applies only to Todd County Students who reside in the Sicangu Owayawa Oti facility. A student transferring to Todd County but not living in the Sicangu Owayawa Oti residence facility would not be included in this statute.

**SOUTH DAKOTA HIGH SCHOOL ACTIVITIES ASSOCIATION  
2018 OFFICIAL ELECTION BALLOT  
LARGE SCHOOL GROUP BOARD OF EDUCATION  
REPRESENTATIVE  
TERM: JULY 1, 2018 TO JUNE 30, 2023**

**Large School Group Board of Education Representative-** To be filled by a SDHSAA member school Board of Education member. This position is currently filled by Sandy Klatt, Board of Education member at Brandon Valley. The Large School Group Board of Education representative may be nominated from any SDHSAA member school with a 2016-17 ADM from 1,749.230 to 561.525. The Large School Group schools include SF Roosevelt with a 2016-17 ADM of 1,749.230 to Pierre T.F. Riggs with an ADM of 561.565, to include SF New Technology. **Any member school may nominate a person for this position and all member schools have the opportunity to vote.** The person elected will serve a five-year term on the SDHSAA Board of Directors and is unable to run for re-election. Member schools in the Large School Group include: RC Central, RC Stevens, Aberdeen Central, Brandon Valley, Brookings, Harrisburg, Yankton, Huron, Mitchell, SF O’Gorman, Douglas, and Pierre T.F. Riggs.

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Dr. Paul Turman, Pierre T.F. Riggs High School

Elkton  
Name of Member School  
Dr. Paul Turman  
Signature (Superintendent or Principal)

May 14, 2018  
Date  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature (School Board President)

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**SOUTH DAKOTA HIGH SCHOOL ACTIVITIES ASSOCIATION**  
**2018 OFFICIAL ELECTION BALLOT**  
**DIVISION III REPRESENTATIVE**  
**TERM: JULY 1, 2018 TO JUNE 30, 2023**

**Division III Representative-** to be filled by a Superintendent, Assistant Superintendent or CEO.

This position is currently held by Bud Postma, Athletic Director at Madison High School. The Division III representative may be nominated from any SDHSAA member school with 2016-17 ADM from 520.482 to 140.350. The Division III schools include Sturgis Brown High School with a 2016-17 ADM of 520.482 to Winner High School with an ADM of 140.350. **Any member school may nominate a person for this position and all member schools have the opportunity to vote.** The person elected will serve a five-year term on the SDHSAA Board of Directors and is unable to run for re-election. Member schools in Division III include: Sturgis Brown, Tea Area, Todd County, West Central, Dakota Valley, Vermillion, Pine Ridge, Madison, Belle Fourche, Little Wound, Cheyenne-Eagle Butte, Milbank, St. Thomas More, Flandreau Indian, Dell Rapids, Lennox, Canton, Hot Springs, St. Francis Indian, Chamberlain, SF Christian, Custer, Tri-Valley, Sisseton, Beresford, Wagner, Red Cloud, Mobridge-Pollock, Hamlin, Lead-Deadwood, and Winner.

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Dr. Jerry Rasmussen, Dakota Valley High School

Elkton  
Name of Member School  
Brian Jansen  
Signature (Superintendent or Principal)

May 14, 2018  
Date  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature (School Board President)

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**SOUTH DAKOTA HIGH SCHOOL ACTIVITIES ASSOCIATION**  
**2018 OFFICIAL ELECTION BALLOT**  
**DIVISION IV REPRESENTATIVE**  
**TERM: JULY 1, 2018 TO JUNE 30, 2021**

**Division IV Principal-** To be filled by a SDHSAA member school Secondary Principal or Secondary Assistant/Vice Principal. This position is currently filled by Jim Aisenbrey, Secondary Principal at Baltic High School. The Division IV principal representative may be nominated from any SDHSAA member school with a 2016-17 ADM from 140.081 to 1.0. The Division IV schools include Elk Point-Jefferson with a 2016-17 ADM of 140.081 to South Dakota School for the Blind/Visual Impaired with an ADM of 1.0. **Any member school may nominate a person for this position and all member schools have the opportunity to vote.** The person elected will serve a three-year term on the SDHSAA Board of Directors from July 1, 2018 to June 30, 2021 and is unable to run for re-election.

You may vote for one candidate. If a candidate does not receive at least 50% of the votes cast, the two top vote recipients will be placed into a run-off election.

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- ☐ Craig Cassens, Faulkton High School
- ☐ Patrick Frederick, Platte-Geddes High School
- ☐ Paul Nepodal, Deubrook High School
- ☐ Travis Aslesen, Elk Point-Jefferson High School
- ☐ Kelly Messmer, Harding County High School

Elkton-LB  
Name of Member School

May 14, 2018  
Date

Brian Landahl  
Signature (Superintendent or Principal)

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Signature (School Board President)

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**Craig Cassens, Faulkton**

I have served as 7-12 Principal at Faulkton High School for the past thirteen years. Prior to coming to Faulkton, I was 9-12 Science teacher, JH basketball coach, and drama coach at Freeman Public. In addition to serving as Principal at Faulkton, I also was athletic director from 2005 until 2017. My wife, Laura, also serves the Faulkton Area School District as Elementary Hutterite Colony Teacher. Our three sons have been active in extra-curricular activities at Faulkton. My oldest son, John, is currently a junior at Northern State University and was a four-year member of SD All-State Chorus, extremely active and successful in Oral Interpretation and sang National Anthems at SDHSAA events such as State Wrestling at 9B FB Championships. Our second son, Christopher, was also a member of All- State Chorus for four years and had a passion for Oral Interpretation. Our youngest son, Bennett, is currently in 8<sup>th</sup> grade and competes in Football, Basketball, Golf, Band, and Chorus.

I have served on the SDIAAA executive committee in the past, was a long time member of the State Cheer and Dance Advisory Committee, and currently I am the SDASSP Representative for Region 4 and member of the SDASSP executive board. Through my family connections and experiences in fine arts and athletics, I am committed to educational athletics and activities in South Dakota. In closing, I feel that my experience in South Dakota school districts as a teacher, coach, and administrator along with membership in the SDASSP, and SDIAAA over the years qualifies me to serve as a productive member on the SDHSAA Board of Directors.

## **Patrick Frederick, Platte-Geddes**

My name is Patrick Frederick, candidate for the SDHSAA Board of Directors Division IV Principal Representative position. I am currently the secondary principal in the Platte-Geddes School District. I have been in this position for the last four years and I have been an educator in South Dakota for the past 12 years. I have a Bachelor of Science in Education Degree from Dakota State University and a Master of Arts Degree in Educational Administration from the University of South Dakota. After graduating from Dakota State University, I worked in the private business sector for several years before beginning my career in education. My career in education began in the McLaughlin School District where I was a middle school educator, assistant basketball coach, head basketball coach, head golf coach, and part-time athletic director. After spending three years in the McLaughlin School District, I completed my Administration Degree and then began my administrative career in the Dupree School District. I spent five years as the secondary principal in the Dupree School District, prior to moving into my current position as the secondary principal in the Platte-Geddes School District.

I grew up in the little town of Agar in north central South Dakota. I have been blessed to spend my entire life learning and growing as an individual and professional in South Dakota. I was both raised and educated in this state, where I have been fortunate to be a student-athlete, teacher, coach, part-time athletic director, and now secondary principal. I am very passionate and I take great pride in understanding the positive impact extra-curricular activities play in the lives of our students today.

I am happily married to my wife Ashley. Together we have five wonderful children. Talicia 13, Shooter 9, Jersey 7, Pristine 6, and Gunner 4. Being blessed with five children who keep us constantly running from one activity to another, is a real life reminder of the importance of extra-curricular activities. Coming from a family where extra-curricular activities were considered an everyday part of our lives, to now raising my own children and instilling those same qualities in each of them, I feel that my life experiences, educational experiences, knowledge, and common sense provide me with the necessary qualities to work with others on building and improving extra-curricular activities in this state. As a parent, educator, administrator, life-long learner, and extra-curricular activity enthusiast, I would greatly appreciate your support in the election of this SDHSAA Board of Directors position.

**Paul Nepodal, Deubrook**

My name is Paul Nepodal and I have served the Deubrook Area School District the past 7 years as the 7-12 Principal and Athletic Director. I have also served as a teacher and coach in Kansas (6 years) and Nebraska (7 years) while also being the Athletic Director in Franklin, Nebraska before moving back to South Dakota. Having grown up in several communities across our state, I've always considered South Dakota as home and have a passion for its history, especially in the education and athletic/activity areas. Because of my various experiences in our state, I feel I can be a good representative for each area and community on this board.

My education degree was earned at Black Hills State (Go Jackets!) while I received my Masters in Ed. Admin from the University of Nebraska-Kearney. I have also earned my CAA (Certified Athletic Administrator designation) while at Deubrook and work as the SDIAAA Certification Coordinator/Instructor for my fellow Athletic Directors. I serve the Dakota Valley Conference as its secretary and am the current chairman of most Region events that Deubrook is a member, as well as currently sitting on the SDHSAA Golf Advisory Board and the Sports Officials Advisory Council. I have 2 beautiful twin daughters (Mattie and Megan) who are juniors at Deubrook and participate in as many activities as they can, while my wife, Denise, both teaches and coaches at Deubrook. My hobbies include golfing (whenever we get good weather), cooking and being with my family.

I have always felt I work under a common sense approach when handling tough situations/decisions. My philosophy for this position would be based upon these 2 questions: What is best for kids and what is best for the sport/activity? I consider it an honor to be nominated to serve the SDHSAA and its member schools on the Executive Board and look forward to serving and representing our state and its member schools if chosen to do so.



**Travis Aslesen, Elk Point-Jefferson**

My name is Travis A. Aslesen. As a graduate of the University of Sioux Falls (BS - 1995) and the University of South Dakota (MA EDAD - 2002), I have served the Elk Point-Jefferson School District since the fall of 1995 as a classroom teacher (8 years), coach (20 years) and administrator (15 years). As a member of the South Dakota High School Activities Association Board of Directors I would very much value speaking to the best interests of the schools of Region IV. I would look forward to using the knowledge and expertise developed from the variety of situations, scenarios and outcomes which we have witnessed as a staff at Elk Point-Jefferson over the last twenty-three years of my tenure.

Having the benefit of serving in a multitude of coaching positions inclusive of football, track, basketball (boys' and girls'), student council advisor, quiz bowl advisor, officiating duties, and other assorted roles, would serve me well in speaking to the many facets involved in making progressive decisions for our region and for our state should I have the honor of service. Thank you for your consideration.

**Kelly Messmer, Harding County**

My name is Kelly Messmer and I am the Principal and Athletic Director at Harding County High School. I have been in education for over 20 years with my last 7 at Harding County. I have been a teacher, coach, and administrator in both large and small school districts and I understand the dynamics of both settings. I have a passion for high school extra-curricular activities and believe students who participate in both fine arts and/or athletics become well-rounded adults and contributors to society. I would be honored and humbled to be elected to the SDHSAA Board of Directors.