

**IFCA Board Of Directors' Winter Meeting**  
**Thursday February 28th, 2019**  
**Prairie Meadows Hotel And Casino**  
**Altoona, Iowa**

The meeting was called to order by President Don Anderson with the following Directors, Past-Presidents, Committee Chairman, and Guests in attendance: Paul Patterson, Ken Winkler, Cody Hackett, Jared DeVries, Lyle Alumbaugh, Cory Faust, George Ashman, Chad Edeker, Garrison Carter, Jacob Mueller, Eric Trudo, Mike Dunlap, Jeff Anliker, Kevin Bowman, Kal Goodchild, Lance Pedersen, Steve Milder, Scott Heitland, Aundra Meeks, Brian Wilken, Darrell Schumacher, Bob Howard, Don Hicks, and P.J. Hedrington.

IFCA President Don Anderson thanked Steve Milder for all of his work and the great job that he has done while serving as the IFCA President the last two years. Thank you Steve!

Coach Anderson also informed the IFCA Board Of Directors that a "Get Well" card for Curt Bladt was being passed around for each Board Member to sign. "Get Well" soon Coach Bladt!

Craig Mahoney from the National Football Foundation visited with the Iowa Football Coaches' Association Board Of Directors in regards to who they are, what they represent, what they do, and the what the future holds for their organization as they try to get started again. Membership dues to join the National Football Foundation is \$40.00. Scott Heitland will get the National Football Foundation Membership Information and email out to all Head Football Coaches.

Motion by Steve Milder, seconded by Darrell Schumacher to accept and approve the minutes of the previous meeting. Motion carried.

Motion by Aundra Meeks, seconded by Don Hicks to accept and approve the Treasurer's Report. The report indicates a balance of \$1,230.00 in savings, \$17, 035.00 in checking, and \$1957.23 in the yearbook account. The money is on deposit at Central Bank in State Center. Motion carried.

**Old Business:**

Iowa Football Coaches' Association President Don Anderson welcomed new Board Members: Cody Hackett from West Marshall, Jared DeVries from Clear Lake, Jacob Mueller from Muscatine, and Lance Pedersen from Mount Vernon. Coach Anderson informed the new Board Members that Scott Heitland would like to get a picture of them after the Board Meeting and that IFCA Executive Secretary Ken Winkler will need their shirt sizes also.

## **New Business:**

### IFCA Committee Report

Shrine: The Iowa Shrine All-Star Football Game will be played at the UNI-Dome in Cedar Falls on Saturday July 20<sup>th</sup>, 2019. Jay Rozeboom from West Lyon will be the Head Coach of the North Shrine Team and Butch Pedersen from West Branch will be the Head Coach of the South Shrine Team.

Assistant Coaches Of The Year: Ok.

Hall Of Fame: The Hall Of Fame Committee will be meeting tomorrow (Friday). IFCA Hall Of Fame Committee Chairman Scott Heitland informed the Iowa Football Coaches' Association Board Of Directors that we currently have 250+ registered for the IFCA Awards Banquet. Coach Heitland also "thanked" the IFCA Board Of Directors for their support of the Awards Banquet.

Jr High Coaches Of The Year: We need and encourage Head Football Coaches to nominate deserving Junior High Coaches for the Junior High Coaches Of The Year Award.

Coaches' Recognition For Years Of Service: We currently are all caught up. Certificates and Plaques have been mailed. Discussion was held in regards to when the Coaches' Recognition For Years Of Service Form should be sent out. Motion by Kevin Bowman, seconded by George Ashman, to send out the Coaches' Recognition For Years Of Service Form before the Football Season starts. Motion carried.

All-State Selection: Ok. All went well with the All-State Meeting. IFCA All-State Committee Chairman Lyle Alumbaugh thanked Aundra Meeks and Dowling Catholic for allowing us to have the All-State Meeting there and for their hospitality. Feedback has been very positive. We do have a list of suggestions and things to correct. This list includes the following:

- 1) Obtaining All-District Selections along with positions for all All-District Football Players
- 2) Obtaining the criteria or what constitutes an All-District Football Player for each Football District
- 3) Better communication with the IFCA All-State Committee Members

Regional Coach Of The Year: IFCA Regional Coach Of The Year Awards will be presented tomorrow night at the Awards Banquet. All but one of the Regional Coach Of The Year Award Winners will be present to receive their award.

Distinguished Service: Everything is good to go, The Iowa Football Coaches' Association Distinguished Service Awards will be presented tomorrow night at the Awards Banquet. All four IFCA Distinguished Service Award Recipients will be present to receiver their awards.

Membership: We currently are way behind with our Membership, Last year, we were at 53% of our football-playing schools being members. This year we are at 35%. We did have one small computer issue with one of the on-line Membership Links, but that issue has now been resolved.

Ethics: Ok.

Playoff Advisory: Iowa Football Coaches' Association Playoff Advisory Committee Chairman Aundra Meeks reported to the Iowa Football Coaches' Association Board Of Directors that the IAHSAA Football Playoff Advisory Committee Meeting in January went very well. Our Playoff Survey went along ways and was well-received by the Iowa High School Athletic Association. The Iowa High School Athletic Directors' Association sent out a similar survey which also included the number of regular season games. The results of the IAHSAA Football Playoff Advisory Meeting will now be taken to the IAHSAA Board Of Control which will meet in March. There is some confusion by the Iowa High School Athletic Association in regards to us recognizing the District Champions during the State Championship Games in the UNI-Dome and them not being recognized as District Champions by the Iowa High School Athletic Association. Steve Milder made a motion, seconded by Lyle Alumbaugh to continue to recognize all District Champions with certificates during the State Championship Games at the UNI-Dome. Motion carried.

Academic All-State: Ok. Done.

Legislative Issues: Jack Whitver is excited about every school using "Baseline Testing" and the hiring of someone to be on every school's sideline. We, as the Football Coaches' Association, need to stay in touch with Jack. A couple of other things we, as the Iowa Football Coaches' Association, need to do are:

- 1) We need to continue to promote the USA Football Information And Statistics that they have gathered in regards to how safe Football currently is.
- 2) We need to bring in National USA Football Personnel and have them speak at our Clinic.

District Champions: The presentation of the District Champions Certificates during the State Championship Games went very well and we had a great turnout,

Public Relations: Committee Chairman Scott Heitland reported that the first IFCA Newsletter was very well received and a second Newsletter/Pre-Season Newsletter will be sent in July. Coach Heitland also informed the IFCA Board Of Directors that the Public Relations Committee worked with Paul Patterson and the Marketing Committee with the IFCA Clothing Order. Lastly, Scott presented to the IFCA Board Of Directors an idea about the possibility of the Public Relations Committee putting together a Recruiting Date Base in which the PDF could be sold to College Coaches. Discussion followed and no action was taken at this time.

Scholarship: The IFCA Scholarship Link has been emailed out to all Head Football Coaches. Currently, the Walt Fiegel Award of \$2000.00 is still funded by ACE Fundraising. IFCA Executive Secretary Ken Winkler asked the Iowa Football Coaches' Association Board Of Directors how many IFCA Scholarships they would like to present and the amount of each one of these Scholarships. Discussion followed. Eric Trudo made a motion, seconded by Steve Milder, to present four \$500.00 IFCA Scholarships. Motion carried.

Rules: Attached are the National Federation Of State High School Association's News Releases in regards to the changes in High School Football and the 2019 NFHS Football Rules Changes.

Journal: 350+ Iowa Football Coaches' Association Journals are complete. A "big" thank you to IFCA Journal Committee Chairman P.J. Hedrington on his efforts to put together another great IFCA Journal. Great Job P.J.! Coach Hedrington also informed the IFCA Board Of Directors that he has had posters made for Butch Pedersen at West Branch for his 300<sup>th</sup> win this past fall.

IFCA Clinic: Will begin tomorrow here at Prairie Meadows Hotel And Casino. We are still in need of help introducing speakers. Scott Heitland has passed around the Speaker Introduction Sheet and is asking for your help in signing up to help introduce the speakers at this year's IFCA Clinic.

Playoff Hospitality: Ok.

Yearbook: IFCA Executive Secretary Ken Winkler has a "rough draft". The 2019 IFCA Yearbook will go to the printer next week and it usually takes 5-6 weeks to get printed once it gets to the printer. The Iowa Football Coaches' Association Yearbooks will again be sent out through the AEA to those schools who have paid their 2019 Iowa Football Coaches' Association Membership. By sending the IFCA Yearbooks out through the AEA, this will hopefully save us some money.

State Coach Of The Year: Will be presented tomorrow night at the Awards Banquet. Five of the six recipients will be in attendance to receive their trophies.

Walt Fiegel Award: Coach Lyle Alumbaugh will be honored tomorrow night at the Awards Banquet. Congratulations Lyle! The IFCA Walt Fiegel Coaching For Character Award Committee will meet tomorrow at lunch to decide on next year's recipient.

Ed Thomas Award: The number of Ed Thomas Award Applications submitted were down and down considerably from a year ago. Secondly, for whatever reason, the on-line applications that were submitted this year were not as good as in year's past when all applications had to be typed and submitted as a "hard-copy". Discussion followed on the reasons why applications were down and were not as good of quality as in year's past. Motion by Darrell Schumacher, seconded by Paul Patterson, to go back to the original way of having the young men submit applications for the IFCA Ed Thomas Award. Motion carried. Iowa Football Coaches' Association Ed Thomas Award Committee Chairman Brian Wilken will email out to the IFCA Ed Thomas Award Committee and to the IFCA Board Of Directors a list of the IFCA Ed Thomas Award Winners along with their school, and the Award Presentation date/time.

IFCA Website: All is good.

Youth Football: Scott Heitland and Paul Patterson were in attendance at the USA National Football Conference recently. During their time at the USA National Football Conference, they were able to be a part of the National High School Football Coaches' Alliance Meeting in which one is able to sit down with Football Coaches' Associations from across the United States to help promote Youth Football. We are a part of the National High School Football Coaches' Alliance and have a "voice" in regards to the issues facing Football and in particular Youth Football. Lastly, Scott Heitland informed the IFCA Board Of Directors that the IAHSAA will be hosting a Youth Football Summit in Des Moines on Saturday March 30<sup>th</sup>.

Mentoring: Ok.

IFCA Combine: IFCA Combine Committee Chairman Scott Heitland informed the Iowa Football Coaches' Association Board Of Directors that the 5 locations for the 2019 IFCA Combine are "set". Grand View University was unable to host this year. Simpson College was able and willing to replace Grand View University as one of the host sites for the 2019 IFCA Combine. Coach Heitland also asked the IFCA Board Of Directors for their support of our Combines this spring along with any help they can provide on the day of the IFCA Combines at the five different sites. Coach Heitland will be giving up his duties as the IFCA Combine Committee Chairman. Anyone who would be interested in being Chairman of the IFCA Combine Committee is asked to contact IFCA Executive Secretary Ken Winkler. A big "thanks" to Scott and all of his work as Committee Chairman of the IFCA Combine.

Finance And Marketing Committee—The Finance And Marketing Committee has been working together with the Public Relations Committee in regards to the Iowa Football Coaches' Association's Clothing Order. IFCA Finance And Marketing Committee Chairman Paul Patterson informed the IFCA Board Of Directors that Stensrud Insurance out of Lake Mills will sponsor the Hall Of Fame Awards beginning in 2020. The Iowa Football Coaches' Association is very happy to have Stensrud Insurance as one of our Award Sponsors and very grateful and thankful for their support of the IFCA. Coach Patterson and the Finance And Marketing Committee will be meeting tomorrow at 2:00 PM.

## **Other Business:**

Guardian Cap Sponsorship—Iowa Football Coaches' Association President Don Anderson has been approached about the Guardian Cap Company becoming a sponsor? This was assigned to Paul Patterson and the Finance And Marketing Committee to reach out to Guardian Caps and see if they would be interested in being an IFCA Sponsor.

Committee Chairman—Please involve your Committee Members in all aspects and work of your Iowa Football Coaches' Association Committees.

Shrine Committee—Will meet after our IFCA Board Meeting is finished tonight.

Shrine Board Meeting---Saturday July 20<sup>th</sup>, 2019.in Cedar Falls.

Iowa Football Coaches' Association Executive Secretary Ken Winkler informed the Iowa Football Coaches' Association Board Of Directors' that he will be retiring from the IFCA Executive Secretary Position (a position he has held since 1994) on August 1<sup>st</sup>, Coach Winkler plans to still stay active and remain as an IFCA Committee Chairman and an IFCA Committee Member. Words can not express what Coach Winkler has meant to the Iowa Football Coaches' Association and to the sport of Football here in the State Of Iowa. A huge "THANKS" to Coach Winkler for his commitment, dedication, work, and efforts to the Iowa Football Coaches' Association and making the Iowa Football Coaches' Association the best in the nation. Thank you Coach Winkler!!  
Aundra Meeks made a motion, seconded by Lyle Alumbaugh, that Brian Wilken be the next Iowa Football Coaches' Association's Executive Secretary. Motion carried.

Motion by Steve Milder, seconded by Scott Heitland to adjourn. Motion carried.