



**Texas Amateur Athletic Federation
Region 4 Meeting
Wednesday, October 8, 2014 @ 10:00 a.m.
Grapevine, Texas**

MINUTES from 10/8/14

27 people attended the meeting. Cities in attendance:

- Arlington (Wendy Parker, Tim Baggett, Jimmy Reilly)
- Burleson (Allison Smith)
- Denton (Heather Gray)
- Flower Mound (Mark Long)
- Grapevine (Scott Hardeman, Jaycob Kirkpatrick, Brian Blakeway)
- Haltom City (Tom Henry)
- Highland Village (Andra Foreman, Kristin Willingham)
- Hurst (Kristie Weaver)
- Lewisville (Ramiro Espinosa Jr., Samantha Kluttz)
- Mansfield (Nick Garcia)
- NRH (Brian Chapin)
- Roanoke (Eric Lorenz, Matt Coker)
- Southlake (Ryan McGrail, Amy Bennett)
- Stephenville (Brenda Haggard, Tim Miller)
- The Colony (Jackie Kopsa, Amber Downing)
- Weatherford (Tyler Sievert)
- White Settlement (Stormy Smith)

I. Call to Order/Introduction of Visitors – Called to order at 10:10 a.m.

II. Consider Approval of August Meeting Minutes – First motion by Tom, second motion by Jaycob. Minutes approved with correction that there were 1900 participants, not 190, at the region swim meet.

III. Information/Discussion Items

A. State Meeting Recap – Jackie said she's looking for social media policies. If you have any, please send them to her.

B. State Awards – See Region 4 Website for a complete listing! www.taafregion4.org
Wendy passed out awards to cities that were not present at the State Meeting.

C. 2015 State Tournaments

- Tournament information available on both websites; several cities in R4 will host in 2015. – Hurst will host Men's Industrial Basketball, Arlington will host Coed Adult Volleyball, Grapevine will host Kickball, and Denton will host Youth Volleyball.

D. Winter Games of Texas – No additional discussion.

- January Hall of Fame is scheduled for Jan. 15, 2015.
- WGOT is January 16-18, 2015 in Frisco.
- Liaison forms have been emailed by Charlene – due on **October 15**.

E. Games of Texas Liaison Travel Policy – No additional discussion.

- Effective for both summer and winter; state office and executive board will approve on annual basis.

F. TRAPS North Region Workshop – Jaycob suggests the region sponsor a hole at the golf tournament. First motion by Mark, second motion by Tom. All in favor, motion passed.

- Friday, November 7 at Lone Star Park, 1000 Lone Star Parkway, Grand Prairie, Texas 75050. The evening is the last horse race of the season and our North Region Social will be on ground level at the finish line. The evening's social will be held in the Dash For Cash Room (<http://www.traps23.org/conference.html>)

IV. Business

A. Vote on 2014/2015 Region 4 Budget – First motion by Tom, second motion by Kristie. All in favor, budget was approved.

B. Select 2015 Meeting Dates and Sites – Feb. 11, April 8, Aug. 26, Oct. 14
(Meetings start at 10 a.m., with swim meeting at 12 p.m. Feb/Apr.) – Meeting sites were selected as follows: February 11 in NRH, April 8 in White Settlement, August 26 in Denton, and October 14 in Grapevine.

C. Select 2015 Regional Tournament/Meet Sites

- Boys & Girls Youth Basketball – Denton and Grapevine were interested in hosting. Grapevine withdrew. Denton will host regional basketball.
- Co-ed Youth Basketball – Haltom City will host regional coed youth basketball.
- Youth Volleyball – The Colony, Grapevine, and Denton were interested in hosting. Grapevine and Denton withdrew. The Colony will host regional volleyball.
- Youth Track – No cities expressed an interested in hosting. If any cities are interested in hosting track, please get with Jackie or Jaycob so they can review your site. The Colony will possibly host the regional track meet.
- Discuss possibility of invitational adult softball and/or kickball tournaments – Kristie discussed offering a regional men's softball tournament in March or April with details to follow. Please get the word out to your teams.

D. Select 2015 Regional Commissioners

- Girls Basketball Commissioner – Junior Camacho would like to stay in this position. First motion by Ryan, second motion by Brenda. Motion passed.
- Boys Basketball Commissioner – Ramiro Espinosa would like to stay in this position. First motion by Ryan, second motion by Brenda. Motion passed.
- Youth Volleyball Commissioner – Amber Downing would like to stay in this position. First motion by Ryan, second motion by Brenda. Motion passed.
- Track Commissioner – Jaycob and Jackie would like to stay on as track commissioners. First motion by Jaycob, second motion by Ryan. Motion passed.

IV. The Rest of the Stuff

A. Awards Committee Update – Nick – Nick discussed the addition of Innovative Sports Programming and Marketing/Promotional Awards. The awards committee receives nominations for athlete of the year awards, but is not receiving nominations for staff awards. As an incentive, cities that send in nominations will receive a raffle ticket for each category in which they nominate, up to seven. A drawing will be held, and prize given to the winning city. The deadline for nominations is March 15. The nomination packet is on the region 4 website.

B. Director's Awards – Ryan – Nick, Scott, Andra, and Jaycob received awards.

C. PPK Sectional Information – Ryan – Sectional will be in Southlake. The Team Championship will be at ATT Stadium on November 2, prior to the Cowboys game.

D. Christmas Party – any interest? – Scott suggested continuing doing something fun as a get together during the October meeting. Tom said he will send out information on the Region 7 Christmas Party closer to December.

E. Items for consideration at the next meeting

V. **Adjourn** – First motion by Brenda, second motion to Ryan. Meeting adjourned at 11:42 a.m.

Additional Discussion

- Tom discussed the purpose of the Visions 2020 committee, and that they will meet next week. Tom requested input from Region 4 members. Email Tom or any of the other committee members with any input.
- There was some discussion regarding the differences between TAAF, ASA, and USSSA softball, and which option cities are currently using.