

Washington State DA's Meeting – Sept. 28, 2024
20 Corners Woodinville, WA. 1120AM

I. Call To Order – Chairman Glen Dickason called the meeting to order at 11:20AM

II. Roll Call - All districts were present except D-10.

III. Pat Ryan led off the meeting with the Little League Pledge (No USA Flag thus no Pledge)

IV. Introduction of Guests – Glen introduced Andrew Cortez from the Western Regional Office

V Clarification of Voting Eligibility - Glen reminded all that only DA's (or their proxies) could vote per the Association Bylaws. He also introduced two new DA's

VI. Approval of Past Minutes.

Sept. 30, 2023 - Motion to approve: passed.

VII. Old Business

A. Umpire Report - 6 New League UIC's at this year's meeting

Outreach sessions: Seattle – March 8/9 Oregon – March 15/16

Election of New State UIC Coordinators

Baseball – Bill Kosmos (Approved by DA's)

Softball - Darrin Leggett (Approved by DA's)

B. Mission Statement & Constitution

Glen had incorporated all amendments into one document and sent to all DA's and was asking for approval of this new document. It was moved (D-9)/Seconded to amend this new document (Section 5 – Secretary and Section 7, State Information Officer) to allow them to be elected, not appointed. Motion passed to approve the new document as amended.

Officers Elections were then held. Results as follows:

Chairman – Glen Dickason

Secretary – Brian Grant

S.I.O. – Rob Little

C. State Tournament Reports

8/10 Baseball – All went OK

8/10 Softball - All Went OK

9/11 Baseball - All Went OK

9/11 Softball - All Went OK Question about gas money for Umpires (she gave 1 umpire gas money upon his request). Discussion – No formal decision but most agreed that travel money to umpires is the responsibility of umpire's home district at DA's discretion.

Little League Baseball – All went OK except one occasion of parents charging an

umpire and harassing him. Came close to calling Police but finally got parents removed and calmed down.

Little League Softball – All went OK

Intermediate BB – All Went OK

Junior/Senior Baseball – All went OK except had to ask each team to provide a scorekeeper because of lack of volunteers (short discussion about No Volunteers/No Hosting)

Junior Softball – All went well

D. State Tournament Requirements – It was brought up that the requirements in the “Mission Statement” were inadequate. Specifically, it was felt that the “Pre-Game routine” should be added to make all state Tourneys the same. Glen said he would take a cut at it and it should be on the agenda for the spring meeting. All Approved.

E. Regional Tournament Report – Andrew Cortez (Who does what at West Regional)
Andrew talked about how things are handled at WR. Basically he said all Regional Staff are equal and you should call/talk to whomever you contact because they are all equal and whomever you get will either know or get you the correct answer.

F. World Series Report – No report given although it was stated that all West teams where good and behaved

G. Challenger Report – Bev Newsome reported that the Challenger program was growing every year. They have expanded special opportunities for them to enjoy more Special Events (JSWS, Mariners Special Day, etc.) and all were well received by the players. Contact Bev Newsome with any questions.

H. West Regional Report – Andrew Nothing else to report

I Board of Directors Report – Not available

J. New DA Mentor – Glen made a statement that if a new DA needs mentoring, they should call a DA with a lot of experience (like 10 years’ experience)

K. Other OLD BUSINESS – None brought up

VIII NEW BUSINESS

A. State Rotation - Glen had sent all DA’s a revised years thru 2028 rotation of what Tournament each District had. DA’s approved the Glen-sent matrix

B. State Tournament Dates – Glen sent all DA’s a matrix of suggested start dates for 2025 State Tournaments. After some discussion, the dates are:

BB 8/10	D-7	July 19-26	SB 8/10	D-4	July 19-26
BB 9/11	D-13	July 19-26	SB 9/11	D-1	July 5-12

BB 10/12	D-6	July 12-20	SB 10/12	D-10	July 5-12
BB Int	D-3	June 28-July 5			
BB Jr.	D-2	July 5-13	SB Jr	D-8	July 5-12
BB Sr.	D-5	June 28-July July 5	SB Sr	TBD	

Tournaments dates are tentative waiting for regional dates. There was concern that some of the tournaments are too early. A Zoom meeting will be scheduled after West region announces those dates.

C. Central Registration (and Regulation II after the new 4-7 age open registration)

Andrew Cortez – There was a lot of discussion about the new Regulation II and What it means. A lot of questions about how it is going to work with siblings, at player age 8, and how is all the paperwork going to be handled with Leagues that do or do not sign up for Central Registration. Also how/what Leagues will be doing as far as Interfacing with Central Registration. Discussion took 1 hour and still had a lot of issues without answers.

D. State Safety Coordinator – Glen asked DA's if they felt we needed one. Answer was NO

E. Concussion and Sudden Cardiac Arrest – Some discussion about this and where it came from. It was pointed out that it is a State Law for any youth sports to be held at/on a School Facility, the participants must be compliant with this State Law(in writing). Glen sent some information to all DA's. During the discussion, John Chadwick said that some Cities had also adapted this requirement into their Field Usage contract. He said he would send the Junior Softball World Series paperwork the JSWS uses to comply with this as Kirkland has levied this requirement on the JSWS.

F. Mariner Relationship – Glen said he had some talks with our contact. The main discussion point was some DA's are stating they feel the Mariners are taking us for granted. Discussions are still ongoing.

G. Binder Standardization – What has to be in the Managers binder when they travel to the next level of play. No definition was presented

H. Umpires must carry their Abuse Awareness Certification with them to each tournament and level of play

I. Portable Mounds – Blanket approval via State meeting minutes. Result is this won't work because each Tourney Host must still send required info to Regional Office for approval

J. Umpire Post Season Selection Process – Dennis wasn't present to provide a briefing

K. State Directory – Updated this year and sent to all DA's last week. Any corrections, let Glen know.

L. Date and Place of next meeting – Trying to get on the East side of the mountains, around

April 25th in the Yakima area D-13 will host. D-12 will try to find a specific hotel/facility.

M. Regional Training or Meeting – None planned

N. Other New Business – None brought up

Voted to Adjourn at 2:50PM

John Chadwick

John Chadwick
Secretary

Glen E Dickason

Glen Dickason
Chairman



Washington State District Administrators

Annual Meeting

Sept. 28, 2024

20 Corners Taphouse, 14148 NE 190th St, Woodinville, WA 98072-8437

- I. **Call to order 11:30 a.m.** (Or earlier if we can get through the lunch line more quickly. Lunch service starts at 11:15)
- VII. **Roll call**
- III. **Pledge of Allegiance / Little League Pledge**
- IV. **Introductions**
- V. **Clarification of Voting Eligibility and Privilege of the Floor**
- VI. **Approval of Minutes**
 - A. Sept. 30, 2023
- VII. **Old Business**
 - A. Umpire Meeting Report – Dennis Williams – Umpires will begin meeting at the same location at 8 a.m.
 - B. Constitution Re-Ratification (There have been a lot of amendments. This would approve the constitution and its prior amendments in one document).
 - C. State Tournament Reports– Restrict Comments to 3 minutes–*Completed Brackets Attached*
 - D. State Tournament Requirements – pins, medals, announcements, adequate volunteers, etc.
 - E. Regional Tournament Report – Andrew Cortez (Who does what at Region?) *all WR staff call anyone*
 - F. World Series Report – Andrew Cortez
 - G. Challenger Report – Bev Newsome
 - H. West Region Report – Andrew Cortez
 - I. Board of Directors Report – Janice Christensen
 - J. New DA Mentor
 - K. Other Old Business
- VIII. **New business**
 - A. State Tournament Rotation (incorporating Major Baseball Host Swap)
 - B. State Tournament Dates and Sites (Proposal Attached) *D-3 Intermediate*
 - C. Central Registration – Andrew Cortez
 - D. Safety Coordinator Statewide?
 - E. Concussion / Sudden Cardiac Arrest
 - F. Mariners Relationship
 - G. Binder Standardization
 - H. Umpires Must Carry Abuse Certificate?
 - I. Portable Mounds – Blanket Approval in Minutes? Still need to report make/model
 - J. Umpire Post-Season Selections Process – Dennis Williams / Others?
 - K. State Directory – all except one district were updated for 2024
 - L. Date & Place of Next Meeting
 - M. Regional Training or Meeting?
 - N. Other New Business