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Happy Holidays from the dugout:

SCHOOL BASEBALL COACHES ASSOCIATION

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to everyone!!

<u>Clinic returns to Des Moines</u>: This years clinic will return to West Des Moines at the Sheraton Hotel, 1800 50th Street, on January 22-23, 2016. You can make reservations on-line by contacting the Sheraton Hotel at <u>https://www.starwoodmeeting.com/Book/IHScoachesbaseball</u>. We are very excited with our list of clinic speakers this year. On Friday afternoon, we will have USA Baseball coach and instructor Bill Krecji, University of Iowa head coach Rick Heller and his staff, and Northwestern College head coach Brian Wede. Our coaches mini-clinics will conclude Friday's sessions running from 4:55 to 6:50 pm. On Saturday, we will have our annual IHSAA rules meeting, along with Dallas Baptist head coach Dan Heefner, KC Royals "AAA" Omaha Storm Chasers Manager Brian Poldberg, Accelerated Rehab talking about a proven off-season throwing program and arm care, and rounding out our speakers with North Iowa Area Community College assistant coach Pete Lauritson. We will continue to host the annual McDonalds/FCA Breakfast on Saturday morning starting at 7:30 am. Mike Botts is heading-up the umpire side of the clinic. Our Umpire sessions will follow the same time frame on both Friday and Saturday. Hope to see everyone there.

Vendors will be allowed to start setting-up their displays on Friday morning beginning at 9:00 am. The clinic sessions will begin at 1:00 pm on Friday afternoon and continue through Saturday, concluding at 3:30 pm.

The Awards Banquet will be held at the Sheraton Hotel on Saturday evening, beginning at 6:00 pm. We are again looking forward to another outstanding weekend of baseball. With the clinic fast approaching, please check to make sure your membership has been paid for the 2015-2016 season. The new membership calendar year started on September 1, 2015 and runs through August 31, 2016. If your mailing label does not say 2016 on it, your dues have not yet been paid for this year. If you have questions, please give Lee Toole a call. Schools are reminded to take advantage of the school membership group rates. A reminder of how the discount works: the head coach is \$30.00, the first assistant coach is \$30.00, the second assistant coach is \$20.00, and the third assistant coach and beyond are \$15.00 each. The only catch to qualify for this coaching staff group discount rate is that all coaches, from the same school, must send in their membership forms together at the same time.

The Steering Committee, Board of Directors and each individual committee will meet prior to the start of the clinic on Friday. The Board and Steering Committee will meet on Thursday night, January 21st at the Sheraton Hotel. The Steering Committee meeting will begin at 6:30pm, with the Board of Directors meeting beginning at 8:30 pm. Committee and district meetings will take place on Friday morning. Please refer to the list found in this newsletter towards the times and locations of the other individual committee meetings. The general session meeting, which is open to all association members, will take place on Friday morning at 11:00 am.



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Sherry Freese, Davenport

MEETING SCHEDULE, OTHER IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Committee Meeting Schedule:				
<u>Committee</u>	<u>Site: Sheraton Hotel</u>	Date	Time	
Steering	Chamber Room	1/21	6:30pm	
Hall of Fame	Clayton Room	1/22	9:00am	
All-District	Marion Room	1/22	9:00am	
Clinic Evaluation	Benton Room	1/22	9:00am	
Umpires	Des Moines Room	1/22	9:30am	
L. Peterson/Pro-Line Award	All-Star Series Site	TBA	TBA	
Awards Committee	Webster Room	1/22	9:00am	
Audit/Constitution	Polk Room	1/22	9:00am	
Rating Poll	Webster Room	1/22	9:30am	
Membership	Dallas Room	1/22	9:30am	
All-Star Series		TBA	TBA	
General Session	Des Moines Room	1/22	11:00am	



Committee chairman will be responsible to report back their committees WORK to the members during the general session meeting on Friday, January 22nd, at 11:00am. Attendance will be taken. Any member can sit in on any of the committee meetings.

Committee Members:

We would like for each committee member to check when his committee meeting will be held. It is important for the Chairman to take roll at this committee meeting. If a member has been absent for two consecutive years, he will be dropped from that committee unless he appeals his removal in writing to the Vice-President providing proper reasoning behind his non-attendance for two consecutive committee meetings.

Optional places to stay in Des Moines:

If you are looking for reservations somewhere other than the Sheraton Hotel, here is a list to look through:

Sheraton Hotel - 1800 50th St. (515) 223-1800 Baymont Inn - 6221 SW Army Post Rd. (515) 285-0654 Comfort Inn - 5231 Fleur Drive (515) 287-3434 Drury Inn - 5505 Mills Civic Pkwy. (515) 457-9500 Fairfield Inn - 6880 Fleur Drive (515) 309-4444 Hampton Inn - 7060 Lake Drive (515) 223-4700 Heartland Inn - 11414 Forest Ave. (515) 226-0414 Holiday Inn Airport - 6111 Fleur Drive (515) 287-2400 Marriott West - 1250 Jordan Creek (515) 267-1500 Residence Inn - 160 S. Jordan Creek (515) 267-0338 Candlewood Suites - 7625 Office Plaza Dr. N. (515) 221-0001 Courtyard by Marriott - 410 S. 68th St. (515) 223-9800 Hampton Inn - 5001 Fleur Drive (515) 287-7300 Fairfield Inn - 7225 Vista Drive (515) 225-6100 Hilton Garden Inn - 205 S. 64th St. (515) 223-0571 Holiday Inn - 6075 Mills Civic Pkwy. (515) 309-3900 Spring Hill Suites - 1236 Jordan Creek Pkwy. (515) 223-9005 Motel 6 - 7655 Office Plaza Dr. N (515) 267-8885 Quality Suites - 1236 74th Street (515) 223-9005 Valley West Inn - 3535 Westown Pkwy. (515) 225-2524

Longevity Awards/Membership Awards & Win Club Awards:

Please take time to fill out the enclosed form towards Win Club, Conference Championship, number of years coached, and committee assignments. We need to get as much information collected before the January clinic towards the banquet awards.

Committee Assignments:

President—elect Jake Souhrada will be assigning members to the different committees during the clinic. If you have an interest in serving on one of the committees, contact Jake. Please get involved.

All-Star Coaches Needed:

Coaches, please fill out the questionnaire on the website if you are interested in coaching in the 40th All-Star Series this coming summer. Dates are August 4-7, 2016. The All-Star Coaches are selected by the Steering committee during the January clinic. We are always looking for coaches to help with this great event. A past head coach must sit out for five years before coaching again. An assistant coach must sit out one year before he can apply again for a coaching position. We need coaches from all over the state to get a good balance. Please consider helping the association by coaching in a future all-star series.

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IHSBCA 2016 Baseball Clinic Schedule



	Friday, January	22nd - Session I:		<u>Saturday,</u>
	8:00 - 4:00	Registration		7:15 - 1:00
	11:00 - 12:30	General Session Meeting		7:30 - 8:50
	12:50 - 1:00	Welcome - Steve Hanson - Pres	sident	9:00 - 10:15
	1:00 - 1:45	Bill Krecji - USA Baseball		10:15 - 10:4
		- Bunting mechanics	s and drills	10:45 - 11:2
	1:45 - 2:10	Vendor Break		
	2:10 - 2:55	Brian Wede - Northwestern Co	8	11:30 - 12:1
	2:55 - 3:15	- Pressure offense Vendor Break	with base-running	
	3:15 - 4:00	Bill Krecji - USA Baseball		12:10 - 1:00
		- Developing a high	school player	
	4:00 - 4:45	Rick Heller and staff - Universi		1:00 - 1:40
		- Pitching mechanics	s and fundamentals	
				1:45 - 2:30
	Hig	h School Mini-Clinic Sessions:		
55	- 5:30 pm			2:30 - 3:15
	·			3:15 - 4:00
¥1	Marty Suthe	tice drills and fundamentals erland - University of Iowa tor - Ethan Miller, Central Spring:	Des Moines Room	5.15 - 4.00
	Modera	tor - Ethan Miller, Central Spring	5	
#2		and Post-Throwing Routines ert - Head Coach, NIACC	Clayton Room	6.00 nm
		tor - Levi Miller, Nashua-Plainfiel	d HS	6:00 pm
#3	Leadershin De	velopment & Team Building	Dallas Room	
10	Andy Van F	Fossan - Head Coach, Underwoo	od HS	Umpire C
	Moderat	tor - Sheldon Card, Pleasantville	HS	1:00 - 1:45
				1:00 - 1:45
:35	- 6:10 pm			1:45 - 2:00
#4	Umpire: Pitchi	ng Legal or Balk	Des Moines Room	2:00 - 2:45
#5	Team Drills: O	ffense	Clayton Room	2:00 - 2:45
#J		son - Assistant Coach, NIACC	Clayton Room	2:45 - 3:30
	Modera	tor - Lee Crawford, Sigourney-K	eota HS	3:30 - 3:45
#6	Team Drills: D	Defense	Dallas Room	3:30 - 3:45
		e - Head Coach, Northwestern C ator - Shannon Tesch, Ridge Viev	-	3:45 - 4:45
				<u>Umpire C</u>
:15	- 6:50 pm			9:00 - 10:15
#7	Umpire: Base	running, Obstruction, Interference	ce Des Moines Room	
	Junior Showca	se - What schools look for	Clayton Room	10:15 - 10:3
#8				
#8	Trent Eckst	taine - Head Coach, LeMars HS	air)	10:30 - 12:1
#8				
	Modera	taine - Head Coach, LeMars HS (Junior Showcase Co-Ch ttor - Matt Nelson, Sgt. Bluff-Luto	n	
	Modera State Champio 1A: Tony A	taine - Head Coach, LeMars HS (Junior Showcase Co-Ch ttor - Matt Nelson, Sgt. Bluff-Luto Inship Coaches Panel Adams and Alex Bohl - Newman	Dallas Room	10:30 - 12:10 12:10 - 1:00 1:00 - 1:45
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Saturday, January 23rd - Session II:		
7:15 - 1:00	Registration	
7:30 - 8:50	Ed McNeil/McDonalds FCA Breakfast	
9:00 - 10:15	IHSAA Rules Meeting	
10:15 - 10:45	Vendor Break/2015 All-Star Coaches Announcement	
10:45 - 11:25	Dan Heefner - Dallas Baptist	
	- Coaching Philosohy & Practice Organization	
11:30 - 12:10	Brian Poldberg - Omaha Stormchasers (Royals "AAA")	
	- Catchers Practice and Drills	
12:10 - 1:00	Lunch Break	
1:00 - 1:40	Dan Heefner - Dallas Baptist	
	- Hitting Development: a swing and a hitter	
1:45 - 2:30	Brian Poldberg - Omaha Stormchasers (Royals "AAA")	
	- Developing a Catcher: Mental and physical	
2:30 - 3:15	Pete Lauritson - North Iowa Area Community College	
	- Drills for movement patterns/ball exit speed	
3:15 - 4:00	Accelerated Rehab	
	- Taking Care of the Arm/Warm-up routines/Sore arm	
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6:00 pm 48th Annual IHSBCA Awards Banquet

Umpire Clinic:	Friday, January 22nd - Session 1	
1:00 - 1:45	Virtual Umpire - 2 person mechanics	
1:45 - 2:00	Break	
2:00 - 2:45	Virtual Umpire - 2 person mechanics	
2:45 - 3:30	Virtual Umpire - 3 person mechanics	
3:30 - 3:45	Break	
3:45 - 4:45	Video: Plays and Review	
<u>Umpire Clinic: Saturday, January 23rd - Session II</u>		
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9:00 - 10:15	IHSAA Rules Meeting	
9:00 - 10:15 10:15 - 10:30	IHSAA Rules Meeting Break	
9:00 - 10:15 10:15 - 10:30 10:30 - 12:10	IHSAA Rules Meeting Break IHSAA Approved Clinic	

Video Plays

2015 Conference Champs:

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Bluegrass CIML (Northern) CIML (Eastern) CIML (Western) CIML (Metro) Corn Bowl Corner

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Western Iowa

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Coach

IHSBCA Award Winners:

Bill & Sherry Freese Contributors Award to John Oswald and Mizuno:



We would like to take this opportunity to express our appreciation to John Oswald and Mizuno for their contributions to the association the past two years. Back in 2014, John sat down and put together a deal for the association that was hard to not say yes to. Towards the clinic, John and Mizuno help with providing a college coach to come and speak at our clinic. John also provides the lanyards that each coach receives at registration. Then with the all-star series, John provides practice tops for the players, coaching tops for the coaching staff, and polo shirts for the staff. All at no cost to the association. We can't say enough for what John and Mizuno have contributed to the association to help make our events that much more special. John is a former high school baseball player from Kuemper High School in Carroll. John played in the all-star series his senior year. On behalf of the Iowa High School Baseball Coaches Association, we would like to pass along our deepest appreciation for your support and contributions. Congratulations to John Oswald and Mizuno for being named our 2015 Bill and Sherry Freese Contributors Award winner.

President's Award to Ted Tornow:

We would like to take this time to recognize a long time friend to not only baseball, but also to our association. For that dedication, passion, and commitment to the association, we would like to honor



Ted Tornow with the 2015 IHSBCA President's Award. Ted is currently the general manager for the Clinton LumberKings, which is the minor league Class "A" affiliate for the Seattle Mariners. Ted has been involved with professional baseball for over 28 years and has spent the past 13 years directing the LumberKings organization. Ted was honored in 2010 after being named the Midwest League's Executive of the Year. One of Ted's most memorable moments was when he handled the media operations for the professional baseball debut for Bo Jackson. Ted has hosted the All-Star Series three times over a 10 year period. This past summer, Ted graciously allowed us to play our all-star games on his field with a very short notice to work with. On behalf of the Iowa High School Baseball Coaches Association, we would like to congratulate Ted Tornow for being named the 2015 President's Award Winner.

Harold "Pinky" Primrose Award to Brian Poldberg:

Brian Poldberg, the Kansas City Royals Triple-A manager of the Omaha Storm Chasers, played his high school baseball in Council Bluffs at baseball rich Thomas Jefferson High School. Brian was an infielder and also played basketball while in high school. He graduated in 1975. Brian began his college baseball career at Wayne State College. He also spent time at Fort Hays State University. He graduated with a Bachelor's



degree in Business Administration from Emporia State University. He played baseball all four years of college. Brian signed with the New York Yankees in 1980, where he played one year in Class A and two years in Class Double-A. In 1983, Brian signed with the Kansas City Royals organization. He played three years in Triple-A for the Royals in Omaha. He started his coaching career in 1987 with the Royals organization in the minor leagues. While with the Royals, he has served as a manager at all levels. He is known for his exhaustive work with catchers. Brian won many minor league championships during his minor league tenure. He won championships in the Carolina League, Texas League, Pacific Coast League, and the Triple-A National Championship in 2013 and 2014. From 2004 to 2007, Brian served as a bull pen coach, first base coach, and third base coach for the Kansas City Royals. Brian has been honored with numerous awards, receiving the Dick Howser Award in 1998 and 2010, and is a member of the Clarinda A's Hall of Fame. Brian and his wife Lori live in Carter Lake, Iowa and have three sons; Deric, Adam, and John. On behalf of the Iowa High School Baseball Coaches Association, we would like to congratulate Brian Poldberg for being named the Harold "Pinky" Primrose Award winner.

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Six are selected to enter the IHSBCA Hall of Fame

This year, the IHSBCA Hall of Fame Class of 2016 will induct three coaches, two players, and one contributor. This year's inductee's are: Jeff Scharn (Coach) from Sioux Central, Steve Daeges (Coach) from Harlan, Tim O'Neill (Coach) from Des Moines, Casey Blake (Player) from Indianola, Jeff Clement (Player) from Marshalltown, and Brian O'Connor (Contributor) from Council Bluffs. The Hall of Fame class of 2016 will be inducted during the IHSBCA Awards Banquet on Saturday, January 23, 2016, in Des Moines. They will join the 260 previously inducted Hall of Fame members.

Steve Daeges (Coach) – You mention Harlan athletics and usually the first thing that comes to mind is football. But, Steve Daeges has made it a point to bring baseball to the forefront of that conversation. Steve has been the Harlan baseball coach for the past 22 years. He has accumulated a record of 567 - 198. During that time period, he has taken his team to the state tournament 12 times, with 2 state titles and 3 runner-up finishes. Steve is a Harlan graduate, where he pitched, played short and third for four years on the varsity. Steve played college baseball at Dana College in Blair, Nebraska. Steve continues to be active within his community promoting youth baseball. He started the Little Cyclone Baseball Organization in Harlan back in 1995. The program promotes the development of young players ages 9-14. He also provides camps and clinics for players and youth coaches in the Harlan area. Steve has been named District Coach of the Year 4 times and the 3A State Coach of the Year twice. Steve is a member of the Dana College Athletic Hall of Fame and the Old-timer Baseball Association Hall of Fame as a player.

Tim O'Neill (Coach) - It seems that everywhere Coach O'Neill has been as the head baseball coach, that school has become a very successful baseball program and wins state titles. Tim comes from a baseball background. He played his high school baseball for Coach Gary Nyhus at Mason City Newman. During that time, Newman won 3 conference titles and participated in the state tournament. Tim was also named Newman's team captain his senior season. Tim went on and played junior college baseball at North Iowa CC in Mason City. He was a two year starter and was named to the All-Region Team his second season. Tim went on to the University of Northern Iowa where he was a student assistant coach from 1990-92. Tim has an impressive high school coaching resume. He won state titles while at Sioux City Heelan and West Des Moines Dowling. He has been named State Coach of the Year in class 3A and 4A. Tim has received the District Coach of the Year 9 times and earned Assistant Coach of the Year twice. Tim has had 30 of his former players go on to play D-I college baseball, 7 players go on to professional baseball with 2 making the major leagues. He has a career record of 420-198. Tim has also

had success coaching at the AAU and Legion levels. Taking AAU teams to Japan and his Legion teams to the regional finals in Fargo, North Dakota.

Jeff Scharn (Coach) - Jeff is a long time member of the association. He has been very active within the organization. Jeff has served on a variety of committees, has coached in the summer All-Star Series, has chaired his areas All-District meetings, has served on the board of directors representing northwest lowa, and represented the association on the IHSAA advisory board. Jeff is a high school graduate from Lytton Community Schools. He was a 4 year starter, lettering all four years in high school. Jeff played in the 1980 All-Star Series. Jeff went on to Wayne State College in Wayne, Nebraska. He played varsity baseball for the Wildcats. Jeff changed positions and caught his final three seasons at Wayne State. Jeff began his baseball coaching career in 1985 at Sioux Valley Schools. In 1990, the district reorganized into Sioux Central where he continued to hold the same position that he still currently has today. Jeff is going on 31 years in the same school district. During those 3 years, Jeff has taken four teams to the state tournament, with one runner-up finish. He has 7 district titles and 11 conference titles under his belt. Jeff is a member of the 600 win club. Baseball has been an integral part of getting Jeff to where he is today. Playing the game throughout his youth, he developed a love for the game. That love inspired him to come back home after his college days and give back to the youth and other coaches in his area.

Casey Blake (Player) - Casey played his high school baseball at Indianola High School where he excelled on and off the athletic field. Casey was a four sport standout at Indianola High School where he played baseball, football, basketball, and ran track. He was named one of the top ten high school athletes in the history of Iowa. Casey attended Wichita State University, where he was a three-time All-American, two-time Academic All-American and participated in the College World Series. Casey was drafted by the Toronto Blue Jays in 1996. He made his MLB debut on August 14, 1999, against the Oakland Athletics. He recorded his first MLB hit on August 29 against the Texas Rangers, and his first homerun on October 2 against the Cleveland Indians. The Minnesota Twins claimed Casey off waivers from the Blue Jays in 2000, where he primarily played at the AAA level. He did appear in 20 MLB games with the Twins. Casey spent time with Baltimore and again with Minnesota before becoming the Cleveland Indians' everyday third baseman in 2003. He led the team in games played with 152, hits (143), and doubles (35) while compiling career highs in every offensive category. Casey spent four years playing third base and right field for the Indians. Casey was

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trade to the Los Angeles Dodgers in July 2008. In his first game as a Dodger, Casey went 2 for 3 with a double and a run scored. In 2009, Casey hit .280 with 18 homeruns for the Dodgers and his fielding percentage was the best alltime for a Dodger third baseman. Due to various injuries, Casey was only able to appear in 63 games for the Dodgers in 2011. He decided to undergo season-ending surgery on his neck to relieve the pain from a pinched nerve that had bothered him all season. The Dodgers declined Casey's 2012 option, instead paying him with a buyout and making him a free agent. Casey signed with the Colorado Rockies, but was released before the end of spring training. Casey announced his retirement on May 8, 2012. Casey is back home living in Indianola. He and his wife began a foundation which has helped the Indianola school district to build the district's athletic, academic and fine arts programs.

Jeff Clement (Player) – During a four year career at Marshalltown High School, Jeff Clement led his team to 137 wins, three state tournament appearances and a State Championship in 2002. Along the way, he also became the Iowa High School Baseball Coaches Association's only 4-time elite first team All-State selection. Clement's 75 career home runs and 214 bases on balls remain national high school records. He had a career batting average of .515 for the Bobcats as well as a 15-1 record and 21 saves on the mound. In his first collegiate season at the University of Southern California in 2003, Clement was selected as the Collegiate Baseball Freshman National Co-Player of the Year and the Pac-10 Conference Freshman of the Year. He led

the Trojans in home runs (21), RBI's (53), runs (53), walks (32) and slugging % (.649). Clement played for the U.S. National Team in 2003 and 2004, leading the Americans to the gold medal at the SISU II World University Baseball Championships in Taiwan in 2004. He was also selected as the MVP for Team USA during the 33rd-Annual USA vs. Japan Collegiate All-Star Series. Following his final season at USC in 2005, Clement closed out his Trojan career ranked second with 46 career home runs (to Mark McGwire's 54), and was named recipient of the Johnny Bench Award as the nation's top college catcher. After being selected the No. 3 overall pick in the MLB Draft, Clement spent parts of four seasons in the majors with the Seattle Mariner and Pittsburgh Pirate organizations. As a catcher and first baseman, he played in 152 big league games before retiring after the 2013 season in the Minnesota Twins organization. While finishing his Bachelor's Degree in 2015 Clement was the volunteer assistant coach on Rick Heller's staff at the University of Iowa. Jeff now resides in Ankeny with his wife Lindsay and four children: Jake, Ben, Allie and Leah.

Brian O'Connor (Contributor) –

Brian is unable to attend this year. He is being moved to next year's class of 2017.





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Class 1A District Coach of the Year Nominations

Central District

Jeff Charley – Gladbrook-Reinbeck Coach Charley led his team to a 13-11 record and a trip to the State Tournament. He has been a member of the association for 14 years and is a 200 win club member. He is assisted by Scott Kiburis.

Dan Kopriva - North Tama

Coach Kopriva led his team to a 22-3 record and an Iowa Star Conference Championship. He is a member of the 300 win club and has been a member of the IHSBCA for 16 years, where he has been the chairman of the Central district meetings. His assistant is Jacob Wrage.

Northeast District

Travis Griffith – North Linn Coach Griffith led his team to a 30-10 record and a trip to the State Tournament. He was voted Conference Coach of the Year. He is a member of the 200 win club.

Tony Adams/Alex Bohl – Mason City Newman Coach Adams and Bohl led there team to a 39-4 record, another North Iowa conference title, and a Class 1A State Championship. Tony is a 20 year/500 win club member. Tony serves as one of our officers. They are assisted by Jim Kruckenberg.

Bruce Wall – Jesup

Coach Wall led his team to a 21-13 record. He is a member of the 300 win club and has been a member of the association for 20 years. His long time assistant coach is Brock Sabers.

Southwest District

John Waddle – Coon Rapids-Bayard Coach Waddle led his team to a 29-7 record and a trip to the state tournament. He has been a member of the association for 32 years. John has served on many committees, past president, and a member of the Hall of Fame. He is assisted by Jon Heydon.

Jon Fitzpatrick – Martensdale, St. Mary's Coach Fitzpatrick led his team to another State Tournament and a 29-5 record. He is the chair of the All-District committee. He is a 7 year member of the association. His assistant is Ethan Westphal. Sheldon Card – Pleasantville

Coach Card led his team to a 29-3 record and a trip to the state tournament. They won the Pride of Iowa Conference. He has served on the membership, awards, all-district, and clinic evaluation committee. Sheldon is a member of the 200 win club. He has been a member for 16 years. He is assisted by Heath DeForest.

Southeast District

Matt Miller – Twin Cedars Coach Miller led his team to a season record of 17-6. His team won the Bluegrass Conference. He has been a member of the association for 4 years. Has coached in the all-star series. He is assisted by Steve Mott.

Colin Gisel - B-G-M

Coach Gisel led his team to a 19-9 record and a South Iowa Cedar Conference Championship. He has been an IHSBCA member for 4 years. He is assisted by Tim Kauzlarich.

Chad Scott – Van Buren

Coach Scott led his team to a season record of 29-1 and a trip to the State Tournament. His team won the SEISC South Conference He has been an association member for 8 years. A member of the 100 win club. He is assisted by Shane Begley.

Northwest District

Rob Meister – Bishop Garrigan Coach Meister led his team to a 31-7 season record and a 2nd place North Iowa Conference finish. Rob has been a member of IHSBCA for 20 years. His assistant coach is John Byrkeland.

Dean Harpenau/Jim Wesselmann – Remsen St. Marv's

Both coaches led their team to a 28-5 record. Dean is a member of the 200 win club while Jim is a member of the 500 win club. Both have been members for over 25 years. They are assisted by Tyler Delpendaug.

Brian Engleman – West Sioux Coach Engleman led his team to a 21-4 season record and a trip to the state tournament. West Sioux won the War Eagle Conference. He has been coaching and a member of the IHSBCA for 6 years. He is assisted by Adam McVay.

Class 2A District Coach of the Year Nominations

Central District

Chris Hill – Roland-Story

Coach Hill led his team to a 21-14 season record with a trip to the State Tournament. He has been a member of the association for 11 years and is a member of the 200 win club. He has served on the associations Audit and Jr. Showcase committee. He is assisted by Colton Calvert.

Dick Smith – Ogden

Coach Smith led his team to a 24-8 season record. Coach Smith has been a coach and a member of the association for 35 years. Dick is a member of the 500 win club and 35 year longevity club. He has served on the Awards Committee and on the Board of Directors. His assistant coach is Chad Reulter.

Seth Thompson – Clear Lake

Coach Thompson led his team to a 30-11 season record, with a trip to the State Tournament, winning the Class 2A Title. Seth is a member of the 200 win club and has been a member for 10 years. He serves on the membership committee. Seth is assisted by Justin Uhlenhopp.

Northeast District

Alex Smith – South Winneshiek

Coach Smith led his team to a 30-8 season record. His team won the Upper Iowa Conference. He has been a member of the association for 8 years. He is assisted by Mike Wenthold.

Cory McDonald – New Hampton

Coach McDonald led his team to the Northeast lowa Conference title, with a 24-6 season record. Coach McDonald has been a member of the association for 19 years. He is a member of the 200 win club. He is assisted by Nick Hemann.

Roamn Hummel – Cascade

Coach Hummel led his team to a season record of 34-3 and a trip to the state tournament. His team won the River Conference. He has been a member of the association for 8 years. He is assisted by Eric DeSousa.

Northwest District

Dan Dougherty – Maple Valley-Anthon Oto Coach Dougherty led his team to a season record of 19-8. His team won the Western Valley Conference. Member of the 300 win club and 20 year longevity club. He is assisted by David Kuhl.

Cale Kramer – Hinton

Coach Kramer finished the season with a 23-5 record and a trip to the state tournament. He is a member of the Clinic Evaluation Committee. He has been a member of the association for 9 years. He is assisted by Tyler Shuerman.

Shannon Tesch - Ridge View

Coach Tesch finished the year with a 22-9 record. He is a member of the 100 win club. Has been a member for 13 years He is assisted by Brian Hoeppner and Caleb Christensen.

Southwest District

Bob Mantell – Treynor

Coach Mantell led his team to a season record of 24-7, winning the Western Iowa Conference title, and a trip to the state tournament. He has been a member for 10 years and serves on the Board of Directors and the Rating Poll Committee. He is assisted by Thad Nelson.

Rod Unger – Missouri Valley

Coach Unger finished the season with a 21-11 record. He has been a member for 40 years and is a member of the 400 win club. He is assisted by Josh York.

Jason Holst – AHSTW

Coach Holst led his team to a 18-9 season record. He is a member of the 100 win club and serves on the All-District Committee. He has been a member for 9 years. He is assisted by Trey Brix.

Southeast District

Todd White – Davis County Coach White led his team to a season record of 22-7 and a trip to the State Tournament. He has been a member for 18 years and has coached in the allstar series. His assistant is Kyle Graves.

Gary Sharp - Mediapolis

Coach Sharp led his team to a 18-9 season record and a trip to the State Tournament. His assistant is Todd Hilton.

Jake Souhrada – Wilton

Coach Souhrada led his team to a 24-5 season record and a RVC Conference title. Jake has coached in 4 all-star series and served on the Board of Directors. Jake is currently going through the association officer chairs. He is assisted by Ed Sawvell.

Class 3A District Coach of the Year Nominations

Central District

Byron Peyton – Dallas Center-Grimes Coach Peyton took his team to a return trip to the Class 3A State Tournament with a 21-14 over-all record. He is a member of the 500 win club and has been a member of the association for 34 years. He is assisted by Rick Johnston.

Karl Terrones – Gilbert

Coach Thompson led his team to a 30-4 record, a HOIAC conference championship. He is a member of the 200 win club and has been a member of the IHSBCA for 11 years. He is assisted by Jon Richard and Troy Staudt.

Charlie Eastlund - Boone

Coach Eastlund led his team to the State Tournament with a season record of 24-11. He finished his third year as the head coach for Boone. He is assisted by Ryan Titman and Scott Peasley.

Northeast District

Casey Klunder – Waverly-Shell Rock Coach Klunder led his team to the Class 3A State Tournament Title. His season record was 35-4. He has been a member of the IHSBCA for 12 years, coached in the 2010 All-Star Series, and is involved with the Junior Showcase. His assistant coach is Jared Pirkl and Travis Angell.

Jerry Roling/Kory Tuescher – Wahlert Cath. Coach Roling and Tuescher led their team to a record of 21-20 and a trip to the state tournament. Kory is in his 3rd year as co-head coach. Jerry is a longtime member, past president, committee chairman, and all-star coach. He is the member of the 1,000 win club. They are assisted by Andrew Reese.

Nate Lahr – West Delaware Coach Lahr led his team to a 31-5 season record. He is a 6 year member of the association. His team won the WaMac Conference this past summer. He was named conference coach in 2014 and 2015. He is assisted by Dan Cassutt.

Southeast District

Jesse Jablonski – Pella Coach Jablonski led Pella to a season record of 30-4, and a trip to the State Tournament. His team won the Little Hawkeye Conference this past summer. He is assisted by Mitch Foster.

Joel Johnson - Knoxville

Coach Johnson led his team to a 28-6 record, and a conference championship in the South Central Conference. He has been a member of the association for 40 years, 500 win club, and member of the HOF. He is assisted by Tyler Pearson.

Shane Sikkema – Central DeWitt Coach Sikkema led his team to a season record of 26-13. He is a member of the 100 win club. He has been a member of the association for 11 years.

West District

Rick Admire – Sergeant Bluff-Luton Coach Admire led his team to a 25-16 season record and a trip to the state tournament. He is our new officer going through the chairs. He is a member of the 600 win club and 35 years a member. Rick coached in this summer's all-star series. His assistant is Matt Nelson.

Steve Daeges - Harlan

Coach Daeges led his team to a 28-8 season record, a Hawkeye Ten Conference runner-up finish and a fifth straight trip to the State Tournament. Steve has been a member of the association for 21 years. His assistant is Mark Vandeberg, Joe Heese, and Heath Stein.

Brian Dirkx – Spencer

Coach Dirkx led his team to a 21-6 season record. His team won the Lakes Conference. He has coached twice in the All-Star Series. He is a 21 year member of the association. Brian is assisted by Chad Huckfelt.

Central District (South)

John Jaeger – Ottumwa

Coach Jaeger led his team to a 25-15 record and a CIML Metro Conference Championship. John has been a member of the association for 4 years, and coached in this summer's all-star series. John is assisted by Luke Goemant.

Scott Belger – SE Polk

Coach Belger led his team to a 28-13 season record and a second straight Class 4A state title. He has been a member with the association for 20 years. He is a member of the 500 win club. Coach Belger works with the ratings, Junior Showcase and hosts the all-district meeting. He is assisted by Dave Hartman.

Brian Luft – Des Moines East Coach Luft led his team to a season record of 23-21, and a trip to the State Tournament. He is a member of the 500 win club. He has been a member for 25 years. He is assisted by Carlos James.

Central District (North)

Dave Dirkx – Waukee

Coach Dirkx led his team to a trip to the State Tournament. His team finished the season with a 35-4 record and won the CIML-CIC Eastern division conference title. Dave has been a member for the past 17 years. Dave coached in the 2008 All-Star Series. He is a member of the 300 win club. Mark is assisted by Ben Twigg and Cale Weaver..

Michael Barta – Johnston

Coach Barta led his team to a season record of 34-6. He has been a member of the association for 8 years. He is a new member of the 100 win club. He is assisted by Tom Steffes.

Ryan Cooley – West Des Moines Valley Coach Weber finished his return season as the Valley head coach with a 23-13 record. He has been a member of the association for 22 years. He has been very active over the years serving on many committees. He is assisted by Garrett Hawkins.

West District

Jared Ocker – Sioux City East Coach Ocker led his team to a 32-9 season record and another trip to the State Tournament. Coach Ocker has been a member for the past 10 years and is a member of the 200 win club. He is assisted by David Schipper and Kevin Dicus.

Rory Jackson – Sioux City North Coach Jackson led his team to a 26-9 record and a MRAC Conference Championship. He has been a member of the association for 4 years. He is assisted by Bill Meacham.

Lee Toole – Lewis Central

Coach Toole led his team to a 28-11 season record and a Hawkeye 10 Conference Championship. Lee has been a member for 35 years, has served on a variety of committees, chairs his summer district meeting, and has coached in and hosted the all-star series. He is assisted by Billy Sanders.

Southeast District

Cory Wachal – Davenport North Coach Wachal led his team to the State Tournament with a season record of 19-17. He has been a member of the association for 14 years. He is also member of the 100 win club. He is assisted by Shawn Hanna.

Kevin Cunningham – Clinton Coach Cunningham led his team to a season record of 21-13. His team won the MAC Conference Championship. Kevin has been a member of the association for 4 years. He is assisted by Brandon Fleetwood.

Blake Hanna – North Scott Coach Hanna led his team to a 20-20 season record and a trip to the state tournament. He has been a 17 year member of the association and a 100 win club member. He is assisted by Brad Ward.

Northeast District

Kyle Rodenkirk – Cedar Rapids Jefferson Coach Rodenkirk led his team to a 29-8 record and a MVC Conference title. He is a 11 year member of the association. He is assisted by Gordy Nordgren.

Charlie Stumpff – Iowa City West Coach Stumpff led his team to another state tournament. They finished the season with a 34-12 record and a Mississippi Valley (Valley) conference championship. Charlie is a member of the 600 win club, has coached for 33 years and a member for 33 years. He is a past president of the association and is very active with the operations of the association. He is assisted by Tom Cronk.

Bret Hoyer – Cedar Rapids Kennedy Coach Hoyer led his team to a season record of 30-12 and another trip to the state tournament. Coach Hoyer has been a member of the association for the past 28 years. Bret is a past president of the association and continues to be very active with the daily operations of the association. He is assisted by Bill Herkelman, Jake Nauman, and Jimmy Lizarraga.



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Assistant Coach of the Year Nominations

West District

Matt Nelson – Sgt. Bluff-Luton

Matt has been an assistant for Coach Rick Admire for 8 years. He has full varsity responsibilities. He organizes practices along with camps and clinics. Matt also is the advisor for the FCA chapter at SBL. He has been a member of the association for 8 years. SBL has been to the state tournament the past two seasons. Matt will become the new head coach entering the 2016 season.

Heath DeForest – Pleasantville

Heath has been an assistant for Coach Sheldon Card for the past 4 years. Heath was a former player for Coach Card. He coaches the infield and is the JV/9th coach. Heath has been a member of the association for 4 years. Heath is a very dedicated young coach.

James Hash – Clarinda

James has been involved with the Clarinda baseball program for 6 years. He works with base running, coaches 1st base, and is the statistician. He coached this past summer in the all-star series. James works hard and always brings a fresh perspective to the program. Always learning to become a better coach.

Central District

Ken Burgess – Bondurant-Farrar

Ken has been an assistant for Coach Brad Hamilton for the past 11 years. He has been the varsity pitching and catching coach, along with the head JV coach. Ken has been a member of the association for 22 years. Ken was a former player and head coach at Des Moines East before coming over to Bondurant. He brings a wealth of knowledge to the program.

Grant Bohlke – Marshalltown

Grant has been an assistant for Coach Steve Hanson for the past 5 years. Grant works with the pitchers from grades 8 through the high school seniors. Grant has been a member of the association for over 5 years. He is a former Marshalltown baseball player who is punctual, professional, and prepared.

Brian Baker – Indianola

Brian has been an assistant for Coach Casey Aldridge for 7 years, 18 years as an assistant over-all. He is the head JV coach. Brian has been a member of the association for 11 years. He coaches 1st base during the varsity games, works with pitchers and hitters, is in-charge of the catchers, and is the field maintenance man.

Northeast District

Rodney Varner – Edgewood-Colesburg

Rodney has been an assistant for Coach Aaron Hamann for 8 years. He does the field maintenance, works with all positions, and coaches the JV team. Rodney has been a member of the association for 6 years. Rodney gives a lot of time for the betterment of the players and the program.

Jared Pirkl – Waverly-Shell Rock

Jared has been an assistant for Coach Casey Klunder for the past 3 years. He works with the pitchers and catchers, aligns the defense during games, and develops the scouting reports. Jared has been a member of the association for 9 years. He is a big reason why WSR won the 2015 State Title.

Ryan Jordan – Northeast Goose Lake

Ryan has been an assistant for Coach Tyler Howe for 3 years. He works with the infielders, game defensive alignment, stats, and the strength and conditioning program. Ryan has been a member of the association for 8 years.

Southeast District

Jeff Eeling – Fairfield

Jeff has been an assistant for Coach Josh Allison for 3 years now, after being a former head coach for many years. Jeff currently leads the infielders and hitters in practice and games. He coaches 1st base. He has been a member of the association for 29 years. Jeff is a tremendous leader and is respected by the team.

Mitch Foster – Pella

Mitch has been an assistant for Coach Jesse Jablonski for the past 3 years. He is responsible for the hitting aspect and works with the catchers. He also is the head JV coach. Mitch has been a member of the association for 1 year. Mitch brings a positive attitude with him to the ballpark every day which has a positive influence on the players.

Tyler Pearson – Knoxville

Tyler has been an assistant for Coach Joel Johnson for 3 years. He is the JV coach and varsity 1st base coach. He throws BP, does the pitching mound prep; along with QAB charts and the hitting spray charts. Tyler has been a member of the association for 4 years. He brings a younger side to the program, which relates well with the players.



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College Coach of the Year Nominations

2 Year College Coach Nominations

Marc Rardin - Iowa Western Community College

Coach Rardin begins his 14th season as the head coach at Iowa Western. During Rardins time leading the Reivers baseball program, Rardins teams have rewritten the record books in every facet of the program and made the junior college baseball history by winning the Junior College World Series in 2010, 2012, and 2014. They are first Northern District representative to ever win the Junior College World Series. In the 13 seasons at Iowa Western, Rardin's Reivers have participated in 9 Junior College World Series, have won 11 consecutive Regional titles, and 9 Northern District titles. That's 23 post season titles, more than any other Division I junior college program in the country. Rardin's teams have averaged nearly 46 wins per season and have a record of 615 wins to only 179 losses. That is a winning percentage of .775. In that same time period, he has accumulated 284 wins to only 48 losses in regular season conference and conference tournament play. That is a .855 winning percentage. This past summer, Coach Rardin was the Head Coach of the USA Junior College National Team that participated in the 80th year of the NBC Tournament in Wichita, KS. The team finished 3rd in the tournament. He also coached players at the USA Baseball Training Facility in Cary, North Carolina.

Travis Hergert - North Iowa Area Community College

Travis enters his 4th season as NIACC's head baseball coach, with a 105-65 career record. His 2015 team went 49-16 overall (school record for wins) and 20-8 in the ICCAC. The Trojan's won the NJCAA Region XI Tournament and claimed the North Plains District title to advance to the NJCAA Division II World Series for the second time in three years. In 2014, Hergert's squad finished 25-13 with a third place finish in the NJCAA Region XI Tournament, the second highest finish in school history. In 2013, NIACC was 31-18 overall and 11-9 in the league in Hergert's first season as the head coach after spending the previous 8 seasons as the team's pitching coach and recruiting coordinator. NIACC won the NJCAA Region XI Tournament, won the North Plains district title, and placed 5th at the NJCAA Division II World Series. In his first season as pitching coach, Hergert's staff posted a school record 39 wins and featured two NJCAA All-Region XI selections, including Pitcher of the Year and Arizona State signee, Steve Salas. Salas was a 22nd round pick by the Anaheim Angels in the 2006 MBL Draft.



4 Year College Coach Nominations

Rick Heller – University of Iowa

Rick is entering his third season as head coach of the Hawkeye baseball program. Heller was tabbed as the 20th head coach in the Iowa baseball program history. Coach Heller is a native of Eldon, Iowa and has been a head coach at four institutions Iowa, Indiana State, UNI, and Upper Iowa. In 2015, Heller guided the Hawkeyes to an at-large berth into the NCAA Regional play and posted the school's first NCAA Tournament win since 1972. Heller is the winningest coach in the first two seasons in Iowa history, posting a 71-41 record, and he is one of two UI head coaches to lead the program to the NCAA Tournament. In 28 seasons as a head coach, Heller owns a career record of 761-606-4. The Hawkeyes had a breakthrough season in Heller's second season in Iowa City, going 41-18 with the 41 victories being the second-most all-time and just the fourth 40-win season in program history. Iowa earned the school's first NCAA Regional berth since 1990, where they went 2-2 at the Springfield Regional. The Hawkeyes rolled to a 15-5 start and won its first 11 series of the season, including a school-record 8 consecutive Big Ten series wins, dating back to the 2014 season. Iowa swept No. 19 Indiana to open the Big Ten play to catapult the Hawkeyes into the national rankings for the first time in 25 years. Iowa climbed to as high as No. 13 before finishing the year 20th by Collegiate Baseball, 25th by Baseball America, and 28th by NCBWA the program's 1st appearance in final rankings in school history.

Steve Cook - Coe College

Coach Cook came to Coe in 1996 as an assistant baseball coach, moving to the head coaching position the following year. Cook is a 1993 graduate of Allegheny College in Pennsylvania, a traditional NCAA Division III powerhouse. A four-year starter in the infield, Cook was an All-American in 1993 when his nationally ranked team finished 37-5 overall. Cook was inducted into the Allegheny College Athletics Hall of Fame in 2009. He spent three years in the minor leagues, including a stop with the Cedar Rapids Kernels. During the 1994 season, Cook and the Kernels won the Midwest League title. Cook has compiled a career coaching record of 414-382-1. His 380 wins are the most in school history. Cook's teams have recorded the top six win totals in school history, including a 32 win season in 2011 and a 29 win season in 2012. Coe made the NCAA Regional Tournament both of those years after winning the Iowa Conference Tournament. Coe finished the 2015 season as the IIAC Tournament Champs, with a record of 34-14, and a trip to the NCAA Regional Finals. That is Coe College's fourth trip to the NCAA Regionals in the past 10 years for Coach Cook's squad.





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IHSBCA FALL BOARD MEETING – NOVEMBER 8, 2015 Sheraton Hotel – West Des Moines – 1:30 pm

Members present:

Officers: Lee Toole – Executive Director, Steve Hanon – President, Tony Adams - 2nd VP, Rick Admire – 3rd VP.

Members: Trent Eckstaine, Jon Fitzpatrick, Ethan Miller, Ryan Berg, John Waddle, Dave Rock, Gary Nyhus, Phil Katz, Ryan Stensland, Scott Busch, Steve Shantz, Gary Paulsen, Jay Ryan, Charlie Stumpff, Dan Pomeroy, Roger Hoel, Denny Barton, Dave Middleton, Jim Gebhart.

Meeting called to order by President Steve Hanson

- 1. Introductions by Board and attending members
- 2. Discussion of January 2015 Clinic minutes published in March newsletter. Motion to accept - Phil Katz, and a second – Dave Rock, motion carried.

Financial Report: Lee Toole

1. Everything in order

Motion to accept report – Gary Paulson, and a second – Roger Hoel, motion carried. **Presidents Report: Steve Hanson**

- 1. Expressed his appreciation for all those involved with the highly successful All-Star series in Clinton.
- 2. Had a great experience the past year and has enjoyed the office position.

Executive Directors Report: Lee Toole

- 1. Financial condition of IHSBCA in very good shape.
- 2. Important for association to continue bringing in new, sponsorships and members.
- 3. Sponsorship donations really helping with costs associated with All Star Series. Musco Lighting unsure at this time for future sponsorship.
- 4. All Star Series went really well in Clinton this past year. Looking forward to series in Mason City in 2016. Hoping to be in Carroll in 2017, not yet finalized with other possibilities being in Cedar Rapids or Iowa City.
- 5. Some discussion on hotel fees at Sheraton for 2016 Clinic. Make reservations as early as possible, as rates likely to change after first of year due to Iowa Caucuses.
- 6. Clinic speakers are lined up and in pretty good shape at this time.

Hall of Fame Report: Roger Hoel

- 1. Committee met at January Clinic.
- 2. Nominations:
 - a. Steve Daeges Harlan Coach
 - b. Tim O'Neill WDM Dowling Coach
 - c. Jeff Scharn Sioux Central Coach
 - d. Casey Blake Indianola Player
 - e. Jeff Clement Marshallton Player
 - f. Brian O'Connor Council Bluffs St. Alberts Contributor
- Coaches need to continue to nominate worthy candidates.
 Motion to accept nominations Jay Ryan, a second Gary Nyhus, motion carried.

All-District Committee Report: Jon Fitzpatrick

- 1. Discussion as to what would be terminology appropriate for a utility player. Will look at whether it should be "next best player" or "multiple position player".
- 2. Discussion considering the 3A All Districts made up of just 4 districts sites. All other classes have five districts. Will look at considering expanding 3A to 5 Districts, but geographic reasons may limit that.
- 3. There has been some discussion about terminology of infielders as infielders, rather than called by position; i.e. 1st- 2nd- 3rd- SS. For now, districts will stay as is listed, but continue to be a discussion item.

Motion to accept report – John Waddle, and a second – Dave Rock, motion carried.

Awards Committee Report: Ryan Stensland

- 1. Awards process in good shape, continue as done in past.
- 2. Discussion on bringing back Rings as an option to buy for Hall of Fame, Coach of the Year, and Umpire of the Year. Had purchased rings through a company in Cedar Rapids in the past. Lee has discussed with them the possibility of doing rings again; however, it may be cost prohibitive. Lee will have more information at January clinic.

Motion to accept report – Phil Katz, and a second – Gary Nyhus, motion carried.

All Star Committee Report: Gary Nyhus

Gary presented and submitted a very detail report of the plans and procedures in place for the All Star Series in Mason City for 2016. Planning and organizing is on-going and going very well. Motion to accept report – Dave Middleton, a second – Trent Eckstaine, motion carried.

Umpire Committee Report: Gary Paulsen

The umpire selection process is going well, continuing as done in the past, no further discussion.

Lanny Peterson Academic Award: Steve Hanson

- 1. Committee interviewed five excellent candidates. Used a very objective, rubric scoring criteria.
- 2. It was extra special to have Lanny in attendance to present the award to Grant Thimesch of Marshalltown.

Graphic Edge/IHSBCA "Player of the Year" Award: Steve Hanson

- 1. 2015 Recipient, Zach Daniels, Cedar Rapids Kennedy
- Some discussion followed towards the number of players selected, by class size, to the Academic All-State teams. The breakdown was very balance this year. Motion to accept reports for both Lanny Peterson Award and Graphic Edge

Player of the Year Award – Jay Ryan, and a second – Ryan Berg, motion carried.

State Rating Poll Committee: Dave Middleton

All is good, continuing as in the past. No report.

Membership Report: Dave Middleton

Continue to encourage new members and get involved with association. All is on course with no additional report information.

Clinic Survey/Mini Clinic Reports: Ethan Miller

- 1. Mini-clinic speakers has tentatively been established.
 - a. Travis Hergert, NIACC: Pre-throwing and post-throwing routines
 - b. Andy VanFossan, Underwood: Leadership Development and Team Building
 - c. Brian Wede, Northwestern College: Defensive Team Drills
 - d. Pete Lauritson, NIACC: Hitting
 - e. Trent Eckstaine, Le Mars: Junior Showcase with College Coaches What scouts look for
 - f. State Championship Panel
- 2. Clinic is planning on-going electronic evaluations of speakers for quicker feedback and possibly an IHSBCA "YouTube" site to upload for viewing.

Motion to accept report – Ryan Berg, a second – Gary Paulson, motion carried.

IHSAA Advisory Committee Report: Lee Toole reporting for Mark Hey

- 1. Topics of discussion:
 - a. Suspended game regulations
 - b. Ejections down for 2015
 - c. 4A tournaments with higher seeded team being able to host without lights, 5:00pm start
 - d. 1A, 2A, and 3A seeding process for tournaments
 - e. Start date for practice. State tournament date
 - f. Binding contracts for scheduled regular season games canceled over conference make-ups
 - g. Game limit to stay at 40
 - h. Pitching limitations during off-season to give arms a break
 - i. National Federation looking at pitch counts over innings pitched per week

2. Topics of discussion will be looked at in more detail during January clinic meetings.

Junior Showcase Report: Trent Eckstaine

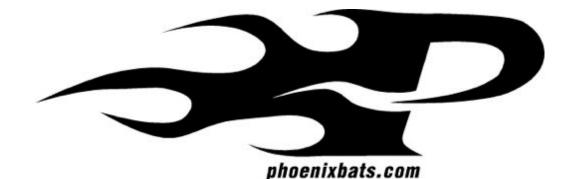
- 1. 2015 went very well, lots of athletes.
- 2. Addressed fees to college coaches and what should be charged per coach/team. Most colleges bring multiple coaches
- 3. Recommended to publicize what college coaches are paying for and what they are getting in return. Discounts for early registrations?
- 4. Big thank you to all volunteers but more are needed. Motion to accept report – Steve Shantz, and a second – Gary Paulson, motion carried.

New Business:

- 1. Vote to Accept Awards:
 - a. Contributor's Award John Oswald (Mizuno)
 - b. President's Award Ted Tornow (Clinton Lumberkings)
 - c. Pinky Primrose Award Brian Poldberg (Omaha Stormchasers)
- 2. Broke into districts to select All-District nominee's
- 3. Next Board meeting: January 21, 2016 8:30pm in Des Moines Sheraton Hotel

Adjournment: Motion to adjourn at 4:00 pm – Ethan Miller, a second by - Roger Hoel.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Rick Admire



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