



**SOUTH DAKOTA HIGH SCHOOL ACTIVITIES ASSOCIATION  
SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
SDHSAA OFFICE BUILDING/ZOOM**

**FEBRUARY 19, 2026**

**1:00 PM CT**

**Pierre, South Dakota**

The Board of Directors held a special meeting on February 19, 2026 via Zoom. Board members present included:

Dr. Jeff Danielsen      Billy Clanton (joined at 1:07 pm)      Ryan Rollinger      Chad Allison      Chuck Wilson  
Chris Long              Jeff Kusters              Jordan Bauer              Randy Hartmann (joined at 1:15 pm)

Staff members present included Dr. Dan Swartos, Kristina Sage, and Randy Soma.

The meeting was called to order by President Jeff Danielsen at 1:03 P.M..

**Item #1-Approval of Agenda**

Motion by Kusters second by Long, to approve the agenda as amended, adding items 3I (STM request to opt up to Class A in golf) and 3J (Mitchell request to opt up to Class AA in Tennis).

*Motion carried 7-0.*

**Item #2- Public Forum**

President Danielsen reviewed the SDHSAA Public Forum protocol and invited speakers.

No speakers presented.

*Billy Clanton joined the meeting at 1:07 PM.*

**Item #3- Consent Agenda**

The consent agenda contained the following items:

- A. Request from O’Gorman to petition up to Class AA in boys and girls tennis.
- B. Request to dissolve the Winner/Colome sports cooperative in cross country, competitive cheer and dance, boys and girls wrestling, golf, softball, and wrestling beginning with the 26-27 school year.
- C. Request from Gregory and Colome to form a sports cooperative in the sports of football, volleyball, competitive cheer and dance, cross country, basketball, track and field, golf, and softball beginning with the 26-27 school year.
- D. Request from Burke, Gregory, and Colome to form a boys and girls wrestling cooperative, beginning with the 26-27 school year.
- E. Request to dissolve the Viborg-Hurley/Irene-Wakonda wrestling cooperative, beginning with the 26-27 school year.

- F. Request from Parker, Marion, and Viborg-Hurley to form a boys and girls wrestling cooperative, beginning with the 26-27 school year.
- G. Request from Faith to play a JV only football schedule for the 26-27 and 27-28 school years.
- H. Request from Elkton/Lake Benton to add boys and girls wrestling beginning with the 26-27 school year.
- I. Request from STM to petition up to Class A in boys and girls golf beginning with the 26-27 school year.
- J. Request from Mitchell to petition up to Class AA in boys and girls tennis, beginning with the 26-27 school year.

Motion by Bauer, second by Allison, to approve the consent agenda as presented.

*Motion carried 8-0.*

**Item #4- Request from Dupree to join the All-Nations Football Conference, beginning with the 26-27 school year.**

Motion by Wilson, Second by Long, to approve the request of Dupree to join the All-Nations Football conference beginning with the 26-27 school year.

*Motion carried 8-0.*

Randy Hartmann joined the meeting at 1:15 PM.

**Item #5- Request from Lakota Tech to join the All-Nations Football conference, beginning with the 26-27 school year.**

Motion by Allison, second by Wilson to approve the request of Lakota Tech to join the All-Nations Conference, to recognize Lakota Tech and Sisseton are the 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> teams by enrollment in Class 11A, with 12 remaining 11A playoff eligible teams, and to reconsider the structure in future years depending upon the long-term plans of both teams who have removed themselves from the playoffs.

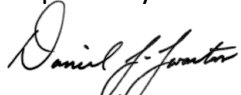
*Motion carried 9-0.*

**Item #6- Adjourn**

Motion by Long, second by Kusters to adjourn.

*Motion carried 9-0.* President Danielsen declared the meeting adjourned at 1:31 PM.

Respectfully submitted,



Dr. Daniel Swartos

SDHSAA Executive Director