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2009-10 BOARD OF CONTROL CONDUCTS FIRST MEETING; ELECTS OFFICERS

STEVENS POINT, Wis. – Roger Foegen of Bangor presided over the first meeting of the 2009-10 Wisconsin Interscholastic Athletic Association Board of Control today.

The Board welcomed new members Ted Evans of Mineral Point and Terry Reynolds of Pittsville. Executive Staff discussed and received information on a number of topics the Association will be addressing in the coming months and elected officers for 2009-10. Jim Smasal of Winneconne was elected presidentelect, and Mark Gobler of Luck will serve as treasurer.

The recently devised football-only conferences proposal and a divisional placement plan for basketball were presented and discussed. The Board voted unanimously to approve forwarding a basketball plan to the membership for discussion at this fall's Area Meetings that features five divisions with four teams in each division advancing to the State Tournament in Madison. The membership will be encouraged to respond and react to both proposals. The basketball plan is intended to examine divisional placement concerns involving rural and urban influences in basketball only.

The Board received additional topics that will be presented at the Area Meetings. Among the subjects on the agenda are a review of 2009 Constitutional changes and potential 2010 changes, geographic tournament groupings, summertime coaching contact, nonschool team configurations, student-athlete health and wellness, pilot programs for school licensing and Web streaming, and several sport-specific topics.

The Board was informed of one position available on the 2009-10 Advisory Council. A special election for a one-year term representing medium schools will be held. The deadline for qualified candidates to declare their candidacy for the election is Sept. 8, 2009. The term will begin in October. In addition, the 2009-10 appointments to the Coaches Advisory Committees received the Board's approval.

The Spring Sports Spectacular reviewing the 2009 spring sports State Tournaments and presenting other WIAA-related topics is scheduled to be broadcast in Milwaukee on WMLW-TV and in Appleton/Green Bay on WACY-TV on Aug. 22 at 1 p.m.; and on WAOW-TV (Wausau), WXOW-TV (La Crosse), WQOW-TV (Eau Claire), WKOW-TV (Madison) and WYOW-TV (Eagle River) on Aug. 23 at noon.

The WIAA oversees interscholastic athletic programs for 506 senior high schools and 116 junior high/middle level schools in its membership. It sponsors 25 championship tournament series. For more information, please contact the WIAA office at (715) 344-8580.

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