

April Athletic Council Meeting Minutes
April 11, 2023
Guidance Conference Room
Keystone Jr.-Sr. High School

Members present: Mr. Beary, Mr. Say, Mr. Hall, Mr. Willison, Mr. Irwin, Mr. Best, and Mrs. McNaughton.

1. It was recommended to move Jon Beal to the 3rd Assistant Varsity Football Coach for the 2023-2024 season as recommended by Coach Todd Smith.
2. It was recommended to appoint Isaak Jones as a Volunteer Junior High Football Coach for the 2023-2024 season as recommended by Coach Todd Smith.
3. A discussion was had regarding scheduling interviews for the Varsity Boys' Soccer Position. It was determined that we would wait until May 1st. This would provide an opportunity to meet with soccer players and have sing-ups to determine numbers; then interviews would be scheduled. It was agreed upon that Mr. Irwin will continue to look for a co-op opportunity for the boys' team in case numbers are not conducive to fielding a team (13-15 players).
4. Referee pay was discussed. The last KSAC meeting focused on signing contracts. Mr. Irwin and Mr. Best will discuss agreeing on a set pay for referees at the next KSAC Meeting in May.
5. It was decided that given our insurance policy information and the fact that volunteer coaches must complete the same course work and clearances as paid coaches, they will be permitted to run open gyms, practices, and work with small groups of students. The head coach is responsible for all coaches and athletes, so it will be his/her responsibility to monitor what is taking place.
6. Mr. Irwin will create a form for coaches to complete when they have beginning of the season player meetings and meeting regarding the cutting of athletes. The coach will then maintain the documents in his/her files. All coaches will have individual meetings with players at the beginning of the season. At the parent meeting, the coach will explain that the meetings with players happened and that parents should ask their athlete the about the content of the meeting. Meetings with the coach will be offered to parents to reiterate what was shared with the athlete.
7. The One Man Football camp will be offered for all students grades 3-12 on June 20th & 21st. A permission form like the district's field trip form will be required to be completed by each student who attends. The forms will require families to provide emergency contact information, insurance information, medications, and allergies.

8. Previously, the council had decided that track and field athletes would have a throw off prior to a meet and only the top five boys and girls throwers in the event would participate in the meet. This received a lot of criticism from parents since this decision was made after the season began. Thus, we have decided to utilize the metal stakes that were purchased to mark all throws, but only the farthest (placing throws) would be measured.

9. At our first track meet of the season, it was brought to our attention that the platform for the high jump does not meet PIAA standards. The radius of the platform is to be a minimum of 50ft., however; our platform measures only 29ft. Mr. Irwin had communication with the coaches, who made reference to a safety concern regarding the platform. Options were discussed how to remedy the issue; Mr. Hall, Mr. Irwin, and Mr. Best were going to look at the platform with Mr. Dowlan to determine how to fix the issue.