Executive Committee Meeting Summary  
August 6, 2020

1. Chairman Craig Hammer welcomed everyone to the first meeting and introduced two new members of the Executive Committee: Greg Wilkey, Davis HS, Region 1 and Kayce Fluckey, Green River HS, Region 19.

2. There is one new member school for 2020-21. It is DaVinci Academy in Ogden. There are now 155 total UHSAA member schools and 109 member schools participate in football.

3. Chairman Hammer and UHSAA Staff provided an orientation of UHSAA procedures and materials and Executive Committee roles and responsibilities.

4. Mr. Rob Cuff, Executive Director, explained that catastrophic insurance will continue for the 2020-21 school year as per Board of Trustees decision in May. The UHSAA Foundation will fund $150,000 and the UHSAA budget will fund $40,000 of the $190,000 premium. This will be the eleventh year that schools have been reimbursed for paid premiums. Schools will be reimbursed 100% of the premium this year.

5. The UIAA administrators’ training meeting will be held in the UHSAA offices on September 21. The training is very helpful for new athletic directors, principals and assistant principals who supervise athletics. A course is taught by the athletic directors and the UIAAA discusses items from their organization.

6. Mr. Jon Oglesby discussed the improved UHSAA website (www.uhsaa.org) and provided training for the information found there. He also discussed the RegisterMyAthlete and RegisterMyCoach programs.

7. Mr. Oglesby discussed the promotion of high school activities to our communities. He explained the role of the Communication Advisory Committee who will assist in the marketing of education based activities.

8. Social media tools are available to member schools as part of the #MaskUpUtah campaign. UHSAA provided all member schools with tools including their school logo for assistance in the fight against the spread of the virus and the efforts to ensure safety of all participants, coaches, fans and officials. Public address announcements were also sent to schools.

9. Region rules and etiquette clinics for golf were discussed. The deadline for 2A, 3A, 4A, 5A and 6A boys is September 15. The deadline for 1A boys and all girls’ golf is April 15.
10. Mr. Brenan Jackson emphasized the importance and responsibility of districts and/or schools to certify coaches. He discussed the criteria for coaching certification and importance of having certified coaches working with student athletes. Coaching credentials will be implemented this school year in all the UHSAA sanctioned sports.

11. Mr. Jackson discussed Sports Medicine items and Return to Play guidelines for fall sports.

12. Ms. Jan Whittaker reviewed the statewide sportsmanship program. The UHSAA Sportsmanship Handbook is posted on the UHSAA website. Other details regarding the sportsmanship program can also be found on the UHSAA website, including the criteria for earning the 2021 star. This is the eleventh year for the sportsmanship program, which has provided the opportunity for schools to earn yearly stars. When a school receives five stars, it will be recognized as a “five star sportsmanship school.” Every school can be a winner when it comes to good sportsmanship. All member schools are invited to TEAM-up to Raise the Bar, Earn Your Star because Sportsmanship Matters!

13. The Executive Committee recommended approval to grant RSL Academy approval to the Board of Trustees for boys and girls basketball effective this school year.

14. The 2020 UHSAA/UIAAA Student Leadership Conference, Dare to Lead, will be moved to the fall of 2021 as training will reviewed and conducted throughout this school year in preparation for region student leadership conferences. Having conferences on the region level will allow more students to participate.

15. Mr. Jeff Cluff reviewed ejection procedures for coaches and student athlete and coach ejection procedures were discussed.

16. An emerging sports questionnaire will be sent to member schools in September.

17. Mr. Cuff provided compliance training to the Committee.

18. Mr. Cuff shared sportsmanship articles found in NFHS High School Today.