

Below is a summary of major action taken at the February 15 Executive Committee meeting. Please share this information with your region and constituents. The complete minutes will be posted on the VHSL web site later and will include a more complete account of the meeting, including specific language for legislative proposals, for the benefit of the membership and readers.

- Approved the promotion of Kelley Haney to Assistant Director for Athletics.
- Approved the appointment of Chris Robinson as the Assistant Director of Athletics.
- Approved Logic7 to design, develop and host the VHSL website.
- Approved VCU Health System as the event sponsor for the State Basketball Tournament.
- Approved Jim Stemple, principal of Mountain View High School, as the recipient of the 2016-17 Torch of Honor.
- Approved an update to the VHSL Newspaper Evaluative Criteria Booklet.
- Approved the following 2017-18 meeting dates:

June 25, 2017 – Hall of Fame (DoubleTree in Charlottesville)

June 26, 2017 – VHSL Golf Tournament (Spring Creek Golf Course, Zion Crossroads)

September 20, 2017 – Executive Committee

October 11, 2017 – Group Boards/Membership (DoubleTree in Midlothian)

December 2017 – Executive Committee – TBD

February 2018 – Executive Committee – TBD

March 8, 2018 – Group Boards

March 9, 2018 – Membership

May 3, 2018 (Thursday) – Executive Committee

- Approved the removal of all references to conferences in the 2017-18 VHSL handbook.
- Approved for discussion at the Group Board meetings a recommendation to remove sports and activities from the hard copy handbook making the VHSL handbook purely a regulations document. List all VHSL sports and activity rules under those specifically designated areas on our website. After section 33 in the handbook craft a statement that says:

VHSL approved rules governing sports and activities can now be found under their appropriate individual designated location on the VHSL website.

- Approved that the following be added to the VHSL Physical Form under the Insurance Section on page 4:

To access quality, low-cost comprehensive health insurance through FAMIS for your child, please contact Cover Virginia by going to www.coverva.org or calling 855.242.8282.

- Approved Barbara Southard as the 2017 Larry Johnson SMAC Recognition Award winner.
- Directed the Executive Director to write a letter to the governor requesting that he veto HB 1578 (Homeschool -- Tebow Bill).

Legislation

12-2-1	Membership —increase Executive Committee members from 31 to 37 and increase the term of the supervisor of athletics/activities from two years to four years	Rec. 24-0
28A-7-1	Transfer Rule —spells out specifically which school student is ineligible at if they change into or out of a site designated program	Rec. 24-0
27-2-8 SECTION 30	Penalty PENALTIES —\$300 fine for not completing Coaches Education, State and Local Knowledge Requirement and Child Abuse Recognition, CPR, and AED Requirement in the prescribed time	Rec. 23-0-1
128-5-1	Rules and Regulations (Film Festival) —Removes eligibility requirement for the lead cast The Executive Committee directed staff to bring back to the May meeting the Rubric for judging films	Rec. 17-7
128-5-4	Rules and Regulations (Film Festival) —Distinguishes who is eligible and dictates proper crediting for all contributors to the project	Rec. 16-8
128-8-1	Rules and Regulations (Film Festival) —Provides latitude in adding others to the film crew	Rec. 16-8
128-9-1	Rules and Regulations (Film Festival) —Requires that content is appropriate	Rec. 24-0
129-2-1; 130-2-1; 131-2-1; 13-2-1; 133-2-1	Narrative; Documentary; Animation; Experimental; Commercial/PSA (Film Festival) —Provides clarity for the length of films	Rec. 24-0
SECTIONS 129; 130; 131; 132; 133	Various Sections – Bases for Evaluation —General criteria will remain in Handbook; specific criteria will be moved to Film Manual	Rec. 24-0
SECTION 134	PREVIEW AND OFFICIAL SELECTION PROCESS —Formalizes the process when a team drops out of the competition	Rec. 24-0
SECTION 135 (135-2-1; 135-2-2)	135-2-1--Evaluation —Jurying is done electronically 135-2-2 —Wording has been relocated and incorporated in Section 134	Rec. 24-0
SECTION 135	STATE FILM FESTIVAL —Complete report of jurors' evaluations and rankings provided to each school—scoring will be done by electronic ballots	Rec. 24-0

Second-vote

- 54-16-1; 54-16-2** **District Scheduling and Deviation from District Scheduling Requirement** **Adopted 24-0**
- To add to handbook this tenant of the six-classification restructure. While it was historically preserved in Alignment Committee minutes approved by the Executive Committee it was never formally added to the handbook.

Reports/Information Received

- Accepted the First Draft of the FY2018 Budget. Click here to access: <http://www.vhsl.org/doc/upload/adm-2018-budget-worksheet-third-draft.pdf>
- General Assembly Report:
 - a. **HJR 546** JLARC Study of VHSL was tabled
 - b. **HB 1578 (Tebow Bill)** has passed both House and Senate and headed to Governor
- Strategic Planning Update. Click here to access: <http://www.vhsl.org/doc/upload/adm-VHSL-strategic-planning-power-point.pptx>
- Draft of March Membership Meeting Schedule:

Thursday, March 9

8:00 a.m. – 8:30 a.m.	Breakfast and Distribution of Credentials
8:00 a.m. – 8:30 a.m.	Group Board Officers Meet with Staff
8:30 a.m. -- 9:30 a.m.	Breakout <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Qualifying Teams from Region to State Play -- (Sports/Activities Specific venues – golf, cheer, swim & dive, indoor track, activities)2. Governance – executive committee region representative rotation (ex. always 50%-50% -- 2 principals, 2 ADs, etc.)3. Goals for Strategic Plan
9: 45 a.m. – 12:00	Group Boards – include on agenda the discuss how teams and individuals will advance to state level competitions and discuss how they can provide a coordinated plan for advancement from region to state play.
12:15 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.	Staff meets with group board officers – discuss group board meetings – options for plan for advancement from region to state play and governance rotation.

Friday, March 10

9:00 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.	Breakfast and Distribution of Credentials
9:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.	Membership Meeting
11:45 a.m. -- 1:00 p.m.	Regional Meetings