

- I. **Call to Order:** 7:00 pm
Greetings and introductions
Prayer
- II. **Roll Call**
All teams present.
- III. **Approval of 2024 Preseason Meeting Minutes**
Motion #1: (Mulholland/Karwowski) Motion to accept the meeting minutes from February 21, 2024. 22 in favor/0 opposed. Motion Carries
- IV. **School and Team Updates**
 - A. *New School Petition and Team Merger:* Kingswood Academy appealed to rejoin the league and to compete as a merged team with Notre Dame and Holy Trinity. Kingswood Academy has a new athletic director and competed successfully in another league during the 2024 track season.
Motion #2: (Mulholland/Bierman) Motion to approve the admittance of Kingswood Academy into the league and the merger of Holy Trinity/Kingswood Academy/Notre Dame. 22 in favor/0 opposed. Motion carries.
 - B. *School Probations:* No new schools were placed on probation.
 - C. *Universal List:* As league positions are changing, the Universal List will be updated. Secretary will send the updated version list to the league.
- V. **League Positions:**
 - A. **Motion #3:** (Mulholland/Romano) Motion to return to staggered election cycle for the Executive Board. 22 in favor/0 opposed. Motion carries.
 - B. Vice President: The role of Vice President was filled by Holy Trinity. Jeffrey Kania will assume the position.
 - C. President: The role of President will stay with All Saints for the 2025 season. Brianne England will assume the position.
- VI. **Committee Reports**
 - A. *Scheduling:*
 - Scheduling Chair sent tentative dates for the 2025 track season to the league on June 12, 2024. Because of spring break schedules and Holy Saturday, there will be no Week 0 meets. The League Finals will be held on May 17, 2025.
 - At the preseason meeting, we will discuss in more detail the number of meets per week and the number of divisional meets.
 - B. *Rules:*
 - Rules Chair asked for feedback on new procedures and stressed the importance for officials, coaches and volunteers to know the league rules.
 - C. *Events:*
 - Events Committee will review the procedures for the JV 200m Dash. Currently, the event is run with up to two runners per lane. Several coaches raised concerns about athlete safety.
 - D. *Treasurer:*
 - Treasurer sent an updated balance sheet to the league on June 12, 2024. This balance sheet is not final as we are waiting on invoices from Brooks Middle School.
 - Team fees will likely increase for the 2025 season. There was discussion on the best way to allocate fees, including doing so based on roster size or having

merged teams pay a slightly higher fee. This will be an agenda item and voted on at the February 2025 preseason meeting.

- The SPLTF will continue to pay for starters.

VII. Sub-committee Reports

- A. *Equipment*: A tackle box is missing from the meet bag.
- B. *Scoring*: No update.
- C. *Awards*: Joe O'Reilly is stepping down from his position. St. Joseph to fill the position for the 2025 season.
- D. *Safety*: Suggestion to make AEDs available at all track meets. Safety Chair will explore having portable AEDs donated or applying for DuPage County grants to secure the equipment. Portable AEDs cost approximately \$1,500 each.

VIII. Open Forum

- A. Review of New High Jump Procedures: The primary concerns with the new high jump procedures is the disadvantage for the better jumpers, especially those in 6th and 8th grade, who then had conflicts and arrived late to their other field events. Suggested changes to the procedures include giving better high jumpers "super-priority" in other field events. Events committee to review prior to February 2025 preseason meeting.
- B. Adoption of Combined JV/Varsity Meet Format: Overall, the combined format garnered positive feedback. It reduced the volunteer burden by 25-30%, reduced the total meet time to 6 hours vs. 8 hours, and fostered positive team building. Suggestions for greater efficiencies include: pre-sign up for field events and on-field microphones. This format is recommended for league sanctioned meets only, but not for the Divisional or League Finals meets, which require timing. Meet format is at the discretion of the meet hosts. Secretary to consolidate documents for this format and add to the website.
- C. Jeremy Strayer (SFX) to explore hiring and testing the use of a timing company.
- D. Review of 2024 New League Records. Website to be updated.

IX. Updating Committee Assignments: Secretary to assign committees to new schools.

X. Meeting Dismissal: 8:33pm

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