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NHSBCA President - Nalin Sood - Washington

NHSBCA President Nalin Sood has discussed the difficulty of Division 1 teams practicing during Fall State Coaches Association clinics. This issue will be discussed by NABC board member and NHSBCA Senior Director of operations member in upcoming conference calls with the NABC. This dilemma is also bothersome to several Division 1 men's and women's coaches as shared by NHSBCA Executive Board Members.

A MESSAGE FROM PRESIDENT NALIN SOOD

NHSBCA Members - As I write this to you many of you are gearing up for the beginning of the 2016-2017 basketball season. At this time of the year as you are gathering up your off-season notes, meeting with your staffs, finalizing practice calendars, checking inventories, etc. let me remind of the service each of us does for the betterment of the game of basketball. I was just sharing this past weekend that high school athletics is possibly the last opportunity for young people to participate in sports for the purity and experience where life lessons can be learned. As we are dealing with more and more non-scholastic programs for sports that are creeping up even at the scholastic level at times it seems the challenges we face are constant and becoming greater. Continue to fight the good fight...coaching high school basketball is one occupation that provides immeasurable rewards! The NHSBCA appreciates what each and every single high school boys and girls basketball coach does for our game. Thank you! Please check our website during the season to see contributions from various associations across our country that will relate to basketball. We hope that you will find these articles, documents, and/or files beneficial to you in some way. As a reminder, please reach out to your state association's leader if you have not received information about the Women's Basketball Coaches Association. The NHSBCA is happy to have them as a partner association and we hope to grow this relationship.

Senior Director of Operations and NABC Board Member - Dave Archer – New York

Dave Archer has been working with Greg Grantham (a former president of the NHSBCA and current NHSBCA Executive Board Member) to create a survey that was recently sent out to state coaching association leaders. The survey focuses on four main areas:

1. The survey first seeks to gather data on the types of information that should go into contracts between scholastic coaches and school boards. This is the next step of the "Fair Treatment of Coaches" document the NHSBCA Board endorsed this past July in Kansas City.
2. To gain thoughts on what separates scholastic coaches from other young coaches, ie. AAU and other organizations. This information is needed to further expand on the reaffirming of the roles of scholastic coaches and to help promote these roles to school boards, parents and all shareholders.
3. The third area deals with the growing shortage of scholastic coaches (or willingness of faculty members to coach) and how the NHSBCA and state associations can work together to recruit new coaches, develop mentorship programs, and equally important retain new scholastic coaches.



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4. State leaders are also being asked to provide issues all coaches are facing and then these issues will be ranked in importance and frequency.

An update on news from regarding the NABC will be included in the November newsletter of the NHSBCA.

Secretary/Treasure - Dave Ginsberg – Michigan

Secretary/Treasurer Dave Ginsberg proudly announced that New Mexico is officially a new and dues paying member of the NHSBCA. New Mexico High School Coaches Association for Basketball President Willie Owens was in Kansas City this past July. **Welcome to the NHSBCA New Mexico!** Dues invoices were recently sent out to state organizations that have not paid their 2017 dues. Dave also shared that he has been openly communicating with Wisconsin on their “Rising Senior Event” and Ken Barrett reports that plans are still in place for June of 2017 for states participating in this great event. For additional information, contact Ken Barrett of Wisconsin or Dave Ginsberg. States that have shown interest in this event should keep their eyes open for more information from Ken.

Director of Development and Communication - Rich Czeslawski – Illinois

The new NHSBCA website is up and running – nhsbca.org. It is a much needed and welcomed improvement from the previous website. Please register on the new website. The new website will be updated with new information consistently and eventually most correspondence from the NHSBCA executive board with state leaders and NHSBCA members will go through the website.

A new feature of the website will be the bi-monthly posting of news by state organizations who are members of the NHSBCA. States sharing information will discuss happenings in their particular state with their state coaches associations and basketball in general. The first state to present will be Wisconsin. Please check out the information they will be sharing very soon to see what is going on with the Wisconsin Basketball Coaches Association and basketball in general in their state through nhsbca.org. A document has been created on the website with dates & state responsibilities for website contributions under the tab “Website.”

New Website Registration

All NHSBCA members are urged to go the new website – nhsbca.org to register. To enroll simply go to website, click on the Membership tab and follow the following prompts:

1. **Click on the click here to register tab**
2. **Enter Your First and Last Name, click Save and Checkout**
3. **Click on the Proceed to Checkout Tab**
4. **You will then be asked to submit your email address, organization or school with the address of the organization or school, and information about your state coaches association and about other sports you coach. You will then click on Continue.**
5. **You will then be asked to agree to Terms of Use & Privacy Policy. Be sure to check the box “agreeing to the terms” prior to clicking on continue.**

All NHSBCA Board members and state association leaders are asked to encourage your state association members to register, as well as all members within our coaching fraternity. Very soon a members’ only section



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of the website will give members access to members only resources that they can use in their coaching endeavors. These features and resources will only be available to coaches who have registered through nhsbca.org. Most, if not all of these resources will be free to members. Large discounts will also be available on other resources, at a much more user friendly price.

2017 NHSBCA Summer Convention – Steve Witty - NHSBCA Exec. Board Member– Indiana:

Preparations are almost complete for 2017 Summer Convention in Indianapolis (July 11, 12, 13). The event will be held at the Crowne Plaza Hotel in Indianapolis. We will be sending out more information on reservations and timeframes for booking within the next month.

WBCA Information - Renee Turpa – NHSBCA Exec. Board Member – Indiana

Efforts continue to cultivate the relationship between the NHSBCA and the WBCA through the efforts of NHSBCA Executive Board Member Renee Turpa, with assistance from Dave Ginsberg and Steve Witty. Renee is using similar steps that the NHSBCA used years so when developing a partnership/working relationship with the NABC. NHSBCA board member Rick Sherley is working with the WBCA to help plan for the Women's WBCA 2017 Final Four in Texas, much like Renee, Steve Witty, and Dave Ginsberg did last year when the Women's Final Four was held in Indianapolis. NHSBCA President Nalin Sood is also reaching out to the leadership of the WBCA to help reinforce our intended efforts and the importance of improving the relationship between the WBCA and the NHSBCA.

Next NHSBCA Executive Board Conference Call - November 20th, 2016 / 8 pm (Eastern)

Note: The Executive Board of the NHSBCA conducts regular monthly conference calls to discuss association matters as they relate to the betterment of this association and its members nationally.

NHSBCA Executive Board – Nalin Sood (President - Washington), Dave Archer (Senior Director of and Communication), Don Logan (Past President – Iowa), Dave Ginsberg (Secretary/Treasurer - Michigan), Tom Barrick (Ad Hoc Board member - Ohio), Renee Turpa (Ad Hoc Board Member and WBCA liaison – Indiana), Peter Murray (Ad Hoc Board Member – Maine), Greg Grantham (Board Member Emeritus - North Carolina), Steve Witty (Board member Emeritus - Indiana), and Tom Hursey / Board member Emeritus - Michigan).