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## **REGULAR MEETING SCHEDULE**

### **FIRST MEETING**

1. Roll Call.
2. Secretary-Treasurer's Report.
3. Confirm sites, officials, judges, and etc. for the Conference sponsored activities for the year.
4. Announce the Presidential appointment of the Awards Committee as called for in Article XIX, Section I.
5. Appoint Constitution Revision Committee.
6. Report on Conference Volleyball Tournament by Director.
7. Report on Conference Vocal Music Clinic by Directors.

### **SECOND MEETING**

1. Roll Call.
2. Secretary-Treasurer's report.
3. Report on Instrumental Music Clinic by Directors.
4. Report on Basketball Tournament by Chairman.
5. Report on Speech Contests by Directors.
6. Report on Play Production Contest by Directors.

### THIRD MEETING

1. Roll Call.
2. Secretary-Treasurer's Report.
3. Report on Instrumental Music Clinic by Directors.
4. Report on Basketball Tournament by Director.
5. Report on Conference Track Meet by Director.
6. Report on Conference Play Production Contest by Directors.

### FOURTH MEETING

1. Roll Call
2. Secretary-Treasurer's Report.
3. Report on Conference Speech Contest by Directors.
4. Report on Conference Track Meet by Director.
5. Reimbursement of Secretary-Treasurer, Statistician and Music Librarian.
6. Election of Officers for next year.
7. Constitution Revision Committee report.
8. Approve dates for all Conference Activities and Meetings for the upcoming school year. Set sites for Conference Activities to the extent possible.
9. Report on Conference Faculty Golf Tournament.

**LEWIS AND CLARK CONFERENCE  
CONSTITUTION  
AND  
BYLAWS**

**ARTICLE I - TITLE**

**SECTION I**

The members associated in adherence to this Constitution are to be called members of the "Lewis and Clark Conference". The title of this constitutionally governed body will be "The Lewis and Clark Conference".

**ARTICLE II - PURPOSE**

**SECTION I**

The purpose of the Lewis and Clark Conference shall be to coordinate and provide organized activities among member schools within the confines of the rules and regulations of the NSAA.

**ARTICLE III – MEMBERSHIP**

**SECTION I**

The members of the Lewis and Clark Conference will be such that they will form two divisions. They are to be:

**LEWIS DIVISION**

Allen Eagles  
Bancroft-Rosalie Panthers  
Emerson-Hubbard Pirates  
Homer Knights  
Ponca Indians  
Wakefield Trojans  
Walthill Bluejays  
Winnebago Indians

**CLARK DIVISION**

Bloomfield Bees  
Hartington Wildcats  
Newcastle Raiders  
Osmond Tigers  
Wausa Vikings  
Winside Wildcats  
Wynot Bluedevils

## **SECTION II**

A member of the Lewis and Clark Conference may be expelled by a 2/3 vote of the total membership.

New membership in the Conference and any vacancies in membership shall be filled upon Conference receipt of a written application to the President and a 2/3 vote of approval by the total membership.

A \$50.00 membership fee will have to be paid to the Conference treasury upon initial entrance into the Conference.

## **SECTION III**

Members of the Lewis and Clark Conference are to be recognized as equal under the Articles governing the Conference with no distinction as to class, enrollment or other comparing criteria whatsoever.

## **SECTION IV**

Members may withdraw from the Conference and in so doing must forfeit any and all claims to Conference funds, benefits and other rights enjoyed by members. A member who withdraws and seeks re-entry must serve one year (school year) on probation during which time the probationary member is not eligible for championship awards in Conference sponsored activities.

## **SECTION V**

Conference dues will be set annually at the first regular meeting of the executive committee.



## **ARTICLE IV - MEETINGS**

### **SECTION I**

There will be four regular Conference meetings each school year. A quorum to conduct official business will be 2/3 of the member Conference schools. The site and date of the first Conference meeting shall be established at the previous April meeting. The time and place for all other regular meetings shall be set by official action of 2/3 of schools in attendance at a regular meeting.

The Conference President may call a special meeting to discuss or resolve a problem that cannot be tabled until the next meeting.

### **SECTION II**

Conference meetings will convene at a time designated by the President. At the August activity sponsors meeting, the following groups will meet simultaneously in separate rooms.

- a) Boy's Athletics
- b) Girl's Athletics
- c) Music
- d) Speech
- e) Art

The Conference chairman shall appoint a local staff member to serve as chairperson of each activity group listed above. Proposals from any of the above groups will be considered at the first Conference Administrators meeting to be held two weeks after the sponsors meeting. The cost for meals will be defrayed by the individual schools for their personnel.

### **SECTION III**

NSAA Guidelines will be followed unless a difference is specified in the Conference Constitution.

All Conference schools will provide a copy of their fall enrollment participation form sent to NSAA at the fall conference meeting. All events registered with NSAA, each school is responsible to participate in 100% of the varsity level in the conference. Exceptions will be ruled on by the Conference Executive Committee. Penalties will be imposed if non-participation occurs without notification of at least 12 school days prior to the scheduled event. The penalty will be minimum of the violators share of host school and conference expenses. Along with that, the possibility of probation exists dependent on a conference vote.

## **ARTICLE V - ELECTION OF OFFICERS**

### **SECTION I**

Elections shall be held at the last regular Conference meeting each school year. Officers of the Conference to be elected will be: President and President-Elect.

They shall be selected from the administration of any member school, however, the President and Treasurer must be from the same school. The President-Elect shall come from the alternate division as the President each year.

The Secretary shall be appointed by the membership of the Conference and shall serve until such time as the Conference shall deem necessary.

### **SECTION II**

Each member school will have only one vote in any and all Conference decisions by the membership at large. Unless provided for in the constitution, a simple majority vote of the Conference schools is required to do business and pass legislation.

## **ARTICLE VI - DUTIES OF OFFICERS**

### **SECTION I**

The President shall be present and conduct all Conference meetings in an orderly manner. In the absence of the President, the Secretary-Treasurer shall preside. The President may appoint committees as necessary to coordinate Conference activities.

### **SECTION II**

The Secretary shall write up all minutes of a Conference meeting and shall print two copies of same to be mailed to each member school within ten days of the meeting recorded.

The Treasurer will be responsible for checking with tournament directors in making arrangements on site selection, hiring and paying the officials, arrange for the delivery and presentation of Conference Trophies, handle advertising, arranging for change at the gate and deposit the receipts and provide passes to competing schools as prescribed in the constitution.

The Secretary shall be paid \$200.00 for duties performed during the school year. The host school shall be paid \$200.00 to cover expenses incurred.

The Conference Secretary shall make program templates for the conference's volleyball and basketball tournaments. A program template for each event shall be posted on the conference's web site and each host school will run off 11 x 17 programs for games at their site. The Conference Secretary will be reimbursed \$100 for organizing and producing each program template.

### **SECTION III**

The Conference shall, through the President's office, receive and hear all complaints of members regarding other member violation of the Constitution. Sportsmanship will be the responsibility of each participating school. In the event a problem occurs the offended party shall send written notice as prescribed in this section.

All complaints of the same must be submitted in triplicate. One copy will be presented to the Conference President, one copy will be presented to the school charged while the third copy will be retained by the complaining school. When receiving complaints the President shall call the Executive Committee into session for a hearing within ten days of receiving the complaint on a member school.

#### **SECTION IV**

The Conference will be the sole interpreter of the Constitution. After making any Constitutional decisions affecting recalcitrant members, it shall have the power to place violators on probation on a seasonal or yearly basis or may recommend to the membership at large, the expulsion of said member in error.

Any member may appeal the Constitutionality of a bylaw enacted at a regular meeting to the Conference through the President's office. The Executive Committee will process appeals of this nature the same as complaints in Section III of this Article. The Conference decision on Constitutional matters may only be over-ruled by a Constitutional amendment at the end of current year and effective for the following school year, and not retroactive.

#### **SECTION V**

Members placed on probation are not eligible for seasonal co-curricular athletic championships or first place trophies in Seasonal Volleyball, Seasonal Boys Basketball, Seasonal Girls Basketball, Conference One Act, Conference Speech, Vocal Music, Instrumental Music, Boys Track, Girls Track, and Golf. This shall expand to include any Lewis and Clark activities that are added at a future date. Members placed on probation remain eligible for the conference tournament in Volleyball, Girls Basketball and Boys Basketball.

**SECTION VII**

A plaque is given to administrators who serve at least ten years in the conference, upon their retiring or leaving the conference.

**ARTICLE VII - AMENDMENTS**

**SECTION I**

It shall require a 2/3 vote of the Conference membership to amend this constitution.

**SECTION II**

Amendments to the Constitution must be presented and discussed at a meeting of the Executive Committee. They shall again be presented at the next meeting of the Executive Committee, at which time a vote for approval on the proposed amendment shall be taken. This procedure may be suspended by a 3/4 vote of the members present.

**ARTICLE VIII - ACTIVITIES**

**SECTION I**

The activities of the Lewis and Clark Conference will be:

- |             |                           |
|-------------|---------------------------|
| Volleyball  | Academic Contest          |
| Basketball  | Vocal Music Clinic        |
| Boys Track  | Instrumental Music Clinic |
| Girls Track | Speech Contest            |
| Boys Golf   | Play Production Contest   |
|             | Art                       |

**SECTION II**

Officials, clinicians and judges hired for Conference activities must be registered with the Nebraska School Activities Association for those activities the NSAA recommends registration. Officials, clinicians and judges must be mutually agreed upon by a majority of the Conference membership.

### **SECTION III**

Each Conference member will be responsible for arranging their own Conference interschool competitive schedule.

### **SECTION IV**

It is required of all members that they be responsible for the actions of their fans and their own participants when other Conference teams or groups are visiting their respective athletic field or activities plant. Proper policing is required of Conference activity hosts. Sponsors or coaches of Conference schools are also to be held responsible for the conduct of their benches, players, participants and fans. Refer to Section III Article VI for disciplinary measures.

### **SECTION V**

The school district serving as the host will compete in the school district which was approved by the NSAA. If host school is a member of the Lewis & Clark Conference, they will be allowed to compete in L&C Conference activities. If the host school is not a member of the Lewis & Clark Conference, they shall not compete in L&C Conference activities.

## **ARTICLE X - VOLLEYBALL**

### **SECTION I**

Girls volleyball will be played on a seasonal basis. All provisions to follow the NSAA guidelines and regulations as outlined by the Board of Control.

Conference teams will be divided into three divisions for regular season play:

<u>Central</u>	<u>East</u>	<u>West</u>
Emerson-Hubbard	Allen	Bloomfield
Homer	Bancroft-Rosalie	Hartington
Ponca	Newcastle	Osmond
Wakefield	Walthill	Wausa
Winnebago	Winside	Wynot

Each division will play each member school in the division to determine divisional champion. The order of volleyball games will be C-B-A. A-team volleyball matches shall comply with the NSAA regulations. B-team volleyball matches shall be 2 out of 3 to 21 points with a cap of 21. C-team volleyball matches shall be 2 out of 3 to 15 points with a 15 point cap. B-team shall have a maximum of 12 minutes warm-up time. Division Conference standings will be determined by Conference Division win/loss records. In case of tie Conference Awards will be presented equally to top teams.

All Conference contests shall begin at 5:30 pm (CBA) and 6:00 p.m. (BA).

Triangular times shall be left up to the individual schools.

## **SECTION II**

The Lewis and Clark volleyball tournament semi-final and championship games will be held at the following sites:

2010-11	Bancroft
2011-12	Hartington
2012-13	Homer
2013-14	Ponca
2014-15	Wakefield
2015-16	Winnebago
2016-17	Wausa
2017-18	Allen
2018-19	Bancroft

## **SECTION III**

### **Conference Volleyball Tournament Procedures**

1. The Conference will appoint co-directors for the tournament with each to receive \$75.00 for arranging games, sites, officials, and mail two copies of the financial statement to each member school.
2. The tournament will be a three day tournament to be held on Monday, Tuesday, and Friday of week 17 of the NSAA calendar. Seeding for the tournament will take place Tuesday of week #15.
3. Round one will be held on Monday night at four (4) sites (seeds #1-4), with three games to be played at each site starting at 5:00 pm. Round two will be held on

Tuesday night at one site with two games starting at 6:00 pm. The finals will be one game at one site starting at 7:00 pm.

4. Tournament seeding to use all games played through Thursday of week 15. All teams will be seeded #1-16 according to their NSAA power points at the time of the seeding.
5. In case of ties for seeding, the following procedures will be used:
  - (a) Total season record as %.
  - (b) Head to head competition.
  - (c) Winning % vs. mutual opponents.
  - (d) Flip of coin.
6. One plaque should be awarded to each regular season division champion and two tournament plaques to be awarded, one to the champion and one to the runner-up.
7. The host school is to receive \$50 plus 20% of the gate.
8. NSAA Guidelines followed with the exception of volleyball cheerleaders in uniform will be admitted free.
9. Conference tournament play will be rally scoring, playing 3 out of 5 to 25, no cap.

#### **SECTION IV**

##### **Volleyball All-Conference Selection Procedure**

1. Selection of All-Conference volleyball players will be limited to 10 players in each division.
2. Coaches may nominate as many players as they want.
3. Coaches should list their nominations in order with their best player first, second best second, etc.
4. After all nominations have been given to the person in charge, each coach may be give a short summary on each of his players.
5. A ballot will be typed up and each coach will vote for what he considers to be the



- top twelve players.
6. Coaches don't vote for their own players.
  7. The coaches will assign 12 points to their first choice, 11 points to their second choice, 10 points to their third choice and so forth.
  8. The player receiving the most points will be considered the best player in that division. The top 10 point getters will be considered All-Conference.
  9. All players receiving a vote but not making the top 10 will receive Honorable Mention.
  10. If there is a tie between the 10th and 11th place players, there will be a re-vote on just the two or three tied players with the coaches of the players tied not voting. In the event of a tie vote after the third ballot, an extra medallion may be awarded.

## **ARTICLE XI - BASKETBALL**

### **SECTION I**

Varsity basketball will be played on a seasonal basis. The basketball game regularly scheduled during the week of the Conference master schedule is the game that counts in determining the regular season divisional champ.

Conference teams will be divided into three divisions for regular season play:

<u>Central</u>	<u>East</u>	<u>West</u>
Emerson-Hubbard	Allen	Bloomfield
Homer	Bancroft-Rosalie	Hartington
Ponca	Newcastle	Osmond
Wakefield	Walthill	Wausa
Winnebago	Winside	Wynot

### **SECTION II**

#### **A BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT WILL BE HELD EACH YEAR**

1. The tournament will begin on the NSAA calendar week 30. It will start on a Saturday and end on a Monday.
2. All teams will be seeded #1-16 according to their NSAA power points at the time of

the seeding. The seeding shall be held two weeks before the tournament conducted by the Director of the Tournament. For first round games, the host schools shall be placed on the top line of the bracket, to use all games played through Saturday of week 28.

3. The Conference will appoint co-directors for the tournament with each to receive \$75.00 for arranging games, sites, and officials.
4. NSAA rules and guidelines shall be followed in running the tournament. Except basketball cheerleaders in uniform will be admitted free.
5. The boys shall play their games on Monday, Thursday, Saturday and Monday.
6. The girls shall play their games on Saturday, Tuesday, Friday and Monday.
7. The top 4 seeds will host 1st round games. The #1 seed would have a bye. The #2 seed would host games between 7 vs 10 & 2 vs 15. The #3 seed would host games between 6 vs 11 & 3 vs 14. The #4 seed would host games between 5 vs 12 & 4 vs 13. The 8 seed would host the 9 seed in a single game at the site of the 8 seed. The host school will play the second game at each site. If a host school does not think they can host because of capacity or other factors they may pick an alternate site that is not being used. If a host picks a site outside of the conference, fees for rental and other expenses will be paid by the host unless given permission by the conference president.
8. Seed the consolation round according to closest losing seed. (Example 15th seed vs 14th seed.) The tournament directors will determine consolation bracket after 1st round games are completed. The lowest remaining losing seed after the 1st round does not play in the consolation round.
9. Consolation rounds will be played at one site beginning at 5:30pm. Only sites with 2 gymnasiums will serve as host sites for the consolation round. The teams playing in the second and third games of the consolation will warm-up in the auxiliary gym.

Teams must be given at least 5 minutes warm-up in the main gym.

10. Consolation sites:	<u>Girls</u>	<u>Boys</u>
2010-2011	Wakefield	Homer
2011-2012	Ponca	Winnebago
2012-2013	Bloomfield	Wakefield
2013-2014	Homer	Ponca
2014-2015	Winnebago	Bloomfield

9. First round games to be played at the top four seeded teams' gyms in each division, irregardless of gym size. The second round games shall be played as indicated below:

<u>Year</u>	<u>Lewis Division Boys</u>	<u>Lewis Division Girls</u>
2009-10	Homer	Wakefield
2010-11	Ponca	Winnebago
2011-12	Walthill	Bancroft-Rosalie
2012-13	Wakefield	Emerson-Hubbard
2013-14	Winnebago	Homer
2014-15	Bancroft-Rosalie	Ponca
2015-16	Emerson-Hubbard	Walthill
2016-17	Homer	Wakefield
2017-18	Ponca	Winnebago

<u>Year</u>	<u>Clark Division Boys</u>	<u>Clark Division Girls</u>
2009-10	Winside	Hartington
2010-11	Bloomfield	Osmond
2011-12	Hartington	Winside
2012-13	Wausa	Allen
2013-14	Allen	Bloomfield
2014-15	Winside	Hartington
2015-16	Bloomfield	Osmond
2016-17	Hartington	Winside
2017-18	Wausa	Allen

10. Receipts from the basketball tournament will be divided as follows:
- a) First round game - host school to receive \$100 or 10% of the gross, whichever is greater. Second and third round games, the host school to receive 20% of gross or \$150 per night, whichever is greater.
  - b) Official expense & championship site expense.

- c) Balance to Conference treasury.
11. Seeding Procedure: Tie breaking system.
- a) Total season record as %.
  - b) Head to head competition.
  - c) Winning % vs. mutual opponents.
  - d) Flip of coin.
12. The duties of Conference Secretary and Tournament Co-Directors will be to make arrangements at site selected, hiring and paying officials, arrange for the delivery and presentation of Conference trophy, and handle programming and advertising.
13. Basketball Tournament Postponement/Cancellation procedures.
- a) If the first round game for the girls, on Saturday, is postponed, the Conference will run the girls first round games on Monday and the boys first round games will be played on Tuesday. Girls second round games will be played on Wednesday night.
  - b) If the first round game for the boys, on Monday, is postponed, the Conference will move the boys' first round games to the following Tuesday. This will move the quarter-finals for girls to Wednesday and the boys to Thursday. The semi-finals will proceed as usual on Friday and the finals on Monday.
  - c) If the girls' quarter-final games, on Tuesday, are postponed, the Conference will run the girls quarter final games on Wednesday and boys quarter-final games on Thursday and proceed as planned with the semi-finals and finals.
  - d) If the boys' quarter-final games, on Thursday, are postponed, move the boys' quarter-final games to Friday. The semi-finals would then be played on Saturday, with the finals to be on Monday
  - e) If the semi-finals, on Friday, are postponed, move the semi-finals to Saturday, with the finals to be on Monday.
  - f) If the finals on Monday night are postponed, the finals will be played on the following Wednesday night.
  - g) If the first five nights of the tournament are postponed, there will be a shortened tournament with the top four seeded teams in each division. The quarter-finals games will be played on Friday night with the top-seeded

boys' team to be the home site, providing the school is listed in the Lewis and Clark Constitution as a host site able to accommodate the boys tournament games.

- h) If the first six nights are postponed, cancel the tournament.
- j) Officials' contracts: A statement should be added to the contracts indicating an alternate schedule.

### **SECTION III**

#### **Basketball All-Conference Selection Procedure**

1. Selection of All-Conference basketball Players will be limited to 8 players in each division.
2. Coaches may nominate as many players as they want.
3. Coaches should list their nominations in order with their best player first, second best second, etc.
4. After all nominations have been given to the person in charge, each coach may give a short summary on each of his players.
6. A ballot will be typed up and each coach will vote for what he considers to be the top ten players.
7. Coaches can not vote for their own players.
8. The coaches will assign 10 points to his first choice, 9 points to his second choice, 8 points to his third choice and so forth.
9. The player receiving the most points will be considered the best player in that division. The top 8 point getters will be considered All-Conference.
10. All players receiving a vote but not making the top eight will receive Honorable Mention.
11. If there is a tie between the 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> place players, there will be a re-vote on just the two or three tied players with the coaches of the players not voting. In the event a tie vote still exists after the third ballot, an extra medallion may be awarded.



9. The host school is responsible for posting scores. All cards will be made up prior to the meet by the Conference Meet Director.
10. 1:00 p.m. start time unless a different time is dictated by the individual golf course.
11. There will be a Junior Varsity Division. Schools are limited to 5 JV golf participants. The Junior Varsity Division will not be scored and no awards will be given.

**SECTION III                      AWARDS AND PLAYOFFS**

1. The conference will award individual medals to the top 10 individuals. Five medals will be awarded to the top two teams. Inserts will be awarded to the top two teams.
2. All playoffs will begin on the same hole.
3. Playoffs will be used to break all ties that involve the top ten individual places.
4. Ties will be broken in sudden death.
5. A team playoff will be used to break ties involving the top two team placings. This will be full-team playoff with all players starting on the same hole. Four-man team totals will be used and compared. Play will continue until the tie is broken

**ARTICLE XIII - TRACK**

**SECTION I**

The Boys and Girls Conference Track Meet will be held approximately two weeks before the District Track Meet. All schools must participate to be in "good Conference standing."

Lewis and Clark Conference Track Meet site rotation:

2010	Hartington
2011	Winnebago
2012	Wakefield

**SECTION II** The Conference track meet directors are responsible for contacting the starter, judges, timers, video personnel, and any other necessary personnel to hold the track meet at the site as selected by Conference membership. The directors will prepare

a financial statement and mail two copies to each member school. A financial statement plus all bills must be presented to the Conference Secretary-Treasurer.

### **SECTION III**

Conference Track Meet scoring will be done on a eight place, 10-8-6-5-4-3-2-1 basis. Each school will be allowed a maximum of three entries in each race or event and one team in each relay. The 400 and 800 meter races will be reheated the day of the Conference meet. NSAA rules will apply in regard to what events a participant may compete in. Heat leader systems will be decided by the Conference membership each year.

### **SECTION IV**

The Conference Track Meet director will be responsible for the presentation of medals. The Conference Track championship trophy and runner-up trophy will be presented by the director at the conclusion of the Conference Track Meet.

### **SECTION V**

Conference schools hosting high school track meets shall not convene meet prior to 1:00 p.m. on school days.

### **SECTION VI**

The Conference will appoint the Conference Track Meet director and he/she shall be reimbursed \$150 per year.

## **ARTICLE XIV - VOCAL MUSIC CLINIC**

### **SECTION I**

Vocal Music Clinic will include only members of the Conference who will be expected to participate in this event to remain in "good Conference standing." Additional details on the operation of the Conference Vocal Clinic and Honor Choir, see handbook as approved, Fall 1987.



## **SECTION II**

The Vocal Music Clinic Director will be responsible for making the necessary arrangements with the clinician, providing for the scheduling of activities for the day, concert to begin at 7:00 p.m., assessing the cost of a meal for students, provide for advertising and programming, distribution of music to the participating schools at least four weeks prior to the Music Clinic. Two copies of the financial statement must be mailed to each member school and same to the Conference Treasurer which will also include the remaining receipts and/or expenses.

## **SECTION III**

The Vocal Music Director will make the financial report for the Vocal Music Clinic. This report includes clinicians costs, accompanist, postage, programs and advertising. Clinic music: two new selections per year with the balance of music selected from the Conference Library.

## **SECTION IV**

The Conference Vocal Clinic shall be hosted on an alphabetical rotation basis.

<b><u>YEAR</u></b>	<b><u>LEWIS DIVISION</u></b>	<b><u>CLARK DIVISION</u></b>
2010-11	Ponca	Osmond
2011-12	Wakefield	Wausa
2012-13	Walthill	Winside
2013-14	Winnebago	Wynot
2014-15	Allen	Bloomfield
2015-16	Bancroft-Rosalie	Hartington
2016-17	Emerson-Hubbard	Newcastle
2017-18	Homer	Osmond

## **SECTION V**

The school with the largest audience attendance, excluding the host school, will receive a plaque.

## **SECTION VI**

Music directors will not hold planning meetings during clinics.

## **SECTION VII**

Each school shall have a minimum of one member selected to honor choir to remain in good Conference standing.

## **ARTICLE XV - INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC CLINIC**

### **SECTION I**

The Instrumental Music Clinic will include only member schools of the Conference. They will be expected to participate in this event to remain in "Good Conference Standing." The Instrumental Music Clinic will be limited to students in grades 9-12.

### **SECTION II**

The Instrumental Music Clinic Directors will be responsible for making the necessary arrangements with the clinician, providing for the scheduling of activities for the day and evening, assessing meal costs for students, provide for advertising and programming, distribution of music to the participating schools at least four weeks prior to the Clinic and to prepare a financial statement of the Clinic. Two copies of the financial statement must be mailed to each member school and the same to the Conference Treasurer which will also include the remaining receipts and/or expenses.

### **SECTION III**

The Lewis and Clark Conference band clinic "Honor Band" shall be held on the Saturday of week 29 of the NSAA calendar. That both halves of the Conference be combined and have the clinic at a central location, such as Wayne State College.

That the band clinic will consist of two bands:

1. A Senior Honor Band made up of 11th and 12th grade students and exceptional 10th graders as needed for proper instrumentation.
2. A Junior Honor Band open to only 9th and 10th grade students.

That there be a guest clinician hired for each band.

That the Conference President set a time for all Conference band directors to meet at a central location on the third Wednesday in October to set up the clinic.

The selection process for student personnel will be by nominations from each Conference band director. Each school will be able to bring up to 25% of their band, based on their current band enrollment of grades 9-12 with a guarantee that each school may have a minimum of 10 students participating in the clinic. The students from each school would be divided between the two honor bands. All-State members will be automatically included into the Conference Senior Honor Band.

That judges for chair placement auditions should be determined by each director's major instrument. Each director should list what he/she would feel comfortable auditioning.

All members of both honor bands will receive certificates with medals to be awarded to the first two chairs in both bands. Any section that has only one person (contra-bass clarinet, bassoon, etc.) will not automatically receive a first chair medal. This decision would be left up to the director in charge of the audition.

The clinic shall be held at a central location. The schools responsible for serving as directors of the Conference Instrumental Clinic shall be as follows:

**SECTION IV**

**Host Schedule**

<b><u>YEAR</u></b>	<b><u>LEWIS DIVISION</u></b>	<b><u>CLARK DIVISION</u></b>
2010-11	Wakefield	Newcastle
2011-12	Allen	Osmond
2012-13	Bancroft-Rosalie	Wausa
2013-14	Walthill	Winside
2014-15	Winnebago	Wynot
2015-16	Emerson-Hubbard	Bloomfield
2016-17	Homer	Hartington
2017-18	Ponca	Newcastle
2018-19	Wakefield	Osmond

## **SECTION V**

The school with the largest audience attendance will receive a small plaque.

## **SECTION VI**

The Music Library is located in Ponca and the Librarian is to be reimbursed \$200 annually.

## **SECTION VII**

Music Directors shall not hold planning meetings during clinics.

# **ARTICLE XVI - SPEECH & PLAY PRODUCTION**

## **SECTION I**

Speech and Play Production will be held each school year on separate dates preceding the District Contests. Conference schools must participate in at least one of these two events to maintain "good Conference standing."

Lewis and Clark play production contests will be held on Monday of Week 21 of the NSAA calendar. The host school will schedule a snow date that is as close as possible to the original event date. This date will be announced at the first Activity Meeting each year.

Lewis and Clark Speech contests will be held on Saturday of Week 34 of the NSAA calendar. The host school will schedule a snow date that is as close as possible to the original event date. This date will be announced at the first Activity Meeting each year.

## **SECTION II**

The conference will form a committee at the end of the school year to hire judges for the conference speech and one act play production meet for the following year. The committee would consist of the coaches or contest directors from the prior year, current year, and following year. Since there is a separate speech contest and one act play production for each division, there would be two separate committees. The directors for the Speech and Play Production will be responsible for making site arrangements,

contracting registered judges and preparing the schedule of activities for the day.

Each Conference school shall be permitted two (2) entries in each individual event, two (2) OID's, and two (2) Duet Acting Teams at the Conference Speech Contest. A contestant may enter no more than two events.

Criteria for presentation of the Speech Trophy to the winning school shall be based upon the NSAA entry guidelines using the following point system: Superior 4, Excellent 3, Good 2, Fair 1. NSAA rules will be followed in all aspects of the contest. Medals will be awarded to all finalists places 1-6. Speech rounds with eight or fewer entries do not have finals, consequently, in those rounds the top four places in the first round will be ranked and additional points assigned, as if in the finals, to count toward the Sweepstakes trophy points. The director will also prepare two copies of the results and financial statement to be mailed to each member school and the Conference Secretary-Treasurer.

### **SECTION III**

Play Production will be held in two divisions. The contest directors shall be responsible for presenting medallions to the two best actors and two best actresses at each contest and plaque inserts to the winning schools. The Speech directors shall be responsible for presenting medallions at each division contest.

### **SECTION IV**

The rotation shall be as follows:

#### **PLAY PRODUCTION**

<b><u>YEAR</u></b>	<b><u>LEWIS DIVISION</u></b>	<b><u>CLARK DIVISION</u></b>
2010-11	Ponca	Wausa
2011-12	Wakefield	Winside
2012-13	Walthill	Wynot
2013-14	Winnebago	Bloomfield
2014-15	Bancroft-Rosalie	Hartington
2015-16	Emerson-Hubbard	Newcastle
2016-17	Homer	Osmond
2017-18	Ponca	Wausa

## SPEECH

<u>YEAR</u>	<u>LEWIS DIVISION</u>	<u>CLARK DIVISION</u>
2010-11	Emerson-Hubbard	Newcastle
2011-12	Homer	Osmond
2012-13	Ponca	Wausa
2013-14	Wakefield	Winside
2014-15	Walthill	Wynot
2015-16	Winnebago	Bloomfield
2016-17	Allen	Hartington
2017-18	Bancroft-Rosalie	Newcastle
2018-19	Emerson-Hubbard	Osmond

## ARTICLE XVII – ART EXHIBIT

### SECTION I

The number of entries for each school for the Conference Art Exhibit shall be a maximum of 15 entries per school, of students currently enrolled in grades K-12.

### SECTION II

The annual art exhibit shall be divided into two divisions. The host school each year in each division shall be the school that is serving as the host for their respective speech meet. An awards presentation for the Art exhibit will be held at the speech meet. The host school shall be responsible for set-up and presentation of awards.

### SECTION III

There will be no traveling art exhibit. Each site will award one-half of the ribbons and one best of show ribbon. One judge will be hired to judge both sites. The rotation for hiring the art show judge will be as follows:

<u>SECTION IV</u>	<u>Rotation</u>
2010-11	Emerson-Hubbard
2011-12	Osmond
2012-13	Ponca
2013-14	Winside
2014-15	Walthill
2015-16	Bloomfield
2016-17	Allen
2017-18	Newcastle

## **ARTICLE XVIII ACADEMIC CONTEST**

### **SECTION I**

The following is an outline of details for the Conference Academic Contest.

1. The Quiz Bowl competition will be held on Tuesday of the 19th week of the standard NSAA calendar.
2. Each Conference School will have two teams of four members each. One team will be made up of two freshmen and two sophomores and the other team made up of two juniors and two seniors. Each school will decide how to select team members.
3. Competition will be made up of two levels. One level for freshmen-sophomore teams and the other of junior-senior teams. Two levels of questions will be used and the competition will be double elimination. Approximately 80% of the question pool will be from subject areas of English, Science, Math, and Social Studies. Approximately 20% of the questions will be from other subject areas. Questions for each contest will be selected at random.
4. Initial pairings of schools teams in the competition will be done by drawing before the contest. Sample questions and pairings will be sent to schools ahead of time.
5. In each contest a minimum of 8 questions and maximum of 12 questions will be used except in the case of ties at the end of 12 questions. If one team has “closed out” the other team after 8 or more questions, the contest will end. All questions will be “toss-up” questions with the team ringing the buzzer and their light first having the right to answer first. A correct answer will score two points. A wrong answer will give the other team a chance to answer. A correct answer for this team would score two points.
6. If tied after twelve questions, additional questions will be given with the first team scoring winning.
7. After each toss-up question is asked, the teams will have a maximum of 15 seconds to ring the buzzer. The team member buzzing will answer the question and have

5 seconds to answer. If the answer is incorrect, the question may be repeated and the other team will be given an additional 15 seconds to confer and begin their answer. If neither team attempts an answer to the question with the allotted time, no points are scored and the contest proceeds to the next question.

8. Challenge Criteria - Students on a team may challenge the validity of an answer during a match. The challenge must be reasonable and occur immediately after a team answers the question and before the next question is asked. The judges will make a determination on the challenge with possible assistance from sponsors/coaches. No challenges will be allowed after a match is complete and challenges must come from team members only.
9. The Conference will appoint a permanent chair to coordinate the Conference Quiz Bowl on an annual basis. Each contest will be directed by a judge from the conference rotation schools who will ask the questions and determine the validity of the answers. The judge may consult with the timekeeper on answers. Answers need to be sufficiently complete and unique enough to distinguish them from other answers. The judge's decision will be final. A timekeeper will keep track of the time and keep score.
10. Conference medals will be awarded to the first and second place teams in each level. Conference plates will be awarded to the schools who place in first and second place. There will be no playoff between levels.
11. Students will be allowed to use pencils, pens and paper during the competition. Calculators meeting ACT sanction are permitted for use.



## ACADEMIC CONTEST ROTATION

2007-2008	Hartington, Emerson-Hubbard, Wausa, Allen
2008-2009	Emerson-Hubbard, Wausa, Allen, Wynot
2009-2010	Wausa, Allen, Wynot, Walthill
2010-2011	Allen, Wynot, Walthill, Bancroft-Rosalie
2011-2012	Wynot, Walthill, Bancroft-Rosalie, Osmond
2012-2013	Walthill, Bancroft-Rosalie, Osmond, Bloomfield
2013-2014	Bancroft-Rosalie, Osmond, Bloomfield, Winside
2014-2015	Osmond, Bloomfield, Winside, Ponca
2015-2016	Bloomfield, Winside, Ponca, Newcastle
2016-2017	Winside, Ponca, Newcastle, Wakefield
2017-2018	Ponca, Newcastle, Wakefield, Winnebago
2018-2019	Newcastle, Wakefield, Winnebago, Coleridge
2019-2020	Wakefield, Winnebago, Coleridge, Homer

## SECTION II

### Superintendent's Award

1. The Lewis & Clark Conference acknowledges the importance of an academic education in conjunction with the extra curricular activities. The conference has established a scholastic recognition division to its program of activities.
2. Student Eligibility:
  - a. Students must be a bona fide student in grades 11 and 12.
  - b. A student may only be awarded this recognition once and will be awarded a medal and certificate.
  - c. The medal will be engraved "SCHOLASTIC ALL-CONFERENCE"
  - d. Students will receive recognition as an all-conference academic.
  - e. The level of achievement will be a composite score of twenty-eight (28) on the ACT test.
  - f. Verification of test scores must be in the hands of the conference president at least seven (7) days prior to the April meeting of the executive council.
  - g. Recommended by Superintendent.
  - h. Must be involved in one conference activity.

### **SECTION III**

#### **Principal's Award**

1. This award is given only to Juniors and Seniors who have an accumulative G.P.A. (cumulative from 9th through 12th grade) of 3.5 or higher and must be involved in one conference activity.
2. Procedure:
  - a. At the end of the first semester, and no later than January 20th, conference Principals will send a list of all students who qualify to the Principal of the conference president.
  - b. The principal will send awarded certificates back to the qualifying students at their respective schools.
  - c. The principal will send a list of team member names to the conference president who will compile the names and forward to the following newspapers and all principals.
    1. Norfolk Daily News
    2. Omaha World Herald
  - d. Individual principals will have the responsibility of forwarding the same information to their respective local newspapers.
  - e. Seniors who are repeating award winners should be noted in all news releases as such.

## ARTICLE XIX - AWARDS

### SECTION I

The Awards Committee shall consist of the President-Elect, Secretary-Treasurer and two elected members whose terms shall be non-expiring. One from each division of the Conference.

The Awards Committee shall prepare a report of their plans for the upcoming year at the April meeting. Such report to be included on the agenda of that meeting.

The Awards Committee will purchase each school year the following awards:

**Volleyball:** 3 Division Champion Plaque Inserts  
(1 Central, 1 East, 1 West)  
36 All-Conference Gold Medallions  
Honorable Mention Certificates supplied as needed

**Volleyball  
Tournament:** 1 Tournament Champion Plaque Insert  
1 Tournament Runner-Up Plaque Insert  
14 Tournament Champion Gold Medallions with 3/4" Ribbon  
14 Tournament Runner-Up Silver Medallions with 3/4" Ribbon  
Honorable Mention Certificates supplied as needed

**Boys  
Basketball:** 3 Division Champion Plaque Inserts  
(1 Central, 1 East, 1 West)  
30 All Conference Gold Medallions  
Honorable Mention Certificates supplied as needed

**Girls  
Basketball:** 3 Division Champion Plaque Inserts  
(1 Central, 1 East, 1 West)  
30 All Conference Gold Medallions  
Honorable Mention Certificates supplied as needed

**Boys & Girls  
Conference  
Basketball  
Tournament:** 2 Tournament Champion Inserts  
(1 boys - 1 girls)  
2 Tournament Runner-Up Inserts  
(1 boys - 1 girls)  
12 Boys Tournament Champion Gold Medallions with 3/4" Ribbon  
12 Boys Tournament Runner-Up Silver Medallions with 3/4" Ribbon  
12 Girls Tournament Champion Gold Medallions with 3/4" Ribbon  
12 Girls Tournament Runner-Up Silver Medallions with 3/4" Ribbon

**One-Act Play Production:** 2 Divisional Championship Plaque Inserts  
2 Divisional Runner-Up Plaque Inserts  
4 Best Actor Gold Medallions  
4 Best Actress Gold Medallions

**Speech:** 2 Divisional Championship Plaque Inserts  
2 Divisional Runner - Up Plaque Inserts  
168 Medallions – Places 1-6 in each event

**Academic Contest** 8 Gold medals, 8 Silver medals: 4 each for Senior and Junior teams.

**Vocal Music:** 1 Permanent Plaque 7" x 9"  
Certificates shall be awarded to all participants. Approximately 320.  
A maximum of 48 medallions shall be awarded to Superior musicians.  
24 per division.

**Instrumental Music:** 1 Permanent Plaque 7" x 9"  
Certificates shall be awarded to all participants. Approximately 200.  
A maximum of 90 medallions shall be awarded to Superior musicians.

**Boys Track:** 1 Boys Conference Track Championship Plaque Insert  
1 Boys Conference Track Runner-Up Plaque Insert  
104 Medallions: 13 events @ 8 (1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>)  
Relays 96 Medallions: 3 Relays @ 32 (4 runners x 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>)

**Girls Track:** 1 Girls Conference Track Championship Plaque Insert  
1 Girls Conference Track Runner-Up Plaque Insert  
104 Medallions: 13 events @ 8 (1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>)  
Relays 96 Medallions: 3 Relays @ 32 (4 runners x 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>)

**Art:** 20 Gold, 20 Silver, and 20 Bronze medallions for each side of the  
Conference and one best of show medallion for each side of the  
Conference.  
Certificates shall be awarded to all participants.

**Superintendent Awards/Principal Awards** to be ordered after the first semester.

## **ARTICLE XX - FINANCES**

### **SECTION I**

The director of any Conference activity will regard finances according to the article which identifies his activity. Any report of a net loss will be immediately reported to the Conference Secretary-Treasurer for payment. Any contest which deems it necessary for an entry fee must meet with the approval of the Conference President. Entry fees paid are non-refundable unless the Conference activity is canceled.

### **SECTION II**

At the end of each school year a financial statement prepared in duplicate of the Conference Treasury must be made available to each member listing receipts and expenditures of the Lewis and Clark Conference for the school year. In the event the Conference shows a net loss, Conference members will be assessed an amount equal to each that meets the loss.

## **ARTICLE XXI - ADMISSION**

### **SECTION I**

Admission for all conference events in which admission is charged shall be \$5.00 for adults and \$4.00 for students. Admission charges for any other Conference sponsored activity will be left at the discretion of the conference membership. It is recommended that no admission be charged uniformed cheerleaders for Conference activities.

### **SECTION II**

Admission charges to the Lewis and Clark Conference Volleyball and Basketball Tournaments and the Conference track meet shall be \$5.00 for adults and \$4.00 for students. Cheerleaders in uniform admitted free of charge should not exceed the numbers of cheerleaders listed on the program.

### **SECTION III**

Lewis and Clark Conference activities hosted by individual school districts are

considered to be conference events and therefore the provisions of the Elementary and Secondary Public School Student Fees Act do not govern these activities. Local school district student fee policies are not applicable to Conference activities and only those passes and the admissions regulations as outlined in Article XXII, sections I and II of the Lewis and Clark Constitution are applicable.

## **ARTICLE XXII - PASSES**

### **SECTION I**

Conference passes will be allowed each school year for each member school in "good Conference standing" as follows:

1. One pass for each certified employee of the member school and spouse.
2. Four passes to be used for bus drivers.
3. One pass for each member of the Board of Education.

### **SECTION II**

The Conference pass will admit the holder and spouse to all regularly scheduled Conference activities except tournaments hosted by the Conference.

Special passes will be provided for the Conference Basketball Tournament and Conference Volleyball Tournament as follows:

A total of 40 passes for basketball and 26 for volleyball.

The passes should be labeled (color coded student/adult) and distributed in the following manner:

<b><u>Basketball</u></b>	<b><u>Volleyball</u></b>
Girls - 15	Girls - 18
Boys - 15	Adults - 8
Adults - 10	

Student passes would be marked "Players Pass Only" and honored at both boys and girls sites.

## **ARTICLE XXIII - LEWIS & CLARK FEE SCHEDULE**

### **SECTION I**

Mileage	The mileage reimbursement rate for conference activities is the NSAA rate.
Instrumental Clinic:	\$400 + mileage not to exceed \$475. Mileage rate is the NSAA rate. Host schools will provide hospitality at their own expense.
Vocal Clinic:	\$400 + mileage not to exceed \$475. Mileage rate is the NSAA rate. Accompanist: \$100 per division. Host schools will provide hospitality at their own expense.
Play Production: Speech:	2 judges to be paid NSAA district rate and mileage. 6 judges to be paid NSAA district rate and mileage.
Art:	\$100 + mileage; not to exceed a total of \$150. Mileage rate is the NSAA rate.
Volleyball Tournament:	Pay officials 110% of what the NSAA pays for sub-district pay, no mileage.
Basketball Tournament:	Pay officials 110% of what the NSAA pays for sub-district pay, no mileage.
Track Referee:	\$75.00
Golf	Golf Tournament Director will be paid \$50.00.

### **SECTION II**

On April 29, 1987 at the Lewis & Clark Conference meeting, motion was passed to charge no entry fee for the Conference Vocal and Instrumental Clinics, Speech Contest and the One-Act Play Production.

### **SECTION III**

The Conference Constitution Committee shall consist of three members, appointed annually by the Conference President with one representative from each side (1 Lewis, 1 Clark) and a third representative elected at large. The Constitution Committee shall prepare conference updates and changes for presentation at the April meeting.

#### **Lewis and Clark Past Conference Chairman**

2019-2020	Osmond
2018-2019	Bancroft-Rosalie
2017-2018	Newcastle
2016-2017	Allen
2015-2016	Wakefield
2014-2015	Homer
2013-2014	Wynot
2012-2013	Winnebago
2011-2012	Jeff Messersmith, Winside
2010-2011	Randy Anderson, Hartington
2009-2010	William Thompson, Ponca
2008-2009	Ed Stansberry, Walthill
2007-2008	Dan Hoelsing, Coleridge
2006-2007	Bob Marks, Wausa
2005-2006	Tom Becker, Emerson-Hubbard
2004-2005	Vicki Caldwell, Newcastle
2003-2004	Jon Cerny, Bancroft-Rosalie
2002-2003	Ted Hillman, Osmond
2001-2002	Dan Hamil, Allen
2000-2001	Mike Moody, Wakefield
1999-2000	Mel Waldner, Homer
1998-1999	Ted Hillman, Wynot
1997-1998	Virgil Likness, Winnebago
1996-1997	Don Leighton, Winside
1995-1996	Kevin Johnson, Ponca
1994-1995	Don Flakus, Hartington
1993-1994	Rich Schlesselman, Walthill
1992-1993	Bill Schnoor, Coleridge
1991-1992	Rhonda Carstens, Emerson-Hubbard
1990-1991	Robert Rogers, Wausa
1989-1990	Bill Lewis, Bancroft-Rosalie
1988-1989	Jim Walker, Osmond



1987-1988	Ernie Heidt, Beemer
1986-1987	Tedsen Hillman, Wynot
1985-1986	Heckathorn, Allen
1984-1985	Darwin Hartman, Wakefield
1983-1984	Judkins, Newcastle
1982-1983	Donald Leighton, Winside
1981-1982	Mel Waldner, Homer
1980-1981	Dan Flakus, Hartington
1979-1980	Lionel Froseth, Ponca
1978-1979	Bill Schnoor, Coleridge
1977-1978	Mel Waldner, Homer
1976-1977	Kevin Johnson, Wausa
1975-1976	Lange, Newcastle
1974-1975	Vanderheiden, Osmond
1973-1974	Ferebee, Walthill
1972-1973	Donald Leighton, Winside
1971-1972	Carlson, Homer
1970-1971	Carr, Emerson
1969-1970	Carr, Emerson
1968-1969	Heikens, Allen
1967-1968	Thompson, Emerson
1966-1967	Krause, Norfolk Catholic