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Trio Set to Retire at End of School Year

Columbia, Mo.- A trio of assistant directors will be retiring from the Missouri State High School Activities Association (MSHSAA) office at the end of the school year. Current Assistant Executive Directors Davine Davis, Kenny Seifert and Greg Stahl will be retiring following the completion of the 2022-2023 year.

Davis joined the MSHSAA staff in July of 2004. Along with music, Davis is also responsible for administering girls volleyball, spirit groups (sideline cheer and dance), performance groups for state wrestling and basketball; sanctions, eligibility (foreign student and waivers) and all rulebook mailings. Prior to this position Davis served as an instrumental music director in northwest Missouri and southwest Iowa. During her service in the MSHSAA office, Davis has also administered the sports of Tennis as well as Swimming & Diving.

In addition to strengthening relationships with music director across the state of Missouri, Davis helped establish Missouri as one of the leading states in the country. Davis has served on the NFHS Education Committee as well as the NFHS Spirit Rules Committee. Under her watch, Missouri pioneered music festival software to help facilitate district and state festivals. The Association was able to streamline the process from a third-party site to the MSHSAA website, thanks to Davis' experience. In addition to the festival manager portal, the Association was able to create an online sanctioning system on the MSHSAA website.

A native of northwest Missouri, Davis earned a Bachelor's of Science degree in Education from Northwest Missouri State University as well as a Master's Degree in Education. She earned a Specialist in Education Leadership in Secondary Administration from Northwest also. Davis began her teaching career as a music teacher with Stanberry R-II schools, before joining the staff at North Nodaway R-VI. In 1997, Davis joined the staff of Bedford Community Schools just across the Iowa border prior to joining the MSHSAA office.

Originally from Indiana, Seifert joined the MSHSAA office staff in 2017 after long coaching and administrative careers in both the high school and the college ranks. Seifert has overseen the officiating program for the Association, as well as the sport of tennis. Seifert has been



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instrumental in developing not only recruiting programs for new officials, but also developing retention programs.

Prior joining the office staff, Seifert had a very productive stay as Athletic and Activities Director for Moberly Public Schools, where he earned the MIAAA NE District AD of the Year Award twice. He had returned to Moberly after serving as Head Men's Basketball Coach at Moberly Area Community College. Seifert also enjoyed college coaching stints at Sullivan Junior College as well as the University of Tennessee at Chattanooga.

In addition to his administrative duties, Seifert is also a collegiate basketball official. He is on staff with the American Midwest Conference, the Heart of America Conference, the Great Lake Valley Conference and the St. Louis Intercollegiate Athletic Conference.

After earning an Associate of Science & Accounting from Sullivan Junior College, Seifert earned a Bachelor's of Science in Business Administration degree from Oakland City College. He earned a Master's degree in Management from Webster University.

In February of 2010, Stahl joined the MSHSAA office staff. He would initially be responsible for overseeing wrestling, football officials, speech, debate & theatre, and tennis. Since his first year at MSHSAA other duties have included overseeing the officials program and football, and he currently he oversees wrestling, golf, and sports medicine along with general eligibility and full family transfers. During his time at MSHSAA, Stahl has served on a number of governing boards and committees, including the NFHS Wrestling Rules Committee, NFHS Football Rules Committee, National Wrestling Hall of Fame-Missouri Chapter and NWCA (National Wrestling Coaches Association) Blue Ribbon Task Force, a group of nationwide stakeholders with interest in research and growth for the sport of wrestling.

Stahl was instrumental with onboarding the use of TrackWrestling in Missouri for the purposes of weight management and event management. While working with the NWCA and TrackWrestling, Stahl led the development of an automated seeding program for seeding district tournaments.

During the 2016-17 school year, Stahl advocated across the state for the start of girls wrestling as a sex-separated sport. While the conversations with MSHSAA member schools focused on an "if we build it, they will come" mentality, his continued encouragement for starting girls wrestling came to actualization in April of 2018 when member schools voted overwhelmingly in favor of adding girls wrestling as a MSHSAA-sanctioned sport.



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A Trenton native, Stahl earned a Bachelor's of Science from Missouri Valley College after completing his collegiate wrestling career for the Vikings. He also earned a Master's degree in Education from William Woods University.

Stahl's education career began at Versailles Middle/High School as a middle school science coach, along with football, wrestling and baseball coaching duties. He also taught middle school science at Marceline Middle/High School while also serving as a football and wrestling coach for the Tigers. He returned to Versailles High School as an assistant principal before moving to Plattsburg High School to be an assistant principal and athletic director.

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