



April 5, 2019

MEMORANDUM

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FROM: Justin Harrison, Associate Executive Director for Athletic Services

SUBJECT: Athletic Directors Advisory Committee Meeting

The Athletic Directors Advisory Committee will be meeting on **Wednesday, April 3, 2019 at 9:00 AM** in the FHSAA Office at 1801 NW 80th Boulevard, Gainesville. Enclosed you will find the meeting agenda. Items, if any, from Sports Medicine and Basketball will not be available until after those meetings have occurred. Items not on the agenda or submitted late are for discussion only.

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- Jake Von Scherrer
- Josh Vandergrift
- Jessica Upchurch
- Chad Bishop
- Marcus Gabriel
- Mark Marsala
- Roger Mayo
- Mike Ostrowski

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Please send this form back to [Ed Thompson](#) via email with your RSVP if you are to be in attendance.

We look forward to seeing you on Wednesday, April 3, 2019.

Attachments

Cc: FHSAA Executive Director
FHSAA Assistant Executive Director for Administrative Services
FHSAA Assistant Executive Director for Compliance & Eligibility Services
FHSAA Director of Eligibility
FHSAA Athletic Services Staff
FHSAA Finance Services



AGENDA

Florida High School Athletic Association Athletic Directors Advisory Committee Meeting

April 3, 2019 - 9:00 AM

Robert W. Hughes FHSAA Building
Gainesville, Florida

1. Welcome, introductions, purpose
2. Review agenda and verify completion of expense vouchers
3. Approval of January 16, 2019 ADAC meeting minutes
4. Review of April 11, 2018 ADAC meeting minutes
5. Student Athlete Advisory Committee
6. Review minutes and recommendations of the following committee meetings
 - a. Wrestling – Robbie Lindeman
 - 1) Recommendations
 - a. Wild Card Selections
 - b. Girls Wrestling
 - c. Weight Management Violations
 - 2) Discussion
 - b. Cheer – Kellie Doucette
 - c. Basketball – Frank Beasley & Ed Thompson
 - d. Soccer – Alex Ozuna & Corey Sobers
 - 1) Recommendations
 - a. Noisemakers
 - b. Roster Size
 - c. Soccer Officiating System
 - d. MaxPreps RPI
 - e. Officials Arrival Time
 - f. Increase Season Length
 - 2) Discussion
 - e. Officials Advisory Committee (Winter) – Jeremy Hernandez
 - f. Sports Medicine Advisory Committee – Justin Harrison / Kellie Doucette
7. General Recommendations
 - a. Photo Credentials for Athletic Directors and School Administrators – Scott Drabczyk



8. Open agenda (discussion only)
 - a. Swimming & Diving District Planning Meeting Dates
 - b. Post-game Handshakes

9. Adjournment



MINUTES

Florida High School Athletic Association Athletic Directors Advisory Committee Meeting

January 16, 2019 - 9:00 AM

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Gainesville, Florida

1. Welcome
 - a. Present - Jody Phillips, Scott Drabczyk, Alison Forsyth, Mark Marsala, Jay Getty, M. Ostrowski, Jessica Upchurch, Frank Beasley (FHSAA), Alex Ozuna (FHSAA), Kellie Doucette (FHSAA), Robbie Lindeman (FHSAA), Justin Harrison (FHSAA), Ed Thompson (FHSAA), Ashton Moseley (FHSAA), Karlee Smith (FHSAA), Gabby Krajniak (FHSAA), Corey Sobers (FHSAA), Jeremy Hernandez (FHSAA), Ron Allan, Roger Mayo, Laura Fredrickson, Chad Bishop, Jake von Scherrer, Marcus Gabriel, Josh Vandergrift
 - b. Chair- J Phillips nominates Jake von Scherrer 14-0 approved
 - c. Vice Chair- J Phillips nominates Roger Mayo 14-0 approved
2. Review agenda
3. Approval of Sept 5 Meeting minutes
 - a. R Mayo motion to approve, M Gabriel 2nd 14-0
4. Review of Jan 10 meeting minutes
5. Review of committee meeting minutes
6. Volleyball –
 - a. 7-7-1
 - OAC felt no change was necessary for this (good officials already do so)
 - J Getty, no harm in adding the verbiage to make sure all officials follow
 - According to NFHS we are allowed to create our own warmup rules
 - Volleyball Advisory Committee unanimously voted for this
 - J Getty motion to approve, M Ostrowski 2nd 14-0
 - J Phillips- need to be clear on the verbiage
 - Need a whistle to stop the visiting team warm up and a whistle to start the home team warm up.
 - b. Bench Area –
 - Committee would like student section to sit opposite of team benches, if available
 - Motion to deny S Drabczyk, 2nd R Allan 14-0
 - Scott believes this should be a game management issue- on the schools
 - J Getty- schools only pull out one side of the bench
 - J Harrison- agrees this is a conduct issue and should be on the administrators at the game
 - J Getty asked to add a recommendation to the host packet
 - c. Beach Volleyball – Presentation by Jennifer Darty and Juanita Hitt
 - Motion to approve J Phillips, 2nd J Getty, 14-0 vote
 - Some athletes do both club and beach volleyball- beach would give them the opportunity to not go to club
 - R Allan concerned with participation in other sports like Track dwindling
 - J Darty, J Hitt, and J Getty have not seen any impact in participation in other sports
 - J von Scherrer concerned with people seeing this as allowing volleyball to go year round
 - J Phillips as this grows we will see a decline in players participating in both indoor and beach
 - J Harrison – policy requires 10% of membership have the sport, we are close
 - J Phillips – 9 schools in the county

- Scott- starting this year, 5 out of 12 schools
- A Forsyth- does not currently participate but are considering to grow the sport and female participation
- M Marsala- No one has it in Collier and Lee. Facilities are a major concern. Not many parks with courts
- J Getty – 8 of the 9 schools have it. Their county gets calls from other counties (orange and Volusia) for games
- M Ostrowski – school is very interested, high school is not yet doing it but middle school is. A few schools in the county are already doing
- J Upchurch- 2 schools in the county, one has a
- Wakulla county- only school in the county
- R Allan – has a player from his school who is on scholarship for this
- R Mayo – put it off for 3 years in a row. The interest is growing- it is coming
- L Fredrickson – Tampa bay area 5 or 6 schools in the Sunshine league.
- C Bishop – interested if you could host on the actual beach, not a lot of parks and space otherwise
- M Gabriel – Miami-Dade has not had any discussions about this and has not seen any courts but will look. Not sure how much interest there will be since it has not been brought up
- J Vandergrift – bay county has talked about it
- J Gerdes – Pinellas Co 4 or 5 public schools and 4 or 5 private schools. Remember this is to allow school to have the sport, not that they have to add it
- J Harrison – Policy 3 would go back to VAC and come back to ADAC. Would be a 2 year procedure

7. Swimming –

a. Medical Personnel

- Swimming Advisory Committee & SMAC believe it is a conflict of interest to have a meet referee who acts as the referee AND a medical personnel to medically clear participations to come back to play
- Would like to clarify the rule so that referee cannot act in both capacities
- As a meet referee, can they give a swimmer a thorough examination
- J Getty – Track has added the ATC so that they are the only person who can clear an athlete to come back
- Swimmers cannot come back for their individuals events if they do not have a qualifying time, they can only come back for a relay
- Is it recommended to have an ATC, it is not required.
- J von Scherrer suggests being in the position... “the meet referee will be...”

8. Golf –

a. Region Complexes

- About 120 schools dropped golf
- Committee would like to maintain the 3 classes and reduce the regions from 8 to 4 and reduce districts to 16
- Advancement from regions to state was a problem due to the lack of teams
- Motion to accept R Allan, J Phillips 2nd 14-0 vote
- L Livengood – every kid except for one advances, too many districts
- J von Scherrer – too many regions, has to send all teams to state because there isn’t enough participation. Some teams not ready for the competition at state
- Reducing the number of regions and districts makes it more similar to other sports- committee did not want to reduce classes
- J Getty – with the reduction it will increase the integrity of the competition
- Committee has no issues with implementing this for the next season

b. Advancement

- Committee wants to keep districts the same, but would like to do 3 team and 3 individual from region to state with an at large component
- Motion to approve S Drabczyk, 2nd R Allan 14-0
- Region host would have to submit at large data
- No issues with implementing this next school year

c. Minimum Contests

- 2 years ago the max number of contests went from 14 to 16. Golf committee would like to increase the minimum number of contests to 6 from 5
- Motion to approve R Allan, 2nd M Ostrowski 14-0 vote
- R Allan how does weather factor into this? We would handle the issue the same we do with other sports
- A student athlete would have to be in on the course and tee off to have been considered to have played
- A 3-way match would be considered one match by FHSAA

9. Football –

a. State Championship Review

- First 3rd place team won this year
- Team who was independent 3 years ago also won
- Looking for new state championship venue
- Football committee wants a smaller venue

b. 6-quarter weekly individual contest limitation

- Football committee would like to allow 6 quarters per week rather than one game per week
- Schools are losing Sub V programs due to participation (GA does this)
- M Gabriel motion to deny, S Drabczyk 2nd 12-1-1 (M Ostrowski abstains, J Phillips against)
- M Gabriel almost impossible to police and safety concerns
- M Ostrowski – schools may have enough for one team and not the other, this would help those schools
- S Drabczyk – old AT is in GA and says it is nearly impossible to police
- J Getty – this would help but what is the definition of the quarter, how do you monitor it, and what are the consequences of violating this
- When a player is dressed the FHSAA considers that to be participation- would have to address this if rule were to pass
- R Allan – this will have a ripple effect with other sports
- M Gabriel – concerned with schools playing two full games instead of 6 quarters
- R Mayo – The non-starting V players would take the place of JV athletes
- There were two votes against this on the football committee
- J Phillips has talked to other coaches and they feel strongly that this rule would help their programs but agrees with everything that has been said
- Mr. Tomy – Leadership council supports the motion to deny this rule
- M Ostrowski – would like to see the football committee discuss other options to help the Sub V programs
- F Beasley – has done some research to modify Sub V to help increase participation and maintain the safety of the game

c. Season Schedules

- Current system says schedules cannot be changed after week one (you can reschedule but not add opponents)
- R Allan motion to approved, J Getty 2nd 14-0
- J Phillips concerned with schools changing their schedule to work the point system
- J Harrison – schools need to make sure they signed a contract. Unless both sides agree to cancel the game- the game would be considered a game and would result in a forfeit if a team does not show up
- If you forfeit a game you are removed from the state series for the remainder of the classification cycle.

- A forfeit is considered a game and is a W for the other team
- d. 3-week post season dead period
- Coaches would like to be able to work with their kids more
 - A lot of other states allow this
 - Motion to approve J Vandergrift, 2nd R Allan 12-1-1 (J Upchurch denied, J von Scherrer abstained)
 - Dead period would start at the end of the team's last game, which would give the students an opportunity to decide if they want to play another sport
 - Off season rules would still be in play (i.e. cannot be mandatory)
 - M Marsala believes this may open up opportunity for athletes to go outside of the school- some committee coaches agreed
 - S Drabczyk – suggested maybe modelling something after the NCAA (hours per week), but likes the dead period
 - J Phillips – this would impact the insurance with schools
 - The earliest this could be implemented would be the 2021 school year
 - R Mayo – This will make coaches specialize in football
 - J Getty – creating an hours per week rule would still allow coaches to coach other sports as well
 - J von Scherrer is opposed to the concept of this. Would like to see kids participate in other schools
 - J Phillips – does not think 10 hours is unreasonable for certain communities
 - L Livengood – can see both sides
 - F Beasley – believes there needs to be a cap for time on hours per week
- e. RPI Playoff Qual
- Football committee would like to use a 3 layer component to rank teams (35/35/30)
 - Motion to approve J Phillips, 2nd C Bishop 10-4 (Gabriel, Mayo, Drab, Marsala against)
 - R Mayo – many coaches upset that they did not have any input in the change
 - R Mayo – if we use these rankings then you will not get district games
 - F Beasley – apologizes for the quick turnaround but with reclassification and the timing of football, this was the best group to bring it to
 - R Mayo – Most schedules are already made
 - Football committee consensus was to just play the games.
 - Wakulla Coach – thinks coaches will find ways to manipulate the system
 - Football committee believes there is not much deviation from week 10 to 11 as there is in the current point system
 - MaxPreps would use our formula to run the ranking as they do with other states
 - J Getty – believes winning percentage should be higher (maybe 40/35/25)
 - Football committee felt the winning and opponents winning percentage should be the same.
 - J von Sherrer raised the point of beating your opponent which changes their winning percentage
 - C Bishop – college basketball uses RPI rankings and 9 out 10 teams are found in the AP poll as well
 - Iowa's RPI is almost exactly like this. Have used it since 2014 for all sports – the state office makes all schedules
10. Bowling – no action items
- Looking at adding a unified component in the next couple of years
11. Cross Country – GPS Watches
- NFHS allows watches to be worn in competition
 - FHSAA made its own rule to not allow watches
 - Motion to approve J Phillips, 2nd R Allan 14-0
- a. State Finals Medalists –
- CC Committee wants to award 15 medals in state finals to be consistent with districts and regionals

- Motion to approve R Allan, 2nd J Getty 14-0
- b. Region Complexes –
 - Would like to reduce the number of regions to 2
 - Eliminates confusion on how many teams advance
 - Motion to approve L Fredrickson, 2nd J Getty 14-0
 - J Phillips concerned with the travel due to splitting the districts
 - This change would combine districts rather than split them
 - More individuals would advance (from 15 to 30 individuals)
 - There will be a set number that will advance no matter how many teams are in the district
 - We are reclassifying so we will be able to make the districts as even as possible
 - J Getty - Having more teams will help in finding hosts
- c. State Series Advancement
 - CC Committee wants to increase the amount of teams that advance from regions to state (from 6 to 8) to include more teams that have potential to compete at the state level
 - Motion to approve J Getty, 2nd R Allan 14-0
 - J Getty – his team would've placed 7th place in state. To ensure that the top teams are included in the playoffs, this is the solution
- 12. Officials Advisory Committee – 40s play clock
 - 4 other states have done this as a pilot
 - NFHS Board still has to vote on this.
 - FHSAA would like to apply to do this as a pilot if NFHS does not approve
 - Motion to approve S Drabczyk, 2nd M Gabriel 14-0
- 13. SMAC – lightning policy
 - SMAC wants to possibly establish a mileage for
 - J Phillips – 8 miles
 - S Drabczyk – 8 Miles
 - A Forsyth – 8 miles
 - M Marsala – uses weatherbug, set to 10 miles
 - J Getty – 6 miles, an app
 - M Ostrowski – thorgaurd 6 miles
 - J Upchurch thor 8
 - J von Scherrer – thor
 - R Allan 10 miles
 - R Mayo 15 alert, 10, off field, 6 indoors
 - L Fredrickson - none
 - M Gabriel 10 miles
 - J Vandergrift 15-10-6
- 14. General Recommendations
 - a. Classification of Single-gender schools – M. Gabriel
 - Schools have to be clever in their spending due to Title IX
 - Romero would like to strike from the policy that single gender schools' enrollment is double for classification
 - J Harrison this has been policy for a while but it is possibly done in this way because schools are thought to be about 50/50 male and female
 - Motion to deny J Phillips, 2nd R Allan 14-0
 - J Phillips we have to create a level playing field and this would not do that
 - b. Regional Loss Sharing – M. Gabriel

- Would like to make sure that every school shares in the loss.
- It is hard finding hosts for certain sports because of the loss of money
- Motion to approve S Drabczyk, 2nd R Allan- MOTIONS WITHDRAWN. No motion.
- S Drabczyk – it makes sense to split the losses. A lot of times the host is the host year after year.
- J Phillips some schools claim losses that are not relevant to a regional meet
- M Gabriel – there will be many eyes on the forms (FN2?) which should eliminate false claims of losses
- R Mayo – region hosts do not have travel expenses for hotels, gas, food, etc.
- Mr. Tomyrn recommends FHSAA staff putting together an educational piece on this topic and presenting to the group at the next meeting

15. Open Agenda

- a. Is there a need to have district planning meetings so early
 - J Getty says keep them the same because you have to plan for facilities
 - J Phillips would like to encourage the ADs to be the meeting coordinators as opposed to coaches since schedules will not need to be made
- b. M Gabriel – why can't track regions run fri-sat?
 - To level the playing field. If another region runs first the next region may have a competitive advantage by knowing the marks
 - Most schools like Saturday meets- no school missed
- c. M Marsala – asked if there had been any talk about the basketball shot clock
 - F Beasley – there has not been a lot of talk about it, none at any advisory committee meetings. Has heard both sides to the argument.
- d. M Marsala – suggested having the option of using the preseason classic game (Football) to start the season and play a regular game
 - We have already backed the season up so we cannot back it up anymore. Would need to hear from those on the FB committee
- e. J von Scherrer - any talk about moving seasons to accommodate excessive overlap?
 - J Harrison – we have moved the seasons a few years ago. One suggestion is lowering the amount of games.
- f. J Getty – if a school has a shot clock, are they able to use them? (BK)
 - J Harrison – moving forward, a school should ask for permission to use a shot clock in a preseason classic. Would not be able to use in any other game
- g. J Upchurch – does not feel like we are supporting a multi-sport athlete. Would like to see a change in the season/# of weeks
- h. Motion to adjourn – J Getty, 2nd M Ostrowski 14-0



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APRIL 11, 2018 - 9:00 AM

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- 1) Welcome, introductions, purpose
 - a) Scott Drabczyk made introduction at 9:02am
 - b) Introductions: Scott Drabczyk, Cam Harrison, Roger Mayo, Pam Lancaster, Mark Butler, Marcus Gabriel, Sherrie Schuler, Chad Bishop, Jake Von Scherrer, Ron Carpenter, Jerri Kelly, Jody Phillips, Robbie Lindeman (FHSAA), Alex Ozuna (FHSAA), Kellie Doucette (FHSAA), Frank Beasley (FHSAA), Justin Harrison (FHSAA), Ed Thompson (FHSAA), Jeremy Hernandez (FHSAA), Corey Sobers (FHSAA), Katie Neely (FHSAA Intern), Kevin Eastman (FHSAA Intern), Mike Colby (FHSAA), and Jamie Rohrer (FHSAA)
- 2) Review agenda and verify completion of expense vouchers

Scott Drabczyk discussed the agenda and any changes made before the meeting
- 3) Approval of January 10, 2018 ADAC meeting minutes

Motion to approve made by Roger Mayo, seconded by Ron Carpenter
- 4) Review of March 29, 2017 ADAC meeting minutes

Review of minutes was accepted by Scott Drabczyk
- 5) Classification and Competitive Balance Presentation/Discussion
 - a) Justin Harrison introduction of discussion purpose beginning with issues/challenges and background information
 - b) Justin Harrison stressed how this presentation is an idea, he discussed the future of the divisions of the 1A-6A
 - c) Suggested how the placements worked, based on MaxPreps average ranking
 - d) Discussed how the MaxPreps rankings work
 - e) Changes- No required district contests, no district tournaments, four regions tournaments in each division
 - f) The positives to the plan included growth in programs, more competitive environment for all, increased excitement, and better state series matchups
 - g) The discussion floor was opened up, Sherrie Schuler asked about specific school Cedar Key about travel concern, Jake Von Scherrer expressed the positivity of this system, Scott Drabczyk discussed how it is more about getting in the playoffs for team sports specifically, he expressed his concern for the schedules for 25 games a season, expressed his concern for the third

party (MaxPreps), also discussed how different states like the Georgia system, Jody Phillips expressed concern for MaxPreps ranking system and suggested the three weekend district tournaments.

- h) Ron Allen discussed his school's scheduling issues due to counties and policies
 - i) Chad Bishop expressed his issues for getting student-athletes competitive and motivated due to school schedule, size, and pairing with "powerhouse" schools
 - j) Roger Mayo expressed the concern moto "rich getting richer", Justin Harrison stated the belief of it happening now and expressed in the pairing of "like" schools, Frank Beasley expressed how the classifications will work and the concern schools will be in the lower classifications and how enrollment is not the best indicator, Scott Drabczyk discussed the transfer rule and how the classification set up could create more transfers due to wanting exposure for student-athletes
 - k) Jerri Kelly discussed the relying on ticket sales and how the lack of providing a schedule for remote schools could lose programs, Justin Harrison stated that was a concern however there was no complaint with football this past year, Ed Thompson stated that a coach said the opportunity to create own schedule to build programs is huge to the rural schools
 - l) Frank Beasley expressed how the two year average comes into play in regards to throwing games to get in a lower classifications that Jody Phillips brought up
 - m) Scott Drabczyk gave final thoughts and closed the discussion
- 6) Review minutes and recommendations of the following committee meetings

c. Wrestling – Robbie Lindeman

Thanked the Celebration and Osceola high schools, and Silver Spurs Arena for a great event and state that attendance was up. Introduction of Mike Crowder and thanked him for his attendance

1) Recommendations

a. 4th Place Matches

- 1. Mike Crowder discussed how other states have wrestlers who have not wrestled each other to wrestle for the last spot to advance
- 2. Motion to approve made by Jody Phillips, seconded by Jerri Kelly
- 3. Vote was unanimous

b. Alternates in the Post Season

- 1. Mike Crowder expressed how this gives athletes more opportunities to wrestle in the post season
- 2. Motion to approve made by Jody Phillips, seconded by Roger Mayo
- 3. Vote was unanimous

c. Wild Card Selections at Regionals

- 1. Mike Crowder explained how the potential of athletes not making weight or health issues allows other athletes the opportunity to fill brackets at the district and region levels
- 2. Motion to approve made by Ron Carpenter, seconded by Jody Phillips
- 3. Vote was unanimous

2) Discussion

a. Girls Wrestling

1. Robbie Lindeman expressed how USSA Wrestling reached out about how this is not a sanctioned sport in the state of Florida
2. Mike Crowder suggested how numbers are misleading because girls have to wrestle boys, expressed how other states are building programs and there are girls wrestling tournaments, girls wrestling would be in the winter season
3. Robbie Lindeman stated that the FHSAA is obtaining numbers from schools to potentially grow the sport

b. Weight Management Violations

1. Robbie Lindeman discussed how coaches do not follow the rules of weigh ins
2. Mike Crowder explained what he has observed in the field, suggestion was that the two head coaches and official would confirm or approve the weigh in sheets on sites
3. Scott Drabczyk suggested that the wrestling advisory committee should bring back an item that is more concrete but agreed that there should be a penalty for intentionally breaking the rules

d. Cheer – Kellie Doucette

Kellie Doucette thanked the Gainesville sports commission and University of Florida for being great hosts

1) Recommendations

a. No recommendations

2) Discussion

Sherrie Schuler asked about sideline cheer and Kellie discussed that Varsity will have a game day event to gauge interest in that aspect???

e. Soccer – Alex Ozuna and Corey Sobers

Thanked city of Deland and Deland high school for a great event and being great hosts, also commended the changes that were made

1) Recommendations

a. Celebrations after Goals – Scott Carswell

1. Rehearsed or excessive celebrations under the official's judgement, change it to a blue card
2. Motion to accept Ron Allen, seconded by Marcus Gabriel
3. Vote was unanimous

b. Overtime Procedures – Scott Carswell

1. NFHS rule reflected in FHSAA rules, the NFHS rule was pulled up on screen to read
2. Motion to approve Jerri Kelly, seconded by Ron Carpenter
3. Vote was 9-3, approved

- c. Noisemakers – Scott Carswell
 1. Stated how the FHSAA wants to create a more exciting environment and atmosphere starting at the district level
 2. Motion to deny by Marcus Gabriel, seconded by Jake Von Scherrer
 3. Vote to deny was unanimous
- d. Preseason Coaches Meetings – Scott Carswell
 1. Require official associations to host coaches meetings prior to the start of the season to discuss rule changes and host topics with area coaches
 2. Motion to approve Marcus Gabriel, seconded by Ron Allen
 3. Vote was unanimous
- e. Roster Size – Scott Carswell
 1. Increasing roster size to 25 instead of 22 once the playoffs start
 2. Motion to approve by Mark Butler, seconded by Ron Allen
 3. Vote was unanimous

2) Discussion

- a. Classifications – Mark Butler

f. Basketball – Ed Thompson and Frank Beasley

Ed Thompson thanked the Lakeland center and commended the upgrades to the facility, upgrades were made to the video board and extremely appreciative of that aspect, had fewer running clocks and more competitive games. Frank Beasley thanked Lakeland and also commended the upgrades, also had list of improvements made for next year, the competition was improved, and the increase of college coaches was a positive. Scott Drabczyk asked about the attendance and crowds, attendance was down 5,000, expressed how great the experience was for his school.

1) Recommendations

- a. Expand Coaching Box from 14' to 28'
 1. Motion to approve made by Jody Phillips, seconded by Sherrie Schuler
 2. Clarification on where the line is was made by Jake Von Scherrer
 3. Vote was unanimous

2) Discussion

- a. Skills Development

1. Stated to allow coaches to work with student-athletes on skill development during the period defined as “offseason” by the FHSAA
2. Justin Harrison expressed how schools are already doing this, but it would put more responsibility on schools, schools are getting caught doing this now, concerns about what non-school teams are teaching student-athletes

3. Frank Beasley stated Holly McDaniel's opinion on this issue for girls basketball specifically from the BKAC.
 4. Scott Drabczyk suggested to have the FHSAA take it to the individual sport advisory committees specifically and bring it back to the next meeting in September
 5. Sherrie Schuler discussed how the grades could improve because of the open lines of communication between coaches and student-athletes and the individualized games brought back to the high school sport team
 6. Scott Drabczyk closed the discussion
- g. Officials Advisory Committee (Winter) – Jeremy Hernandez
- 1) Recommendations
Expand Basketball Coaching Box from 14' to 28' (Listed Concurrently under Basketball)
 - 2) Discussion
Jeremy Hernandez discussed the items voted on by the Officials Advisory Committee (winter)
- h. Sports Medicine Advisory Committee – Justin Harrison and Kellie Doucette
- Justin Harrison introduced Mr. Bob Sefcik and explained what the discussion would be about.
- 1) Recommendations
 - 2) Discussion
 - a. Heat Index –Mr. Bob Sefcik, ATC
 1. Advocates for the safety of the student-athletes
 2. Reviewed the history of the effect of heat-stress
 3. Wet bulb globe devise, different versions (high school \$100) heat stress index, provides objective knowledge to coaches to determine modifications in the event it was too hot, thermometer readings
 4. Georgia implemented this in 2012
 5. Growing concern is how often is used, 205 total practices- 8 practices had time modifications to adjust to the heat, 4% of practices had to be altered
 6. Other modification levels mentioned by Kellie Doucette and explained by Mr. Sefcik- increase number of water breaks, limited equipment, either modify time or cancel practice
 7. As a licensed certified athletic trainer is obligated to be following this procedure
 8. Prevention is not a guarantee, schools have to be prepared
 9. AED moved to close proximity
 10. Open to discussion- time frame involved, included 30 minutes prior to practice and once an hour during practice
- 7) General Recommendations
- 8) Policy Revisions Review – Justin Harrison, Mike Colby, and Jordanne Stark

- a) Introduction to policy 10
 - i) Pam Lancaster expresses issues for Junior Varsity games being cancelled
 - ii) Marcus Gabriel stated his issues are at the beginning of the season
- b) Policy 11
 - i) Elimination of State Entry Lists
 - ii) Schools still enter roster at beginning of season
 - iii) Eliminates the potential of playing an ineligible player all season
- c) Mr. Colby introduced policy 26 and highlighted changes
 - i) Clarification requested about policy 42 made by Jerri Kelly, coaches must be CPR/AED and First Aid certified
 - ii) Policy 16 registering intent.
- 9) Open agenda (discussion only)
 - a. Coaches' Education – Justin Harrison
 - 1) Justin Harrison asked what the FHSAA role should be in this process
 - 2) Frustration on the e-books access, especially in regard to off campus coaches voiced by Jerri Kelly
 - 3) Face-to-face contact for information could improve the sense of community and help competitive nature stated by Jody Phillips
 - 4) Jody Phillips suggested for coaches be required to attend FACA clinics for coaches education
 - 5) Jake Von Scherrer stated that the role of the FHSAA includes compliance, suggest making the trainings mandatory
 - 6) Ron Allen suggested that the FHSAA use the trainings as a potential piece toward coaches education and compliance
 - 7) Jamie Rohrer explained how the travel issues caused the change of training requirements and when it was moved to FACA the attendance was extremely low, then when it was moved online coaches did not watch and the FHSAA could not make them be in compliance
 - 8) Frank Beasley stated the three different issues; rules, coaches education, and compliance
 - 9) Sherrie Schuler suggested to have packets for new coaches for sports that have the clinic dates, potentially as a "welcome packet"
 - 10) Justin Harrison said the FHSAA would be more than happy to provide tests/exams for specific sports
 - 11) Jamie Rohrer suggested that the FACA would take point on clinics/trainings and have it be required by the FACA
 - 12) Jerri Kelly and Jamie Rohrer made a combined suggestion that instead of having all coaches attend rules clinic, only have the coaches that are misbehaving be required to attend or watch rules clinic
 - b. FHSAA Membership – Mark Butler
 - 1) All in or all out schools, enable schools to participate for some sports and not others
 - 2) Mr. Colby said state legislation states that schools are allowed to decide by sport regarding membership.
 - c. Residency Requirements – Mark Butler

- 1) Proposed that students must live with guardian to limit recruiting
 - 2) State statues do not require residency requirements stated by Mr. Colby, impermissible benefit accepted is considered recruiting and could be looked into
- d. Home Campus (AT Logs, Mobile App., FIAAA Suggested Topics, Eligible Athletes, Support) – Mark Butler
Drop down box for insurance proposed by Jerri Kelly, Shanell Young stated that the option could be to add own drop down boxes and name them appropriately in the future
- e. New AD Training/Support from FHSAA – Mark Butler
FIAAA mentoring program, compliance seminar attendance, and call FHSAA staff for support
- f. Standard Officials Association Agreement – Mark Butler
- 1) Justin Harrison suggested that schools get together and be on the same page prior to meeting with officials associations
 - 2) The piece is a work in progress and in the future could potentially create a price system regarding pay
- 10) Adjournment
- a) Justin Harrison thanked the committee for their time and input.
 - b) Meeting was adjourned at 2:21 PM.



MINUTES

Florida High School Athletic Association
Wrestling Advisory Committee Meeting

10:00 AM March 12, 2019
Florida High School Athletic Association
1801 NW 80th Boulevard
Gainesville, Florida

1. Welcome and procedures Lindeman

Mr. Lindeman called the meeting to order at 10:02am and Mr. Lindeman reviewed the topics
The meeting consisted of James Reape, Matt Morris, John White, Kevin Robinson, Victor Lorenzano, Rick Tribit, Joe Blasucci, Travis Gray, Michael Crowder and Bob Whitaker (Official).

2. Selection of Chairperson Committee
- Mike Crowder was selected as the Chairperson (Tribit 1st, Morris 2nd, 9-0 vote)

3. Adoption of Agenda Committee
- Motion to accept - Robinson 1st, White 2nd (9-0)

4. Review of 2018 Wrestling Advisory Committee Minutes Committee
- Motion to accept - Morris 1st, Robinson 2nd (9-0)

5. Review of 2019 Dual/IBT State Championships Committee

2019 Duals-

The FHSAA Hosted the 2019 Dual Tournament at Osceola High School and did a fantastic job hosting the event. The committee discussed that several teams committed to compete in the district tournament in the planning meeting but no-showed for the tournament. Joe Blasucci said the format of Dual is an issue. Teams sometimes must wrestle the same teams from regions and they don't want to drive 3 hours to wrestle each other again. Wrong teams are going to the tournament and would like to address this later in the meeting. Matt Morris stated there is more interest in the 2nd year than the 1st. It is growing and has been a good experience.

2019 IBT-

The FHSAA hosted the 2019 IBT Tournament at Silver Spurs Arena in Kissimmee and was an excellent event and attendance was up this year.
Rick Tribit shared the internet connectivity was an issue and people coming in next week to work on the issue. Floor security was much better than last year. The amount of coaches on the floor is a problem. Would possibly like to go back to awards at the end or rotate light- and heavy-weight; with current format no fans are present for heavy-weight. Highlighting the consolation matches was a hit. Joe Blasucci stated that records need to be inputted before the championship. Committee agreed that they need to communicate with parents to buy tickets ahead of time

Motion to close: Reape 1st, Robinson 2nd (9-0)

6. FACA Recommendations Crowder
No discussion

7. Compliance Update Compliance Staff
Scott Jamison from the FHSAA Eligibility and Compliance Department met with the committee

Only change is to Bylaw 9.5.1- instead of saying 4 consecutive years, will say 8 consecutive semesters

8. Old Business

Committee

A) Wild card selections for the regionals

Recommendation:

Allow district with the numbers to wrestle 5th and 6th place at the district tournament. Then all these wrestlers to be placed in a que to fill in any byes at the Regional Tournaments.

Rationale:

Reduce the likelihood of a competitor to receive a bye in the first round of the competition. If a student-athlete gets sick/injured and can't wrestle, this will allow for a shift and will add wrestlers/eliminate open spaces. In the case a winner cannot wrestle, the 5th would wrestle if the team has one- if not, the next district wrestler would move up. 5th and 6th wrestlers do not *have* to go but would be ideal just in case.

Discussion:

Joe Blasucci- probably wouldn't help much in his area. This would be beneficial at regions- wouldn't do it at State.

Motion to approve- Morris 1st, Blasucci 2nd- unanimous (9-0)

Year 2 of the item

9. New Business

Action Items

A) First Round Byes at Region

Gray

This item was requested to be dismissed and not necessary

Motion to dismiss Gray 1st, Robinson 2nd- unanimous (9-0)

B) Sanctioning Girls Wrestling

Robinson/White

Recommendation

It is the request of the FHSAA Wrestling Advisory Committee that the FHSAA vote to sanction girls wrestling. With this recommendation, girls would be able to wrestle and compete against available competition (male or female) and then choose whether to wrestle in the boys or girls state series. The proposed state series for girls in the inaugural year of girls wrestling in Florida would consist of eight (8) regions, held on the weekend before the district IBT for boys. The top 2 place winners at each region would qualify for the state tournament, to be held at Silver Spurs Arena alongside the 1A, 2A, and 3A state tournament.

Rationale:

Girls wrestling has consistently grown in the last 10+ years, particularly in the state of Florida. The past 2 years there have been 290+ girls and over 90 teams represented at non-sanctioned Florida State Tournament. In addition, there were 139 teams in the state of Florida that had girls participating on their teams during the 2018-19 season (see the attachment for a breakdown by county and administrative section). It is the fastest growing sport in the United States at the high school and college level. In the last year, six other states have voted to sanction girls wrestling. The most successful female athletes come from states that have already sanctioned girls wrestling at the high school level. In sanctioning girls wrestling, FHSAA would be providing female athletes with more opportunities for fair and equitable competition and would also increase the profits of the FHSAA, which benefits high school sports in Florida as a whole.

Discussion:

The committee discussed the opportunity for scholarships for girls. John White stated Texas and California have had sanctioned girls wrestling for many years Lynzie Doll (guest) requested to speak with the committee and stated that the numbers- (there is a 14% participation for girls, does not include the girls who do not travel). In other states girls can wrestle boys or girls. John White suggested starting with regions to state until the sport grows enough to incorporate districts. Can showcase the girls at the same time as boys, on separate mats. Rick Tribit shared his concerns with Title IX and telling girls they must wrestle folk-style and that other states make girls wrestle folk-style. The committee shared concerns with facilities and coming up with weight classes.

Girls' regional tournament the week before boys' districts. Top 4 would qualify for State at Spurs with the boys. Use the Fargo weights.

Motion to approve sanctioning Girls Wrestling Tribit 1st, Gray 2nd- unanimous vote (9-0)

C) Classifications

Robinson

131 schools in each class, will make regions as even as possible (31-34 schools), districts will have 7-9 schools- will release on Thursday. One school in the panhandle is being administratively down because no other school for 6hrs

Policy 12 – only 9-12 grade are counted for enrollment

Rutherford and Bay had a significant drop in enrollment due to the hurricane, will use those numbers.

- D) Number of matches Robinson
- Robinson requested to pull the item (National Rule)

No vote taken

- E) State Dual Series Regional Duals Blasucci

Recommendation:

Wrestle all regional duals locally in a seeded tournament with a true second if needed.

Rationale:

Make sure the best two teams from each region advance to the State Dual Championships.

Discussion:

Joe Blasucci would like to have the regions local and then travel to State and wants to split up the best and runner-ups in the region at State.

The committee stated we cannot seed the tournaments because we do not have any rankings

Motion to deny Reape 1st, Lorenzano 2nd – unanimous (9-0)

- F) State Dual Championships Blasucci

Recommendation:

Separate teams from the same region in bracket at the state duals.

Rationale:

If two teams from one area are the best in the state, they should be able to make it to the championship finals. Seeding the teams would be the best result. If not using a formula similar, to the state tournament.

Discussion:

Committee shared that the FHSAA has a bracket formula and must be followed.

Motion to deny Reape 1st, Lorenzano 2nd – unanimous vote (9-0)

- G) Violation of Weight Management Lindeman

Recommendation:

Falsification of Information. If a coach and/or parent/legal guardian appointed by a court of competent jurisdiction falsifies weight/OPC information to gain eligibility shall be declared ineligible to represent any member school for a period of one year from the date of discovery and will receive a \$250 fine.

Rationale:

Many coaches have contacted our office in regard to coaches changing weigh in forms. This will cause for student athletes to be ineligible for a certain weight class.

Discussion:

Issues with tournament directors not paying attention to weights, cause wrestlers to compete in wrong weight classes

Motion to accept Crowder 1st, Tribit 2nd- unanimous vote (9-0)

- H) Trackwrestling Lindeman

Recommendation:

FHSAA will be entering a contract with Trackwrestling.

Rationale:

Formal contract

Discussion:

No changes were being made.

Motion to accept Crowder 1st, Blasucci 2nd- unanimous vote (9-0)

10. Open Agenda (discussion only)

Committee

A) 1A Classification

Robinson

B) Byes/Forfeit

Lindeman

- Failure to appear: Bye 2pts- Forfeit 4pts
- People have a hard time differentiating which is considered a bye or a forfeit. If no one in the weight class- bye, if wrestler wins and cannot compete next level- forfeit

C) Manual review

Lindeman

- Mr. Lindeman asked the committee to review wrestling manual and send Mr. Lindeman anything you would like to see removed, updated, changed, or edited. Needs to remove the language requiring girls to wear T-shirt. Issues with the weigh-in language about no warming up/simulating weight loss before weigh-in- could not find language in NFHS rule book
- Tribit: No taping, pads, braces during weigh-in, but is seen often

D) Teams/Coaches late to weigh-ins

Kevin Robinson would to enforce penalties for squads arriving late to weigh ins

- Committee would like to have officials turn in an AT6, not opposing coach

11. Adjournment

Committee

- Motion to adjourn Crowder 1st, Tribit 2nd



Wrestling Advisory Committee Meeting Recommendation Form – Agenda Item

Site: Osceola Heritage Park -Silver Spurs Arena

Date: 3/1/18

Item: Wild Card Selections for Regionals

Action: X Discussion: _____

Recommendation:

Allow districts with the numbers to wrestle to a 5th and 6th place in the district. Then allow these wrestlers to placed in a que to fill any byes at the Regional Tournaments.

Rationale:

This will allow more wrestlers the opportunity to compete in the second level of the state series. This will also reduce the likelihood that a competitor to receive a bye in the first round of the regional competition.

Alternatives to Recommendation:

1. Approve recommendation.
2. Modify the recommendation
3. Deny the recommendation

Panel's Voting Summary:

WAC Vote:

2018 - Motion Approved (9-0)
2019 – Motion Approved (9-0)

Data Source:

Impact (To be completed by FHSAA Staff):

Mike Crowder

Name of Panel Member/Staff Member

Signature of Panel Member/Staff Member



**Wrestling Advisory Committee Meeting
Recommendation Form – Agenda Item**

Site: FHSAA Office

Date: April 3, 2019

Item: Girls Wrestling Sanction/Recognition

Action: X **Discussion:** _____

Recommendation:

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Rationale:

Girls wrestling has consistently grown in the last 10+ years, particularly in the state of Florida. The past 2 years there have been 290+ girls and over 90 teams represented at non-sanctioned Florida State Tournament. In addition there were 139 teams in the state of Florida that had girls participating on their teams during the 2018-19 season (see the attachment for a breakdown by county and administrative section). It is the fastest growing sport in the United States at the high school and college level. In the last year, six other states have voted to sanction girls wrestling. The most successful female athletes come from states that have already sanctioned girls wrestling at the high school level. In sanctioning girls wrestling, FHSAA would be providing female athletes with more opportunities for fair and equitable competition and would also increase the profits of the FHSAA, which benefits high school sports in Florida as a whole.

With the aforementioned format, the girls season would run parallel with the boys' season, being that many tournaments can be expanded to include a girls' division (including the state series tournaments). This is not to say that every tournament must include a girls' division - simply that it is possible to do so. Several female-only tournaments already exist throughout the non-sanctioned season as well that may remain in place.

The rationale for eight regional tournaments would provide girls with a qualifying state series while also dividing up heavily populated areas such as Central Florida/Orlando where several of the top teams in the state currently reside. 8 regions with the top 2 place winners advancing to the state tournament would provide girls with a 16-(wo)man bracket for the state tournament, similar to the structure of the tournament for each class in the boys' division. Eventually, as the sport continues to grow, the Wrestling Advisory Committee could make a motion to move to larger regions and gradually transition to a structure similar to the male counterpart.

Many other states, such as Georgia, Pennsylvania and California, share the state tournament between both genders. Additionally, this is a common practice at national and international tournaments. This idea would bring in greater profits for FHSAA, dramatically increase spectators for both genders and increase the overall excitement and atmosphere of the FHSAA State Wrestling Tournament.



Just under 1000 spectators attended the 2019 Girls State Tournament at Dr. Phillips High School bringing in \$10,000 just at the gate. Finally, a shared state tournament would cut down on travel for teams and coaches, and ensure that no female athlete is unable to participate in the state tournament simply because her coach and teammates are at a boys' tournament instead.

Please see the attached document for a proposed timeline for the girls state series.

Alternatives to Recommendation:

While it is felt that the above recommendation is the most efficient method to sanction girls wrestling, the following are potential alternatives if the committee sees fit:

- Rather than having 8 regions with top 2 advancing to state tournament, we could have 4 regions with top 4 advancing.

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1. Approve recommendation.
 2. Modify the recommendation
 3. Deny the recommendation

Approved (9-0) – WAC 2019

Data Source:

Impact (To be completed by FHSAA Staff):

Adding Girls Wrestling

__John White_____

Name of Panel Member/Staff Member

Signature of Panel Member/Staff Member



FHSAA GIRLS STATE WRESTLING PROPOSAL

The following proposal is written regarding the potential sanction of girls wrestling. These sample dates are set as though the inaugural season took place during the 2018-2019 wrestling season.

Planning

Eight regions, or sections, may be selected, with one school in each region hosting the Region tournament. Region tournaments may be hosted the weekend before the boys' District IBT. For the 2018-2019 wrestling season, this would have been February 15-16 (the same day as the non-sanctioned girls' state tournament). It was discussed during the Advisory Committee meeting that most schools do not usually have tournaments during this weekend, so it should cause very little inconvenience and maximize attendance.

Each Region can decide how and where it will conduct its Girls' Regional IBT Championship. Each Region will inform the FHSAA of the method of the competition and locations of the tournament. The Region then will forward to the FHSAA the results of its Girls Regional Championship IBT.

The top two (2) place winners at each weight class will compete in the State Finals Tournament alongside the boys' division at Silver Spurs Arena three weeks later.

State Finals

The FHSAA Girls State Wrestling Tournament may be run as a division alongside the boys' 1A, 2A, and 3A State Championships at Silver Spurs Arena in March. It was discussed with Coach Tribit, the tournament director, that there is enough space within the venue to accommodate this possibility. A 16-man bracket can easily be run on 3 mats. 12 mats are currently used at Silver Spurs. Doing so would make it possible for girls to have an equitable state tournament to their male counterparts, allow coaches to be available for both genders, and fill up more seats in the Arena for both genders.

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Awards

The tournament may provide team trophies for the top two teams, and medals to the top six individuals at each respective weight.

Proposed Weight Classes:

The proposed weight classes are similarly structure to Girls Fargo weights, which may be adjusted as the Advisory Committee sees fit. Weights are currently as follows for the non-sanctioned Girls State Wrestling Tournament: 100, 106, 112, 117, 122, 128, 134, 140, 147, 154, 162, 172, 184, 197, 222.

As a sanctioned division of wrestling, girls would receive a 2-lb weight allowance after Christmas to account for growth. Regarding the number of weigh-ins, girls will follow the same format and rule as the boys. Girls would also follow all the same policies as the boys regarding weight certification and weight loss.



Wrestling Advisory Committee Meeting Recommendation Form – Agenda Item

Site: Osceola Heritage Park-Silver Spurs Arena

Date: March 1, 2018

Item: Student Athlete Eligibility Weight Management

Action: Discussion: _____

Recommendation: Falsification of Information. If a coach and/or parent/legal guardian appointed by a court of competent jurisdiction falsifies weight/OPC information to gain eligibility shall be declared ineligible to represent any member school for a period of one year from the date of discovery and will receive a \$250 fine.

Rationale:

Many coaches have contacted our office in regards to coaches changing weigh in forms. This will cause for student athletes to be ineligible for a certain weight class.

Alternatives to Recommendation:

1. Approve recommendation.
2. Modify the recommendation
3. Deny the recommendation

Panel's Voting Summary:

WAC Vote:

Approved (9-0) - 2019

Data Source:

Impact (To be completed by FHSAA Staff):

Name of Panel Member/Staff Member

Signature of Panel Member/Staff Member



FHSAA Competitive Cheer Advisory Panel

Meeting Minutes

Florida High School Athletic Association
1801 NW 80th Blvd.
Gainesville, FL 32606
Tuesday, February 19, 2019-10:00 am

- I. Introduction and Purpose
 1. Ms. Doucette started meeting at 10:00 AM and went over the basic function of the panel, reminded panel that we are here to develop procedures that address the needs of all programs in the state.
 2. Present: Samantha Beazley, West Nassau HS; Nichole Powell, Orange Park HS; Missy Mandato, The Master's Academy; Danielle Parker, Bartram Trail HS; Rachal Garris, Coral Springs Charter School; Jenn Allen, The King's Academy; Kellie Doucette, FHSAA Staff; Claudy Devilien, Varsity Representative. Not Present: Lindsey Corbett, Auburndale HS; Kiana Broadridge, Lakewood Ranch HS; Carolyn Shoemaker, FACA Representative.
- II. Review Procedures, Agenda, and Expense Vouchers
 1. Ms. Doucette reminded everyone to fill out the expense vouchers
- III. Selection of Chairperson
 1. As there were no action items on the agenda, the committee proceeded without a chairperson.
- IV. Review of 2016 Minutes/Agenda for Adoption
 1. Motion to approve minutes done via email on 2/22 made by Kellie Doucette; 2nd Danielle Parker. Motion passes 6-0
- V. Review 2018 Competitive Cheerleading State Finals
 1. Everyone felt that operationally things went very well, coaches present felt that parking and check-in ran smoothly.
 2. Coaches felt the flow throughout the venue was good.
 3. There was a request for more of a social media presence, especially after the announcements of who was moving from semis to finals.
 4. The change of exiting priority seating from having to go up the bleachers to having everyone exit into the hallway was well received, the coaches felt it made for a much easier time exiting and things didn't get so backed up with everyone trying to get up one set of stairs.
- VI. Old Business
 - A. Medium co-ed
 1. The addition of a medium co-ed division did not have the intended impact on the small co-ed division, it seemed to impact large co-ed more than small. The FHSAA would like to keep the division for at least one more year and reevaluate the division at the February 2020 meeting. Coaches were in agreement.
- VII. New Business-No action items were submitted
 - A. Discussion Items
 1. The panel discussed comparative scoring as it was noted that some scores changed drastically from one round of competition to another. Claudy reviewed comparative scoring and how it is possible for scores to change from one round to another with the introduction of teams that advanced directly to the finals. The concern was not that the scores changed, it was that they changed significantly. We will continue to work with the judges on consistency in scoring however it should be noted that as long as we use clean slate scoring and we do not use a rubric, there will always be the possibility of changes in scores.
 2. A suggestion was made that at the awards ceremony all teams were announced. It was noted that the reason we only announce the top 3 was that when all teams were announced, occasionally when 2nd place was announced, the first-place team knew they won and sometimes they started celebrating and took away from the recognition of the second-place team. We also feel it builds more excitement when the teams were not sure who placed first. A suggestion was made that we announce all the teams who participated in the finals when they came out on to the mat to line up for awards. The panel thought that was a good idea and a good compromise so that all teams were being recognized.
 3. STUNT and Gameday. During the course of discussing comparative scoring, STUNT was brought up in that those coaches who were looking for more a rubric based score, with less objectivity, may be interested in participating in STUNT. The FHSAA Board of Directors has already approved the addition of STUNT but it has been tabled because

the ADAC does not want to add it into the spring sports season, which is where the NCAA has placed the sport. Teams are still welcome to have a club STUNT team. Gameday was also discussed as an option. We discussed adding a Gameday competition early in the competition season. This would hopefully appeal to those teams that feel they cannot be successful in a traditional competition category. This would not require an additional competitive season as it is designed for sideline cheerleaders and the competition would be early enough in the competitive season that it would overlap with the sideline cheerleaders still cheering for their teams in the post season. The FHSAA will work with Varsity to bring a Gameday competition to FL.

4. Ms. Doucette has a concern about information not getting out to the coaches. The only method available is email and it appears as though occasionally coaches are not getting or reading those emails. It was suggested that emails could be forwarded by the head coach to the assistant coaches to help disseminate information.

VIII. NFHS Spirit Rules

1. Ms. Doucette shared the proposed rule changes that were sent by the NFHS, any feedback about the rule changes will need to be sent to the NFHS on or before February 28, 2019.

IX. Round Table Discussion

1. Carolyn Shoemaker, the FACA representative is working with Shelton Crews, the FACA Executive Director, to get a Competitive Cheer session. She will keep up posted of any meetings that are scheduled.
2. Varsity will be hosting a Varsity University coaches' clinic on June 8th at the Renaissance Hotel at World Golf Village. This is a great opportunity for professional development.
3. The possibility of combining regionals into one location was discussed again, Ms. Doucette will speak to the leadership at the FHSAA to see if this is an idea we can peruse. It would have to be brought up to the Athletic Directors Advisory Committee as it would involve travel and an overnight stay for most teams in region 1 and region 4. If the ADAC endorses it, the FHSAA could poll the coaches to see if that is something, they would be interested in. There would be no change in the regional structure for 2020 as we are under contract for most regions.
4. We talked about drawing for order for the finals performances and how that may not be the most efficient use of time. For teams that advance directly to the finals from regionals, it sometimes required them to be there several hours early. There are pros and cons to drawing for order, it has become a tradition for some teams and it allows the FHSAA representative to have a brief meeting with all coaches. The FHSAA representative could still have a brief meeting with all coaches but teams could be added to the schedule at the conclusion of their semifinal round, once it is determined who is advancing, and the randomizing function in excel could be used to scramble to order of performance.

X. Meeting adjourned at 1:00 PM



Basketball Coaches Advisory Committee Meeting

MINUTES

Florida High School Athletic Association
1801 NW 80th Blvd., Gainesville, FL. 32606
March 25, 2019 – 10:00 AM

- I. Introduction and Purpose
 - a. Frank Beasley, (FHSA), Ed Thompson (FHSA), Marcia Pinder (Dillard), Scott Guttery (FACA and Evangelical), Darrell Marshall (Florida High), Lyle Livengood (West Port), Rubeun Williams (Rockledge), Greg Farias (American Heritage), William White (St. Petersburg), James Buckley (Bishop Kenny)
 - II. Review Procedures, Agenda and Expense Vouchers
 - a. William White nominated as committee spokesperson
 - b. Agenda was reviewed
 - III. Review 2018 BKAC Minutes
 - a. Livengood motioned to approve the agenda, Pinder seconded
 - IV. State Championships Review – Ed Thompson & Frank Beasley
 - a. Thompson- reviewed Girls State Championship. Thanks was given to the Lakeland Center. Stated that attendance was down, and officiating might need to be improved, but overall a good experience.
 - b. Beasley- reviewed Boys State Championship. Stated that there was some good match-ups. Attendance was up for the Boys Tournament by 200 tickets. Looking to improvements for next year. Stated that fans were slightly out of control in response to the officiating. Emphasized that the experience for teams is of utmost importance.
 - i. Livengood mentioned that he felt that not all the games were as competitive this year. Beasley mentioned that until you go to a seeding system, you will not have the best system. Looking to improve with new classification next year. Emphasis on desire for seeding the final four by committee members.
 - ii. Buckley asks about host site for District Tournaments.
 - a. Future Dates
 - i. Corresponding dates to this year. Nothing will change on the calendar. The first week will be the 28th of October for Girls and following week for Boys.
 - ii. Livengood inquires if State Championships will return to Lakeland. Mr. Tomy states that they are in favor for returning to that venue if negotiation is there. Not currently searching for another venue. Farias inquired about finding a smaller venue.
 - b. Format
- V. New Business

a. Action Items

i. Neutral Locations for State Semifinal Games – Darryl Marshall

1. Motion to approve by Buckley, seconded by Guttery
2. Discussion: Livengood brought up that Volleyball does this with home sites. Beasley explained a lot of sports have gone to a finals only State Championship game. Buckley mentioned how fans would more likely travel to see a game at a neutral site. Beasley mentions the athletes and committee members agree that the athletes want to go to Lakeland. Marshall mentions that this item is more about saving money and convenience. Mr. Tomyn clarifies that FHSAA Staff would have to coordinate neutral sites regardless. Guttery wants to keep the final four model as represented in college basketball, mentions that getting to the Final Four is part of the experience. Pinder mentions that players are constantly talking about the Final Four experience. Buckley questions if the experience could be better at a smaller venue. Beasley mentions that you cannot reseed if it is at a neutral site.
3. Vote was 2-6, motion fails.

ii. Free Throw Bonus – William White

1. Motion to approve by Guttery, seconded by Williams
2. Discussion: Thompson clarifies that this would be for next year.
3. White withdraws the item. However, Livengood mentions that this is something they are interested in. Only withdrawn because it is already being talked about by the NFHS as seen on a survey sent to basketball coaches last year. Beasley clarifies that we can still submit a suggestion to change this rule.

b. Discussion Items

i. Shot Clock – Darryl Marshall

1. Marshall believes the shot clock is necessary in the girls game. Also believes that a shot clock makes the game more interesting and necessary to prepare athletes for college. Recognizes the cost involved.
2. Livengood believes that this will not help in the issue of running clocks because it gives the better team more possessions.
3. White points out that this is adding responsibilities to the officials that are already part time.

ii. Final 4 Suggestions – Scott Guttery

1. Guttery desires to involve the FABC coaches in to the State Championships more. Livengood mentions that not many coaches can attend because they have to take personal time now.
2. Guttery questions if coaches can come to the Final Four for free. Beasley suggests that we can tie it back in to supplying that with the first point.

3. Guttery asks about family ticket package for Final Four. Beasley states that they always try to do their best to accommodate for things such as these. It is mostly up to the negotiation with the host venue. Livengood mentions that it is very difficult to regulate on top of already existing measures. Mr. Tomyne explains that digital ticketing is a possibility to aiding in this. Farias brings up some sort of incentive to bringing fan buses.
4. White inquires about a mandatory film trade. Buckley brings up that it is state law that you cannot film another team in their own gym. Beasley recognizes that film is becoming more prevalent in basketball. Livengood states that a film trade at a playoff level is healthy.
5. Guttery gives an idea for a parking plus attendance pass for locals
6. Guttery inquires about moving State games to a different location. Mr. Tomyne explains that over the past few years no one has showed interest in hosting. Guttery inquires about the minimal days of a state championship tournament, Beasley answers with four days. Suggestion for holding the tournament at a junior college gym.
7. Guttery gives a suggestion for the Orlando Magic fan team to come in to make games more exciting to attend. Beasley acknowledges that making the State Final game different and more exciting is important.
8. Guttery asks about the media guide. Thompson explains that FHSAA does not plan on doing anything with that but explain that the local paper has done it.

iii. State Finals Format – Scott Guttery

1. Guttery plans to get with FABC to discuss setting up something for the State Championship tournament.

iv. Transfers – Scott Guttery

1. Guttery explains two incidents in his county. A student was removed from school and transferred to another and finished the basketball season with a different school. Another incident where a student did not make a team so he transferred and played on a different team.
2. Craig Damon (FHSAA) explains that transfers are immediately eligible to participate by legislation of state when they transfer. Only exceptions are if child's parent is in the military and are forced to move; court order change in custody that causes a child to move; a child in foster care is forced to move; or good cause authorization.

Open Discussion

1. Buckley inquires about MaxPreps
 - a. White brings up strength of schedule versus wins. Questions about if it is better to lose to a good team or win against bad teams.
2. Williams inquires about allowing more in the off season.
3. White brings up pregame warm up clock. Explained that games will sometimes start early and fans arrive on time, and the game is already happening. Suggests changing the script.
4. Pinder asks about award ceremonies.

VI. Adjournment

- a. White made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Pinder seconded, meeting adjourned at 1:15 pm.



Soccer Advisory Committee

Meeting Agenda

Florida High School Athletic Association
1801 NW 80th Blvd., Gainesville, FL. 32606
Monday, March 4th, 2019 – 10:00 a.m.

I. Introduction and Purpose

Mr. Ozuna called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. He welcomed committee members and attendees, and then notified members that the purpose of the meeting was to review the rules and regulations of FHSAA Soccer and make recommendations to the Board of Directors as deemed necessary. Meeting attendees were as follows: Andy Warner, Maclay School (Tallahassee); Rob Simon, Navarre High School; Scott Waisanen, Oviedo High School; Eric Sims, Jesuit High School (Tampa); Michael Stewart, Columbus High School, Jim Cappello, Olympic Heights High School (Boca Raton); Leo Madrigal, Southwest Miami High School, FACA Rep.; Jeff Kurzner, Greater Miami Athletic Conference, Ex-Officio. FHSAA staff members present were Alex Ozuna, Corey Sobers, Ashton Moseley and Scott Jamieson.

II. Review Procedures, Agenda and Expense Vouchers

Mr. Ozuna reviewed the procedures of the meeting, explained the process that a recommendation goes through prior to being implemented and gave the members time to complete their expense vouchers.

III. Selection of Vice Chairperson

Committee members selected Scott Waisanen as the Vice Chairperson.

[Motion: Simon, Second: Cappello – Vote (7-0) to Approve].

IV. Review 2018 Minutes / Agenda for Adoption

The 2018 Soccer Advisory Committee Meeting minutes were reviewed by the committee. [Motion: Waisanen; Second: Simon – Vote (7-0) to Approve].

The Soccer Advisory Committee reviewed the 2019 meeting agenda. [Motion: Simon; Second: Madrigal – Vote (7-0) to Adopt]

V. Review 2019 Soccer State Championship Tournament

The FHSAA hosted the 2019 FHSAA Boys and Girls Soccer State Championship Tournament in Deland, Florida at Spec-Martin Stadium in conjunction with the City of Deland and Deland High School. Mr. Ozuna expressed sentiments of gratitude and appreciation for all the hard work the staff and volunteers with the City of Deland and Deland High School showed when putting together this event. The committee discussed the appreciation most attending coaches, student-athletes and spectators had with the facility and felt the facility one of the better championship venues the association has had in the recent years. Additionally, the committee discuss the possibility of the event moving in the future and discussed potential locations. The committee also expressed the desire for bring back the final four in future years, or at least placing the state semifinal games at alternate neutral sites.

VI. Old Business

a. Noisemaker policies

Recommendation: Rewrite the noisemaker policy to allow noisemaking devices during the Florida High School State Championship Series, with the exception of whistles and/or air horns.

Rationale: Current FHSAA policy states “whistles, or artificial noisemaking devices that mimic or simulate a game whistle, air horns, and all other artificial or mechanical noisemaking devices, are prohibited in all Florida High School State Championship Series events.” To create a more fun and enthusiastic atmosphere during regional and state games schools may allow spectators to use noisemaking devices that do not mimic the sounds of the game.

Amended Recommendation: For the sport of soccer, rewrite the noisemaker policy to allow noisemaking devices during the Florida High School Soccer State Championship Series, with the exception of whistles and/or air horns.

Discussion: Some committee members felt that this proposal will not get endorsed by the ADAC and felt that it would make it difficult to policy the noisemaking policy. However, most committee members felt that his proposal will make state series events much more exciting by providing a true soccer like atmosphere. Additionally, committee members felt that during the regular season many schools do not follow the current noisemaker policy and felt by opening up this policy, this would create one less item site administrators have to be concerned with will hosting soccer state series events.

[Motion: Stewart, Second: Madrigal – Vote (5-2) to Approve the Amendment]

[Motion: Cappello, Second: Stewart – Vote (5-2) to Approve the Amended Recommendation]

b. Increase Roster Size

Recommendation: To allow for 25 players on the roster for the state series in the sport of soccer.

Rationale: 22-man roster doesn't allow room to include younger players

Discussion: The committee thought that increasing the number of players on the roster helps keep players on teams invested because they won't be getting cut once the playoffs started. The committee thought that bringing the number in line with the sport of lacrosse made sense as the sports are similar in the number of players on the field and the substitution procedures.

[Motion: Madrigal, Second: Warner – Vote (7-0) to Approve]

VII. *New Business*

a. Soccer Officiating System

Recommendation: Use the traditional whistle system for a 2-year probationary period of time instead of the Double Dual whistle system. Other states that have tried the Double Dual system are now going back to traditional.

Rationale: Too many side officials do not blow their whistles and instead defer to the center which frustrates players and coaches. Those that do use the whistles often have a different opinion of how the game should be called, make bad calls or don't make calls at all (deferring to the center official) and as a result causes confusion among the players as to what is and is not being called as a foul. The 3 whistles have not necessarily been a determining factor in ejections being reduced because coaching education, player education, and ejections and fines have also been implemented simultaneously with the 3 whistles. There has not been a control group to see which of these is the most effective at violent conduct reduction. The more defined roles of having side officials with flags that still can call fouls, but mainly call off-sides and out of bounds could be just as effective at managing a game or more so which is why the rest of the world uses side officials with flags as opposed to 3 referees with whistles. Players and officials use the traditional system in the state of Florida all year in club and college and converting to this in high school is more difficult for them and causes inconsistencies in officiating. Also, with a shortage of quality officials throughout the state it would be easier to recruit officials to run the sideline with a flag and rely on a qualified center to call the rest of the game.

Other associations in the US have tried the dual whistle system and are converting back to the traditional system as evidenced by the state of Colorado converting back this year. The traditional system is more understood by the players, coaches, and referees as they all use this in club and will use it in college as well.

Implementing a 2-year probationary period for going back to the traditional method to collected data to see if it is the coaching and player education, fines, suspensions given out or the system used that could be the reason for keeping ejections down.

Discussion: The Committee discussed this item at length and felt that having the Double Dual Officiating System creates confusion among players, coaches and officials, while also creating inconsistencies between all other soccer leagues across the world and Florida high school soccer. The committee felt that officials are not utilizing the system correctly due to the fact a lot of officials do not know the proper mechanics because they are used to the traditional systems that are used in all other leagues. Additionally, the committee felt that we are losing, or missing out on, a lot of younger officials because many of the young officials prefer not signing up to do high school soccer for the fact that they would have to learn a whole new officiating system. Committee also pointed out that in communication with other states across the southeast, most rules interpreters believe that coaches' education is the reason for reduction in ejection numbers and it has nothing to do with the officiating system. Additionally, the committee discussed a state like Colorado, is currently operates on the Double Dual System but will be doing away with system next sport season.

[Motion: Simon, Second: Cappello – Vote (7-0) to Approve]

b. MaxPreps RPI

Recommendation: Use of MaxPreps for soccer be broken down into percentages so coaches know what to expect and how to schedule opponents. 55% own record 35% opponents record 10% opponents/opponents record (losses to highly ranked quality opponents need some sort of consideration vs a win over a very weak opponent)

Rationale: If Max Preps is going to determine district seeding instead of head to head competition we need a framework to operate under that provides some level of information on how to schedule. Some districts are not allowed to travel outside their county so making an opponent/opponent percent large would be unfair to them. The emphasis should be on who you play and how you do with your own schedule as well as how well your opponents do with their schedule. If you have a common opponent, then that can be factored in under the opponent's opponent percent.

Concerns:

- 1) will weighting of different classes vs each other be considered?
- 2) is there any possibility of a regional committee being established as a percentage based on their knowledge of who is performing the best to add into the percent
- 3) pre-season games counting in strength of schedule, goal differential counting (we don't want this as it would encourage running up the score).
- 4) Losses to a quality opponent need to be a factor vs a win against a very weak opponent
- 5) Can max preps be used on a trial basis and bring back the traditional method of establishing district seeding if there is too much discrepancy in seeding

Discussion: The committee had a lengthy discussion on this item and felt that having a more structured formula that goes in the MaxPreps ranking is more beneficial to the sport. The committee felt that RPI for that was past for the sport of football will be beneficial but will like to percentages to be adjusted due to the difference in the structures of the two sports. The committee felt that the highest portion of the ranking should come from the section the team controls, but they are willing to go 5 percentage points up or down on each of the section of the RPI formula.

Amended Recommendation: Use of MaxPreps for soccer be broken down into percentages so coaches know what to expect and how to schedule opponents as a pilot program. 50% own record 35% opponents record 15% opponents/opponents record (losses to highly ranked quality opponents need some sort of consideration vs a win over a very weak opponent) with a 5% leeway for each section of the formula.

[Motion: Waisanen, Second: Simon – Vote (7-0) to Approve the Amendment]

[Motion: Madrigal, Second: Cappello – Vote (7-0) to Approve the Amended Recommendation]

c. Card Accumulation System

Recommendation: Set a guideline for yellow card accumulation by players.

Rationale: The high school game should be held to a higher standard. Many coaches are young and possibly direct from the club situation and some even have trouble managing young men and women and an individual card accumulation consequence could help curb that behavior and provide the young or experienced coach a tool for controlling unwanted behavior. A tool to teach respect in the game. Most states across the country have a rule that addresses this.

Example: 5 individual yellow cards, coach sits the player for one contest. 3 additional yellow cards, player sits 2 games, 3 additional yellow cards, player sits 3 games, etc..., the player would start the playoff season back to 0, and then it would be 3 yellow cards and then sit a game.

Discussion: The committee felt that this recommendation would be too difficult to police and collect accurate information. Puts added pressure on the contest officials to submit additional paper work, which may result in officials not make appropriate carding calls during the contest.

[Motion: Cappello, Second: Madrigal – Vote (7-0) to Not Approve]

d. Referee Arrival Time During System

Recommendation: Referee report time to be extended to minimum 30 minutes.

Rationale: Too many officials are arriving late to games.

Discussion: The committee felt that although the NFHS rule states at least an official should arrive at least 15 minutes prior to the start of a game, that minimum time does not give enough timing for the officials to complete all of their pregame duties. However, many of the committee members expressed that most officials association have policies that require the officials to be at the game at least 30 minutes prior to the game. The committee felt that this would be good recommendation as it matches current best practices by most local officials association.

[Motion: Warner, Second: Waisanen – Vote (7-0) to Approve]

e. Number of Matches Per Week

Recommendation: Limit competitive match play to one match per week per player.

Rationale: There is overwhelming scientific evidence that after a competitive soccer game one week of recovery is necessary to recover in order to maintain low injury rate. Soccer players who play two matches per week have a six times higher injury rate, including a five times higher rate in the incidence of severe injuries, than those who play once a week. Furthermore, there has been growing awareness of maltreatment of child athletes within the sport context, recently. Concerns about the high rate of overuse injuries and burnout have been expressed in scientific publications. The International Olympic Committee Consensus Statement on harassment and abuse in sport states that physical abuse of child athletes includes forced or mandated inappropriate physical activity such as inappropriate training loads. Based on the available evidence the current match load of high school athletes is considered to be serious overtraining.

Discussion: The committee

[Motion: Waisanen, Second: Simon – Vote (7-0) to Not Approve]

f. Play with 9 Players if lead is by 6 Goals

Recommendation: At any point in a game if a team has a lead by 6 goals, the team with the lead will continue to play with a maximum of 9 players as long as the lead is by six goals.

Rationale: In my opinion, as I saw that 40% of our District games were won via the mercy rule, we need to do something more when it becomes obvious that a team will run away with a game and

have it ended via the mercy rule by halftime. This pulling of 2 players with a team leading by 6 goals certainly may not be the ideal answer, as ideally these games should not be on the schedule of a decent/more donate team. However, in a situation like my team, we are required to play a number of weaker teams in our required conference games. Anyway, just a thought that may be possibly open for discussion.

Discussion: The committee did not feel that this recommendation would be beneficial to the sport, as it would prevent many teams from adding young players to a game. Additionally, the committee felt that this type of recommendation will unnecessarily prolong games.

[Motion: Simon, Second: Stewart – Vote (7-0) to Not Approve]

g. Increase the Soccer Calendar By 1 Week

Recommendation: Increase the soccer calendar by 1 week.

Rationale: Soccer as a winter sport has the same calendar length or less than other sports of the fall or spring but has a schedule that has to deal with two major holidays. Basketball shares the same conflicts, but traditionally plays in both Thanksgiving and Christmas holiday tournaments. Soccer traditionally must compete with club soccer holiday tournaments. There are up to three weeks of down time in our schedule because of these holidays. It would be nice to be given an extra week added onto the calendar as to allow teams to play games.

Discussion: The committee felt increase the soccer season by one week either on the front or the back end would be beneficial to the sport as must teams do not get close to playing in the 25 allowable games due to the multiple winter breaks. Additionally, the committee felt that this would increase player safety as it will help increase the rest time between games.

[Motion: Cappello, Second: Stewart – Vote (7-0) to Approve]

h. Standard Roster During Regular Season

Recommendation: Every team use the same standard roster. Each ref and opposing coach gets one at the start of games. copy of roster turn into league office.

Rationale: Keeping track of players eligibility/changing of numbers, etc.

Discussion: The committee felt that the current game rules and current FHSAA rules allow for this to happen. The committee felt that no additional rule is needed to be created to accomplish this recommendation.

No Action Taken

VIII. FACA Recommendations

The committee had no FACA recommendations to review. Mr. Madrigal expressed is gratitude for being a part of the committee and reminded the committee members that the soccer FACA conference will be held in June 2019.

IX. Sportsmanship Update

The committee discussed the concerns in sportsmanship they see in their respective areas with Mr. Ozuna. Mr. Ozuna also gave the committee some statistics on ejections and suspensions from the 2018-19 soccer sport season.

X. Compliance and Eligibility Update

Mr. Jamieson answered questions that the committee had in relation to student transfers and eligibility. Mr. Jamieson also review some of the FHSAA bylaws and policies as the pertain to international and non-traditional students in the state of Florida.

XI. Round Table Discussion

a. Penalties for Swearing

Discussion: The committee discussed the current penalty structure within the FHSAA regarding ejections and how swearing falls into it. Mr. Ozuna explained that swearing is not allowed during any FHSAA contest, however, if the swearing is directed at someone, either an official, coach or student-athlete, the sanctions tend to be more severe.

b. Referee Evaluations

Discussion: The committee discussed the possibility of coaches providing after game evaluation for contest officials. Mr. Ozuna informed the committee that this had been in place the last three years and coaches are able to fill a survey that evaluates crews after each contest. Mr. Ozuna informed committee members that a link to the survey can be found on the FAQ tab of the boys and girls soccer page of the FHSAA website.

XII. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 1:38 p.m.



Soccer Advisory Committee Meeting

Recommendation Form – Agenda Item

Site: Robert W. Hughes FHSAA Building, Gainesville Florida

Date: March 4, 2019

Item: Noisemaker Policy

Action: Discussion:

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Alternatives to Recommendation:

- 1. Approve recommendation.
- 2. Modify the recommendation
- 3. Deny the recommendation

Committees Voting Summary:

SCAC – 3/5/2018 - Motion: Madrigal, Second: Cappello – Vote (7-0) to Approve
ADAC – 4/11/2018 - Motion: Gabriel, Second: Von Scherrer– Vote (12-0) to Deny
SCAC – 3/4/2018 – Motion: Cappello; Second: Stewart – Vote (5-2) to Approve

VAC Vote:

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Item: Roster Size

Action: X **Discussion:** _____

Recommendation:

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Rationale:

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SCAC – 3/5/2018 - Motion: Carswell, Second: Klug – Vote (7-0) to Approve
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SCAC – 3/4/2019 – Motion: Madrigal, Second: Warner – Vote (7-0) to Approve

VAC Vote:

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Scooty Carey
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SCAC – 3/4/2019 - Motion: Simon, Second: Cappello – Vote (7-0) to Approve

VAC Vote:

Data Source:

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Scott Waisanen

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Soccer Advisory Committee Meeting

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Site: Robert W. Hughes FHSAA Building, Gainesville Florida

Date: March 4, 2019

Item: MaxPreps RPI

Action: X Discussion: _____

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Committees Voting Summary:

SCAC – 3/4/2019 - Motion: Madrigal, Second: Cappello – Vote (7-0) to Approve

VAC Vote:

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Soccer Advisory Committee Meeting

Recommendation Form – Agenda Item

Site: Robert W. Hughes FHSAA Building, Gainesville Florida

Date: March 4, 2019

Item: Referee Arrival Time During Regular Season

Action: X **Discussion:** _____

Recommendation:

Referee report time to be extended to minimum 30 minutes.

Rationale:

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3. Deny the recommendation

Committees Voting Summary:

SCAC – 3/4/2019 - Motion: Warner, Second: Waisanen – Vote (7-0) to Approve

VAC Vote:

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Jonathan Stone, Hernando HS
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Soccer Advisory Committee Meeting

Recommendation Form – Agenda Item

Site: Robert W. Hughes FHSAA Building, Gainesville Florida

Date: March 4, 2019

Item: Increase Soccer Calendar

Action: X **Discussion:** _____

Recommendation:

Increase the soccer calendar by 1 week.

Rationale:

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3. Deny the recommendation

Committees Voting Summary:

SCAC – 3/4/2019 - Motion: Cappello, Second: Stewart – Vote (7-0) to Approve

VAC Vote:

Data Source:

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Rob Simon

Name of Committee Member/Staff Member

Signature of Committee Member/Staff Member



MINUTES

Officials Advisory Committee Meeting

10:00 am, March 13, 2019
Robert W. Hughes FHSAA Building
Gainesville, Florida

1. Welcome, introductions, purpose
 - a. Justin Harrison – Welcomed the committee and introduced the committee and staff.
 - b. Purpose – Annual meeting of winter sports, drawing from experience, voice for officials from respective areas.
 - c. Nominations for Chairman Pat Fairfax nominated Jeremy Walton, Second Jim Murray
2. Review agenda and verify completion of expense vouchers
3. Approval of March, 2018 OAC meeting minutes
 - a. a. Jim Murray motioned to approve, Pat Fairfax second (9-0 approved)
4. Review recommendations of the following sport committees
 - a. Basketball – Frank Beasley / Ed Thompson
 - 1) Recommendations
 - a. Recommendation Committee
 - i. The booking commissioner is not allowed to be a voting member on the recommendation committee due to bylaws. Was brought up last year, modified to state that the booking commissioner can be a voting member on the recommendation committee. Guidelines will state that no board member can be a voting member on the recommendation committee, with exception of the booking commissioner who may serve on the recommendation committee. Bob McKinney made the point that hired booking commissioners are not members of the board. Also the recommendation states that they may serve not that they shall. No requirement is being set with the current recommendation that the booking commissioner must be on the recommendation committee. Motion made to amend the recommendation to “Shall” rather than “May”. Some associations had trouble accepting “Shall” simply because they contract their booking commissioner would have leverage to raise the pay.
 - ii. Bob McKinney motioned to amend, seconded by Jim Murray – Bob withdrew motion
 - iii. Motioned to approve by Patrick Ayers, seconded by Jim Murray (9-0)
 - 2) Discussion
 - a. Jim Murray discussed the issue of receiving payment for postseason games. Pat Fairfax discussed how anytime he has that issue, he involves Robbie to help solve the problem. Justin agreed with Pat, if payment is not made in a “reasonable” time, the FHSAA can help provide a friendly reminder to the school.
 - b. Uniforms – Bob McKinney discussed the issue of rolled up uniforms. Jim Murray brought up the issue of teams not having the required white uniform. Local associations need to enforce uniform infractions and work with the local schools to inform them on proper uniform education. Jeremy Walton brought up that these issues can be discussed at the preseason meeting with the association and schools. Pat Fairfax agreed and has already implemented these practices and has saved schools money by educating them prior to purchasing uniforms. Committee wishes to see these preseason meetings become mandatory for all schools to attend rather than recommended.

- c. Jim Murray discussed official's uniforms – some officials wore the black and white striped uniform. Bob McKinney agreed that his association made it required for his officials to wear the black and whites. Asked the FHSAA to consider allowing those for post season uniforms. Justin said associations are allowed the option to choose which they prefer during the regular season but not during the postseason.
 - d. Jim Murray discussed having issue with scheduling games during January and needing more bodies on the back end of the season. Bob McKinney suggested working with the schools to adjust the schedule to spread them out more. Justin brought up the reclassifications and that schools will no longer be required to play district games and how that may alleviate some of the pressure on the associations.
- b. Soccer – Alex Ozuna / Corey Sobers
- 1) Recommendations
 - 2) Discussion
 - a. Clock Procedure
 - i. Winston O'Conner brought up the issue of game clock and display clocks being out of sync. Alex Ozuna explained that officials keep the game clock on the field. Display clocks are supposed to mirror that on the field. Adjustments to the display clock should be made during breaks in the game. Communication needs to be made beforehand between the officials and the clock operator. If the display clock is not being run the same as the game clock the official can decide the display clock needs to be turned off.
 - b. Injured Goal keeper
 - i. Goal keepers are only allowed back on the field after being injured at the next available substitution. Opposing teams are taking advantage of these situations, especially if they deliberately injure the goalkeeper. Winston O'Conner discussed the idea that if the goal keeper must leave, the keeper can come back at the next stoppage rather than the next substitution if there is a caution. Alex explained that as of right now this is an NFHS rule.
 - c. Coaches approaching Referees at halftime
 - i. Patrick Ayers discussed how it should be prohibited that coaches contact officials at halftime other than the coach-official conference at the beginning of the game. Justin agreed that coaches should not be confronting officials at halftime or after the game. He also asked though if there was a specific avenue in which coaches could converse with officials in a respectable manner during the game. Patrick Ayers suggested that rule questions should be addressed during the designated water breaks
 - ii. Alex and Corey will work on making a structure opportunity for coaches to have the ability to approach the referee.
 - d. Ball handlers
 - i. Patrick Ayers brought up how the home team is supposed to supply two ball handlers for every game. When there are no ball handlers that can affect the game by adding stoppage time. Patrick suggested requiring the home team to utilize their bench or subs to work as ball handlers. Justin stated that if this happen to report it as a Miscellaneous Report and the FHSAA office will contact the school, repeated infractions while be addressed by the FHSAA.
 - e. Clarification JV vs Varsity game duration
 - i. Patrick Ayers asked for clarification regarding the guidebook and the usage of "Sub-varsity" verses JV. He asked if it was required that JV play the 40-minute game length like varsity. Alex clarified that Sub varsity includes JV, which means that schools can agree to play 30 minutes rather than 40. Greg McCoy stated that he charges schools the same rate for varsity and JV because they both play 40 minutes.
 - f. Clarification of pregame warmup

c. Female Wrestlers

- i. Female wrestlers are supposed to weigh in first, causing a delay for the males. Jeremy Walton requests that the designation of who goes first gets taken out of the guidebook. Robbie said he would investigate it.

5. General recommendations

6. Open Agenda (discussion only)

7. Adjournment

Motion made by Pat Fairfax, seconded by Greg McCoy



MINUTES

Florida High School Athletic Association Sports Medicine Advisory Committee Meeting

6:30 pm, March 26, 2019

Gainesville, Florida

1) Welcome, introductions, purpose

Mr. Harrison called the meeting to order at 6:40. Introductions. Present: Dr. Amanda Alexander, Dr. Todd Narson, Dr. Pat Helma, Dr. Kevin Farmer, Tim Tharp, Bob Sefcik, Dr. Eric Coris, Dr. Cindy Brush, Dr. Kris Stowers Justin Harrison, Kellie Doucette, George Tomy, Kyle Niblett

2) Review agenda

3) Approval of December 4, 2018 SMAC meeting minutes. Motion: Bob Sefcik; Second: Kevin Farmer. Passes 8-0

4) Recommendations

a) Sudden cardiac arrest Motion: Coris Second: Farmer Passes 8-0 to add language to existing policy.

Cardiac arrest is leading cause of sports related death, FASMed feels we are doing a good job in promoting awareness, but more education is still needed. The FASMed committee felt that if the FHSAA 'strongly recommends' CPR certification, it will promote more coaches becoming CPR certified. As state law requires AEDs it makes sense that coaches also be trained in CPR to enhance response to an emergency. While coaching certification and CPR requirements are a function of the DOE, FASMed feels it would help if the FHSAA strongly recommended CPR certification. FASMed also would like to see that the FHSAA recommend AEDs at all practices, conditioning sessions, games and events. The committee understands that requiring AEDs at all events would be a financial impact. If schools are properly implementing an Emergency Action Plan they would be aware that AEDs should be available for events off campus.

b) Coaches safety education Motion: Stowers Second: Coris Passes 8-0

FASMed discussed working more cooperatively with the DOE. Having coaches watch the NFHS ACL course was recommended. FHSAA is highlighting different courses available in the information that is sent to schools. CPR/AED, First Aid certification and USA Football Heads Up training were also strongly recommended. As an association we may want to stay away from recommending one program or organization (i.e. USA Football) over another. There are multiple entities that would accomplish training proper technique for tackling that could be explored. Coaches may want to select a program of training that best suits their team. The committee feels that it is important that training is recommended, but not limit it to one specific program. As a committee, we recommend the training without naming one specific course. Also, could this be expanded to other sports since concussions are not restricted to football? There are certifications courses available via the NFHS. We also have 3 pro football teams in Florida that may be a resource.

NFHS ACL Course (<https://www.nfhslearn.com/courses/61163/acl-injury-prevention>)

c) Sports related concussion Motion: Sefcik Second: Helma Passes 8-0

FASMed applauded SMAC for already having a good policy in place. There were some edits suggested. Edit 40.1.2, add requirement to view course, but that was accomplished with action item 4b. 40.2.2 add underlined portion to last sentence of Policy: An athlete should be observed following a suspected concussion and should never be left alone until the athlete is under the care of a parent or guardian or is evaluated by an appropriate health care professional. Add new section 40.2.3 from NATA position statement on concussions:

Observable Red-Flag items that warrant immediate referral to the Emergency Department:

- Decreasing level of consciousness
- Increasing confusion
- Increasing irritability
- Loss of or fluctuating level of consciousness
- Numbness in the arms or legs
- Pupils becoming unequal in size
- Repeated vomiting
- Seizures
- Slurred speech or inability to speak
- Inability to recognize people or places
- Worsening headache

d) Heat stroke prevention Motion: Sefcik Second: Coris Passes 8-0

FASMed committee feels the Policy should be renamed 'Exertional Heat Illness' to bring policy in line with other safety policies that identify specific conditions (i.e. Sudden Cardiac Arrest). Add additional language to Policy 41 and potentially Policy 43; Each school/school district shall have a policy in place that outlines best practice strategies for the prevention of heat related injuries. Guidelines can be made available through SMAC including but not limited to environmental monitoring, activity modification and emergent treatment of heat stroke victims. There are concern about using the word 'shall' as well as making sure to word the policy so that all schools are included, public schools that are a part of a district as well as private schools that are not included in a school district. This could be added to existing 41.6 as 41.6 already requires districts to select and promote a method of monitoring environment once the 14-day heat acclimatization period expires. May want to consider adding verbiage for immediate treatment of heat injuries from policy recommendation to Policy 41.6.

e) Safety during offseason and summer conditioning Motion: Stowers Second: Narson Passes 8-0

FHSAA does not regulate summer activities however the FASMed subcommittee recommends adding underlined language to 20.1 to highlight that safety policies and procedures should always be included.

20.1.1 Not regulated in summer. The FHSAA does not regulate the athletic activities of member schools held with their own students during the summer as defined herein with the exception of football. The individual member school principal, district school

superintendent, district school board, charter or private school governing body are responsible for adopting regulations governing the activities of their respective schools during this period of time. These regulations should identify the District's expectations for coaches and activity supervisors to comply with sports safety safeguards identified in FHSAA policies 41, 42, and 43 during offseason and summer sessions.

Further suggested to add language about coaches being CPR/AED trained as well. In an effort to stay consistent, should 'strongly recommend' all sessions include a coach with current CPR/AED training as well as access to an AED during summer/offseason workout sessions.

f) Lightning safety Motion: Sefcik Second: Coris Passes 8-0

Current Policy 32 is vague and currently different standards are being followed throughout the state. The goal of the committee is to have a lightning policy that is standard throughout the state so that everyone knows what to expect when they travel out of district. Most districts do have policies in place and some are consistent but recommendation of FASMed group is to update the policy so all member schools are consistent. Two options, update policy 32 so that everyone is following the same guidelines or add a line to Policy 43 that requires schools/school districts to adopt their own policy for lightning safety using guidelines and best practices for lightning safety as made available via the FHSAA SMAC. Just as the FHSAA would not outline specific tackling guidelines, we should be cautious of suggesting specific lightning guidelines. While we agree that all districts should have a lightning policy, can we suggest a policy and allow schools to create their own? Having an ambiguous stance on the rule is hazardous. At a minimum there should be more education about the current policy. It is important that the committee provides guidelines, it could be in Administrative Procedures if not policy, as long as it is defined. In an effort to remain consistent, schools should be referred to resources in an effort to develop their own policy. The SMAC could publish best practices that could be used as a resource schools use to develop their own policy. The NFHS has published guidelines that are similar to what is being proposed. In an effort to enhance the likelihood of a policy passing, the committee would like the attorney to review current policy, proposed policy and the NFHS guidelines to see what we can enforce. Recommendation would be to put a line item in the EAP Policy stating each district needs to have a lightning policy in place and refer them to the NFHS guidelines. This should not replace all components of Policy 32 as it does give one school to pull their teams from a field if they feel it is necessary.

5) Open agenda (discussion only)

- a) Read statement from Michele Benz regarding FHSAA Wrestling State Finals. Michele and her team do a great job on behalf of our athletes at the state tournament.
- b) As a committee our next push should be to start providing examples of EAPs, best practices, etc. to assist our schools.
- c) Should be mentioned in regard to the item about heat injury that a cold-water immersion tub is optimal however if one is not available, or is very distant, wrapping an athlete in a tarp with ice can also be effective in lowering core temperature while awaiting emergency transport in patients with exertional heat illness.

6) Adjournment. Motion to adjourn by Pat Helma 8:45pm.



Athletic Directors Advisory Committee – Agenda Item

Site: Robert W. Hughes FHSAA Building, Gainesville

Date: April 3, 2019

Rule Reference(s): n/a	Action: X	Discussion: X
Item: Photo Credentials for Head Athletic Directors and School Principals		
<p>Background Information: After having the honor to attend several state tournaments & finals over the past few years in support of my own school as well as attending for others, myself and others have observed that Athletic Administrators and Principals have a difficult time being close to their teams in which they represent due to the allotted wristbands and/or credentials issued by the FHSAA and LOC. Both of these types of administrators are the main go to for solving problems that arise and work to promote and support education-based athletics. Both of these administrators should have the open ability to accompany their teams, student-athletes, and coaches when traveling to a state final without worrying about having to fit within an allotted wristband/credential number. These folks should also have the open ability to visit other state finals in which their team is not playing to have increased access to watch games, and even jump in and help the FHSAA or LOC if needed.</p>		
<p>Recommendation: Instead of issuing state series passes to Head Athletic Directors & Principals, at the beginning of the year issue FHSAA Credentials (with photo) that will allow access to all post season games and State Championship floor/field access.</p>		
<p>Rationale: Principals & Athletic Directors are the key people that drive interscholastic educational based athletics in this state and should be allowed to sit with their teams or have priority seating at all post season and State Finals events without counting towards the team allotted wristbands. Even if their team is not in the finals these folks should have the option to attend a state final and have increased privileges compared to a regular ticket holder. The NCAA does this on their level, issuing season long credentials coaches & administrators increased/preferred access. Right now, media who many that are in attendance are not even covering ALL of the games, receive FULL heightened access and treatment compared to member school administrators. At very least we should have the same preferred access to watch our kids or attend events in support of other schools and coaches.</p> <p>Basketball/Volleyball/Wrestling/Competitive Cheer: Floor Access</p> <p>Football/Soccer/Lacrosse/Flag Football: Field Access</p> <p>Baseball/Softball: Dugout Access <i>(only when their team is playing)</i></p> <p>Golf: Access to rent carts to watch player/team</p> <p>*State Finals such as Cross Country/Track/Weightlifting/Swimming/Water Polo where space is greatly limited only spectator access granted.</p>		
<p>Alternative to Recommendation: At very least issue credentials that allow Principals & Athletic Directors access for the games they are playing in without counting towards their team allotted wristbands/credentials.</p>		
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