

Baseball Advisory Committee

Final Agenda

May 18, 2015, 11 a.m.

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| 1. Review procedures, agenda, complete expense vouchers | Klaus |
| 2. Purpose and introductions | Klaus |
| 3. Selection of Chairperson | Committee |
| 4. Review of 2014 baseball committee minutes | Committee |
| 5. Review 2015 Baseball State Championships | Committee |
| 6. New Business | |
| a) Baseball Regional Playoff Qualifiers | T. LoSauro |
| b) Addition to Current Mercy Rule | T. Woodley |
| c) Number of Regular Season Games | R. Steed |
| d) 10 Hitters for JV Games | T. Woodley |
| e) Number of Players on Active Roster | R. Steed |
| f) Number of Players Allowed in Uniform during Playoffs | R. Steed |
| g) Coach Ejections | T. Woodley |
| h) Regional and Final Four Format | R. Steed |
| i) Amend 4-2-3 for Playoffs Only | D. Klaus |
| 7. Roundtable Discussion | Committee |
| 8. Adjournment | Klaus |



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Item: Baseball District Tournament
Regional Playoff Qualifiers

Background Information: The team that earned the right to move on to the Regional Playoff based on their regular season performance does not always move on.

Recommendation: That in an eight team district or larger if they play each other two times during the regular season that the #1 seed automatically qualifies to move on to the regional playoff. Although the #1 seed

Rationale: plays in the district tournament only the second school to advance will be determined by the outcome.
→ To have the best teams advance and have the best team win the state championship.

Alternatives: N/A

Data Source: Many examples of previous seasons

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Item: Add to current Mercy Rule

Background Information: Keeps game from dragging on when an opponent is clearly overmatched

Recommendation: 15 run rule after 4 innings

Rationale: Keeps from running up score

Alternatives: 15 after 3 innings, 12 after 4 innings

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Attn: Sheila Gallino



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Item: Number of regular season games.

Background Information: All coaches, players and parents that I asked about this feel very strongly that we play more regular season games.

Recommendation: Increase the number of regular season games from 25 to 30.

Rationale: We have a 10 week regular playing season so playing 25 games is only 2.5 a week. Increasing to 30 games would make that 3 games a week and allow more kids an opportunity to play, especially pitchers

Alternatives: Increase the number of games to 28.

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Item: ___10 hitters for JV games___

Background Information: ___Allows to get more JV kids in game

Recommendation: ___Opportunity for JV coaches to bat 10 in lineup___

Rationale: ___Playing time for JV players___

Alternatives: ___Bat 9, Have EH (10 hitters)___

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Item: Number of players on the Active Roster

Background Information: I have checked with a number of coaches and everyone was in favor of this.

Recommendation: Increase the number of players on the active roster from 20 to 24.

Rationale: Give more players an opportunity to participate in a once in a lifetime event like playing in a playoff game.

Alternatives: Increase the number to 22 instead of 24.

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Item: Number of players allowed to be in uniform during the playoffs.

Background Information: I have checked with a number of other coaches and everyone was in favor of this.

Recommendation: Increase the number of players allowed to be in uniform for the playoffs from 20 to 24.

Rationale: Some teams that have large rosters have to bring players in before the playoffs and tell them they will not be able to be in uniform. These players deserve to be in a uniform.

Alternatives: Increase the number to 22 instead of 24.

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Item: Coach Ejections

Background Information: Ejections with no warnings

Recommendation: Giving a formal warning before an ejection occurs.

Rationale: Baseball coaches would like a system similar to Soccer (yellow card),
Basketball (2 Technical fouls), Football (sideline warning)

Alternatives: Keep same

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Item: Region and Final Four format

Background Information: Just about every coach I polled would prefer this.

Recommendation: Have all Region and final 4 games be the best 2 out of 3.

Rationale: This is how baseball champions are determined in just about every other level of the game. Most of the states in the south do this. Provides a truer

Alternatives: Region games 2 out of 3 and keep the final 4 the same. champion

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