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   b. Javelin – Committee
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      i. Name Change
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V. New Business
   a. Adapted/Para Division Reduced to One Classification – J. Getty
   b. Winter Track – P. Baur
   c. Sharing Javelins – P. Baur
   d. Participation and Entry Limitations – K. Brauman
   e. State Series Meet Scoring – K. Brauman

VI. Open Agenda – Discussion Only
   a. State Meet Schedule
   b. Misc. discussion

VII. Adjournment
Track & Field Advisory Committee

MINUTES

Florida High School Athletic Association
1801 NW 80th Blvd., Gainesville, FL. 32606
May 20, 2019 – 10:00 AM

I. Introduction and Purpose
   a. All Members Present:
      i. Nathan Stanley
      ii. David Frank
      iii. Ken Brauman
      iv. Dale Meskimen
      v. Dan Dearing
      vi. Paul Baur
      vii. Jamie LaFollette
      viii. Alejandro (Alex) Armenteros
      ix. Kyle LoJacono

II. Review Procedures, Agenda and Expense Vouchers
    a. Paul Baur nominated Dan Dearing for Chairman
    i. Ken Brauman Seconded

III. Review 2018 Minutes
    a. Jamie LaFollette moved to Approve
    i. Kyle Seconded - Unanimous agreement

IV. Review
    a. 2019 State Championships
    i. State Finals
       1. Protocol for Bad Weather - information about weather delays coming out slow - not on social media to receive information - PA announcements - TeamSnap/Remind messaging app
       2. No wind gauge for boys’ long jump and triple jump
       3. Bib numbers to help officials on pole vault
       4. Nobody officiating an athlete they have a coaching affiliation with
       5. Late check ins for events
       6. Officiating Issues
       7. Heats against time - head winds they must run into
       8. Games committee - should be listed in the program, equal number of coaches and officials as well as the facility manager
       9. Better management of the field events and the practice facility
       10. Awards area and schedule
       11. Weigh ins for implements - 8 hours before someone competes
       12. State records announced at the meet weren’t the records for this year
       13. Athlete check in & athlete entrance went great - very accommodating
            a. Discussion came up if check in was necessary for field events
    ii. Region Meets
       1. DNS at region - should not compete at State - will get better over time with DirectAthletics
2. Not enough officials available - coaches had to run events
3. Unacceptable facilities to host region meets
4. Dates of Region meets should be more flexible - make up policy for severe weather
5. Bidding process for hosts

iii. District Meets
1. Scratches/No-shows – DQs due to Policy 10.5.2 - improvement
2. Windows - to host - less stress on the official to cover - week and a half

b. Direct Athletics – D. Stelnik
i. Results Review - presented data - attached
   1. DA Entry Meets
   2. Non-DA Entry Meets
      a. Submitted in CSV - created issues - missing ID's
      b. Disconnect with MileSplit and DA

ii. District Entry
   iii. Meet directors having access to DA as read only - timers still have full access

c. TRAC future dates
   i. May 25, 2020 (Subject to change)
   ii. May 24, 2021 (Subject to change)

V. Old Business
VI. New Business
   a. Action Items
      i. 4x200m – C. O’Brien
         1. Adding the 4x200m to the State Series Schedule. Committee discussed the value of adding it versus the addition of length of time it would add to the event.
            a. Ken Brauman made a motion to deny
               i. Kyle LoJacono seconded (0-8 for, 1 abstained)

      ii. Adapted Events – E. Thompson
         1. Name Change - rename to Para-Athlete
            a. Ken Brauman made a motion to accept
               i. Paul Baur seconded - unanimous agreement

         2. Combine Wheelchair Divisions - combining two wheelchair divisions into one
            a. Ken Brauman made a motion to accept
               i. Dale Meskimen seconded - unanimous

         3. Create Ambulatory Division - includes individuals who are not just bound to a wheelchair, does not include blade runners. Coaches would provide what is needed for events - events would stay the same.
            a. Ken Brauman made a motion to accept
               i. Paul Baur seconded, 8-1 approval

         4. Modified Team Scoring - Would bring adaptive athletes into the fold of the team score. Not every school has programs that would allow them to be included in this scoring. This scoring would not displace a team from a trophy position - could be two state champions.
            a. David Frank made a motion to approve
               i. Paul Baur seconded, 0-8 motion denied

      iii. State Finals Qualification
         1. Separation of Team & Individual State Meets - Region meets would be dissolved and districts were drawn into 8 geographic areas. 4 classes for team state championships and 4 classes for individual championships. Team championships should be awarded to the most well-rounded team. Committee discussed modifying the current recommendation - not accepting as is.
            a. Ken Brauman motioned to table the recommendation for FACA discussion
               i. David Frank seconded - unanimous agreement
2. Removal of Classifications for Individual State Championships - take away the classification designation and advance any athlete that passes a threshold
   a. David Frank withdrew his recommendation
3. Establishment of Qualification Standards and Qualification System
   a. Ed Thompson withdrew his recommendation

iv. State Series Modification (Alternative to iii) – K. Brauman
   a. Reduce qualifier numbers from 24 to 16 per event
   b. Reduce number of districts to 8
   c. Establish qualifying standards for district entry
   d. Advancement to Region
   e. Advancement to State Finals (Region Champions + 12 at-large)

2. All action items listed above were motioned to be tabled for FACA by Paul Baur, seconded by David Frank, unanimous agreement

v. Individual Event Limitation – K. Brauman
   1. Modify Individual Event Limitation for the State Series- making the state series more selective by having them compete in 4 events only - three of which are running events.
      a. Jamie LaFollette motioned to deny the recommendation.
         i. Paul Baur seconded, 7-1-1 motion denied

vi. FACA Recommendations
   1. 4x400m Prelims - remove prelims
      a. Jamie LaFollette made a motion to approve
         i. Dale Meskimen seconded, 7-2 motion approved
   2. Amputee 200m - adding a race for above the knee amputees
      a. Kyle LoJacono motioned to approve
         i. Nathan Stanley seconded, unanimous agreement
   3. Combined Events - adding decathlon/ heptathlon to the state series - financial and facility issues for the added the days
      a. David Frank motioned to deny
         i. Dale Meskimen seconded, 6-2 motioned denied
   4. Coaching Boxes (Discussion Only) - FACA voted unanimously to add a coach’s box for all events
   5. District Dates (Discussion Only) - A week and a half window for districts has been granted from the FHSAA
   6. Region Dates (Discussion Only) - Issues with not enough officials when all the regions are on the same day. Having more flexibility. The committee is in favor of different dates for Regional Meets
   7. Dates Notification (Discussion Only) - tentative dates have been posted below
   8. 4x800m and 800m - Region winners in fast heats. Break field into sections of 16 and 8
      a. Kyle LoJacono motioned to approve
         i. Ken Brauman seconded, 7-1 motion approved

b. Discussion Items
   i. 2020 Dates (Tentative)
      1. District Meets – April 6-8 & 13-17
      2. Region Meets – April 25 (Saturday)
      3. State Finals – May 1-2 -or- 8-9
         a. 3-day hybrid - 2 classes on Thursday & Friday, next 2 classes come in for Friday & Saturday - Dan would want to move the classifications that are competing on
Thursday/Friday to a Friday Regional date. Limit travel and add some flexibility in regard to weather.

b. 3-day

c. 2-day

ii. District Meet Preliminary Rounds Requirement - removing prelim rounds in districts, seeded by time - relies on the seeded times to be correct from DA. The district planning meeting could decide whether or not notes a requirement for their district meet. Is it fair across the board? Okay with taking the requirement out.

iii. Approved Timers List for State Series Meets - (for region meets) Timers meet the minimum requirements for region meets, would be included on the region bid packet

iv. Third-party events required to use DA in 2020 - FHSAA now going to require them to use DA for their meets. Wants to make sure the information is accurate.

v. Results reporting window changed to 24 hrs. instead of 72 hrs.

vi. Officials Assignments for State Series Meets – Regional Assignments - Ed will assign officials for all region meets - officials will travel to regional meet sites. Hosts will pay for travel.

vii. Fixed Takeoff Boards in TJ at State Finals - fixed board for boys and girls at the state meet

VII. Adjournment

a. Paul Baur motioned for Adjournment

i. Nathan Stanley seconded, unanimous agreement

ii. Meeting adjourned at 3:58 pm.
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### Background Information:

"Adapted" not in line with the current trends in the sport which now include ambulatory divisions, wheelchair divisions, and other degrees of disability at all levels.

### Recommendation:

Rename the “Adapted” division to be called the “Para-Athlete” division.

### Rationale:

Renaming the division brings Florida more in line with the current trends of inclusion in Track & Field at all levels.

### Alternatives:

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Ed Thompson – FHSAA

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**Background Information:**

Currently, wheelchair events are divided into two divisions based upon disability of the lower and upper extremities. For practical purposes, this structure has not been applied due to low participation numbers in the wheelchair events.

**Recommendation:**

Combine the two divisions for all wheelchair events. (This recommendation follows the recommended creation of the ambulatory division.)

**Rationale:**

**Alternatives:**

**Data Source:**

FHSAA Track & Field State Series data.

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**Background Information:**

Ambulatory athletes do not currently have an appropriate division in track & field that meets their specific needs.

**Recommendation:**

Add an ambulatory division to the adapted/para-athlete division for FHSAA Track & Field. Ambulatory includes athletes that have a permanent orthopedic, neuromuscular, or other physical disability. This division includes visually impaired, cerebral palsy, dwarf, and amputees. All permanent conditions shall be verified by an appropriate licensed medical professional.

**Rationale:**

Florida is not currently providing an appropriate opportunity for this class of athletes as they do not fit within the current wheelchair event structure or may compete on a level playing field with able-bodied athletes.

**Alternatives:**

- Data Source:
  - Oregon School Activities Association
  - Washington Interscholastic Activities Association

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#### Background Information:
Currently, amputee competitors must compete in the able-bodied division 200m Dash.

#### Recommendation:
Add a separate amputee 200m Dash to the state series.

#### Rationale:

#### Alternatives:

#### Data Source:

#### Impact (to be completed by FHSAA Staff):
Amputee athletes—if added separately—would necessarily need their own separate division or class added under the adapted events umbrella.

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Dan Dearing – FACA Chairman

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| Item: Region Winners to Fast Heats of 4x800m and 800m and Break at 16/8 | ACTION ☒ | DISCUSSION ☐ |

**Background Information:**

Currently, heats of the 800m and 4x800m Relay are run in two heats with unfixed fields.

**Recommendation:**

Place region winners in the faster heat of each race. The fast heat should have 16 competitors and the slower heat 8 competitors.

**Rationale:**

**Alternatives:**

**Data Source:**

**Impact (to be completed by FHSAA Staff):**

FHSAA recommends the field for each race be broken into heats of 16 and 8 competitors respectively only to ensure the best quality competition. Nearly all region winners are likely to earn a spot in the faster heat with a larger fast heat group in that format. Region winners are not given preferential seeding in any event at the state meet currently.

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### Background Information:

### Recommendation:

Run three heats of timed-finals at the state meet in the 4x400m Relay per gender per class.

### Rationale:

4x400m relay prelims haven’t traditionally been run in Florida. Some coaches are concerned with athlete wear and tear in this event.

### Alternatives:

1. Continue to run preliminary rounds of the event in order to make the final a championship final.
2. Reorder the events at the state meet to ensure a climatic finish to the season.

### Data Source:

Impact (to be completed by FHSAA Staff):

Running preliminary rounds of the relay provides consistency in all events 400m or less in length—all of which are considered sprint events. Most levels (NCAA, USATF, IAAF, etc.) and other states run rounds in this event at the state finals. Removing the preliminary rounds adds substantial, anticlimactic time to the end of the state meet in its current format (24 heats consuming almost 2.5 hrs.). Timed finals are inherently not considered championship finals.

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Submitted By:

Dan Dearing – FACA Chairman

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**Item:** Adaptive and Para Athlete Divisions

**Background Information:** With the incorporation of a new PARA division to the current ADAPTIVE offerings in the sport of track and field to add additional participants and opportunities. The current participant levels do not warrant multiple classes - 4A, 3A, 2A, 1A.

**Recommendation:** Recommendation would be for the ADAPTIVE and PARA athletes to compete within one classification only until participant numbers warrant an expansion to additional classes.

**Rationale:** Recommendation would be for the ADAPTIVE and PARA athletes to compete within one classification only until participant numbers warrant an expansion to additional classes.

**Alternative to Recommendation:** None.

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**Jay Getty**  
Name of Committee Member

**Hagerty**  
FACA Representative

Role
# Track & Field Advisory Committee – Agenda Item

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| Rule Reference(s): | Adding a Sport  
|-------------------|-----------------  
| Item: | Add a Winter track  

**Background Information:** Our track athletes do not have a winter season like most states do. They are missing out on opportunities to train with their teams/schools and compete during the winter season. This would give more athletes a chance to do that and keep kids training with their coaches and competing for their schools.
Here are some other notes:
- Give track athletes the opportunity to be in line with the majority of the country who compete in indoor and outdoor track.
- More opportunities to improve and gain experience, thus better chance to compete in college.
- Give track athletes another sport opportunity at their school.
- Give schools opportunity to keep their students on campus & competing for their schools.
- As a FHSAA Sanctioned sport, athletes/teams would be eligible to participate in other major indoor meets nationwide.
- January meets would help cut down on travel costs as many athletes travel out of State to compete indoors during January.
- Would set up Indoor track as a FHSAA sport in preparations for the Indoor track that is soon to be built in Gainesville.
- Would allow Florida athletes the opportunity to qualify for New Balance Indoor Nationals.

**Recommendation:** Add Winter Track as a sanctioned FHSAA sport with practice starting in mid-November, meets in January and the State Meet in late January.

- 8 Regions (Panhandle, Jacksonville, Orlando 1, Orlando 2, Tampa 1, Tampa 2, Soflo 1, Soflo 2)
- One classification
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**Alternative to Recommendation:** California and Louisiana both have winter track that have some similarities.

**Data Source:**
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Paul Baur  
Name of Committee Member

Pine Crest  
Section 4 (Girls) Representative

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<td>Currently javelins are considered shared property at meets. If it gets damaged, there is no way to hold anyone liable.</td>
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**Background Information:** Javelins are expensive. At most of our meets, athletes show up to throw with little experience and no javelins. The rule states that they can borrow any javelin, but if it gets damaged, there is no way to hold the person liable. More important than that, you would not be able to throw your or your schools javelin in the meet if it was damaged. This can happen easily with the back end sticking in the ground, etc.

**Recommendation:** These are some suggestions. Our school always brings our beginner javelins to allow athletes to use. You could require the meet host to supply javelins. Also, the athlete should be reserved the right to forbid anyone from using their javelin.

**Rationale:** These are some suggestions. Our school always brings our beginner javelins to allow athletes to use. You could require the meet host to supply javelins. Also, the athlete should be reserved the right to forbid anyone from using their javelin.

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**Impact (To be completed by FHSAA Staff):** Currently, no requirement exists in the NFHS Track & Field Rules for competitors to share implements in any event. The common understanding of “field ownership” of an implement is only found in USATF rules. Currently, competitors may share implements if they elect to do so but are not required to.

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**Paul Baur**  
**Pine Crest**  
**Section 4 (Girls) Representative**

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**Item:** In meets which involve 4 or more schools, not more than 3 contestants from a given school shall be allowed to enter an individual event.

**Background Information:** In the State Series, Schools are allowed to enter 4 athletes per individual event. Depending on the # of schools in the District, the # of preliminary heats, heats against time, and flights in the Field Events can be reduced by allowing only 3 entries. Also, starting HTs. In the PV and HJ can be raised as the 4th entry usually has the lesser performance entered.

**Recommendation:** Adopt NFHS Rule 4.2.4c. Allowing not more than 3 contestants from a given school to enter an individual event in District meets which involve 4 or more Teams.

**Rationale:** Adopt NFHS Rule 4.2.4c. Allowing not more than 3 contestants from a given school to enter an individual event in District meets which involve 4 or more Teams.

**Alternative to Recommendation:** Establishing entry standards for District Championships in all events.

**Data Source:**
- NFHS Rule Book.
- FHSAA Springs Sports, School Assignments for 2020.
- Largest Districts: 4A: 1x11, 3x10, 4x9.
- 3A: 1x11, 5x10
- 2A: 5x10
- 1A: 6x10
- **No District fewer than 4.**

**Committees Voting Summary:**

| TRAC | ADAC | TRAC | ADAC |

**Impact (To be completed by FHSAA Staff):**

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Ken Brauman  
Seminole (Sanford)  
Section 2 (Girls) Representative  
Role
Track & Field Advisory Committee – Agenda Item

**Rule Reference(s):** NFHS Rule 2-2 Meet Scoring

**Item:** Apply NFHS Scoring System to State Series

**Background Information:** Currently in ALL District Championships, Team points are awarded for places 1-8 regardless of the number of Teams participating.

**Recommendation:** Adopt NFHS Rule 2-2 using their scoring table (see attached)

**Rationale:** Adopt NFHS Rule 2-2 using their scoring table (see attached)

**Alternative to Recommendation:**

**Data Source:**
NFHS Rule Book 2-2

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**Background Information:** State meet schedule creation and finalization is always a topic amongst the coaches as to what the rationale for event placement was each year. The incorporation of additional input would help to alleviate some of the confusion and provide a chance for all stakeholders to have a voice in the process and final schedule.

**Recommendation:** FACA Recommendation is for the Track Advisory Committee to be an active participant in the creation and/or adjustment of the FHSAA State Track and Field Championships schedule each year.

**Rationale:** FACA Recommendation is for the Track Advisory Committee to be an active participant in the creation and/or adjustment of the FHSAA State Track and Field Championships schedule each year.

**Alternative to Recommendation:** Incorporate of a subset of the TRAC to assist with the planning process of the state meet.

**Data Source:**  
FACA Track Clinic 2020  
Jay Getty - Track Chairman  
David Halliday - Secretary (Appointee)  
TRAC Members from Regional Schedule Creation for 2020 @ FACA

### Committees Voting Summary:

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### Impact (To be completed by FHSAA Staff):

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Jay Getty  
Hagerty  
Name of Committee Member  
FACA Representative  
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