

Oregon School Activities Association

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TO: Officials Associations, Superintendents, Principals, Athletic Directors, and Coaches

FROM: Brad Garrett, Assistant Executive Director Kris Welch, Assistant Executive Director

SUBJECT: OSAA Officials Recruitment and Retention Committee Update

The Officials Recruitment and Retention Committee conducted an organizational meeting on February 10, 2017 via webinar. The purpose of this Committee is to make recommendations to the OSAA Executive Board related to increasing the total number of registered game officials and improving retention rates within local associations.

The group reviewed its charge and adopted term limits for all members per requirements outlined in the standing committee language contained within the OSAA Handbook.

The group also reached consensus to convene two meetings prior to the end of the school year to take public input on matters related to recruitment and retention.

Jack Folliard presented several documents that have recently been in the media related to game officials recruitment and retention efforts.

The Committee requests that the focus of testimony for the next meeting be directed at the following topic:

• Proposals related to increasing the number of registered officials in all sports.

The OSAA staff will provide a Committee update, similar to this one, to all officials associations, superintendents, principals, and athletic directors following each meeting. The Committee roster, charge, and any additional committee information is available at http://www.osaa.org/governance/committees.

Written suggestions and proposals, as well as other recruitment and retention related ideas should be emailed to the OSAA at <u>bradg@osaa.org</u> or <u>krisw@osaa.org</u>. Any communication received by the OSAA will be shared with all committee members for review and discussion.

The next public meeting of the Officials Recruitment and Retention Committee will be at 9am on Monday, April 3, 2017, at the OSAA office in Wilsonville. The general format for the meeting will be for the Committee to receive public testimony followed by a closed work session.

The Committee appreciates your support and encourages your participation in this process. Please do not hesitate to contact Brad Garrett (<u>bradg@osaa.org</u>) at the OSAA if you have any questions.