

## **Oregon School Activities Association**

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

FROM: Brad Garrett, Assistant Executive Director

SUBJECT: OSAA Officials Fee Review Committee – February 5 Meeting Update

The Officials Fee Review Committee held their first public meeting on February 5, 2015 at the OSAA Office in Wilsonville. The constitutionally mandated purpose of this Committee is to make recommendations to the OSAA Delegate Assembly for adoption in October 2015. These recommendations will consider only items involving fees paid to individual officials, commissioners, or Local Associations. This includes game fees, mileage, per diem, check writing fees, commissioner fees, or any other type of service fee provided.

The Committee reviewed five pieces of correspondence and heard testimony from two individuals and then adjourned to a work session to begin development of a recommendation.

The Committee reached consensus on the following:

- Developing a multi-year schedule for regular season officials, commissioners, and check writing fees that will mirror the current fee schedule structure.
- Evaluating a sport to sport fee comparison for inconsistencies.
- Reviewing the current Game Cancellation policy and determining the need to potentially add policy related to other types of changes (date, time, place) to schedules after they have been submitted and games have been assigned.

The Committee is considering and requests feedback on the following:

- Increasing the sub-varsity fee percentage rate in all sports currently set at 75% of the varsity fee at each classification level.
- Applying a yearly percentage increase to future years of the fee schedule
- Applying the \$24 /hour fee rate used for individual bracketed wrestling tournaments to dual meet wrestling tournaments.
- Allowing the use of and establishing a game fee for a fourth official in soccer.
- Allowing the use of one official on each court at junior varsity volleyball tournaments.
- Changing the method used to compensate Commissioners of local associations for assigning responsibilities from per schedule to per individual assignment for each contest.

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 <a href="http://www.osaa.org/governance/committees">http://www.osaa.org/governance/committees</a>.

Written suggestions and proposals, as well as other officials fees related subjects should be mailed or emailed to the OSAA (at <u>bradg@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 Fee Review Committee will be at 9 a.m. on Thursday, February 19, 2015, at the OSAA office in Wilsonville. The general format for the meeting will be for the Committee to receive public testimony in the morning followed by a closed work session in the afternoon.

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.