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TO: Superintendents, Principals and Athletic Directors
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SUBJECT: Update on the Proceedings of the Classification and Districting Committee

The Classification and Districting Committee for the 2010-2014 four-year time block met in a closed work session at the OSAA Office in Wilsonville on June 8, 2009.

The meeting was in response to a request from the OSAA Executive Board that the Classification and Districting Committee meet for a closed work session with Executive Board representatives to review concerns expressed by some Board members during a recent conference call. Some Board members expressed concerns with the potential recommendation of the Committee that "hybrid leagues" not motivated by travel considerations be established. The potential recommendation of the Committee that a "hybrid league" including schools from more than two classifications be established was also of concern to some Board members.

2009-10 Executive Board President Jack Henderson, Superintendent, Dufur SD, and Vice-President Randy Schild, Superintendent, Tillamook SD, represented the Board at the work session.

During the three-hour work session, Classification and Districting Committee members reviewed and discussed a number of items including the general criteria for establishing a hybrid league, the specific justification for the PIL Hybrid included in the most recent Committee proposal (#8), the implications of the requested Northwest Oregon League Hybrid that was tabled by the Committee at the May 11 meeting, and the specific league placements of a number of schools.

Committee members were in agreement that the enrollment numbers included in the 2008-2009 Annual Report available from the Department of Education next Fall could significantly impact the recommendation the Committee will ultimately forward for the consideration of the OSAA Executive Board.

Following extensive discussion, the Committee chose not to make any changes in the previously released "Proposal #8" at this time.

The next public meeting of the Classification and Districting Committee will be at 9:00 am on Monday, September 28, 2009, at the OSAA Office. That date has been selected to maximize the likelihood of Committee access to the ADM numbers in the 2008- 2009 Annual Report. Those numbers will also be shared with member schools as soon as they become available to the OSAA from the Department of Education. The general format for the meeting will be for the Committee to receive public testimony first, followed by a closed work session.

The Committee will make its final recommendations to the OSAA Executive Board at the October 26, 2009, Special Classification and Districting Meeting.

A full list of meeting dates, Committee Roster, Charge to the Committee and previous Updates are available at the OSAA website: www.osaa.org.