Charge to the Classification and Districting Committee for the 2018-22 Time Block

9.2. Classification and Districting Committee

9.2.1. Charge. The Committee shall make recommendations to the Executive Board regarding classifications and districts for the upcoming four-year time block. The duties and responsibilities of the Committee shall be:

(a) To hold public hearings and provide correspondence to interested parties regarding classifications and districts for the upcoming four-year time block.

(b) To receive testimony from any school or other interested party, including information on the numbers of students currently enrolled in grades 8, 7 and 6.

(c) To make recommendations to the Executive Board regarding classifications and districts and enrollment limits for the upcoming four-year time block.

(d) To consider the following criteria, among any others they deem relevant, for recommending placement of schools in athletic districts:
   (1) The Committee must first consider and address the following four criteria before considering supplemental criteria:
      a) Safety of student participants and spectators, parents and other spectators, and school and other personnel;
      b) Minimizing loss of student instructional time;
      c) Minimizing the expenditure of school district and student and parent participant funds;
      d) School enrollment data.
   (2) The Committee may also consider the following criteria, in addition to any others they deem relevant:
      a) School preference;
      b) Creation of similar sized leagues;
      c) Placement of schools within the same school district and classification in the same league;
      d) Scheduling problems;
      e) Athletic district history;
      f) Move as few schools as possible.
   (3) All schools within a single school district that are in the same size classification (including those smaller schools that have elected to play up with schools in a larger classification) shall be assigned to the same district unless the school board of the affected school district agrees to a different assignment prior to June 1 preceding the quadrennial October Classification and Districting meeting.

9.2.2. Composition. Committee membership shall mirror the Executive Board. Each classification and affiliated organization represented on the Executive Board shall be represented by an appointment to the Committee. The Vice President of the Executive Board shall serve as an ex-officio, non-voting member of the Committee.

9.2.3. Term. Members of the Committee shall serve through one review cycle, and may be reappointed to subsequent committees at the discretion of the Executive Board. The Committee recommendations shall be made to the Executive Board within the school year prior to the changes being implemented.

9.2.4. Meetings. The Committee shall adopt a schedule of meetings based upon the issues under consideration. The schedule shall include an appropriate number of meetings in which to conduct the business of the Committee and may include travel to several venues.

PROPOSED ADDITIONAL CHARGE: The OSAA Executive Board further requests that the Classification and Districting Committee for 2018-22 investigate and report regarding the feasibility and advisability of:

A. Changing classification cutoff points
B. Amending Petition to Play Down/Play Up language
C. Separating classifications differently in football