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TO: Superintendents, Principals and Athletic Directors

FROM: Peter Weber, Executive Director

SUBJECT: Summary of Delegate Assembly Action at the April 3, 2023, Meeting

At the meeting on April 3, 2023, the OSAA Delegate Assembly took the following actions:

- Approved the minutes of the October 10, 2022, Delegate Assembly meetings.
- Received an update from staff on national and sectional recognitions awarded to members of the state throughout the year.
- Received a State of the Association report from Executive Director Peter Weber.
- Received a Sports Medicine Advisory Committee update from Dr. Michael Koester.
- Discussed the following questions in classification caucus groups and received reports back to the full Delegate Assembly.

Petition to Play Down Task Force

Does your school/league/classification believe the Petition to Play Down policy has been positive? Are there parts of the current policy that should be adjusted and, if so, which parts? Should the Petition to Play Down be looked at activity by activity rather than for all offerings by a school? Should there be different criteria for schools petitioning to play down for the first time vs. those looking to stay down a classification? Should the Petition to Play Down policy remain in place?

State Championship Threshold Task Force

What suggestions does your school/league/classification have for this Task Force as they begin their work? Is the Association currently qualifying too many (or too few) teams and individuals to state championships? What should the qualifying percentages be for state championships (i.e., 33%, 50%, etc.)? Should team and individual state championships have similar percentages of playoff qualifiers? What is the minimum number of competing schools in an event needed to conduct a state championship?

Score Differential Procedures

Have these score differential procedures been a productive change? Has your school/league/classification seen an increase or decrease in the number of contests reaching this point? Do the current Score Differential Procedures need to be adjusted and, if so, how? What types of education is your school/league/classification currently providing to coaches on how to control contests, so they don't reach these score differential thresholds? What can the OSAA do to support those efforts?

- Voted to amend Article 9.10 – Equity and Diversity Committee which combines the Equity and Diversity Committee and the Inclusion Committee, effective August 1, 2023. **(Attached)**
- Voted to add Girls Wrestling as an OSAA sanctioned activity beginning in 2023-24.
- Received a first reading from Boys Volleyball to become an emerging activity.

- Received an informational presentation from Water Polo expressing their interest in the emerging activity process.
- Voted to elect the following representatives to the Executive Board:
 - Gustavo Balderas, Superintendent, Beaverton SD, as the 6A representative.
 - George Mendoza, Superintendent, La Grande SD, as the 4A representative.
 - Adam Watkins, Superintendent, Blachly SD, as the 1A representative.
- Recognized the following members of the Delegate Assembly who have finished their terms: Chris Daniels, Principal, Amity HS; John Beck, OACA, Lakeridge HS; Sherry Higgins, OSBA, South Lane ESD; Jack Henderson, Superintendent, Dufur HS; Heidi Sipe, Superintendent, Umatilla SD; Mike Scott, Superintendent, Hillsboro SD.
- Elected David Nieslanik, Principal, Southridge HS, as the Association President for 2023-24.
- Received a reminder of upcoming meetings:
 - Executive Board – Monday, May 8, 2023 / 9am / OSAA Office, Wilsonville
 - Executive Board Summer Workshop – Monday-Wednesday, July 17-19, 2023 / Eagle Crest Resort, Redmond

A summary of actions is posted on the OSAA website following each Board and Delegate Assembly Meeting. Official minutes of the April 3, 2023, Delegate Assembly meeting are available from the OSAA upon request.

The April 3, 2023, Delegate Assembly meeting was live streamed on the OSAA's YouTube channel and a recording can be accessed at this link: <https://www.youtube.com/@oregonschoolactivitiesasso4025/streams>.

5.a.

Proposal to Amend Article 9.10. – Equity and Diversity Advisory Committee
(Action Item)

QUESTION: Should the Delegate Assembly adopt an amendment to Article 9.10. – Equity and Diversity Advisory Committee to combine two current standing committees into one joint committee creating a Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Advisory Committee?

RATIONALE: The purpose of combining the two committees (Diversity and Equity Advisory and the Inclusion Committee) is to ensure consistent communication and efficiency are in place with OSAA committees. The Equity and Diversity Advisory Committee's focus has been about promoting ways to create the most inclusive and welcoming environment for all who attend interscholastic events. The Inclusion Committee has had a similar focus in past meetings, ensuring that access for all students in OSAA activities is discussed. This joint committee will continue the necessary conversations about inclusion of all students.

RULE CHANGE SPONSORED BY: OSAA Executive Board

NEXT STEP IF PASSED: Effective August 1, 2023, unless otherwise stated in the motion.

POSSIBLE RULE CHANGES:

KEY: Add Delete

9.10. ~~Equity and Diversity~~ Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Advisory Committee

- 9.10.1. Charge.** The Committee shall serve in an advisory capacity focusing on ways to engage and meet the needs of member schools, students, and communities, particularly those from historically underrepresented populations, while applying an equity lens in all aspects of the Association's work. ***The committee will collaborate on ways to ensure an inclusive environment is provided allowing the opportunity for students, coaches, and officials to perform in a safe and welcoming setting, and to demonstrate the educational values inherent in high school activities.***
- 9.10.2. Composition.** ~~Consists of representatives from member schools including administrators, coaches, teachers, students and community members. A member of the Executive Board shall serve as an ex-officio member of the Committee.~~ ***The Committee shall consist of one 6A, one 5A, one 4A, one 3A, one 2A and one 1A school superintendent, assistant superintendent, high school principal or high school assistant principal; one 6A/5A, one 4A/3A and one 2A/1A school superintendent, assistant superintendent, high school principal or high school assistant principal; one athletic director representative; one activities director representative; one coach representative; one officials representative; one representative of the Oregon School Boards Association; and up to two community members. In addition, the Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Representative on the Executive Board shall serve as an ex-officio member of the Committee.***
- 9.10.3. Term.** Members of the Committee shall serve a three-year ~~non~~-renewable term. Attention will be paid to the term limit rotation to ensure balance between experienced members and new members.
- 9.10.4. Meetings.** The Committee shall adopt an annual 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.