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**North Dakota High School Activities Association
Class A Review
May 20, 2015, Valley City, ND**

Class A Review met via conference call on May 20, 2015.

Attendees: Jim Roaldson, Jamestown Public Schools, Travis Christensen, Fargo North High School, Curt Jones, West Fargo High School, Mitch Lunde, Minot Public Schools.

Three topics were brought forth for discussion.

1. Girls Tennis Season Dates
2. Region/State Tournament roster regulations
3. Additional run rules for baseball/softball

Jones brought forth the issue of girls' tennis season dates. Between 2000 and 2010 a request was made to the NDHSAA by the Class A Athletic Directors to move Class A spring sports two weeks later, with the exception of track & field. Rationale to not move tennis was a Minot coach had a fishing business that started after Memorial Day therefore the coaches were not in favor of this. Would like to make a request to move girls' tennis state tournament to the same weekend as all other Class A spring sports with the exception of track & field. Rationale includes difficulty for schools hiring substitute teachers when a coach is gone and this would align tennis with the other Class A spring sports. Consensus of the group is to recommend moving the girls' tennis season one week later. This will be sent to the Board as a recommendation and staff member Schell will get feedback from the tennis coaches at the 2015 Girls' State Tennis Tournament.

The group discussed region/state tournament roster regulations. Current hockey regulations state:

PLAYERS IN UNIFORM

"For all NDHSAA region and state tournament games, a maximum of 20 players, including goalkeepers may dress and play in a game (NFHS rule 2-3a-1)." A team may have up to 20 players rostered for region and state tournaments. **NEW** - If a coach removes a player for violating association rules, a verified illness/injury, or for other disciplinary reasons, said player may be replaced on the roster. Any changes in the roster must be cleared with the tournament manager beforehand.

Consensus of the group was to bring similar language in all team sports forward to the Board. "For each sport for all NDHSAA region or state tournaments a maximum of _____ (depending on sport) players may dress and play in a game.

Additional run rules for baseball/softball were discussed with the suggestion of a 15 run rule after 4 innings or 20 run rule after 3 innings. Jones indicated a 15 run rule after 3 innings rule is used in ASA summer softball. Concesus of the committee is to refer this to baseball and softball advisory to discuss at their state tournaments indicating the possibilities of a 15 run rule after 4 innings or a 20 run rule after 3 innings. Christensen will bring the issue to East Region coaches and Lunde will contact Guy Fridley, West Region manager in Dickinson to have this brought to West Region coaches.

Jones indicated there is a problem with soccer players going on the field and not being on a roster. Suggested to be brought through advisory.

Two action items will be brought to the NDHSAA Board of Directors.

1. Recommend moving the girls' tennis season one week later to coincide with other Class A spring sports with the exception of track & field.

2. Bring language concerning rosters in to all team sports: “For each sport for all NDHSAA region or state tournaments a maximum of _____ (depending on sport) players may dress and play in a game.

Class A Review is scheduled to meet again in May of 2015.

Respectfully Submitted,
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