

## 5-28-15 Soccer Coaches Meeting

- \*\* Discussion on state tournament sites. Coaches would like to see that all future tournament sites be on turf field
- **Rationale** – Turf fields provide a more consistent playing surface
- State tournament experience is lacking
- Eliminates one more factor regarding playing conditions –
- Tournament managers and NDHSAA staff would not have to worry about moving to another site or city if heavy rains came.
- Discussion on the evaluation of officials. Would like to see a program similar to Minnesota
- \*\* Discussion on have rules clinics with officials as face to face clinics every other year. There would also be an online option if face to face rules clinics provided a scheduling conflict
- **Rationale** – allows for coaches and officials to get together and discuss current issues in soccer
- Discussion on having one crossover tournament to help eliminate the number of matches for the athletes. Too many matches in a short period of time
- \*\* Discussion on the 10 week season. There are too many matches in a week for soccer athletes. Proposal to extend the girls soccer season by two weeks. Add one week to the beginning and one week to the end.
- - **Rationale** – The first week would possible be indoors but coaches could work on conditioning of their athletes
- More schools are coming out with soccer teams which would only add to scheduling congestion
- It would be easier to make up postponed games with a more open and flexible schedule
- Current soccer regulation allow for a twelve week season

\*\* Denotes items that soccer coaches would like to see presented to athletic review for a regulation change.