

2015-16 State Boys' Tennis Coaches Meeting

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. Move the start time of the state tournament to 10am on Thursday for both girls and boys tennis.

Rational:

With weather and light issues, this start time gives us flexibility to complete all matches indoors if needed and not hinder the competitiveness of teams or players. This year, a team did not finish until about 10pm and played again at 9am; they ate at McDonalds at 10pm for their evening meal because they never left the courts that day and didn't have supper.

This change would only affect the Grand Forks schools in terms of the amount of school missed. Currently, they go to school for a little in the morning on Thursday while every other school misses the entire day on Thursday for team competition.

In terms of hotel costs to school districts, the only school the start time would affect is Jamestown. They currently travel Thursday morning. With the change, they would travel Wednesday evening and get hotel rooms. The Jamestown coach still agrees that the start time should be at 10am.

Coaches Vote: 15-0. Four coaches were absent.

DISCUSSION:

1. Use of new sport court in Jamestown

No state tournament or regional tournament on sport court. We play on one surface for the entire year; we cannot change surfaces for a regional tournament or a state tournament. We would be open for a tournament within the season using sport court in Jamestown.

Notes taken by: Matt Nielson, East Boys' Tennis Rep

Not present: Wahpeton, Davies, Shanley, Williston