

Boys Tennis State Coaches' Meeting

13 October 2017

Choice Health and Fitness, Grand Forks

Recommendations: None

Discussion:

1. We need more officials. Advisory needs to advertise and find a solution to finding officials. Brenda Schell said she would find out all the requirements and costs to become an official. Also, she would find out the pay, per diem, hotel room, and mileage for officials for the tournaments. With this information, coaches can recruit as they have the information.
2. Sportsmanship and The Code. Enforcement of penalty for unsporting acts like slapping back with racquet or intentionally smacking ball into the net or wall. Also, there is a difference between pumping yourself/teammate up (being excited) and taunting. Taunting is unsporting and should be penalized.
3. At state and regionals, non-playing teammates are cheering inappropriately or at the wrong times. Coaches need to educate their teams on not cheering on unforced errors and not over-cheering between points as that is a distraction.
4. Discussed different options for a 3rd set. Decided to keep current system. Coaches decided the current system works best for North Dakota.
5. Discussed different formats for the regular season including a 5-4 line-up. More discussion will occur during the Girls Tennis State Coaches' Meeting and the Advisory Meeting during coaches' convention.
6. Discussed adding a 3rd doubles team to the regional individual tournament. Will discuss at Girls Tennis State Coaches' Meeting. Boys Tennis only coaches voted on adding a third doubles team: For Grand Forks Central, Fargo South, Shanley, and Fargo North. Against Jamestown.

Attendance: All schools present except Grand Forks Red River and Wahpeton.

Notes submitted by Matt Nielson, Valley City High School Boys Tennis Coach