Soccer Advisory 6-1-19

Discussion Items

1. Region tournament
   a. West coaches are not in favor of the region tournament. With more schools coming on board tournament may change to an 8 team tournament. Oppose a tournament that would run over three straight days.
   b. East has set up a contingency plan to have a tournament if weather inhibits matches again next spring
   c. If region tournaments are used they should be the same for both conferences.
2. State wide conference
   a. Discussion on moving to one conference – most not in favor
3. Three regions of soccer
   a. Fargo Schools, Bismarck/Mandan schools, everyone else
      i. How to determine state tournament field
      ii. Travel would be an issue for non-metro schools
      iii. Most not in favor
4. Move the coaches meeting to Friday morning at 9:00 at the host tournament site.
5. All tournament team.
   a. No plan was put in place to select all tournament team
   b. Solution – first and second place team will get 5 everyone else to receive two members.

Regulation change

1. Extending the season
   a. Working in conjunction with the boys coaches, both advisory boards propose that the boys season starts on Aug. 1 unless that date fall on a Sunday, then an Aug 2 start date would be utilized. Also, to extend the girls season by on week. The week would be added on to the end of the season.
   i. Rationale:
      1. Safety of the athlete – athletes are playing to many matches in a week usually due to weather and rescheduled game.
      2. Flexibility in scheduling – allow for more flexibility to reschedule matches if necessary without so many matches in a week.
      3. With several new school beginning to sponsor soccer more matches will need to be played and another week would allow for a little for scheduling freedom to get those matches on the calendar.