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BASKETBALL ADVISORY COMMITTEE MINUTES

**Wednesday, February 9, 2022
Zoom Meeting – 10:30 a.m. (CT)**

MEMBERS

AA Coach	Jamie Parish, SF Washington	2024 (1)
A Coach	Larry Aaker, Winner	2023 (2)
B Coach	Stewart Bohle, Warner	2024 (1)
Athletic Director	Steph Ornelas, Spearfish	2023 (1)
Administrator	Donavan DeBoer, Parker	2023 (1)
Official	Jeremy Mikkelsen, Pierre	2023 (1)
Native Am. Rep.	Christian McGhee, Red Cloud	2024 (1)

1. Welcome and Introductions- Auch welcomed the group and called the meeting to order at 10:32 a.m. with all committee members present and several coaches, athletic directors and media personnel listening in.
2. Select Recording Secretary- Steph Ornelas volunteered to take notes for the meeting.
3. Procedure for the meeting- Auch explained the procedure for the meeting and that what we do here today is not binding, that any proposal we move forward will be voted on by the schools at the AD’s conference in March. From there, we will bring those recommendations to our Board of Directors for final approval after two readings of the proposals.
4. Review minutes from 2021 meeting. Motion to approve minutes by Aaker, second by Parish. Motion passed unanimously.
5. Receive reports from advisory members, SDHSAA and membership proposals

B Coach rep.- Bohle

- a. Block/Charge Circle (Proposal #1) Discussion generally was that the NFHS has not approved this so it would be hard for officials to train and the fact that they already have so much to deal with, and not wanting to add more to their plate without NFHS approval was the general consensus of the committee
- b. Changing the shot clock to reset to 25 on offensive rebounds (Proposal #2) : Committee was hesitant to make any changes after every offensive rebound due to the fact it could be confusing to set up controls for a shot clock reset for each offensive rebound which potentially would happen a lot. What would we really be gaining and at the risk of having everyone revamp shot clocks and the potential confusion for operators would not be in the best interests for all. Consensus was to the stay with the rules adopted by the NFHS.
- c. Expand post season to a round of 32 (Proposal #3) The committee had many concerns with the amount of travel that might be involved on a school night to make this happen. What we have seems to be working and we seem to be getting very competitive contests at the state competition, so didn’t really feel the need to change things at this time. There will always be some that want more. If we go to 32, then they will want 33, etc. We will never please everyone.

A Coach rep.-Aaker

Aaker had discussions with the coaches at the summer clinic and there were no formal proposals brought to his attention. Items of concern were already discussed.

AA Coach rep.-Parish

- a. Hosting all 3 classes of state tourney in the same city on the same weekend. (proposal #4) Committee felt that although this might be a very nice concept, it would be tough to make happen as the Summit League Tournament is in the Premier Center the week of the Girls State Basketball Tournament, so sites would become an issue. Many of the committee members felt that having one class in a city makes it very special and they are happy with the sites that have hosted in the past as it is a great atmosphere for players and coaches. Parish noted that this has nothing to do with other communities hosting and he did not disagree that the sites do a great job, he just felt it would be a great experience for many to showcase all the talented female athletes around the state. Committee did not wish to move forward.
- b. Coach/Official evaluation (proposal #5)- Allowing Coaches to evaluate officials and officials to evaluate the host site. Many of the committee members liked this concept, but felt it needed much more discussion. The fear is that there are so many contests to evaluate and didn't want to add to the coaches or officials duties of having to complete evaluation forms with so many contests.
- c. AA play-in games (Proposal #6) The potential to have all AA Basketball teams qualify for post season play. The bottom 8 teams would play a ply-in game to qualify for the SoDak 16 contest. Highest seeds would host and the winners would then make the SoDak 16 round. Right now we only have 3 teams that do not qualify for the SoDak 16 contests. Everyone else in the state makes the post season play and is guaranteed at least one contest. At the time when we eliminated regions for Class AA and only went to SoDak contests, it was the feeling of the AA that they did not want to be included in that if they were not in the top 16. We will have a discussion amongst the AA AD's at the AD's conference to see what the wishes are for the AA and report back to the committee next year with how to proceed. Finding a night to play these contests might be an issue, but will report later. Many on the committee felt that this is an earned spot and we really shouldn't have to expand the post season.
- d. Running clock - mercy rule for AA- no formal proposal but the committee felt this needed to be moved forward as there are many contests where we just aren't learning anything and it is not good for either team.

PROPOSAL: The mercy rule shall be used for all regular season, region and SoDak 16 contest. When the point differential reaches 30 or more points in the second half, the clock will continue to run. The clock will only be stopped for free throws and time-outs. Regular timing rules will be used if the score differential drops back to less than 20 points. Motion by Parish, second by Ornelas. Motion passed unanimously.

- e. Too much time between SoDak and State Tourney for Boys AA. (dates are the problem) This was just a topic with no resolution as there really is not a time to play any more contests with the girls' state tournament where it is.

Supt. rep.—DeBoer

Supt. DeBoer only had one addition and that was about the possibility of correcting an error by rule if the book was filled out incorrectly by the score keeper when they are copying the line-up. The rules state that any error found in the book after the 10 minute mark is a technical foul, that is why we ask our officials to be diligent in having the coach check the book. This is not a correctable error by rule and needs to be managed the way it is written.

AD rep.- Ornelas

- a. Restricted zone – already discussed.
- b. Reclassification (add a class): This topic came up again this year as it is a realignment/classification year and the potential to add a 4th class. This is something that the Board of Directors would have to rule on and should be brought to the board meeting. The committee did not have a want to move this forward.
- c. Mercy rule for AA – already discussed and proposed.

Official rep .- Mikkelsen-

- a. Approved mechanic for the substitution time-out. (presently not approved by NFHS) Some officials would like to see this mechanic approved for use at the high school level. Until the NFHS makes that move, there was not a feel to move it forward.

Native American rep.-McGhee- all items already discussed.

SDHSAA rep.-Auch/Soma

- a. Out of State Seed Points (Proposal #7) There is a need to help configure our Out of State opponents with accurate records. The problem is that some states are already in post season play by the time we complete our regular season and we do not have an accurate way to know if the games played by out of state opponents are regular season or post season. The question is “can we count the record of the out of state opponents at the time of our cut-off date regardless if they are post season contest or regular season?” The committee felt that was not a hardship and it will make the accuracy of the records more understandable to the public and on our website.

PROPOSAL: Out-of-State Opponents: Seed point averages for out-of-state opponents will be calculated to include all contests (regular or postseason) through the South Dakota cutoff date. Motion by Parish, second by Aaker. Motion passed unanimously.

- b. Cut-off date last allowable date to play regular season (proposal #8). We have schools that play contests after the last allowable date to play. These games serve as no value and only confuse people who follow the records and website. The committee felt that the cutoff date should be the last possible time to play any regular season contest.

PROPOSAL: No regular season contests shall be played after the cutoff date set by the SDHSAA. Motion by DeBoer, second by Aaker. Motion passed unanimously.

Proposals moving forward:

The committee is bringing forward 3 proposals for consideration in Basketball:

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2. **PROPOSAL: Out-of-State Opponents: Seed point averages for out-of-state opponents will be calculated to include all contests (regular or postseason) through the South Dakota cutoff date.**
3. **PROPOSAL: No regular season contests shall be played after the cutoff date set by the SDHSAA.**

Other items:

Discussion Items to take to the AD's conference:

1. Coach Evals/Officials evaluations.
2. Expanding the post season for AA AD's – presently only 3 boys and 3 girl's teams do not make it the SoDak 16. Is that what you want to continue?

With no other items to discuss Bohle made a motion to adjourn, with the second from DeBoer. Motion passed unanimously. Meeting was adjourned at 12:32 p.m.