



804 N. Euclid / PO Box 1217 - Pierre SD 57501
Telephone: 605-224-9261 – Fax: 224-9262

Randy Soma
Assistant Executive Director

GOLF ADVISORY AGENDA

Meeting: December 6, 2023

Zoom Link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87068206626>

10:30 AM CT

Golf Advisory Committee Members:

"B" Coach	Karren Rogers, Miller	2024 (1)
"A" Coach	Jacob Sittig, West Central	2025 (1)
"AA" Coach	Scott Amundson, SF Lincoln	2026 (2)
Athletic Director	Jeff Heisinger, Montrose	2025 (1)
Principal/Supt.	Tom Cameron, Lower Brule	2025 (2)
Native Am. Rep	Rob Mendoza, Little Wound	2026 (1)

1. Call Meeting to Order
2. Select Recording Secretary
3. Approval of Agenda
4. Complete Expense Statements
5. Review Duties/Responsibilities
6. Review Rule Changes for 2023-24
 - a. Class A – **Change State Qualifying from Region back to a percentage – 55%** Change the percentage of individual state qualifiers to 55% and ties of each region. The team qualifications would remain the same (top 3 teams qualify as a team). Players who are a team that qualifies in the top 3 but are not individually in the top 55% do not count towards the 55%. These players are added on at the end.
 - b. Class A - **Alternate Golfer at the State Meet (6th Golfer)** This proposed rule change would allow an alternate golfer at the state for teams that qualify as a team (can be subbed in on the 2nd day for any reason). This is team only and the alternate must be declared before the region golf tournament.
 - c. Class A - **Team Waves on Day 1 of the State Tournament** Change to how the pairings are made. Day 1 – Parings are in waves with team off the front and individuals off the back. Day 2 – Same as we do currently. (based on individual results from Day 1)
 - d. All Classes - **SDHSAA Purchase a license for Golf Genius to allow all schools access.** The coaches would like the State to purchase the Golf Genius software giving all schools the ability to have (1) the live scoring option and (2) to provide those unable to attend access to meet information.

7. Reports from Committee Members – *This section of the meeting will include creation, discussion, advancement and consideration of proposals for submission to the Athletic Directors/Board of Directors for further consideration and will not be a conclusive list of potential topics. Representatives on the committee should contact their groups statewide for consideration of ideas and proposals with the understanding ideas are to be advanced for further consideration and not “automatically implemented.”*
 - a. Coaches Reps
 - b. Administrative Reps
 - c. Official Reps
 - d. SDHSAA Representatives
8. Review SDHSAA Handbook Sections for Golf
9. **Review recommendations; additional opportunity for proposals following group discussion**
 - a. Proposal 1 -Class AA Region Qualification Tournaments
 - b. Coaching Badges – Class B
 - c. Alternate Golfer – Class B
 - d. Team Waves off the Back 9 State Tournament 1st Day -Class A
 - e. 2 Coaches Badges at state Tournament – Class A
 - f. Coaches Carts at State Tournament – Class A
10. Adjourn



Schools wishing to make a rules proposal change for the advisory committee to consider shall complete this form and submit to the SDHSAA office preferably two weeks PRIOR to the meeting date so the proposal may be added to the agenda.

Please select the sport in which the rules proposal is being submitted.

- | | | | |
|---|---------------------------------------|--------------------------------|---|
| <input type="radio"/> Basketball | <input type="radio"/> Football | <input type="radio"/> Soccer | <input type="radio"/> Volleyball |
| <input type="radio"/> Comp. Cheer | <input checked="" type="radio"/> Golf | <input type="radio"/> Softball | <input type="radio"/> Wrestling |
| <input type="radio"/> Comp Dance | <input type="radio"/> Gymnastics | <input type="radio"/> Tennis | <input type="radio"/> In-/Out-of-Season |
| <input type="radio"/> Cross Country/Track | | | |

Title of Proposal: Class AA region qualification proposal (see attachment)

Proposal will affect the following classes (please check all that apply):

- ☐ Class B
☐ Class A
☒ Class AA

Proposed Rule Change:

Move to a regional qualifying tournament for the state AA meet.

Rationale for Rule Change:

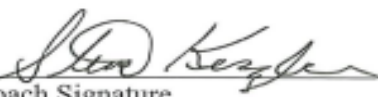
Current system does not control the number of participants to adequately run an efficient state meet.

STEVE KESZLER

Print Coach Name

Sturgis Brown

Member School



Coach Signature

Mike Schultz

Print Athletic Director Name

Sturgis Brown

Member School



Athletic Director Signature

Problem:

- 20 schools in AA golf
- Teams with 6 equals 120 golfers
- How to qualify for the state meet and keep the number of participants to 78 (suggested perfect number at the meeting)
- Current system to qualify does NOT have the ability to maintain or limit participants. (this year 102 qualified out of 114)

Proposed solution:

- Allow only 5 players for the post season play (eliminates 20 athletes) This does not have to happen, just a suggestion.
- Have Regions to qualify for the state meet. These Regions would consist of teams of 5 schools within the geographical area. EXAMPLE of regions below:

Region 1	Region 2	Region3	Region 4
SFO	Harrisburg	Watertown	RCS
SFR	SFW	Pierre	RCC
SFJ	Brookings	Huron	Spearfish
SFL	Tea	Mitchell	Sturgis
BV	Yankton	ABC	Douglas

-Number of qualifiers would depend on strength of region teams

-Strength of region would be determined by season average during the season (same as the waves are determined)

-team average of each region will be the average of the top four teams in each region with the 5th team being used as a tie break. Example from this year:

Region 1 311.25 team average

Region 2 314.75 team average gave Tea an average of what they shot at the state meet.

Region 3 308.25 team average

Region 4 334.25 team average

- the region with lowest team average would qualify the top 23 golfers from their region tournament

-the region with the second lowest team average would qualify 21 golfers from the reg. tournament.

-the region with the third lowest team average would qualify 18 golfers from the reg. tournament

-the team with the highest team average would qualify 16 golfers from the reg tourney.

Example from this year:

Region 3.....23 golfers

Region 1.....21 golfers

Region 2.....18 golfers

Region 4.....16 golfers

Total golfers qualifying for the state meet each year..... 78

Stats using this year's state tournament:

The 23rd golfer from Region 3 shot 178

The 21st golfer from Region 1 shot 180

The 18th golfer from Region 2 shot 171.....I threw 3 Tea athletes in there?

The 16th golfer from Region 4 shot 179

-this system would also decrease the # of schools qualifying a team

-again using stats from just this year, I had 13 schools qualifying a team vs. 17 with the present qualifying system.

-I found that only six teams would have qualified all 6 athletes vs. 16 this year.

-the last place golfers would be around bogey golf.

Other items to consider:

-Regions to be held on the Monday before the State meet.

-Teams will most likely play Regions on a course they are familiar with.

-consider what to do with ties on the last qualifying spot? If we include all ties to qualify, then we will have more than 78. Playoff or include ties? That will have to be discussed.

-the question will come up on whether the region team champs automatically qualify the whole team if a member didn't make the cut. That would increase the total past 78. Discussion item.

-Schools will like that the travel and expense will be minimal with a geographical region spot.

-Schools could host a region every five years.

-State willing to add the expense of medals and plaques for regions

ADVISORY RULE PROPOSAL CHANGE



Schools wishing to make a rules proposal change for the advisory committee to consider shall complete this form and submit to the SDHSAA office preferably two weeks PRIOR to the meeting date so the proposal may be added to the agenda.

Please select the sport in which the rules proposal is being submitted.

- | | | | |
|---|---------------------------------------|--------------------------------|---|
| <input type="radio"/> Basketball | <input type="radio"/> Football | <input type="radio"/> Soccer | <input type="radio"/> Volleyball |
| <input type="radio"/> Comp. Cheer | <input checked="" type="radio"/> Golf | <input type="radio"/> Softball | <input type="radio"/> Wrestling |
| <input type="radio"/> Comp Dance | <input type="radio"/> Gymnastics | <input type="radio"/> Tennis | <input type="radio"/> In-/Out-of-Season |
| <input type="radio"/> Cross Country/Track | | | |

Title of Proposal: Coaching Badges For a State Golf Tournament

Proposal will affect the following classes (please check all that apply):

- ☒ Class B
☐ Class A
☐ Class AA

Proposed Rule Change:

A school will receive one coaching badge for each qualified coach for the state golf tournament. Criteria for a qualified coach:

1. Coach must complete all the SDHSAA required coaching classes.
2. Coach must be contracted by the school as a golf coach or as a volunteer golf coach.
3. Coach must be listed on the school's golf team roster on the SDHSAA web site.

Rationale for Rule Change:

Currently a school is issued one coaching badge per team, per gender. Athletes on a school's golf team tee off at different times during a golf tournament. It is very hard for one coach to find the athletes and coach the athletes if assistance is needed. If coaches are not issued golf carts during the state golf tournament, that make the job of coaching each athlete even more difficult. If a coach meets all the required criteria, they should be issued a coaching badge and allowed to coach at a state golf tournament.

Billie Jo Indahl

Print Coach Name

Burke School District 26-2

Member School

Billie Jo Indahl

Coach Signature

Mike Sebern

Print Athletic Director Name

Burke School District 26-2

Member School

Mike Sebern

Athletic Director Signature

ADVISORY RULE PROPOSAL CHANGE

Schools wishing to make a rules proposal change for the advisory committee to consider shall complete this form and submit to the SDHSAA office preferably two weeks PRIOR to the meeting date so the proposal may be added to the agenda.

Please select the sport in which the rules proposal is being submitted.

Basketball Football Soccer Volleyball Comp. Cheer **Golf** Softball Wrestling Comp Dance Gymnastics
Tennis In-/Out-of-Season Cross Country/Track \

Title of Proposal: Alternate Golfer at the State Meet (5th Golfer) Class B.

Proposal will affect the following classes (please check all that apply): Class B Class A Class AA
Proposed

Rule Change: This proposed rule change would allow an alternate golfer at the state for teams that qualify as a team (can be subbed in on the 2nd day for any reason). This is team only and the alternate must be declared before the region golf tournament.

Rationale for Rule Change:

Allows coaches to substitute a player if another player gets sick/injured after Day 1. Also gives coaches freedom to substitute a layer in for strategic decisions, especially if their 4th and 5th players' scores have been close throughout the regular season. In the past, this process could have been cumbersome, but live scoring on Golf Genius makes the process of switching out a golfer for another golfer much easier. The golfer would replace the golfer from the first day using the score of the first day. This new golfer would not be able to medal and place as an individual but their team placing would be counted.

Print Coach Name Josh Davis

Member School Hill City High School

Coach Signature [Signature]

Print Athletic Director Name Wade Ginstbach

Member School Athletic Director Signature [Signature]

ADVISORY RULE PROPOSAL CHANGE



Schools wishing to make a rules proposal change for the advisory committee to consider shall complete this form and submit to the SDHSAA office preferably two weeks PRIOR to the meeting date so the proposal may be added to the agenda.

Please select the sport in which the rules proposal is being submitted.

- | | | | |
|---|---------------------------------------|--------------------------------|---|
| <input type="radio"/> Basketball | <input type="radio"/> Football | <input type="radio"/> Soccer | <input type="radio"/> Volleyball |
| <input type="radio"/> Comp. Cheer | <input checked="" type="radio"/> Golf | <input type="radio"/> Softball | <input type="radio"/> Wrestling |
| <input type="radio"/> Comp Dance | <input type="radio"/> Gymnastics | <input type="radio"/> Tennis | <input type="radio"/> In-/Out-of-Season |
| <input type="radio"/> Cross Country/Track | | | |

Title of Proposal: State Tournament 1st Day - Teams in Waves off the Back 9 (when applicable)

Proposal will affect the following classes (please check all that apply):

- | | |
|----------|-------------------------------------|
| Class B | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Class A | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| Class AA | <input type="checkbox"/> |

Proposed Rule Change:

Allow all teams who qualified a score-able team (4 or 5 players) to play in waves on the 1st day of the State Tournament, even the teams who will tee off on the Back 9.

Rationale for Rule Change:

Allowing all qualified teams to play in waves on the 1st day of the State Tournament creates more of a fair competition for all teams competing in the team competition. It then is also fair for the coaches of these teams since they will not have players in random groups off of the Back 9.

<u>Jacob Sittig</u>	<u>West Central</u>	<u>[Signature]</u>
Print Coach Name	Member School	Coach Signature
<u>Andrea Johnson</u>	<u>West Central</u>	<u>[Signature]</u>
Print Athletic Director Name	Member School	Athletic Director Signature

ADVISORY RULE PROPOSAL CHANGE



Schools wishing to make a rules proposal change for the advisory committee to consider shall complete this form and submit to the SDHSAA office preferably two weeks PRIOR to the meeting date so the proposal may be added to the agenda.

Please select the sport in which the rules proposal is being submitted.

- | | | | |
|-----------------------------------|---------------------------------------|--------------------------------|---|
| <input type="radio"/> Basketball | <input type="radio"/> Football | <input type="radio"/> Soccer | <input type="radio"/> Volleyball |
| <input type="radio"/> Comp. Cheer | <input checked="" type="radio"/> Golf | <input type="radio"/> Softball | <input type="radio"/> Wrestling |
| <input type="radio"/> Comp Dance | <input type="radio"/> Gymnastics | <input type="radio"/> Tennis | <input type="radio"/> In-/Out-of-Season |

Cross Country/Track

Title of Proposal: Two Coaches Badges at the State Tournament

Proposal will affect the following classes (please check all that apply):

- | | |
|----------|-------------------------------------|
| Class B | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Class A | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| Class AA | <input type="checkbox"/> |

Proposed Rule Change:

Allow each school to have two coaches coaching at the tournament (i.e. handing out two Coaches Badges).

Rationale for Rule Change:

Having two coaches being able to coach provides more opportunity to coach each of your players, especially when schools have multi player competing in the state tournament. Both coaches would have to be rostered and have the proper credentials.

Jacob Sittig

Print Coach Name

West Central

Member School

Jacob Sittig

Coach Signature

Andrea Johnson

Print Athletic Director Name

West Central

Member School

Andrea Johnson

Athletic Director Signature

ADVISORY RULE PROPOSAL CHANGE



Schools wishing to make a rules proposal change for the advisory committee to consider shall complete this form and submit to the SDHSAA office preferably two weeks PRIOR to the meeting date so the proposal may be added to the agenda.

Please select the sport in which the rules proposal is being submitted.

- | | | | |
|---|---------------------------------------|--------------------------------|---|
| <input type="radio"/> Basketball | <input type="radio"/> Football | <input type="radio"/> Soccer | <input type="radio"/> Volleyball |
| <input type="radio"/> Comp. Cheer | <input checked="" type="radio"/> Golf | <input type="radio"/> Softball | <input type="radio"/> Wrestling |
| <input type="radio"/> Comp Dance | <input type="radio"/> Gymnastics | <input type="radio"/> Tennis | <input type="radio"/> In-/Out-of-Season |
| <input type="radio"/> Cross Country/Track | | | |

Title of Proposal: Coaches Carts at the State Tournament

Proposal will affect the following classes (please check all that apply):

- | | |
|----------|-------------------------------------|
| Class B | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Class A | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| Class AA | <input type="checkbox"/> |

Proposed Rule Change:

Allow each school to have one golf cart at the state tournament.

Rationale for Rule Change:

Having a golf cart obviously makes it easier to get around the golf course and provides greater access to players. Schools would have to pick up the "bill" to cover the cost of getting an extra fleet of carts.

Jacob Sittig

Print Coach Name

West Central

Member School

[Signature]

Coach Signature

Andrea Johnson

Print Athletic Director Name

West Central

Member School

[Signature]

Athletic Director Signature