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## SDHSAA

In- and Out-of-Season/AD Advisory Committee Agenda

Wednesday, January 29, 2025 - 10:30 AM

Zoom: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84911128763>

### Committee Members:

AA Representatives: Craig Boyens 2026 (2), Jordan Bauer 2025 (1), Jeff Dvorak 2027 (1)

A Representatives: Andrea Johnson 2025 (1), Francis Big Crow 2027 (2), Matt Dykstra 2025 (1)

B Representatives: Josh Anderson 2025 (2), Doug Edberg 2027 (2), Nora Groft 2025 (\*)

1. Call Meeting to Order
2. Review Duties of Advisory Committee, including term length and committee's new responsibilities
3. Review of Changes for 2024-25 School Year to Out-of-Season and other pertinent items
4. Receive Reports from Advisory Members & SDHSAA Staff on topics for discussion/change – *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. Committee Member Reports
    - i. Class AA – Practice during the season with non-high school athletes
  - b. SDHSAA Staff Reports
    - i. Possible changes in the handbook
      - Wrestling OPC – does this count as reporting to practice?
5. Review of Proposals for change for recommendation to SDIAAA & SDHSAA Board of Directors
  - a. Any Proposals the committee wishes to bring forward

## 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.

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

**Title of Proposal:** Expansion of allowable contacts

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

- ☒ Class B
- ☒ Class A
- ☒ Class AA

**Proposed Rule Change:**

Expand "Four Contact Rule" to Ten allowable contacts from Sport Season End to Sport Season Start in a respective sport.

### **Rationale for Rule Change:**

Limiting the time district coaches can spend with kids has not limited the appetite for skill development and additional competitions. As a result, many of the most qualified, educated, and competent coaches in SD are sidelined, or (potentially worse) we have created a situation where those coaches are financially better off as a club coach or trainer than leading programs within local districts.

Limiting the ability of coaches to develop kids locally fuels the mindset that parents have to seek training, and in most districts this means significant travel. This naturally creates and sanctions a pay-to-play system and one that is inequitable by degrees of separation from private clubs and trainers.

Without doing so explicitly, the restrictions implicitly equate to limits on coaches who attain their positions with a respectable threshold for entry, who have to go through a screening process, and who maintain a level of professionalism. The inverse of that is an unregulated market of development from which student-athletes are left to shop from, or again, an incentive for quality coaches to distance themselves from school districts who perpetually struggle to replace vacated positions.

Further regulation of out-of-season participation may create a scenario where coaches AND students determine that club sports are a better venue for development and competition. This negates a great many of the positive benefits of inter-scholastic athletics.

Tim Buddenhagen  
Print Coach Name

Huron  
Member School

[Signature]  
Coach Signature

Scott DeBoer  
Print Athletic Director Name

Huron  
Member School

[Signature]  
Athletic Director Signature

- b. Open Discussion
- 6. Other proposals or concerns as determined by members of the committee for consideration for submission to SDHSAA Board and/or SDIAAA Meeting
- 7. Adjournment

## Athletic Advisory Committees Policies

### Membership

- 1. Each term shall be three years in length.
- 2. A person may serve no more than two consecutive terms.
- 3. Any person appointed to a partial term shall be eligible for two additional terms.
- 4. Only head coaches are eligible to serve on an advisory committee. Current committee members who assume an assistant coach position may complete their current term but would not be allowed to serve an additional term.
- 5. The Board of Directors shall appoint individuals to the various positions based upon nominations submitted by each professional group that is to be represented on said committee. Names placed in nomination must have the approval of the local school superintendent. Any sport that has an official's association, a representative of that association will be included on the advisory committee and be allowed to vote on those items pertaining to the officiating of the sport.
- 6. Whenever a vacancy occurs on any sports committee, every effort should be made to fill said vacancy with a qualified person from the gender that is under-represented.
- 7. An alternating system shall be established in the sports of basketball, golf, tennis and track/cross country whereby the coaches in each class in said committees will alternate between coaches of boy's teams with coaches of girl's teams. An alternating system will be used for principals and superintendents whenever a vacancy occurs.
- 8. Duties and Responsibilities.
  - A. The individual sports committees will meet once a year, and draft their recommendations for changes and/or revisions. The SDHSAA will pay mileage and per diem costs for this meeting.
  - B. Each sports committee will seek input from all schools, especially the coaches, via whatever means is feasible and workable. Examples might be, but not limited to, such things as meeting with coaches at a state event, conducting a survey of coaches in each class respectively, poll administrators at area administrators' meetings, etc.**
  - C. Each committee will annually review the section of the Handbook that pertains to their sport.
  - D. Upon request, all Advisory Committee recommendations will be made available to the various secondary administrative organizations for their review and recommendations.
  - E. The proposals with all recommendations will be presented to the Board of Directors at their April Meeting.
  - F. All regulations approved by the Board of Directors will be implemented for the next school year unless the Board of Directors determines otherwise.
  - G. The Board of Directors shall have the power to adopt such rules and regulations in connection with any and all high school activities that are not inconsistent with the Constitution and By-Laws, as the Board may deem necessary. The Board of Directors may adopt such rules or regulations at any regular or special meeting that might be scheduled.