

SOUTH DAKOTA

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SOCCER ADVISORY MINUTES

Meeting: November 28, 2017
SDHSAA Office, Pierre

Soccer Advisory Committee Members:

'AA' Coach Rep.	Steve Cogley, Aberdeen Central
'A' Coach Rep.	Kendal Velgersdyk, Sioux Falls Christian
Athletic Director	Joey Struwe, SF Lincoln
Principal	Joe Schwan, Groton
Official	Chad Landis, Rapid City

Meeting was called to order at 10:30 AM, with Landis and Cogley absent. Also in attendance was John Krogstrand, SDHSAA.

Krogstrand was selected as the recording secretary, and the agenda was unanimously approved.

Duties/Responsibilities of the committee were reviewed, including terms of representatives on the group.

Review Rule Changes for 2016-17

- SDHSAA Rule Changes
 - Discussion was generally in favor of changes made to the sport during the previous year.
- NFHS Rule Changes
 - No major issues here; also noted that Krogstrand has now been selected to the NFHS Soccer Rules Committee, and will begin his term this year. Information on his enhanced national role was shared with the group.

Report from Committee Members; Proposal of recommendations for submission to the Athletic Directors/Board of Directors for further consideration

- Coaches Reps
 - Kendal Velgersdyk – SFC – Class A – Many of the issues as submitted to association and noted later in the meeting; discussion/consideration of the 10% rule for soccer as smaller schools continue to look for options of adding the sport, but might not be

- able to support a full team from their own ranks, deep discussion on the topic, but no amicable solution on what might work in the immediate future for consideration; will continue to re-evaluate; Reminder of national coaches' clinic in Sioux Falls this June that is open to any/all coaches across the state, not just those at the high school level, with more information to come from the state coaches' association in future months
- Administrative Reps
 - Joe Schwan – Groton – Principal/Supt – Few additional items; Discussion of expansion of postseason and regular season dates, would hope that no further movement is made to playing earlier in the fall; consideration of AA AD's proposal regarding post-season field to 16 from 12; **Motion by Struwe, Second by Velgersdyk to expand AA postseason field to 16 from 12. Motion passed 3-0, effective 2018-19 season.**
 - Joey Struwe – SF Lincoln – AD – Officials: how treated in soccer as compared to other sports in administrative, educational and training capacities; what are options for further integration of officials into NFHS/SDHSAA educationally-based athletics mechanics and work as compared to club/non-school mentality; Option to create a mechanics meeting for officials prior to the next season to assist with extension of the classroom concepts; working together with coaches and officials to develop content and publish, especially focusing on options to enhance the extension of the classroom role that interscholastic athletics plays
 - Official Reps
 - Discussion from some officials after new system being implemented this year of officials on State championship games to expand to a full field of 16 officials instead of 12. This would allow officials to work a single game and not share Center/4th duties in the same weekend. **Motion by Schwan Second by Struwe to hire 16 officials for the Championship contest to meet this request. Motion passed 3-0.**
 - SDHSAA Representatives
 - Discussion and proposal was again submitted to committee to add one week to the regular season to allow schools the option to better space-out their contests in the regular season, potentially avoiding three games in one week. Concern is the potential conflict with non-resident pheasant opener in some host communities and the effect that may have on lodging, etc. **Motion by Struwe, second by Velgersdyk to add a week to the regular season beginning in 2018 (pending facilities for State Championship are available), pushing the postseason one week later, with the State Championship moving from October 6 to October 13, and other postseason dates moving similarly to accommodate the change. Motion passed 3-0.**
 - Scheduling issues – Schools continue to note issues with scheduling games, especially at the Class A level, as well as issues with home/road balance, etc. Discussion centered on options for solutions that have been tried in other sports and in previous years. Committee felt that SDHSAA Office could handle scheduling much like football, with allowances for conference schedules, but then filling schedules using common dates and requests from schools to balance travel, etc., for all involved. **Motion by Schwan, second by Velgersdyk to have the SDHSAA**

begin scheduling all regular season soccer games beginning with the Fall of 2019 Season. Motion approved 3-0.

- Overtime – committee recommended for passage last year, but failed at the AD level. Noted that Minnesota goes to two five-minute periods following regulation, but no kicks. Decision made to not submit a change this year and re-evaluate for future.

Being no further information before the committee, it was moved by Schwan, second by Velgersdyk to adjourn. Motion passed 3-0. Meeting adjourned at 12:01 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
John Krogstrand
Asst. Executive Director
SDHSAA