

OKLAHOMA SECONDARY SCHOOL ACTIVITIES ASSOCIATION

BASEBALL ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

MONDAY MAY 17, 2021 11:30 AM via ZOOM

MINUTES

1. Call to Order/Roll: Present: Shawn Newkirk-6A, Tim LaValley-5A, Breck Draper-4A, Pat Foster-3A, Eddie Jeffcoat-2A, Ead Simon-A, Scott Hamilton-B, Grant Gower-OSSAA Absent: Randy Hughes-OBCA

ACTION ITEMS:

1. Eliminate Regular Season District Play for Class 2A. **Motion by Jeffcoat, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Simon-Motion passed 7-0. OIAAA Approved 16-0.**
2. Class A & B Fall Baseball District Rankings-Last Ranking closes the week of District Tournament  
(District Pairings released Sept. 10, 2021. Rankings close Sept. 20, 2021, District Play completed by Sept. 25, 2021). **Motion by Simon, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Hamilton-Motion passed 7-0. OIAAA Approved 16-0.**
3. Class A & B Spring Baseball District Rankings-Last Ranking closes the week of District Tournament  
(District Pairings released April 8, 2022. Rankings close April 18, 2022, District Play completed by April 23). **Motion by Simon, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Hamilton to also include 2A if they are not in regular season District Play. Motion passed 7-0. OIAAA Approved 16-0.**
4. Class 6A-5A-4A-3A-2A-A-B State Baseball Proposal. **Motion by Jeffcoat, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Draper to reseed the State Tournament with the rankings from the 8 schools that qualified for State in their class (like the Softball model). Motion passed 7-0. OIAAA Denied 16-0.**

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

1. Class 2A-6A District Games: Change wording of "Make up or rescheduled district games should take priority over non-district games. These games should be scheduled as soon as possible after ~~cancellation~~ postponement to avoid multiple rescheduled games at the end of the season." Change wording to MUST and add "If Team A refuses to play Team B in the postponed District Game on the next available date, Team A chooses to forfeit that District Game. **Committee Members endorsed the wording 7-0.**
2. Private schools 2/3 years-the success rate for private schools would include last year since the wording of Rule 14 pertains to each school year
3. Adding a week to the schedule for districts-due to Regular Season District Play and the number of available weeks to play District Games, it is problematic particularly with schools that have multi-sport athletes from basketball and the conclusion of basketball playoffs. By virtue of adding a week to the baseball season, it would address those issues.

4. 4 team Districts-there was discussion regarding utilizing 4 team regular season District Play instead of 8 team Districts.

5. State Tournament Umpires-there was discussion regarding a proposal for assigning State Tournament Umpires. **The plan was endorsed by Committee Members 7-0.**

The Zoom Meeting was adjourned at 1:28 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

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Director of Baseball

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