

OKLAHOMA SECONDARY SCHOOL ACTIVITIES ASSOCIATION  
ACADEMIC BOWL ADVISORY COMMITTEE AGENDA  
September 22, 2021

Committee members present were Roger Gossen, Kremlin-Hillsdale; Lyle Klement, Rock Creek; Jon Robertson, Preston; Adam Carr, Bridge Creek; Lacey Turner, Noble; Tracey Hickman, OACA President; Amy Hurst, OSSAA Rules Interpreter and Todd Goolsby, OSSAA. Members absent, David Powell, Norman.

**ACTION/DISCUSSION ITEMS SUBMITTED BY ADVISORY COMMITTEE:**

The items discussed were all extension of the first item – which was to discuss/clarify/or take action on defining a team, roster, and confer.

Number 4 on the agenda was moved up and discussed first.

The Rules Manual **Section VI. Game Procedures, Sub -Section B. Item 3** should be revised to extend the time allowed to substitute and include a footnote defining what behaviors are prohibited as conferring.

To begin the sixty-second round the moderator will read a brief description of the three categories. After hearing the categories each team will have 10/20 seconds to make substitutions. Coaches will **not** be allowed to confer with their team during this procedure.

Examples: Coaches *may say* “John go in for Susan”. Coaches may **not** say “Do you guys feel more comfortable with taking the category ....?”

- Lyle pointed out that the agenda item, as presented, left out the word “not” in the last sentence. It is correct in the manual; it was just a typo.
- Discussion on changing the time allowed to 20 seconds for the 2021-2022 season.
- Including a memo in the district packet to alert teams/coaches of change. Updating the manual online.
- Adam made a motion to extend the time to 20 seconds and let the coaches/ sites know of the update via a memo included in the district packet.
- Tracey seconded the motion
- The motion passed 6-0

Number 3 also related to the same **Section VI. Game Procedures, Sub -Section B. Item 3**.

- Discussion on removing the word “brief” from the rule. Teams would hear the description for the sixty-second categories BEFORE substitutions.

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- This would be a **2022-2023 change**.
- Motion by Adam to accept removing the word brief from the language and giving the students the full category description before substitutions.
- Second by Jon
- The motion passed 6-0

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In the interest of finishing changes to **Section VI. Game Procedures, Sub -Section B. Item 3.**

- Discussed adding in an example for this item for what to do/ not to do when substituting players. Coaches continue to ask for clarification on “not allowed to confer.”
- This would look like/ be consistent with the example given in Section VI. Game Procedures, Sub-Section A. Item 9 for recognizing a student.
- Lacey suggested could even just use the transcript from the provided rules video to help craft the example.
- An example does not change the rule, so it could be added for the 2021-2022 season.

\* Roger Gossen had to leave the meeting for another appointment.

- Tracey made a motion to give an example, to look like Section VI. Game Procedures, Sub-Section A. Item 9, for substitutions.
- Lacey seconded the motion.
- The motion passed 5-0

**NEW WORDING FOR Section VI. Game Procedures, Sub -Section B. Item 3.**

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**Examples: Coaches may say “John go in for Susan”. Coaches may not say “Tell the captain to take category x.”**

Item 2 on the agenda asked that the definition of “Team” in **Section II, Definition of terms Item I** be changed.

- Adam conveyed that by >70% vote at the coaches meeting, it was determined that there should be a *limit* put on the size of a team’s active roster.
- This led to a discussion on what defines a team and are the scorekeeper/timekeeper part of the active roster.
- This would be a major change that would **not** be implemented until 2022-2023.
- Discussion on if there is any need to include the terms scorekeeper/timekeeper in the team definition because they have their own separate definitions later in the section. This later definitions states that the role can be filled by non-students.
- Lacey pointed out that there were inconsistencies between **Section II, Definition of terms Item I** and **Section VI. Game Procedures, Sub -Section B. Item 3.**
- The underlined verbiage is to simply reconcile the two parts of the rules manual. No action is necessary.
- The following was recommended.

Definition of **Team** – A team is made up of one captain and three team members- A team consists of no more than four active players and must have a minimum of three active players to begin the game. The team roster is limited to 16 players that may earn points. The team is not required to use the same players for every game. Team members may be substituted at the end of the 1<sup>st</sup> quarter, 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter, 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter and prior to a sudden-death situation.

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- The motion was made by Lyle to adopt the wording for the definition of a team and the limit of 16 players that can earn points.
- Adam seconded the motion.
- Following clarification that the **roster number limit would not take effect until 2022-2023** the vote was 5-0 to accept the change.

\* The underlined portion can be added now as it is not a rule change but a correction to reconcile an adopted rule in the Procedures section.

It was also noticed that **Section II, Definition of terms Item J** had not been reconciled with an earlier change to **Section VI. Game Procedures, Sub -Section B. Item 9**. The ability for a captain to defer to another player for a specific question needs to be added to the definition for a Team captain. Can just add the wording from Item 9 to the end of the sentence of item J:

J. Team Captain – A team captain..... The captain is the only person from whom an answer is accepted during a sixty-second quarter unless the captain defers to a teammate to answer a specific question.

- No action was necessary since this is not a change to the rule/ definition, but simply reconciling the earlier update to **Section VI. Game Procedures, Sub -Section B. Item 9**. This can be updated as soon as possible.