



**FOOTBALL COACHES ADVISORY COMMITTEE MINUTES**

**FEBRUARY 6, 2023 OSSAA OFFICE 1:00 PM.**

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| 6A-I: Lee Blankenship, Mustang, West;   | Kirk Fridrich, Union, East;         |
| 6A-II: Wade Standley, Deer Creek, West; | Scott Harmon, Ponca City, East      |
| 5A: Brett Manning, MacArthur, West;     | Forest Mazey, McAlester, East;      |
| 4A: Reagan Roof, Weatherford, West;     | Greg Werner, Poteau, East; (absent) |
| 3A: Jeff Myers, Kingfisher, West;       | Travis East, Verdigris, East;       |
| 2A: Brad Beller, Washington, West;      | Dustin Beasley, Antlers, East;      |
| A: Lynn Shackelford, Cashion, West;     | Josh Presley, Stroud, East;         |
| B: Gary Manual, Seiling, West;          | Josh Been, Dewar, East;             |
| C:                                      | Bruce Harrell, Maud, East; (absent) |

Justin Jones, Norman North, OFBCA Executive Director;	Todd Vargas, Durant, OFBCA Chairman;
Mike Whaley, OSSAA;	Grant Gower, OSSAA;
David Gore, OSSAA Football Rules Interpreter.	

**ACTION ITEMS:**

1. The cap of 8-man playing schools increased to 96 (keeping the current criteria for 8-man participation to only allow schools that would fall in Class A to petition to play 8-man.) All 8-man schools to be classified as Class B. {Under the new guidelines, this could create three divisions within Class B.} **Denied....0-16.**

**DISCUSSION ITEMS:**

1. Adjustments to Rule 14 and possible playoff bracket adjustments were discussed.
2. Allowing schools to have 7 on 7 teams in the Spring Semester and conduct games/tournaments was discussed. This item will be forwarded to staff and the Athletic Director’s group for further evaluation.
3. Using a formula for redistricting committees to use to create an objective determination coupled with geographic constraints was discussed.
4. The current game officials shortage and impact on regular season schedule was discussed and a template for district games to be rotated on Thursday/Saturday night will be posted on the OSSAA football page prior to the scheduling for the 2024 and 2025 seasons.
5. NFHS Rule Changes for 2023 were covered and explained.
6. A recommendation was made to inquire of the possibility of sending regional and area plaques to the site of the game for presentation after the contest concludes.

Adjournment at 2:15 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Mike Whaley  
OSSAA Football Administrator