

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

UHSAA Office

March 13, 2019

9:00 am

Members Present: Ryck Astle, David Dunn, Jim Birch, Chris Richards-Khong, Jason Smith, Tom Sherwood, Ryan Bishop, Rusty Taylor, Dave McKee, Trever Wilson, Robert Henke, Bruce Bean, Nan Ault, Roberta Hardy, Jim Wood, Clayton Carter, Marc Hunter, Craig Hammer, Rob Cuff, Jeff Cluff, Brenan Jackson, and Jan Whittaker. Excused: John Goldhardt, Wade Woolstenhulme, Alex Salvo, Craig Morris and Jon Oglesby. Minutes: Jeanne Widerburg

1. **Welcome and Chairperson Business:** Chair Hammer welcomed members to the meeting.

A. Reverence/Thought: Rob Cuff provided the reverence.

B. Pledge of Allegiance/Patriotic Thought: Chair Hammer led the members in the pledge of allegiance.

C. Minutes of January 16 meeting (summary on UHSAA website):

MOTION: Mr. Wood motioned to approve the January 16 minutes. Mr. Sherwood seconded the motion. Motion carried.

D. Academic All-State Deadlines, UHSAA Moratoriums, Eligibility Lists Deadlines: Be aware of deadlines.

2. **USBE Report:** Ms. Kaufman reported there were two more days of the legislative session. She reminded members that the LEA decides PE credit at the district or charter level.

Ms. Kaufman shared a presentation on suicide prevention. Everyone has a role in the prevention of suicide. She will email a copy of the presentation to Mr. Cuff to be distributed.

3. **BOT Meeting Report:** Mr. Sherwood reported the meeting of January 24, 2019. (Summary on UHSAA Website):

- BOT Election Results – Belinda Johnson and Adam Britt won elections. The Charter school representative will be elected in May.
- Ms. Belnap discussed school fees and policies
- Fall championship results
- Tentative calendar was reviewed
- My Reason Why initiative
- UHSAA Student Leadership on Thursday, June 13
- Unified Sports
- Ejection Report
- Sportsmanship Initiative during basketball season
- Register My Coach
- RPI was supported for all classifications for 2019-2020
- Appeals were heard on alignment
- Mr. Spatafore discussed legislative issues
- Mr. Van Wagoner discussed legal issues

- Super Fan, Circle of Fame, Heart of Arts and Spirit of Sports Award recipients were announced.

4. **Winter Activities Report:**

A. Winter Results (pp. 111-112): Mr. Cuff congratulated winners and thanked members for their help at the state tournaments.

B. Basketball Endowment Game Report: Ms. Widerburg reported the schools that had not sent endowment revenue.

C. Wrestling: Mr. Jackson reported on wrestling. There were great crowds at both venues. He appreciated members help and support.

D. Basketball: Mr. Cuff excused Mr. Oglesby for vacation to announce the Big Sky Basketball Tournament games. There were behavior issues in basketball. There was a locker room issue at Weber State and parent issues at multiple sites. Mr. Oglesby asked members to remind regions that we are guests at the college venues. A wrestler put his hand through a wall twice, carpet soaked with apple cider, ceiling tiles were ruined, etc. If we can't be respectful of the venues, the games will return to high school sites.

E. Drill Team: Ms. Whittaker reported the changes that were made at drill team were successful. The premier ticketing went well. Mr. Smith voiced concern for \$5 student tickets in premier seating. She said they might be able to use the end seating for students next year.

F. Swimming: Ms. Whittaker reported BYU has a beautiful facility. Preliminaries were added for individual events and it was well received. She said there are other ideas coming.

G. Ejection Report (pp. 113-115): Mr. Cluff said the summary included the last six years. Boys basketball increased over last year, and girls' basketball was down. Wrestling was up. There were more player ejections than coaches. Mr. Cluff asked members when they see an ejection report come through please approve it acknowledging the school will follow through with the ejection process as outlined in the UHSAA Handbook. Players must miss a game and watch the sportsmanship video on NFHSlearn.com.

H. Officiating Update: Mr. Cluff said the basketball officials wore a wristband in support of a sportsmanship initiative. Schools were asked to read a public address at all game levels that week. He received positive feedback from schools. Officials wore the wristband in the post season games, too. He would like to see this continue in the future. Mr. Sherwood asked if there should be a protocol for issuing fans a warning for bad behavior. Mr. Cluff said the officials don't feel much support from administrators where the adult fans/coaches are concerned. The administrators control the students in most cases. There were some severe unsportsmanlike incidents in basketball. A parent attacked a coach and was escorted in handcuffs out of the game. Mr. Sherwood said there needs to be post season consequences if the season behavior is a problem. Discussion of a "red card" to fan so there is non confrontation. Mr. Sherwood felt there would be empowerment with unity if all schools use the same card for inappropriate behavior. Mr. Cluff said coaches have voiced wanting to support the officials' initiative in some manner. These items will be discussed with the Sportsmanship Committee and Constitution By-Laws Committee and a policy could be developed.

5. **UIAAA:** Mr. Hunter reported the AD Conference will be held on April 10-13, 2019, in St. George. He also reported there was a proposal for divisionals from Cross Country coaches that was tabled by the AD's. Surveys are being considered for track and volleyball. Mr. Bruce Bean is being honored as the recipient of the Administrator of the Year Award at the conference.

6. Staff Items:

A. Sportsmanship Items: Ms. Whittaker said the sportsmanship criteria will be sent to the schools May 1 and applications will be due first week of June. The sportsmanship video is required for the sportsmanship award.

(1) Student Leadership Conference: The conference will be held on Thursday, June 13, 2019, at Jordan High School. All member schools are encouraged to send one boy and one girl to the conference. Registration information will be coming soon.

B. Drill Team Items: Ms. Whittaker said there are only five teams in 1A and she would suggest that 1A/2A be combined to make a viable state tournament. In the past, the threshold for state championship has been eight teams.

MOTION: Mr. Wood motioned to combine 1A and 2A Drill Team. Mr. Durst seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Ms. Whittaker stated that Character will be the third rotation for next year. A new category has been discussed, but it needs more time to be developed.

C. Golf Items: There are new rules for golf. All coaches need to review the new rules posted on the website with their athletes. Etiquette clinics are required for players. It is suggested the etiquette clinic be held on a region level, so everyone is on the same page. There is a power point on the website, or a local PGA Professional can run the clinic. Coaches must fill out the form online once the clinic has been completed for their players.

D. Swimming Items: Ms. Whittaker said preliminaries and finals were held for individual events. She is proposing preliminaries and finals for all individual and relay events and increase 3A Swim to two days.

E. Volleyball Items: Ms. Whittaker said the schedule has been worked out so everyone will be at UVU. Timpview HS has requested permission to participate in a tournament in Honolulu August 15-17. This is a conflict with the first contest date of August 20. They would trade and not play any games from August 20-27 for the earlier week.

MOTION: Mr. Sherwood made the motion to approve their request with the week for week trade of games. Mr. Smith seconded the motion. Motion carried.

F. State Solo and Ensemble Festivals: Mr. Jackson announced the south site will be held at Provo High School. This is a new site. Northridge will be the north site. The event will be held on April 27.

G. Spring Football Concerns: Mr. Jackson said coaches can do fundamental work with football teams during the spring. There is a two-week moratorium. There is no 7 on 7 competition until after Memorial Day. It has been reported some coaches are taking other students out of state and doing 7 on 7. It appears they are trying to skirt the rule. It was discussed that specific instruction and review for spring football should be sent out again to

coaches. Mr. Jackson said a parent takes kids, and not the coach, to some events. Mr. Bishop said the rules were put in place to protect spring sports. Mr. Cuff referred members to UHSAA Handbook Interps & Guidelines 2.2.7 Item B. A private entity (Mountain West Elite) hires coaches and kids sign up for the league. Coaches are not allowed to coach their own students. A memo will be sent to football coaches to remind them of the rules of spring football. Utah does not have competitive spring football.

H. Wrestling Items: Mr. Jackson discussed wrestling divisionals. He said 1A/2A/3A/4A divisionals went well. It was felt that divisionals provided a means for the best athletes to attend the state tournament. Region tournaments left home many great wrestlers. The problem with divisionals is there is not a formal format for hosts to follow. Some schools in 5A/6A were charged an entry fee to attend the divisional. A step by step process for divisional host schools is being developed. Mr. Sherwood said Region 7 wants a survey about divisional wrestling because the gate does not cover the cost of the divisional.

(1) Skin Checks: Mr. Jackson said the coaches' association wanted to have a dermatologist at the state wrestling tournament. The certified athletic trainers, who are licensed health care professionals, were disqualifying athletes and there were complaints because they were not a medical doctor or dermatologist. Last year, a dermatologist was lined up and more athletes were disqualified than previously. The dermatologist group refused to return this year. This year, a family practitioner from Payson was hired and four doctors working on their sports medicine degrees from Intermountain Health. The current skin check form used is from NFHS. The form includes time and treatment of skin lesions. Wrestlers are supposed to bring the form with them to weigh-ins. If wrestler doesn't have the form or hasn't been under the doctors care long enough, they are disqualified to protect all the other wrestlers. There is discussion that the professionals at the state tourney should not be able to override a hometown doctor. It has happened that the onsite doctors have overridden hometown doctor because of a new lesion or not enough time has passed. The NFHS rule states that the onsite health professional can override a doctor's note. Mr. Sherwood said a reminder that the onsite health care professional has the final say by rule might help. Mr. Jackson said a reminder was sent a week prior to divisionals. Mr. Jackson was asked to override a decision by medical professionals, and he said that is not possible. He has no background. SMAC will look at it to see if there is anything additional that can be done to help the situation. Mr. Thomas asked if there were medical professionals at divisionals if the athlete might be disqualified at divisionals and not even qualify for state.

(2) Scoring: Mr. Astle asked why 4A/5A/6A scores 2 and the other classifications score 1. He said it doesn't make sense to him. Discussion to continue.

I. Kory Stringer Institute (KSI) Report: Mr. Jackson reported the KSI organization hosted an event at the University of Utah. KSI has ranked states according to their health policies. Deseret News published the results two years ago and Utah was ranked 30th. Utah currently has a ranking of 15th. The group went over the UHSAA policies and talked about best practices to ensure safety for students. He thanked those members that attended. SMAC will discuss their suggestions and make recommendations in the future.

J. Tennis Items: Ms. Whittaker reported for Mr. Oglesby that classifications need to come up with seeding by next meeting (1A/2A included with 3A). A reminder there will be an admission charge for spring tennis. Qualifying players and coaches (3) will not pay. Please remind schools. Region 9 has requested the 3A/4A be on separate weeks. For fall, 4A/October 4-5, 6A/October 3 and 5; 3A/October 11-12, 5A October 10 and 12. It would flip in the spring and 3A/5A would have first week and 4A/6A would have second week.

K. Track and Field Items: Ms. Whittaker said it has been proposed to have eight qualifying meets for 5A and 6A. This would make all classifications the same.

MOTION: Mr. Sherwood made the motion to approve eight qualifying meets for 5A and 6A. Mr. Birch seconded the motion. Motion carried.

It has been proposed to increase to five qualifiers for classifications with three regions (2A and 3A) this year and 4A next year.

MOTION: Mr. Bean made the motion to approve five qualifiers for classifications with three regions beginning with the upcoming season. 4A would have five qualifiers beginning next year. Ms. Ault seconded the motion. Motion carried.

5A/6A will need to decide region qualifiers and number of qualifiers for tennis, track and cross country for 2019-2021 alignment. Mr. Smith and Mr. Birch were asked to discuss with their classification regions and bring to the next meeting.

L. Lacrosse Items (p. 125): Mr. Cluff reported for Mr. Oglesby it is suggested that there be a north and south division. The RPI will be used to split the top 13 teams into a classification and the remaining 16 will play in another class. This would be a one-year proposal due to the lack of competing schools and many schools will start new programs. The traditional two-class model will be more feasible when schools align in the 2020-2021 school year. The UHSAA Lacrosse Steering Committee endorses the proposal.

MOTION: Mr. Sherwood made the motion to approve the four regions listed on page 125. RPI will determine the top 13 teams into a classification (Lacrosse A) and the remaining 16 teams will play in another class (Lacrosse B) for one-year only. Mr. Birch seconded the motion. Motion carried.

M. Speech/Debate Report: Mr. Cluff reported for Mr. Oglesby that the state tournaments went well. There were a few sportsmanship issues with coach decorum. We need to be kind and be reminded of sportsmanship.

7. Follow-Up Items:

A. Executive Committee Terms (pp. 126-127): Term expiration stays with region.

- Region 1 Ryck Astle
- Region 2 David Dunn
- Region 3 Chris Richards-Khong
- Region 4 Joel Perkins
- Region 5 Jason Smith
- Region 6 Tom Sherwood
- Region 7 Doug Webb
- Region 8 Ryan Bishop
- Region 9 Rusty Taylor
- Region 10 Trever Wilson
- Region 11 Mike Monson
- Region 12 Steve Gordon
- Region 13 Wade Woolstenhulme
- Region 14 Nan Ault

- Region 15 Ty Kennedy
- Region 16 Wade Murdock
- Region 17 Craig Morris
- Region 18 Brady Fails
- Region 19 Roberta Hardy
- Region 20 Jim Wood
- Region 21 Clayton Carter
- Region 22 Darin Jenkins

B. Board of Trustees Terms (p. 128):

C. 3A Principal to BOT:

MOTION: Mr. Bean motioned to approve Nan Ault as the 3A principal representative to the BOT. Mr. Thomas seconded the motion. Motion carried.

D. 5A/6A Superintendent to BOT: Superintendents' Association will make selection.

E. Charter School Representative Election: The election will be held on May 13, 2019, at 11:00 am at the UHSAA Office. A letter will be sent to all member charter schools.

F. UHSAA Moratorium Adjustments (p. 129): Mr. Jackson said the summer moratorium is June 30 to July 6. If a school wants to make an adjustment must be for the entire school.

G. Coaches Certification: Mr. Jackson reminded members to follow up with principals and AD's to make certain coaches are certified. The staff is looking at some options to encourage certification completion - possibly lanyards for field or court access at state tourneys for certified coaches only.

H. Girls Wrestling Sub-Committee Report: Mr. Jackson said over 150 girls participated in the hydration testing and the committee has reached out to the USA organization for participation numbers. Since the discussion of adding girls wrestling, many girls have contacted coaches. Data will be collected and the process will be followed.

Mr. Van Wagoner said districts requested protocol and a process to determine if a particular boys or girls sport has enough depth and sustainability to be a sport for a championship. It is important to put a process in place that will serve the Association for years to come.

I. Competitive Cheer Sub-Committee Report: Ms. Whittaker said a competitive cheer committee was formed to look at the feasibility. The Committee discussed why administrators want cheer to be sanctioned. It was felt competitive cheer needed to be part of the emerging sport process for at least a year before consideration. There are many areas that need to be discussed: coed, stunt only, season, categories, judging pool, certification from State Risk, etc.

J. Emerging Sports Committee Update: Ms. Whittaker said the committee has been working on the emerging sports process. It will go to the Constitution By-Law Committee for approval and/or changes.

A survey will go to all schools to find interest and participation areas inside and outside of school. Each school will fill out a form to be sent to the UHSAA. From that list the percentages

of participation will be tallied. When 10% of girls are participating in a sport or activity, it will be added to the emerging sport list. Coed and boys sports would need 20% to be added to the emerging list. An administrator could request limited services (sports season rule, age rule, etc.) while on the emerging sports list or an outside club. When 20% for females and 30% for coed and boys then the administration or club team could request to be sanctioned by the BOT. There will be a list of requirements the BOT will consider before sanctioning. The request will not guarantee sanctioning. Another area of emerging sports will be existing coed sports such as wrestling. At a certain threshold (to be determined) the sport could receive a recommendation to be separated for boys and girls.

Mr. Van Wagoner feels it is critical to have the emerging process done quickly. It would be helpful it could begin next school year. AG Office is working on a survey. Title IX has indicated the structure of the survey is important. The AG Office has hired someone to help develop the survey questions.

K. Rating Percentage Index Review (pp. 130-132): Mr. Cluff started the discussion of RPI for baseball, basketball, football, lacrosse, soccer, softball, and volleyball. Members were directed to pages 130-131 and told it was an updated RPI handout. They also had final RPI ratings for three sports (boys' and girls' basketball and football) through the end of the regular season. Post season games were not included. RPI: 40% of win percentage, 40% of opponents win percentage, and 20% of your opponents' opponents' win percentage. Mr. Cluff reviewed the RPI handout. Accurate score reporting is essential. Any sub-varsity games are considered exhibition and will not help or hurt the RPI rating. The RPI will be released 3-5 times depending on the sport. The RPI will not be published anywhere except for the UHSAA website. Once the season has ended, within 48-72 hours, a final release of RPI and tournament bracket will be posted.

After evaluating the numbers from fall sports, the staff is recommending that a 15% adjustment be used between classification (p. 131). 1A-1; 2A-1.15; 3A-1.322500, etc. Out of State opponents for sports with 6 classes – 1.458956 (average of all 6 classes) and opponents for sports with 5 classes – 1.550748 (the average of 2A through 6A). There is a one-time exception if a school plays down a classification. Ex: If a 6A school plays a 5A school the first time counts as a 6A classification contest. Mr. Bean is concerned the rural schools will be hurt because schools won't want to schedule them. Staff assured them it is a minuscule percentage difference. Schools will be encouraged to schedule as they always have. This is less than 20% of your games outside of region games. RPI is only used to do the seeding for post season. If the RPI needs to be tweaked after year one that can happen. Modifications could be made. The algorithm could be tweaked for an individual sport. Josh Taylor is the author of the RPI and works for MaxPreps and other states using the RPI. Josh knows Utah and the staff has spent many hours with him to develop the best proposal. There won't be a perfect model that will address everything.

Mr. Bean asked if this affects region championships. Mr. Cuff said regions can determine if they will crown a champ by head to head or RPI. Teams don't need to play everybody twice if the region determines. The flexibility is there. The region championship will not affect the post season seeding. Mr. Cluff said through this process there should be more balance in the post season bracket and like-teams play each other. The RPI should bring a more competitive tournament. There will be no more coin flips or play-in games. There are positives to the RPI. The message should be to schedule like you always have. Members need to help with the perception and present it as a positive. Most regions have decided to operate business as usual.

(1) Football: Mr. Jackson reported 6A has added an extra week. 27 teams will be seeded with RPI in a 32-team bracket and 5 teams will bye. 5A (6 byes) and 4A (10 byes) will also be in a 32-team bracket. 3A has 18 teams. It has been suggested to drop the bottom two teams and use a 16-team bracket. 2A would be a 16-team bracket but have byes. There may need to be creative scheduling because of the byes. 4A/5A/6A will have five rounds. The first three rounds will be at home sites. The third week is quarter finals and will be a UHSAA gate.

MOTION: Mr. Bean motioned to drop the bottom two teams in 3A and use a 16-team bracket for football. Ms. Ault seconded the motion. Motion carried.

(2) Volleyball: Mr. Cluff said volleyball is a single elimination tournament with consolation games. Consolation games will not occur until the championship venue. If a team loses in the first round, team is done. Volleyball championships are status quo at the venue. How many teams in a classification minus 32 is the number of teams that will get a bye to the venue. Every other team at home sites of highest seed RPI will play a do or die match to go to the venue. 5A/6A needs to be done prior to November 7-9 (Consolation on Friday, Nov 8). 3A/4A will be held October 29-30. 1A/2A will held November 1-2. First contest for volleyball is August 19.

(3) Soccer: Mr. Jackson said 2A-6A will be a 32-team bracket. Top teams will bye the first round. Three of the five rounds (less than 16 soccer teams in classification, there will only be four rounds) at home sites with semis and finals at state sites. Girls' soccer first contest date is August 5.

(4) Basketball: Mr. Cuff said the staff cannot possibly run 12 tournaments in one week. For one-year, Memorial Day did not shift with Thanksgiving, so the winter season has been shortened by one-week. Currently, the start date is shown as November 11. Because of the length of the season, for one-year, the competition start date could be changed for 1A/2A/3A tryout on November 11 and competition start date on November 19. It would not overlap with football as much. Six team regions playing everyone twice, 10 region games in before February 11. First region game would need to be on Tuesday, Jan 7 and every Tuesday and Thursday to the first round. A 7 or 8-team region, would need to start region games December 12, 13 and 19 before Christmas to schedule all games. The earlier competition start date of November 19 will give a little flexibility.

MOTION: Mr. Bean made a motion for 1A/2A/3A basketball competition start date to move to November 19 for one year. Mr. Miller seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Mr. Cuff proposed that 5A/6A Girls' Basketball be moved to the same venue as the boys. Boys coaches are currently not happy with the tentative calendar. If a school byes, they finish on February 14 and won't play again until the 24th. The staff does not want to shift games to conflict with the 5A/6A girls semis and finals. To address calendar concerns and playing the girls tournament on President's Day holiday, the proposal is to eliminate the SLCC tournament for 5A/6A girls and combine with the boys in taking the last eight teams to the state venue and play Tuesday through Saturday. This will give schools another home game to host. There will only be three games at the state site for state championship. No games Monday, Tuesday would be a 5A day for boys and girls (evening), Wednesday for 6A boys and girls (evening), Thursday 5A girls and boys, Friday 6A girls and boys with 5A/6A finals on Saturday (four games). Mr. Cuff will include the proposal with the meeting summary.

If the proposal is not accepted, the girls schedule would start on November 19. Members were asked to talk to regions and discuss with boys and girls coaches and report back to Mr. Cuff by March 20.

(5) Lacrosse: Mr. Cuff said based on the RPI there will be 13 in the Lacrosse A championship and 16 in the Lacrosse B championship. Seeded into a 16-team bracket.

(6) Baseball: Mr. Cluff said baseball and softball could be the same. He started with baseball.

a. 1A: Tournament same for fall baseball. First contest is August 5.

b. 2A: Tournament same with a 12-team tournament.

c. 3A: Tournament same within a pod system.

d. 4A: Pods start on Friday, Saturday (May 8-9, 2020) Seed 21-20 (host) will play a single elimination game on Monday, May 4. The winner would move to Tuesday, May 5, single elimination game, 1-12 would bye. The winner of 21-20 game would be at 13 the 19 at 14, the 18 at 15, and 17 at 16 single elimination. Friday, Saturday, May 8, 9, the coaches association would like a best 2 out of 3 at one location for 16 teams (1 vs 16, 2 vs 15, etc.). Day one would be single game, day two - two games. The championship site: true double elimination with eight teams - May 12/4 games, May 13/4 games/ May 14/3 games and finals/May 15. They have proposed to renumber the seeds after the first week of results. If weather is factor, it is proposed to revert to single game and winner would move on.

e. 5A/6A: 24-team brackets. The top eight-seeds have a bye. Friday, May 8 is single elimination, Saturday, May 9 (one game) and Monday, May 11 (two games) winner plays in a single best of three series. Thursday, May 14 (one game), and Friday, May 15 (two games), best of three series again with winners (top 8 seeds will play). Saturday no play for pitching rest. The winners of those games will go to championship venue. The championship venue will be divided into two pods – bracket 1 and 2 (reseeded at this point 1-8) – true double elimination. Best of 3 series for championship. Two separate venues Monday through Wednesday, possibly Thursday. Friday and Saturday format to be determined.

(7) Softball: Mr. Cluff asked what they thought the 4A/5A/6A softball coaches would feel using the same baseball format. An alternative would be to have a 32-team bracket, double elimination. Mr. Taylor said his concern would be the amount of travel. If teams are doing well there could be less travel. Only eight teams to the championship. Mr. Cluff will prepare a 4A baseball and softball bracket for Mr. Cuff to send out. Members were asked to talk to their regions and report back their decision to Mr. Cuff by March 20.

(8) Tennis: The proposal would be to seed tennis status quo. Start date in fall is August 5, first contest is August 12.

	<u>Girls</u>	<u>Boys</u>
3A	October 11, 12	May 8, 9
4A	October 4, 5	May 15, 16
5A	October 10, 12	May 7, 9
6A	October 3, 5	May 14, 16

(9) Golf: Ms. Whittaker said they are still developing golf. They want to still count region. Golf will be discussed at the next meeting.

(10) Cross Country and Track and Field: Status quo. Regions need to determine qualifiers and number of qualifiers. Please look at handbook for last alignment seeds.

(11) Swimming: It is being proposed to have more swimmers qualify. They would add an extra day to swim so 3A/4A on February 7, 8 and 5A/6A on February 14, 15 at BYU. The 3A would increase to two sessions. They would propose to have prelims for both individuals and relays and on one course. The top 30 individuals based on qualifying times. The top 50 list would increase to the top 100 list. Top 30 relays so every school could bring one relay. This proposal will increase the number of swimmers and not increase the number of heats. No automatic qualifiers from regions, everything will be based on times. First contest for swimming is November 1.

(12) Drill Team: Ms. Whittaker said everyone will qualify for the state tournament. The proposal is to eliminate region competition. It is difficult for regions to find a large enough venue and no longer would one competition determine who goes to state. Qualifying competitions would be determined. Classifications could determine the number of qualifying competitions up to 4 (eliminating region). Teams can request competition site and then the UHSAA Office will be assigning teams with at least one of the request sites guaranteed. The teams would be rated at all competitions. If a school hosts the competition, they can still receive a rating. Teams would be competing with everyone in the state. The rating would be based on 20% military, 20% dance, 20% character and 40% overall. The ratings will determine the seeding for state. There would be a quarter final round the Saturday prior to the state meet. The top 12 would be into the state venue.

Option B would be to hold region competition and count as 40% of rating and other 3 invitationals at 20%. The judges will be assigned. Hosting schools could choose their competition director. Ms. Richards-Khong wanted to get coach input. Members were asked to talk to their regions. Decisions on drill team, 5A/6A basketball, 4A/5A/6A softball by March 20.

(13) Wrestling: Mr. Jackson said they are planning to continue with divisionals. 5A has requested a survey on divisionals. Mr. Jackson asked if there are other options. Mr. Bishop suggested to do away with divisionals. Each coach chooses top 2 wrestlers in each weight class. Use TrackWrestling for seeding criteria. Only score the top 14 wrestlers (not by weight class) from each school at state tourney. Eliminate the divisionals. Mr. Sherwood said divisionals are difficult because of two days when school is in session. Mr. Cuff asked if this would increase the number of matches. Will it add time at the tournament? It is only a two-day event. Do the coaches support this proposal? Single elimination the first round? Mr. Jackson supports divisionals. Mr. Hammer suggested a committee meets and make a proposal that everyone can discuss. Mr. Jackson said there needs to be a representative from each classification. A proposal will be developed before next meeting on April 24.

L. Additional Calendar Items:

(1) Soccer: 2A/3A/4A Boys Soccer 2019. Rio Tinto has a scheduling conflict on state championship. Zion Stadium has a conflict. Rio Tinto can host two classifications on May 10 and then schedule one classification on Saturday, May 11, after REAL game. Two of the classifications would need to play semi final prior to May 10. Mr. Jackson proposed 2A/3A hold semi finals at Juan Diego (AP Testing Day) on Thursday, May 9. 4A have semi final at a site to be determined on May 10. 2A/3A finals would be on May 10 at 4 and 7 pm at Rio Tinto. 4A final would be held on Saturday, May 11 at 4:30 pm. Classifications agreed with the change.

(2) Baseball:

a. 4A Baseball: The Lindquist Field site has been confirmed. The format for this year is Wednesday through Saturday, May 15-18.

b. 3A Baseball: UVU is no longer available May 9-11. Kearns, Murray/Ken Price or SLCC (might be hosting SWAC) alternate site. Kearns is preferred.

MOTION: Mr. Bean made a motion to hold 3A Baseball at Kearns. Ms. Ault seconded the motion. Motion carried.

MOTION: Mr. Sherwood made the motion to remove "Tentative" from the 2019-2020 calendar with the calendar adjustments made today. Mr. Taylor seconded the motion. Motion carried.

8. **Legal Report:** Mr. Van Wagoner stated there has been a series of interrogatories and request for admissions regarding the law suit. Mr. Van Wagoner feels they have been vague and ambiguous. It has been determined there are 85 girls in high school playing tackle football.

Depositions were taken from individuals from Jordan, Canyons and Granite School Districts discussing the minimum number it would take to make a football team. The fewer the numbers injuries increase because they play both ways. They are asking for four corporate depositions. Corporate deposition is one in which the deposition lists the items you would like to know about the organization. The organization is responsible to produce a witness most knowledgeable on those issues. These depositions will take place in the next two weeks.

Mr. Van Wagoner discussed if a fan could be censored. Mr. Sherwood felt they could because of a limited and open forum and the event is an extension of the classroom. Mr. Cuff said that we are looking to add a policy because of issues at events this year. Mr. Van Wagoner said it is the venue that matters. Mr. Bean said they had an experience with alcohol at an event and it was considered an education event extension at the site. They were under same rule and could not serve beer. Discussion to continue in Constitution By-Law Committee.

9. Reports:

- A. 6A Athletics: Nothing to report
- B. 5A Athletics: Nothing to report
- C. 4A Athletics: Nothing to report
- D. 3A Athletics: Mr. Bruce asked about 3A Basketball if it could be pushed a week later.
- E. 2A Athletics: Nothing to report
- F. 1A Athletics: Nothing to report

10. For the Good of the Order:

- A. Lacrosse Championships (p. 133): Article discusses number of states participating in lacrosse: 29 No - 22 Yes.
- B. Injury Risk ... (p. 134): Football injury lowest in history.
- C. School Mission (p. 135): How does athletic programs support school mission?

11. NFHS Summer Conference – Indianapolis, Indiana (June 28-July 2, 2019):

Those interested: Ryck Astle, Tom Sherwood, Dave McKee, Rusty Taylor, Nan Ault, Bruce Bean, Roberta Hardy, Jim Wood, and Mr. Hammer.

Meeting adjourned at 2:45 pm.