

**NORTH BAY LEAGUE BOARD OF MANAGERS MEETING MINUTES
THURSDAY, AUGUST 25, 2016**

ATTENDANCE

Jerry Bonfigli	Cardinal Newman	Randy Burbank	Montgomery
Dave Geoffrion	Cardinal Newman	Henri Sarlatte	Rancho Cotate
Graham Rutherford	Cardinal Newman	Bryan Price	Santa Rosa
Rich Hermann	Cardinal Newman	Brad Coscarelli	Santa Rosa
Rick O'Brien	Casa Grande	Kenny Knowlton	Santa Rosa
Jerry Deakins	Maria Carrillo	Ty Yanez	Ukiah
Mike Mastin	Maria Carrillo	Jeff Hardie	Windsor
Albert Ettudgui	Maria Carrillo	Marc Elin	Windsor
Dean Haskins	Montgomery	Jan Smith Billing	NBL Commissioner

I. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion to recommend approval of the agenda as presented.

Motion: Dave Geoffrion, Cardinal Newman athletic director

Second: Randy Burbank, Montgomery principal

Motion approved: 7 – 0

II. APPROVAL OF THE NBL CONSENT AGENDA

Motion to recommend approval of the NBL consent agenda, as listed below:

Motion: Albert Ettudgui, Maria Carrillo assistant principal

Second: Randy Burbank, Montgomery principal

Motion approved: 7 – 0

1. Approval of minutes from the previous meeting. (Item III)
2. Approval of SAC Consent Agenda
3. Motion to adjourn the meeting

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR THE PREVIOUS MEETING

Motion approved via Consent Agenda

IV. PUBLIC COMMENT

Pursuant to Education Code Section 54954.3 and Education Code section 33353, any member of the public wishing to speak on any matter within the subject matter jurisdiction of the NBL, CIF, and NCS will be heard at this time. The time for such comment is no more than two (2) minutes per person on an item and no more than twenty (20) minutes total on an item or as designated by the Chair.

V. NCS SAC AGENDA ITEMS

I. Consent Agenda

Motion to direct the NBL representatives to the SAC vote to approve the SAC Consent Agenda.

Motion approved via Consent Agenda

II. Minutes of the previous SAC meeting

Approved via consent

IV. CIF Items

**A. Girls Volleyball/Boys & Girls Basketball Entry and Seeding Information
Tournament Seeding Parameters**

Motion to send the NBL representatives to the SAC uninstructed on this item.

Motion: Randy Burbank, Montgomery principal

Second: Albert Ettudgui, Maria Carrillo assistant principal

Motion supported 7 - 0

The North regional seeding meeting will take place on TBA. Seeding will be conducted by the State CIF Seeding Committee. Competition among the teams in each gender will be held in one Open and five additional divisions. Tournament brackets will range from 8 to 16 teams (unless out bracket games are required) depending on the number of entries forwarded by each CIF section. Teams considered for entry must have competed and qualified through their respective CIF Section Championships to participate in the CIF State/Regional Championships. Schools may be placed in either regional bracket.

Northern California Regional

The Central Coast Section (CCS), North Coast Section (NCS), Northern Section (NS), Oakland Section (OS), San Francisco Section (SFS) and Sac-San Joaquin Section (SJS) will participate in the CIF Northern California Regional Tournament. The number of eligible teams entries is listed below:

	OPEN	Division I	Division II	Division III	Division IV	Division V
CCS	TBD*	4	4	4	4	4
NCS	TBD*	4	4	4	4	4
NS	TBD*	0	0	2	2	4
OAK	TBD*	2	0	0	0	0
SF	TBD*	TBD**	TBD**	TBD**	TBD**	TBD**
SJS	TBD*	4	4	4	4	4

**SF will have two automatic berths and their entries will be placed into their respective enrollment divisions.

SEEDING CRITERIA

- Overall win/loss record
- Strength of Schedule
- Strength against common opponent
- Head to head competition
- State or Regional Rankings
- Suitability to represent the State in a championship with regards to Pursuing Victory with Honor and acceptable standards of sportsmanship.

SOUTH BRACKET PLACEMENT & SEEDING PARAMETERS

Open Championship Placement

- The tournament committee will select qualified teams for the Open Championship before they seed the remaining five divisions of the State Tournament. Teams selected by the committee for the OPEN Championship will compete in the OPEN Championship ONLY and cannot opt out.
- Please refer to page TBA of the State Handbook for Open Championship criteria

Seeding

- The OPEN Championship bracket will be seeded 1 – 8
- Opening round games that are a repeat of a section final or semi-final will be adjusted.

Divisional Brackets (I – V)

Placement

- Committee will place teams in five divisions
- If openings exist in the divisional brackets, sections will be permitted to forward at-large teams for consideration to fill the open spots, but no to exceed 50% of that bracket. In the event that a team is moved from one region to another, creating an opening in that regional bracket, the 50% rule may be exceeded.
- At-large entries will be evaluated and selected in a manner consistent with how the automatic entries are seeded (overall record, head to head, strength of schedule, state or regional rankings).
- Sections with less than eight (8) schools in a division will be limited to one (1) automatic entry in that division.

Seeding

- The committee will use the seeding criteria (overall record, head to head, strength of schedule, state or regional rankings) for each divisional bracket.
- **Opening round games that are a repeat of a section final or semi-final will be adjusted.**
- Once teams are placed in the bracket, the following adjustments may be made, but the changes must not impact the integrity of the bracket (i.e. protecting the higher seeded teams.).
 - ✓ Same section
 - ✓ Travel considerations
 - ✓ Regional bracketing options
- Teams from the same section but in different divisions may play each other in the opening round
- The team with the higher seeding number will be the hoist school in all rounds

B. Revisit Statewide Standardization of number of contests (Attachment B)

	Strategy	Timeline	Status
1.	Federated Council Roundtable –measure interest	April 2016	Completed
2.	Commissioners Discussion	June 7, 2016	
3.	Commissioners Proposal Development	Sept. 13, 2016	

4.	Executive Committee Discussion and Review	Nov. 16, 2016	
5.	Commissioners	Jan. 10, 2017	
6.	Section Discussions—first reading	January 2017	
7.	Executive Committee—first reading	Jan. 26, 2017	
8.	Federated Council Round Table and first reading	Jan. 27, 2016	
9.	Section Discussions	March 2017	
10.	Federated Council Action	April 7, 2017	

C. Pitching Limitation Rule—Pitch Count

ARTICLE 150--BASEBALL

1500. PITCHING LIMITATION RULE—30 OUTS

Sections shall adopt the following baseball pitching limitation rule: 30 outs and/or three (3) appearances in a calendar week through the season.

- A. The calendar week begins on Monday.
- B. Innings pitched in a no game (i.e., rainout, power failure, etc.) shall count toward the total.
- C. If the 30th out involves a double or triple play, the team will not be penalized.
- D. An appearance is defined as a pitcher pitching at least one (1) pitch. If a pitcher is removed from the mound to another position or to the dugout and later returns to pitch in the same game, the pitcher will be charged with a second appearance.
- E. Any violation constitutes a forfeit of the contest.

1501. PITCHING LIMITATION RULE—PITCH COUNT

In addition to 1500 above, Sections shall adopt the following baseball pitching limitation rule with respect to pitch count:

Pitch count limits and required rest:

Level	Daily Pitch Limit	0 days rest	1 day rest	2 days rest	3 days rest
Varsity	110 pitches	1-30 pitches	31-50 pitches	51-75 pitches	76+ pitches
Frosh; F/S; JV	90 pitches	1-30 pitches	31-50 pitches	51-75 pitches	76+ pitches

- A. A pitcher may finish the current batter if the Daily Pitch Limit is reached during that at-bat.
- B. Pitches thrown and appearances made in a no game (i.e. rainout, power failure, etc.) shall count toward the totals
- C. At the end of each half inning, the umpire and head coach will both confirm and record the pitch count for all pitchers who threw a pitch in that half inning.

Questions & Answers:

Q: How is a day of rest defined?

A: A day of rest is defined as a calendar day. For example, if a pitcher throws 76 or more pitches in a Monday game thus requiring three-day rest before being allowed to pitch again, those days of rest would be Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday, allowing that pitcher to pitch again on Friday.

15012 OFFICIAL NATIONAL FEDERATION AUTHENTICATION MARK

Only balls with the National Federation authentication mark shall be used in the sports of baseball, basketball, field hockey, football, lacrosse, soccer, softball, volleyball and water polo.

15023 PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT

It is required that adult base coaches wear a protective helmet. Play will not continue until compliance with this rule is met. It is recommended that the helmet meet NOCSAE standards.

NOTE: NFHS rules govern use of protective equipment by a player/student.

D. Proposed Bylaw 2402, Northern California Regional Soccer Championship

Motion to instruct the NBL representatives to the NCS Board of Managers vote to support the implementation of a Northern California Regional Soccer Championship.

Motion: Dave Geoffron, Cardinal Newman athletic director

Second: Marc Elin, Windsor principal

Motion approved 6 – 1 (Ukiah voted no, Casa Grande did not have a certified representative present at this meeting).

Proposal Reviewed

03/18/2015- Commissioner Committee	Discussion
06/17/2015- Commissioner Committee	Discussion
06/20/2015- Executive Committee	Discussion
08/26/2015- Commissioner Committee	Discussion
01/11/2016- Commissioner Committee	10-0 Support Addition

02/24/2016- Executive Committee	1st Reading
03/08/2016 – New Events Committee	<i>Recommendation TBD</i>
04/07/2016- Executive Committee	<i>Action Item</i>
04/08/2016 – Federated Council	<i>1st Reading</i>
10/06/2017 – Federated Council	<i>Action Item</i>

Type: Bylaw Addition / Revision
Next: New Events Committee

Summary: The Commissioners Committee is recommending that the CIF implement a Northern California Regional Soccer Championship for Boys and Girls beginning 2017-2018. This regional tournament would mirror the current Regional Soccer Championships implemented in 2008 in southern California.

Fiscal Impact: Based upon the previous experience in southern California, a regional tournament would start with a minor net gain for the organization and grow as the tournament gains popularity.

Background: The CIF Federated Council approved a southern California Regional Soccer Tournament in February of 2007. The regional tournament has grown in size and participation over the past few years.

At the time of the original Soccer Regional approval, the majority of northern California CIF Sections did not offer soccer during the winter season of sport. That is not the case today. The majority of schools in northern California now compete in soccer during the winter season of sport making a post season regional championship viable. This proposal still allows the flexibility for sections. The North Coast and Northern Sections can continue to offer multiple seasons of sports for soccer within their sections to accommodate their schools location (snowline) and allows the sections/schools that are aligned to compete in a regional format.

SOCCKER
CIF NORTHERN CALIFORNIA REGIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS
Divisions I – IV, March 8, 10, 12, 2018
March 6 – 8 at Home Site
March 10 at Home Sites

I. FORMAT

The format is an eight (8) team single-elimination tournament in each of the four divisions (DI – DIV) for both boys and girls. Entries into the tournament will include the champions of the four Sections representing Northern California, as well as at-large selections to fill the open brackets in each of the four (4) divisions, for a total of 32 entries for each gender.

II. AUTOMATIC ENTRIES-SEEDING PROCEDURES

A. Northern California boys and girls soccer championships (four divisions) will be held following the completion of Sectional playoffs. Divisional placement of teams in the Northern California Regional Tournament will be based on rankings provided by each section at the conclusion of their playoffs. Seeding for the Southern California Regional Championships will take place on Sunday, March 4, 2018.

SECTION	DIV. I	DIV. II	DIV. III	DIV. IV
Central Coast	2	2	2	**
North Coast	2	2	2	**
Northern		2	2	2
Oakland				1
San-Joaquin	2	2	2	2
San Francisco				1
At-Large	2*			2*

B. SECTION LIMITATIONS

Sections with less than eight (8) schools in a division shall be limited to one entry in that division. This applies to both team and individual sports.

III. CLASSIFICATION SYSTEM IN NORCAL SOCCER CHAMPIONSHIPS

Division I As determined by Section
Division II As determined by Section
Division III As determined by Section
Division IV As determined by Section

IV. QUALIFYING TO CIF STATE/REGIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

Teams/Individuals must compete, and qualify through, their respective CIF Section Championships to participate in CIF State/Regional Championships.

NOTE: Complete details on the 2018 CIF Northern Regional Soccer Championships will be available on the State CIF website (www.cifstate.org) approximately 45-60 days prior to the event.

Proposal for CIF Northern California Regional Soccer Championships

The following proposal will be forwarded to the Championships and New Events Committee of the CIF as the first step in the State CIF process for possible implementation. The proposal is to request the CIF to administer a Northern California Regional Championship for Boys' and Girls' Soccer to begin in the winter of 2018. It is understood that any proposal for the additional of a new championship under the auspices of the CIF must follow the criteria and procedures for new events, as specified by the CIF Federated Council.

SUMMARY OF PROPOSED CIF NORCAL REGIONAL SOCCER TOURNAMENT

1. Format

The proposed format is an eight-team single-elimination tournament in each of four divisions for both boys and girls, with the first round to be held during the week immediately following the six Sections' Soccer Championships to begin in March, 2018. Entries into the tournament will be the section champions as well as at-large selections to fill the open brackets in each of the four divisions, for a total of 32 entries for each gender.

2. Management

The IF NorCal Regional Soccer Championships will be under the direct responsibility of the CIF NorCal Soccer Management Committee, to be determined through the process as delineated by the State CIF Office. The Management Committee is to include but not be limited to representation from all six Sections.

3. Regional Tournament Dates

The CIF NorCal Soccer Championship dates will be Tuesday, March 6, Thursday, March 8 and Saturday, March 10, 2018.

4. Classification System for Placement in NorCal Championships

There will be four divisions. Teams will advance from their Section Championship in a criteria set by their governing board.

5. Minimum Number of Entries from Each Section

SECTION	DIV. I	DIV. II	DIV. III	DIV. IV
Central Coast	2	2	2	**
North Coast	2	2	2	**
Northern		2	2	2
Oakland				1
San-Joaquin	2	2	2	2
San Francisco				1
At-Large	2*			2*

6. Seeding Committee

The Seeding Committee will be composed of the six Section Commissioners and the Tournament Director, as determined by the State CIF Office.

7. Sites

The First Round, Semi-Final and Regional Final games will be played at the school designated as the "home" team.

POLICY AND PROCEDURES FOR NEW EVENTS

The criteria specified by the CIF Federated Council for proposals of new events to be managed by the California Interscholastic Federation are addressed below.

1. Financial Criteria

- A. **Travel expenses, lodging and meals:** First round pairings will be made with consideration of travel time and expenses. During all rounds, the visiting teams will be responsible for their own travel expenses, to include transportation, meals, and lodging, if required, subject to reimbursement. Host schools will be provided a flat amount to cover basic expenses. It is expected that since only the six Northern California Sections are participating, the cost for lodging will be minimal.
- B. **Mitigating expenses of new event:** In order to minimize expense (and loss of school time), in the first round in each division, the seeding committee will consider geography when determining brackets.

C. Financial burden on Section and State budgets: The financial burden the sections and/or state may incur must be off-set, wholly or partially, through the use of funding sources to include, but not limited to: ticket sales, television and internet broadcast rights fees, and contributing corporate sponsors.

D. Detailed, specific, feasible cost estimate: The figures below reflect the total for four of the five divisions (I, II, III, and V) of the CIF Southern California Regional Soccer Championships which should be similar in size of field and format:

2015 Revenue: \$83,333

2015 Expenses: \$45,504

2015 Net: \$37,829

2. **Philosophical criteria:** The addition of a NorCal Regional Soccer Championship will continue to enhance the awareness of positive values taught through sport participation, including the opportunity for athletes to excel on the field while also adhering to the principles of "Pursuing Victory with Honor." Secondly, the event will elevate the sport of soccer in the high school community, and add credibility to the sport, as played at the championship level. Lastly, the sport of soccer in California features athletes that represent a high level of diversity.
3. **Qualifying participation criterion for a championship event:** According to the 2014-15 CIF Participation Census, more than 82% of all CIF member schools participate in the sport of soccer, with 93,934 boy and girl student-athletes.
4. **Feasibility:** The operational format and financial feasibility of a Regional Soccer Championship has been successfully implemented in Southern California.
5. **Other recommendations:** The addition of a CIF Northern California Regional will one day lead to the addition of a CIF State Soccer Championship in the coming years. The benefits of a NorCal Regional Soccer Championship will exceed the financial expense of such an event. A championship of this caliber will reinforce soccer as a major high school sport, and will give the student athletes the opportunity to excel at the highest level possible in their high school careers.
5. **Other recommendations:** The addition of a CIF Northern California

E. Regional Water Polo Championship

Motion to instruct the NBL delegates to the NCS SAC meeting vote in the best interests of Cardinal Newman and Ukiah with regard to this item.

Motion: Dave Geoffrion, Cardinal Newman athletic director

Second: Ty Yanez, Ukiah athletic director

Motion supported: 7 – 0

Summary: The CIF Central Section is proposing the implementation of a CIF Regional Water Polo Championship to begin in the fall/winter of 2017-2018. This proposal follows the approved State Championships Master Schedule timelines for implementation of new events.

The event would allow the most competitive water polo teams in the state an opportunity to compete at the Regional level. This championship event is proposed as a one week tournament held immediately after the section finals.

Fiscal Impact: The Regional Championship is projected as a \$6,900 loss without any corporate sponsorship. It is anticipated that with corporate support and ancillary event income the regional tournament could become revenue neutral to the organization.

Background: State CIF does not currently have a regional championship in water polo.

V. NCS Items

A. Baseball (15.503)/Softball (22.503) game time adjustment for NCS Championships

Motion to instruct the NBL representatives to the NCS SAC meeting vote to support the game time adjustment for NCS Baseball and Softball Championships

Motion: Randy Burbank, Montgomery principal

Second: Albert Ettudgui, Maria Carrillo assistant principal

Motion approved unanimously

BASEBALL 15.503h Starting Times

- a. Single games will be played at 7:00 p.m., if lights and ~~4:00~~ **5:00** pm if there are no lights during the weekdays. Saturday games may be scheduled at 1:00 p.m. or 7:00 p.m. depending upon the availability of lighted fields for the host school. If the single game is played at a lighted field on

- Saturday, the starting time shall be 7:00 p.m.
- b. Baseball double-headers will commence at 12:00 p.m. and 2:00 p.m. if lighted fields are not available to the host school. If lighted fields are utilized, double-headers will commence at 5:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. (or as close to the scheduled starting time as possible if there is a doubleheader and the first game extends beyond the time necessary to provide sufficient warm-up time for the second game participants).
- c. NCS staff may adjust starting times for the good of the tournament.

SOFTBALL 22.503H Starting Times

- d. Single games will be played at 7:00 p.m., if lights and ~~4:00~~ **5:00** pm if there are no lights during the weekdays. Saturday games may be scheduled at 1:00 p.m. or 7:00 p.m. depending upon the availability of lighted fields for the host school. If the single game is played at a lighted field on Saturday, the starting time shall be 7:00 p.m.
- e. Baseball double-headers will commence at 12:00 p.m. and 2:00 p.m. if lighted fields are not available to the host school. If lighted fields are utilized, double-headers will commence at 5:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. (or as close to the scheduled starting time as possible if there is a doubleheader and the first game extends beyond the time necessary to provide sufficient warm-up time for the second game participants).
- f. NCS staff may adjust starting times for the good of the tournament.

B. Golf Championship format adjustment

Motion to instruct the NBL representatives to the NCS SAC meeting vote to support this item.

Motion: Dave Geoffrion, Cardinal Newman assistant principal

Second: Randy Burbank Montgomery principal

Motion approved unanimously

~~19.030H NORTH AND SOUTH QUALIFIER TOURNAMENTS~~ DIVISION 1 and DIVISION 2 CHAMPIONSHIPS

19.031H GOLF Tournament Format

Two Divisions: Division breaks please see website, www.cifncls.org for current division breaks.

Nor Cal qualifiers will come from the Division I ~~Tournament of Champions~~ **Championship**

One coach per school entered will receive lunch during each tournament.

Division 2 Championship

Tournament Field=up to ~~92~~ **144** total golfers (BOM 1/27/12)-**14 teams and 60 individuals (4 per league)**

Scoring: Play 6 golfers top 4 will score. (Division 2 Tournament will use the double par plus 2)

Date: One week prior to the NCS/Les Schwab Tires Division 1 Championship.

League Champions automatically qualify plus ~~3~~ **4** individuals not on qualifying teams **from each league.**

The remainder of the field will be selected by the At-large selection committee from qualified applicants.

The top ~~eight (8)~~ **12** scoring individuals will advance to play in the Division I Tournament of Champions.

Division 1 Qualifying Tournament

~~The number of qualifiers will be determined depending on the number of league champions placed in the Division I TOC~~ Tournament Field: up to 144 total golfers

Scoring: Play 6 golfers top 5 will score. ~~Second place finishers in League Tournaments will automatically qualify plus 3 individuals not on qualifying teams.~~ The remainder of the field will be selected from the At-large selection committee. The number of at large teams selected will be determined by the number of

~~second place teams automatically advancing to the Division I Qualifier.~~

Division 1 ~~Tournament of Champions~~ Championship

Tournament Field: up to 144 total golfers

Scoring: Play 6 golfers top 5 will score.

Date: One week prior to the NorCal Golf Tournament.

League Champions automatically qualify plus ~~8 individuals not on qualifying teams from the Division 1 Qualifying Tournament and 8 individuals not on qualifying teams from the Division 2 Tournament.~~ **12 top individuals from the Division 2 Championship.**

The remainder of the field will come from the Division I qualifier ~~played the same day NCS currently holds the North/South Qualifiers for both Boys and Girls.~~ **will be selected from the At - large selection committee from qualified Division 1 applications.**

Teams will be allowed to petition up from Division II to Division I between August 18 and September 18.

INDIVIDUAL QUALIFIERS (56 individual participants)

Each League receives 4 individual entries that are not on qualifying teams.

BCL-E-4	DAL-4	NBL-4
BCL-W-4	EBAL-4	SCL-4
BVAL-4	MCAL-4	TCAL-4
CMC-S-4	MVAL-4	WACC-4
CMC-N-4		

TEAM QUALIFIERS: Each League receives 1 automatic entry, the remaining entries will come from the at-large applications reviewed and selected by the at-large committee.

Division 1 Championship-21 teams + 18 individuals (qualified through the D2 Tournament) =144 total participants.

Division 2 Championship -14 teams + 56 individuals (qualifying through league tournaments-4 per league) =140 total participants.

RATIONALE: The Division 1 Qualifying tournament was designed to allow teams to qualify to the D1 TOC rather than be selected by a committee, due to the fact that there were so many teams applying with limited cross over competition to compare. However, in reality the Qualifying tournament has been consistently seeing all but one team moving on to the D1 TOC for the girls and all but 3 teams moving on in the boys. The golf committee does not see that this tournament is necessary and this proposal addresses previous concerns by adjusting the number of entries per league.

IMMEDIATE IMPLEMENTATION

C. Football Proposal—add language to mirror state bylaw for out of season practice

Motion to instruct the NBL representatives to the NCS SAC meeting vote to support this item.

Motion: Ty Yanez, Ukiah athletic director

Second: Brad Coscarelli, Santa Rosa principal

Motion approved unanimously

18.105H Spring Football Practice

Spring practices shall not start earlier than the Monday **four** weeks prior to Memorial Day and must be completed before spring final examinations start.

- a. Spring practice shall not exceed ten (10) practice sessions, none of which may be held on Saturday or Sunday.
- b. The only allowable football equipment for spring football shall be: football shoes, footballs, **blocking sleds** and blocking bags.
- c. Eighth and ninth grade students from an elementary, middle or junior high school may not take part in the spring football practice at the high school (See Bylaw 18.107H for multi-school exception). (CIF 1904)
- d. A high school coach may not conduct a football practice session at a separate junior high school. (CIF 1904)

PENALTY FOR VIOLATION: Remedies/penalties for violation of NCS Sports & General Rulings Handbook Bylaw 18.105H are found in Bylaw 102H.

D. Competitive Divisions Appeal

Motion to instruct the NBL representatives to the NCS SAC meeting vote to oppose this item.

Motion: Ty Yanez, Ukiah athletic director

Second: Randy Burbank, Montgomery principal

Motion approved 7 - 0

APPEAL OF DIVISION PLACEMENT FOR SCHOOL REQUIRED TO MOVE TO A HIGHER DIVISION BASED ON THE COMPETITIVE DIVISION PROPOSAL

Any school required to move to a higher division based on the Competitive Division format may appeal their placement to the Section Commissioner, or his/her designee, within 15 days of the announcement of petitioning by the NCS office.

Any appeal must include, but not limited to, the following criteria, all of which must be addressed.

Criteria:

- 1. A 10% or more drop in enrollment from the previous year as reported on the NCS Total Enrollment date;
- 2. The number of graduated athletes from the previous year's team;
- 3. The number of returning athletes from the previous year's team;
- 4. The season records of the lower level team(s) from the previous year;
- 5. Change in the status of the head coach;
- 6. The number of students who have transferred in or out of the program; and
- 7. The number of Competitive Division points earned in the most recent competitive season.

Any decision of the Section Commissioner, or his/her designee, is final.
IMMEDIATE IMPLEMENTATION—WINTER AND SPRING SPORTS

- E. Proposal to change the Division II East Bay WRESTLING championship to a mandatory 6-team bracket, with up to 4 at-large spots available (mirroring the DIII Championship. IMMEDIATE IMPLEMENTATION**
Motion to instruct the NBL representatives to the NCS SAC vote to approve this proposal.
Motion: Albert Ettudgui, Maria Carrillo assistant principal
Second: Henri Sarlatte, Rancho Cotate assistant principal and athletic director
Motion supported unanimously

The NCS/Les Schwab Tires Division I East Bay, Division II Redwood Empire, Division II East Bay and Division III Wrestling Team Dual Championships will be a one-day, no-elimination, **up to 10-team** tournament.

Berths nine and ten will be selected through an At-large Application process **for Division I East Bay and Division II Redwood Empire. Berths seven, eight, nine and ten will be selected through an At - large Application process for Division II East Bay and Division III.** NCS staff will select no more than two teams for ~~each division~~ **DI EB and DII RE and no more than four teams for DII EB and DIII** based on At-large Applications submitted to the NCS Office no later than the date and time posted in the bulletin.

Rationale: With the existing 8-team (mandatory) format, the rotation typically goes out to 4th place in multiple leagues, which can be difficult for those schools that are selected. Going to a 6-4 format, provides more opportunities for teams that want to participate, as opposed to forcing those that may potentially find it challenging to attend.

- F. Proposal to increase entries fees in the sports of Track & Field and Swimming & Diving**
Due to the continual facility use fee increases NCS needs to increase the fees of Track & Field and Swimming & Diving to \$12.00 for individual participants and \$24.00 for relays.
Motion to instruct the NBL representatives to the NCS SAC vote to support this item.
Motion: Albert Ettudgui, Maria Carrillo assistant principal
Second: Brad Coscarelli, Santa Rosa principal
Motion approved unanimously

VI. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Competitive Divisions—increase the three-year point total from 24 to 30.**
Motion to instruct the NBL representatives to the NCS SAC vote to oppose this item.
Motion: Ty Yanez, Ukiah athletic director
Second: Randy Burbank, Montgomery
Motion supported unanimously

Raise the three-year point total to 30 from the existing 24.

Rationale: This puts more emphasis on the top flight programs that tend to dominate their sport. The increased point total would put more emphasis on being in the Championship game, not the semi-finals, quarter finals, or just participating. We should look at only the programs that make it to the NCS championship games consistently. This would alleviate keeping track of 1st, 2nd, 3rd rounds of the playoffs. We seem to be targeting programs that are not of concern to most everyone.

VII. OLD BUSINESS

- A. None**

VIII. ROUND TABLE DISCUSSION

IX. STAFF REPORTS

- A. Commissioner**
B. Associate Commissioner

VI. NBL NEW BUSINESS

- A. Budget update and dues assessment**
Motion to approve the proposed budget and a dues assessment of \$3000.
Motion: Jerry Deakins, Maria Carrillo Athletic Director
Second: Henri Sarlatte, Rancho Cotate Assistant Principal and Athletic Director
Motion approved unanimously
- B. Proposed amendment to NBL Softball Bylaws: IMMEDIATE IMPLEMENTATION**
Motion: All NBL softball games (both JV and Varsity) will use a double first base bag.

Motion: Brad Coscarelli, Santa Rosa principal

Second: Ty Yanez, Ukiah athletic director'

Motion approved unanimously.

Passed by softball coaches on 5/18/2016, 8 – 0.

Approved unanimously by athletic directors on 8/25/16

Rationale: There are too many safety issues that occurred throughout the course of the season with just a single bag.

C. Proposed amendment to NBL Football Bylaw 5.803: IMMEDIATE IMPLEMENTATION

Motion to approve the amendment to NBL Football Bylaw 5.803

Motion: Albert Ettudgui, Maria Carrillo assistant principal

Second: Ty Yanez, Ukiah athletic director

Motion approved unanimously

1. Players are nominated for first team, **or** second team, ~~or honorable mention~~ by their own coaches.
2. ~~There is no specific number of players for each team; coaches have the latitude to decide how many players should be on each team.~~ There shall be no more than 40 members on the first team and 40 members on the second team. Special awards will be nominated and voted upon first. These shall include offensive player of the year, defensive player of the year, specialist of the year, defensive back of the year, lineman of the year. On offense, it is suggest that there be one quarterback, two running backs, four wide receivers, one tight end, and eight linemen. On defense it was suggest that there be five defensive backs, 6 defensive linemen, two inside backers and three outside backers. There shall also be a coach of the year.

Motion: Marcelo Bautista, Montgomery

Second: Trent Herzog, Casa Grande

Motion passed 8 – 0

D. Motion to add tennis amendment 11.803(D), IMMEDIATE IMPLEMENTATION

Motion to approve the tennis amendment 11.803(D)

Motion: Marc Elin, Windsor principal

Second: Dave Geoffrion, Cardinal Newman athletic director

Motion approved unanimously

In case of a tie in team tennis requiring a playoff, the NBL will provide a case of balls. The balls shall be the same ball that will be used in the NCS Championships for that season.

Motion: Dustin St. John, SRHS

Second: Mary Lehman, MHS

Supported: 8 – 0

F. Discussion from the floor

G. Gil Lemmon, NCS Commissioner will discuss eligibility and new NCS Rules

INFORMATION ITEMS

- A. Dates of determination are due to Jan ASAP. Maria Carrillo, Montgomery, Santa Rosa, Windsor and Ukiah have turned in their dates already. Cardinal Newman, Casa Grande, and Rancho Cotate are requested to turn in their dates immediately.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting was adjourned at 5 PM