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TO: Superintendents, Principals, and Athletic Directors

FROM: Cindy Simmons, Assistant Executive Director

Kris Welch, Assistant Executive Director

SUBJECT: OSAA State Championship Committee – May 1 Meeting Update

The State Championship Committee for the 2018-2022 four-year time block held its first public meeting at the OSAA office in Wilsonville on May 1, 2017. The constitutionally mandated purpose of this Committee is to make recommendations to the OSAA Executive Board for adoption in February 2018, regarding championship formats, participation policies, and issues relative to the administration of OSAA State Championships.

The OSAA Executive Board further requests that the Committee review the following topics:

- Financial impact of championships on member schools and the OSAA
- Playoff qualifying formats and allocations in team/individual sports
- Basketball and Volleyball final site formats and venues
- Neutral sites for soccer, baseball, and softball semifinals
- List of current OSAA-sanctioned activities to determine if the OSAA is meeting the membership's needs

The Committee and audience received a review of the State Championship Committee Timeline and Process from Executive Director Peter Weber. Committee Chair Michael Schaefer also addressed the audience and reviewed the charge to the committee. The Committee received testimony from 7 individuals addressing girls wrestling, cross country, track and field and school placement in 1A football. The Committee then adjourned to a closed work session to review and discuss the testimony and written correspondence.

The Committee welcomes all written proposals regarding any State Championship related subjects. Those submitting proposals need to provide data that would illustrate support from various groups including but not limited to superintendents, principals, athletic directors and coaches. All public testimony should be concise and correspond to the information being presented.

The Committee requests that the following topics be the focus of the next meeting:

- **Revising the Participation Limitations**
- Reviewing current state championship venues
- Reviewing OSAA reimbursement formula
- Play-off formats and allocations for individual sports
- Standardizing qualified marks / process
- Efficacy and need for regional qualifications in multiple sports
- 6A, 5A, 4A Play-in Models
- Team Sports Qualifications (Automatic Qualifiers vs. Rankings)

Any communication from school representatives regarding Committee issues should be sent to the OSAA rather than to individual Committee members. All written communication received by the OSAA will be shared with every Committee member for review and discussion. Please send emails for the Committee to krisw@osaa.org.

The next public meeting of the State Championship Committee will take place on Monday, June 12, 2017, at the OSAA office in Wilsonville. The Committee meeting will begin with an opportunity for public testimony at 9 am. There will be an opportunity to watch this meeting and communicate via the webinar at GoToMeeting, with the link being published in the weekly broadcast.

The Committee appreciates your support and encourages your participation in this process. Please do not hesitate to contact Cindy Simmons (<u>cindys@osaa.org</u>) or Kris Welch (<u>krisw@osaa.org</u>) at the OSAA if you have questions.

Future State Championship Committee Meeting Dates

<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Location</u>
Monday, June 12, 2017	9am	OSAA Office, Wilsonville
Friday, September 15, 2017	9am	OSAA Office, Wilsonville
Monday, October 9, 2017	9am	OSAA Office, Wilsonville
Monday, November 13, 2017	9am	OSAA Office, Wilsonville
Monday, December 11, 2017	9am	OSAA Office, Wilsonville
Monday, January 22, 2018	9am	OSAA Office, Wilsonville

The OSAA staff will provide a Committee update to all superintendents, principals, and athletic directors following each meeting. The Committee roster, Charge to the Committee, all updates, and any additional Committee information is available at http://www.osaa.org/governance/committees/.