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TO: Superintendents, Principals and Athletic Directors
FROM: Mike Wallmark, Associate Executive Director
Peter Weber, Assistant Executive Director
SUBJECT: Update on the Proceedings of the Classification and Districting Committee

The Classification and Districting Committee for the 2010-2014 four-year time block met at the Oregon Athletic Directors Association Conference in Sunriver on April 20, 2009, to receive testimony and review written communication thus far received.

Following a welcome from OSAA Executive Director Tom Welter, the Committee members were introduced, and the audience received a review of the Classification and Districting Timeline and Process from Associate Executive Director Mike Wallmark and Assistant Executive Director Peter Weber.

In addition to Committee members, there were more than 125 other attendees at the public meeting. The Committee received testimony for approximately two hours from twenty-four school, league, classification and other representatives. The Committee then adjourned to a closed work session to review and discuss the testimony and written correspondence received.

Much of the Committee work session discussion focused in requests that the Committee had received for specific placements of schools. After discussion, the Committee concluded the following:

1. REVISIONS IN INDIVIDUAL SCHOOL PLACEMENTS.

A number of specific revisions were made in league placements of schools as specified on the attached Proposal #7.

As with previous proposals, the Committee continued to evaluate potential revisions based first upon whether those revisions were consistent with the four criteria consideration of which is required by OSAA Article 9.1 and OAR 581-021-0032:

- Safety of student participants and spectators, parents and other spectators, and school and other personnel;
- Minimizing loss of instructional time;
- Minimizing the expenditure of school district and student and parent participant funds;
- School enrollment data.

2. ALTERNATIVE 4A CLASSIFICATION AND 5A CLASSIFICATION LEAGUE ALIGNMENTS.

The Committee instructed staff to include two alternative league alignment proposals for both the 4A and the 5A classifications with this Update. The alternate proposals are based upon requests from schools in the two respective classifications that are dissatisfied with the travel burden imposed on them by the previous Committee proposals. In order to allow the Committee to make the best decision possible, IT IS CRITICAL THAT SCHOOLS AFFECTED BY THE ALTERNATIVE PROPOSALS CONTACT THE COMMITTEE TO EXPRESS THEIR PREFERENCES AND WHY. Please respond in writing prior to the next Meeting of the Committee on May 11 (and/or plan to attend and testify.)



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3. PLAY DOWN REQUESTS.

Committee members continue to express consensus support for the concept of “play down requests” as an option that should be considered by the Executive Board. It is understood that the Committee does not have the authority to establish a policy allowing “play down requests”; such a policy would need to be authorized through action of the Delegate Assembly. The OSAA Executive Board will consider a request from the Committee to sponsor a “play down request” proposal to the Delegate Assembly when the Board meets on May 4.

4. PLAY UP REQUEST DEADLINE: **May 8, 2009**

The Committee instructed staff to inform schools considering making a “play up request” that have not yet done so, to submit such a request in writing by Friday, May 8, in order to allow the Committee to include all requests in the league alignment recommendations being considered.

5. HYBRID LEAGUE RESTRICTIONS AND JUSTIFICATIONS.

Some Committee members expressed concern that, as more “hybrid” leagues are proposed, the “hybrid” league concept originally intended by the Committee as a strategy to address travel issues in certain regions of the state may be expanding to address other motives. It is the intent of the Committee to have further discussions regarding whether they will support “hybrid” leagues created for reasons other than to address travel issues.

The Committee instructed staff to update the list of all proposals submitted to the Committee thus far on the OSAA website for review by any interested party. Proposals will be posted at the following link:

<http://osaa.org/governance/committees/classification/proposals.asp>

Written suggestions and proposals on these issues, as well as other classification related subjects should be mailed or emailed to the OSAA (peterw@osaa.org). Any communication received by the OSAA will be shared with all committee members for review and discussion. As indicated above, any alignment proposals will be posted on the OSAA website. Public testimony will also be welcome at the next Committee meeting.

The next public meeting of the Classification and Districting Committee will be at 9:00 a.m. on Monday, May 11, 2009, in the auditorium of the Shriner’s Headquarters (across the street from the OSAA Office) in Wilsonville. The general format for the meeting will be for the committee to receive public testimony first, followed by a closed work session.

The Committee will meet throughout this school year and will make its final recommendations to the OSAA Executive Board at the October, 2009, Special Classification and Districting Meeting.

A full list of meeting dates, Committee Roster, Charge to the Committee and previous Updates are available at the OSAA website: www.osaa.org.

ATTACHMENTS:

Proposal #7: Draft Proposal of Revised Six Classification Alignment with Hybrid Leagues and Alternative 4A and 5A Configurations

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DRAFT Proposal #7
6-Classification Hybrid

A hybrid approach identifies geographic regions where placing schools into leagues is more difficult because there may not be enough schools in a specific classification in that region. The hybrid approach assigns schools across classifications to the same league. Schools within the league would be charged with creating their own regular-season schedules, including which schools would compete against each other on an activity-by-activity basis. Schools in a hybrid from different classifications would not be required to compete against each other. Determination of which teams advance to postseason play would be made at the league level. During the postseason, advancing schools would compete against schools from their respective classifications. Playoff spots will be determined by the state championship committee. No school would receive an automatic playoff spot. Schools from hybrid leagues may be assigned to a neighboring league at their classification for playoff allocations. Playoff spots would be determined proportionally to the total number of schools in the combined league.

6A (43) 1480+	5A (37) 1479-855	4A (43) 854-410
6A-1 - Metro League (6)	5A-1 - East Metro League (7)	4A-1 - Cowapa League (7)
Aloha Warriors 1966	Hood River Valley Eagles 1186	Astoria Fishermen 655
Beaverton Beavers 1932	Milwaukie Mustangs 1081	Gladstone Gladiators 741
*Jesuit Crusaders 1152	Molalla Indians 858	La Salle Falcons 618
Southridge Skyhawks 1975	Parkrose Broncos 1023	Scappoose Indians 655
Sunset Apollos 1980	Putnam Kingsmen 1349	Seaside Seagulls 462
Westview Wildcats 2680	Sandy Pioneers 1333	Tillamook Cheesemakers 699
	The Dalles Wahtonka EagleIndians 901	Yamhill-Carlton Tigers 429
6A-2 - Mt. Hood Conference (7)	5A-2 - Northwest Oregon Conference (6)	4A-2 - Capital Conference (8)
Barlow Bruins 1800	Century Jaguars 1471	Cascade Cougars 738
Centennial Eagles 1762	Glencoe Crimson Tide 1438	Central Panthers 825
*Central Catholic Rams 864	Liberty Falcons 1288	Estacada Rangers 721
David Douglas Scots 2939	St. Helens Lions 980	Newport Cubs 645
Gresham Gophers 1677	Sherwood Bowmen 1086	North Marion Huskies 576
Reynolds Raiders 2657	Wilsonville Wildcats 1009	Philomath Warriors 611
*St. Mary's Academy Blues 1230		Stayton Eagles 731
		Taft Tigers 468
6A-3 - Three Rivers League (6)	5A-3 - Mid-Willamette Conference (8)	4A-3 - Far West League (6)
Canby Cougars 1595	Corvallis Spartans 1259	Brookings-Harbor Bruins 583
Clackamas Cavaliers 2196	Crescent Valley Raiders 1003	Douglas Trojans 446
*Lake Oswego Lakers 1237	Dallas Dragons 977	North Bend Bulldogs 566
*Lakeridge Pacers 1079	Lebanon Warriors 1228	Siuslaw Vikings 495
Oregon City Pioneers 2127	Silverton Foxes 1178	South Umpqua Lancers 513
West Linn Lions 1541	South Albany Rebels 1267	Sutherlin Bulldogs 440
	West Albany Bulldogs 1393	
	Woodburn Bulldogs 1351	
6A-4 - Pacific Conference (6)		4A-4 - Sky-Em League (6)
Forest Grove Vikings 1870		Cottage Grove Lions 827
Hillsboro Spartans 1497		Elmira Falcons 458
McMinnville Grizzlies 1681		Junction City Tigers 570
Newberg Tigers 1575		La Pine Hawks 524
Tigard Tigers 1897		Sisters Outlaws 542
Tualatin Timberwolves 1773		Sweet Home Huskies 762
6A-5 - Central Valley Conference (6)		4A-5 - Skyline Conference (6)
McKay Scots 1767		Henley Hornets 673
McNary Celtics 1899		Hidden Valley Mustangs 828
North Salem Vikings 1857		Klamath Union Pelicans 794
South Salem Saxons 1778		Mazama Vikings 850
Sprague Olympians 1639		North Valley Knights 641
West Salem Titans 1538		Phoenix Pirates 754
6A-5A-4A PIL Hybrid (10)	6A-5A-4A Central Oregon Hybrid (8)	4A-6 - Greater Oregon League (4)
Wilson Trojans (6A) 1489	Redmond Panthers (6A) 1831	Ontario Tigers 793
Grant Generals (6A) 1592	Bend Lava Bears (6A) 1525	La Grande Tigers 696
Cleveland Warriors (6A) 1490	Mountain View Cougars (5A) 1477	Baker Bulldogs 639
Benson Techmen (5A) 1159	Summit Storm (5A) 1199	McLoughlin Pioneers 531
Franklin Quakers (5A) 1064	Hermiston Bulldogs (5A) 1347	
Lincoln Cardinals (5A) 1379	Pendleton Buckaroos (5A) 897	
Jefferson Democrats (4A) 505	Crook County Cowboys (4A) 842	
Madison Senators (4A) 809	Madras White Buffaloes (4A) 839	
Marshall Minutemen (4A) 727		
Roosevelt Roughriders (4A) 684		
6A-5A Midwestern Hybrid (9)	6A-5A Southern Oregon Hybrid (7)	
Sheldon Irish (6A) 1617	Roseburg Indians (6A) 1991	
South Eugene Axemen (6A) 1586	South Medford Panthers (6A) 1827	
Willamette Wolverines (5A) 1472	North Medford Black Tornado (6A) 1751	
Thurston Colts (5A) 1421	Grants Pass Cavemen (6A) 1729	
Springfield Millers (5A) 1389	Crater Comets (6A) 1486	
Churchill Lancers (5A) 1152	Eagle Point Eagles (5A) 1162	
Marshfield Pirates (5A) 1045	Ashland Grizzlies (5A) 1019	
North Eugene Highlanders (5A) 988		
*Marist Spartans (5A) 507		

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5A - ALTERNATIVE (37)
1479-855

5A-1 - East Metro League (8)	
Hermiston Bulldogs	1347
Hood River Valley Eagles	1186
Milwaukie Mustangs	1081
Parkrose Broncos	1023
Pendleton Buckaroos	897
Putnam Kingsmen	1349
Sandy Pioneers	1333
The Dalles Wahtonka EagleIndians	901

5A-2 - Northwest Oregon Conference (7)	
Century Jaguars	1471
Glencoe Crimson Tide	1438
Liberty Falcons	1288
Molalla Indians	858
St. Helens Lions	980
Sherwood Bowmen	1086
Wilsonville Wildcats	1009

5A-3 - Mid-Willamette Conference (8)	
Corvallis Spartans	1259
Crescent Valley Raiders	1003
Dallas Dragons	977
Lebanon Warriors	1228
Silverton Foxes	1178
South Albany Rebels	1267
West Albany Bulldogs	1393
Woodburn Bulldogs	1351

4A - ALTERNATIVE (43)
854-410

4A-1 - Cowapa League (7)	
Astoria Fishermen	655
Gladstone Gladiators	741
La Salle Falcons	618
Scappoose Indians	655
Seaside Seagulls	462
Tillamook Cheesemakers	699
Yamhill-Carlton Tigers	429

4A-2 - Capital Conference (7)	
Cascade Cougars	738
Central Panthers	825
Estacada Rangers	721
North Marion Huskies	576
Philomath Warriors	611
Stayton Eagles	731
Sweet Home Huskies	762

4A-3 - Far West League (7)	
Brookings-Harbor Bruins	583
Douglas Trojans	446
Hidden Valley Mustangs	828
North Valley Knights	641
Phoenix Pirates	754
South Umpqua Lancers	513
Sutherlin Bulldogs	440

4A-4 - Sky-Co League (7)	
Cottage Grove Lions	827
Elmira Falcons	458
Junction City Tigers	570
Newport Cubs	645
North Bend Bulldogs	566
Siuslaw Vikings	495
Taft Tigers	468

4A-5 - Skyline Conference (5)	
Henley Hornets	673
Klamath Union Pelicans	794
La Pine Hawks	524
Mazama Vikings	850
Sisters Outlaws	542

4A-6 - Greater Oregon League (4)	
Ontario Tigers	793
La Grande Tigers	696
Baker Bulldogs	639
McLoughlin Pioneers	531

6A-5A-4A PIL Hybrid (10)		6A-5A-4A Central Oregon Hybrid (6)	
Wilson Trojans (6A)	1489	Redmond Panthers (6A)	1831
Grant Generals (6A)	1592	Bend Lava Bears (6A)	1525
Cleveland Warriors (6A)	1490	Mountain View Cougars (5A)	1477
Benson Techmen (5A)	1159	Summit Storm (5A)	1199
Franklin Quakers (5A)	1064	Crook County Cowboys (4A)	842
Lincoln Cardinals (5A)	1379	Madras White Buffaloes (4A)	839
Jefferson Democrats (4A)	505		
Madison Senators (4A)	809		
Marshall Minutemen (4A)	727		
Roosevelt Roughriders (4A)	684		
6A-5A Midwestern Hybrid (9)		6A-5A Southern Oregon Hybrid (7)	
Sheldon Irish (6A)	1617	Roseburg Indians (6A)	1991
South Eugene Axemen (6A)	1586	South Medford Panthers (6A)	1827
Willamette Wolverines (5A)	1472	North Medford Black Tornado (6A)	1751
Thurston Colts (5A)	1421	Grants Pass Cavemen (6A)	1729
Springfield Millers (5A)	1389	Crater Comets (6A)	1486
Churchill Lancers (5A)	1152	Eagle Point Eagles (5A)	1162
Marshfield Pirates (5A)	1045	Ashland Grizzlies (5A)	1019
North Eugene Highlanders (5A)	988		
*Marist Spartans (5A)	507		

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3A 409-220	(49)	2A 219-106	(36)	1A 105-1	(80)	1A (cont.) 105-1	(9)
3A-1 - Lewis & Clark League (11)		2A-1 - Northwest League (7)		1A-1 - The Valley 10 League (11)		1A-5 - Mountain Valley League (9)	
Banks Braves	404	Delphian School Dragons	162	City Christian Lions	79	Butte Falls Loggers	73
Catlin Gabel Eagles	286	Faith Bible Falcons	108	Columbia Christian Knights	83	Gilchrist Grizzlies	100
Clatskanie Tigers	290	Gaston Greyhounds	166	Damascus Christian Eagles	97	Hosanna Christian Lions	73
Corbett Cardinals	230	Knappa Loggers	183	Heritage Christian Knights	53	North Lake Cowboys	70
De La Salle North Catholic Knights	231	Nestucca Bobcats	209	Life Christian Lions	56	Paisley Broncos	27
Neah-Kah-Nie Pirates	236	Riverdale Mavericks	140	North Clackamas Christian Saints	67	Prospect Cougars	61
Oregon Episcopal Aardvarks	304	Vernonia Loggers	218	Open Door Christian Huskies	69	Rogue Valley Adventist Red Tail Hawks	60
Portland Adventist Cougars	227			Portland Lutheran Bluejays	94	Triad Timber Wolves	84
Portland Christian Royals	236	2A-2 - Mountain View Conference (11)		Portland Waldorf School	89	Trinity Lutheran Saints	9
Rainier Columbians	367	Canyonville Christian Pilots	127	Southwest Christian Wildcats	91		
Warrenton Warriors	256	Crow Cougars	125	Tualatin Valley Jr Eagles	27	1A-6 - Big Sky League (14)	
		Days Creek Wolves	132			Arlington Honkers	38
3A-2 - West Valley League (10)		Glendale Pirates	144	1A-2 - Casco League (10)		Cascade Locks Pirates	56
Amity Warriors	263	Milo Adventist Mustangs	132	C.S. Lewis Watchmen	90	Central Christian Tigers	48
Colton Vikings	236	North Douglas Warriors	109	Country Christian Cougars	77	Condon Blue Devils	48
Dayton Pirates	334	Oakland Oakers	188	Falls City Mountaineers	68	Crook County Christian Warriors	24
Gervais Cougars	324	Oakridge Warriors	209	Jewell Bluejays	50	Dufur Rangers	103
*Horizon Christian Hawks (TUAL)	96	Pacific Pirates	135	Mid-Valley Christian Navigators	17	Echo Cougars	85
Kennedy Trojans	240	Riddle Irish	141	Oregon School f/t Deaf Panthers	60	Griswold Grizzlies	46
Sheridan Spartans	286	Yoncalla Eagles	118	Perrydale Pirates	104	Horizon Christian Hawks (HR)	46
Valley Catholic Valiants	369			St. Paul Buckaroos	74	Ione Cardinals	54
Westside Christian Eagles	281	2A-3 - Tri-River Conference (8)		Veritas School	62	Nixyaawii Eagles	59
Willamina Bulldogs	301	Central Linn Cobras	194	Willamette Valley Christian Warriors	45	Sherman Huskies	95
		Culver Bulldogs	215			South Wasco County Redsides	90
3A-3 - PacWest Conference (10)		East Linn Christian Eagles	114	1A-3 - Mountain West League (9)		Wheeler Falcons	24
Blanchet Catholic Cavaliers	248	Monroe Dragons	136	Alesa Wolverines	44		
Chemawa Braves	340	Regis Rams	157	Eddyville Charter Eagles	69	1A-7 - Old Oregon League (6)	
Creswell Bulldogs	361	Santiam Wolverines	206	Fairview Christian Falcons	15	Cove Leopards	76
Harrisburg Eagles	279	Scio Loggers	215	Lowell Devils	86	Imbler Panthers	96
Jefferson Lions	302	Western Mennonite Pioneers	148	Mapleton Sailors	56	Joseph Eagles	83
Pleasant Hill Billies	340			Mc Kenzie Eagles	90	Pine Eagle Spartans	68
Salem Academy Crusaders	234	2A-4 - Blue Mountain Conference (7)		Mohawk Indians	97	Powder Valley Badgers	66
Santiam Christian Eagles	324	Elgin Huskies	163	Siletz Valley Warriors	66	Wallowa Cougars	88
Toledo Boomers	288	Enterprise Outlaws	139	Triangle Lake Lakers	54		
Waldport Irish	251	Heppner Mustangs	160			1A-8 - High Desert League (14)	
		Pilot Rock Rockets	139	1A-4 - Skyline League (7)		Adrian Antelopes	93
3A-4 - Sunset Conference (6)		Stanfield Tigers	153	Camas Valley Hornets	42	Burnt River Bulls	20
Bandon Tigers	269	Union Bobcats	143	Elkton Elks	61	Crane Mustangs	88
Coquille Red Devils	293	Weston-McEwen Tiger Scots	203	Lifegate Christian Lions	41	Dayville Tigers	24
Glide Wildcats	243			New Hope Christian Warriors	70	Harper Hornets	33
Gold Beach Panthers	226			Oak Hill School Falcons	46	Huntington Locomotives	42
Myrtle Point Bobcats	223			Powers Cruisers	45	Jordan Valley Mustangs	26
Reedsport Braves	232			Umpqua Valley Christian Monarchs	88	Long Creek Mountaineers	20
						Mitchell Loggers	27
3A-5 - Eastern Oregon League (7)						Monument Tigers	23
Burns Hilanders	310	3A-2A - Southern Hybrid (8)				Mt. Bachelor Academy Bears	92
Grant Union Prospectors	250	Cascade Christian Challengers (3A)	311			Prairie City Panthers	48
Irrigon Knights	233	Illinois Valley Cougars (3A)	405			Spray Eagles	35
Nyssa Bulldogs	324	Lakeview Honkers (3A)	265			Ukiah Cougars	28
Riverside Pirates	276	Rogue River Chieftains (3A)	336				
Vale Vikings	299	St Mary's Crusaders (3A)	281				
Umatilla Vikings	368	Bonanza Antlers (2A)	168				
		Chiloquin Panthers (2A)	157				
		Lost River Raiders (2A)	188				

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