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ACTIVITIES ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Summary / September 27, 2023 / 3:30pm
Zoom

The Activity Advisory Committee meeting was called to order by Monica Maxwell at 3:30pm. There was a review of the agenda and minutes. The minutes were approved unanimously.

The OSAA and Executive Board report was provided by Peter Weber where he reviewed the update on the OSAA and Board approved items. Updates included the date of the next delegate assembly meeting and an update on the new Executive Board members. The OSAA has also adopted a new reimbursement formula that will reimburse all activities equitably. The total reimbursement also increased to \$825k. The final update was an adjustment to the activity committee language in the OSAA handbook to better reflect the music groups that the OSAA partners with for championships.

David Nieslanik expressed his pleasure in representing the Activities on the Executive Board, elevating the information and great work of this committee to the Board is important as he encouraged each member of the group to continue the outstanding work they are doing.

Activity Reports:

Cheerleading: The Oregon Cheerleading Coaches Association proposed an update to the guidelines and process for the OSAA Spirit Safety Certification in an effort to make it more efficient and effective. The updates proposed would include requiring the OSAA Spirit Safety course every other year instead of annually. An in-person class will be taught at the annual OCCA Cheer Coaches Conference to satisfy the requirement. If coaches are unable to take it at the conference, there would still be the online option available. The new changes to the rule book would be released every year as a memo to coaches and AD's and would include rule changes and the example videos. This would be sent by OSAA or the spirit rules interpreter. **Passed 5-0**

Dance: Dance would like to have representation at an Executive Board Meeting to further explain the proposal regarding penalty values alignment. They would like to clarify that dance does not have a safety concern on its point deductions and wants to reduce simple deductions for things like 1 piece of pom or losing a shoe. Dance asked about why the proposal on the waiver process for minimum numbers did not pass, and it was explained that the Executive Board set the minimum requirement to perform and qualify for state at 5 dancers and they believe that should remain the standard. Dance asked about bringing back medals for teams, however this was removed when we went to multiple dance categories and multiple entries by a school.

Band and Orchestra: Updated the group on the two proposals that passed during the Executive Board summer session, which were a change to the sight room reading procedures and a request to play music a classification down (an extension from 2022). Band did have a question regarding how schools are classified. We also discussed Oregon being one of the last states in the country that rewards places at the State Championship and what the interest was moving forward to go away from that style of recognition.

Choir: Will have a Board meeting in two weeks. Items for discussion at the meeting will include tape pool qualifications, automatic qualifiers, clearing up the language on submitting to the tape pool and rating vs. ranking (superior/outstanding/excellent).

Speech: Next meeting is October 17th. Speech was proud to host, sixty-one delegates from 25 states, the National Speech and Debate Association, the National Association for Urban Debate Leagues, the National Catholic Forensic League and the National Debate Coaches Association attended the NFHS Policy Debate Topic Selection Meeting August 4-6, 2023, in Portland, Oregon.

Solo: The State Championship will change venues from Mountainside HS due to a conflict, the new venue is TBD.

Future Meeting Date: *May 21, 2024, 3:30pm*