

## **Oregon School Activities Association**

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TO: Superintendents, Principals, and Athletic Directors

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SUBJECT: Sportsmanship Committee – November 27 Meeting Minutes

The OSAA Sportsmanship Committee met for the first time in the 2018/19 school year on Tuesday, November 27<sup>th</sup> at the OSAA Office in Wilsonville. Meeting attendees Debi Hanson (OAOA), Mark Horak (West Linn HS), Christine Cooper (Lakeridge HS), Jack Roche (Student at Wilsonville HS), Jennifer Teeter (Imbler HS), along with OSAA Staff members Kris Welch and Kelly Foster. The committee also welcomed new committee members Tim Larson (Dallas HS), Tom Bendt (Aloha HS), Sarah Blackmore (Student at Aloha HS), and Craig Guillermo (Student at Aloha HS).

The committee's focus at this meeting was to select the fall sport recipients of the new OSAA Sportsmanship Award. This season we received 134 nominations for 86 schools. Our sport winners are football – Wilsonville HS, volleyball – Oregon Episcopal School, Boys Soccer – St. Helens HS, and girls soccer – Liberty HS. Congratulations to all schools nominated!

Working closely with the OAOA, this new award allows all officials the opportunity to nominate players, teams, coaches, and fans for exhibiting good sportsmanship. The nomination goes to the OSAA, who will, in turn, let the school know they were nominated and why. At the end of each sport season a nominated program will be selected as the overall winner and that program will earn 100 OSAA Cup points for their school.

The committee has also asked that the OSAA send out a sportsmanship memo to athletic directors and school administrators at the start of each season to remind them of the expectations. It will include the OSAA Supervision Guideline and Expectations as well as pre-game public address announcements.

The committee is also working on an award to recognize students that participate in three varsity-level activities in a school year. Look for more information on that award to come.

The committee will meet again on Tuesday, March 19<sup>th</sup>, at 10 am at the OSAA office to review additional information, policies, and correspondence. The committee will also welcome any feedback regarding the new sportsmanship award at this time.

All written communication received will be forwarded to all members of the Sportsmanship Committee for their review. Please send emails to <a href="mailto:kellyf@osaa.org">kellyf@osaa.org</a>. Contact Kelly Foster (<a href="mailto:kellyf@osaa.org">kellyf@osaa.org</a>) of Kris Welch (<a href="mailto:krisw@osaa.org">krisw@osaa.org</a>) at the OSAA if you have any questions.