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AGENDA ITEM:

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TO: FEDERATED COUNCIL

FROM: Southern Section, CIF

THROUGH: Section Commissioners Committee
CIF Executive Committee

DATE: May 4, 2012

RE: Remove all references to “athletically motivated” and “transferring for athletic reasons” from the CIF Constitution and Bylaws

The Trinity League through the Southern Section Council is recommending removing all references to “athletically motivated” and “transferring for athletic reasons” from Bylaws 200, 206, 207, 208, 510.

The Commissioners were not in favor of deleting these references, but felt it would be helpful to be more specific. They agreed to work on language to be forwarded to the Federated Council in October 2012.

First Reading: May 4, 2012

Discussion: October 29, 2012

Vote: February 1, 2013

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CIF SOUTHERN SECTION COUNCIL PROPOSAL FORM**

In accordance with Blue Book Article 3, Bylaw 30.1, the following proposal is submitted for Council consideration.

"CIF Southern Section Council may entertain proposals submitted to the governing body on the appropriate proposal form from duly appointed advisory committees, leagues or the Executive Committee." *All items coming before the Southern Section Council must contain the financial implications on member schools, leagues and the Southern Section.*

Date: September 27, 2011

Submitted by:
Name of representative: Trinity League

School of representative: _____ Telephone: _____
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Check one of the following:

League Proposal. Name of League: Trinity League

Advisory Committee Proposal. Committee Name: _____

Executive Committee Proposal. Submitted by: _____

Rule Change:

Rule Number Affected: 200, 206, 207, 208, 510 Implementation Date: ~~2009-2010~~
2012-2013

Abstract: (Please add any supporting documents.)

See attachment

Council First Read: _____ Council Action Date: _____

Date Proposal will take effect on member schools: _____

See reverse side for additional information.

Proposal Number

Financial Impact on Member School and Southern Section (Attach an analysis and supporting documents):

Financial Impact is none.

All Council Proposals must be submitted according to the timelines published in the Blue Book. If they are not received in a timely manner, they will be postponed until the next meeting.

Council Proposals that do not contain the information in the fields provided on both pages will not be considered.

Sport advisory committees are advised to confine their proposals to the sport(s) under their advisement. Any proposals that do not affect Articles 1400 – 3100 must contain a rationale as to why the sport advisory committee is requesting action.

Procedure for Proposed Bylaw Changes:

1. Identify the bylaw, by number, to be changed or eliminated.
2. Type the bylaw, using normal font face, for language that will remain unchanged.
3. Use strikethrough to identify language to be eliminated or changed.
4. Identify proposed language using bold type.

For example, if a league wants to address the color of jerseys in basketball, the proposal may read:

The _____ League proposes the following changes to the basketball bylaws.
(your league name)

Bylaw 1623 Color of Jerseys

Proposed language:

"In all basketball games played between member schools of the CIF Southern Section, The host team shall wear ~~white~~ dark colored jerseys."

The Trinity League proposes the following changes to the CIF-SS Blue Book:

REMOVE ALL REFERENCES to “Athletically Motivated Transfer” and “Transferring for Athletic Reasons” from the CIF-SS Blue Book.

SPECIFICALLY:

Remove the term “Athletically Motivated Transfers” from the heading and sub-heading of Bylaw No. 510 [See Appendix A].

Remove the entirety of subsection “b.” from Bylaw No. 510, which refers to transferring for “athletic reasons” [See Appendix B].

Remove the entirety of subsection “b.B.” from Bylaw No. 510, titled “Athletically Motivated Transfers” [See Appendix C].

Remove the entirety of subsection “B.(2)c.” from Bylaw No. 206, titled “A Change of Residence for Athletic Reasons is Not Permitted,” and all related commentary [See Appendix D].

Remove the entirety of subsection “A.(3)d” from Bylaw No. 207, which refers to “athletically motivated” transfers [See Appendix E].

Remove the following language from the first paragraph of Bylaw No. 208: “...athletic motivation...” [See Appendix F].

Remove the following language from subsection “F” of Bylaw No. 200: “...to students who transfer schools for athletic reasons and...” [See Appendix G].

The rationale for the suggested removal of the terms “Athletically Motivated Transfer” and “Transferring for Athletic Reasons” from the CIF-SS Blue Book is as follows:

The transfer eligibility rules cannot be enforced in a fair, objective and consistent manner when the terms “Athletically Motivated Transfer” and/or “Transferring for Athletic Reasons” are involved in the application of Bylaw Nos. 510, 206, 207, 208 and 200. These terms lack clarity and definition. As a result, instead of basing decisions regarding transfer eligibility on the established and tested cornerstones of undue influence, change of residence, hardship waivers, and family decision to transfer a student prior to the first day of the student’s third consecutive semester, the CIF-SS is allowed to utilize, apply and rely upon the vague, indefinable and malleable terms of “Athletically Motivated Transfer” and “Transferring for Athletic Reasons.” Such a scenario necessarily leads to