

## GRID PLAYOFFS '89: SPLIT-SCHEDULE FOR SEMIS

The CIF Southern Section, in a continued effort to enhance and improve the interest and exposure of its post-season championship events, will put into effect a pilot semifinal-round schedule stagger for the upcoming 1989 Southern Section CIF/Reebok/Jack-In-The-Box Football Playoffs.

The experimental adjustment will take effect in the Division I-through-V semifinals, establishing a pre-determined schedule, in which one of the games will be conducted on Friday, Dec. 1 and the other on Saturday, Dec. 2. The Friday-Saturday schedule will be determined by coin flip between the upper and lower bracket playoff entries and conducted on football playoff pairings day (Sunday, Nov. 12). The schedule will be incorporated into the official divisional playoff draw sheets.

The intent of the stagger is to provide Southern Section football fans with the opportunity to see both games leading to the championship final; allow schools a better opportunity to secure improved sites for the big games; and give each contest greater exposure through increased media coverage.

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**INTO THE RECORD BOOK** - Senior quarterback Tim Gutierrez of Oxnard Santa Clara, who set a state record for completion percentage (73.1) as a junior, has moved among the Southern Section's top 10 quarterbacks of all-time in career passing yardage. Gutierrez hopes to lead his Saints into the Southern Section CIF/Reebok/Jack-In-The-Box Playoffs, scheduled to open on Friday, Nov. 17.

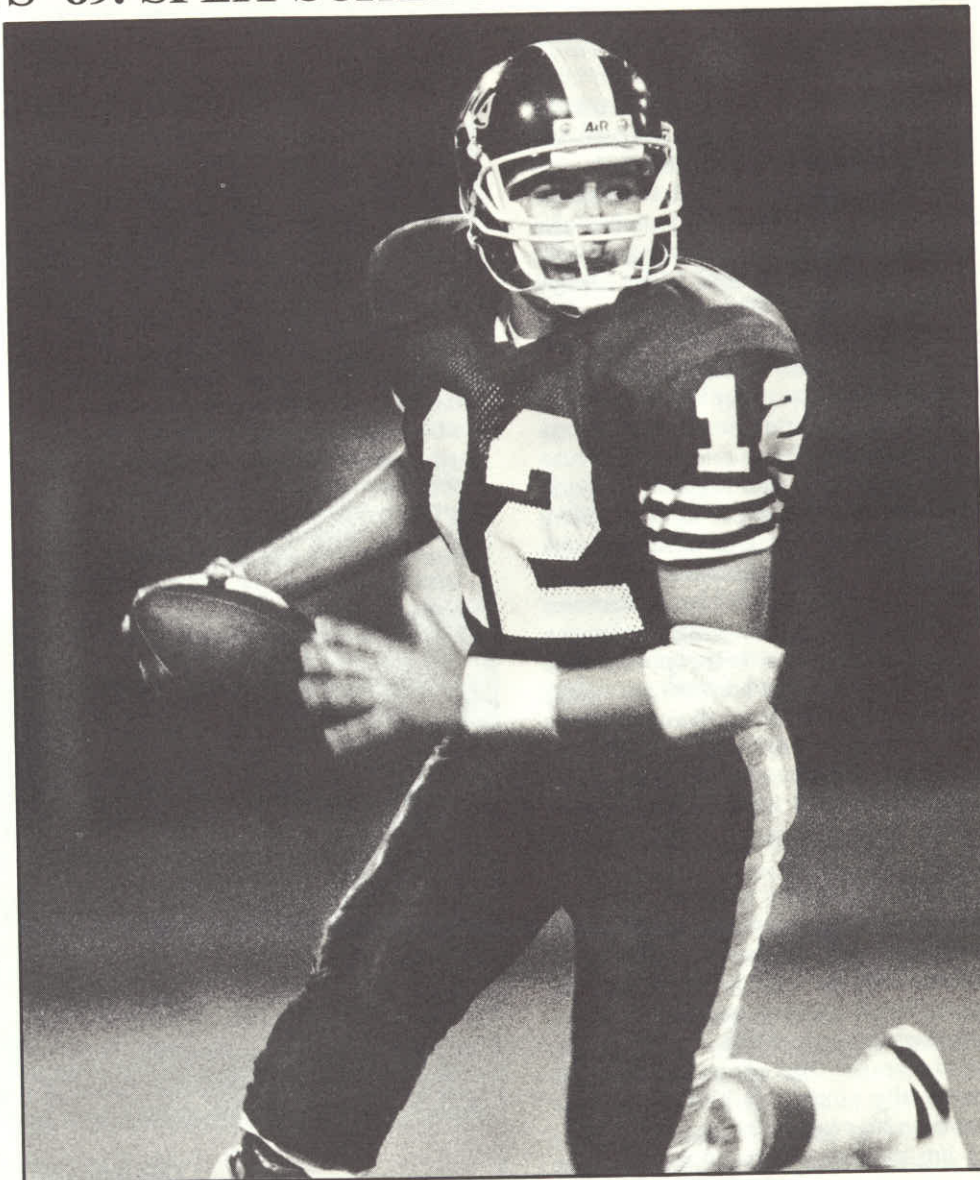


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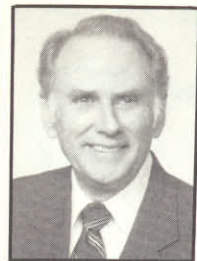
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## COMMISSIONER'S CORNER



STAY  
ON  
SCHEDULE

By Stan Thomas  
Commissioner of Athletics

As the 1989-90 school year begins, it has been brought to the attention of the CIF Southern Section Office that too many contest changes are taking place as it relates to contest official assigners and officials' availability.

This column is directed to athletic directors and coaches because we are abusing the people who assign contests for all sports, boys and girls, in the Southern Section. This is not a new discovery. During the 1988-89 school year, the number of changes for boys and girls contests, once the schedules had been submitted to the assigners, was astronomical.

If assigners are to adequately service all member schools, it is **IMPERATIVE** that schedules be accurate and changes be minimal. What is taking place is not a reasonable request on the part of schools to the assigners in our various associations. It is reported that literally hundreds of contests are being cancelled, modified or adjusted. When this occurs, it must be recognized that the assigner has already identified, contacted, mailed and received confirmation from officials to officiate contests.

When an athletic director or coach changes an assignment, it requires notification of the previous assigned officials and the process begins all over again. The assigner is not receiving any monetary compensation for the additional service and it is not fair to continually abuse this individual as it relates to his responsibility.

I am making a fervent request that all schools avoid changing schedules unless it is absolutely necessary. Give thought to the schedules you forward and adhere to them or we will have few people in this Section who will continue to assign games.

As a reminder to all principals, athletic directors and coaches, please note the implementation of our new assign-

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## CIF-SS EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MINUTES

August 19, 1989

The August meeting of the California Interscholastic Federation, Southern Section, Executive Committee was called to order by Chairman Dr. Tom Jacobson at 9:05 a.m. on Saturday, August 19, 1989, in Ojai, California. All members were present with the exception of Fr. William Brelsford.

**1. MINUTES** - It was moved, seconded and passed to approve the minutes of the CIF-SS Executive Committee meeting of June 17, 1989.

**2. PRESIDENT'S UPDATE** - President Dr. Tom Jacobson introduced new Executive Committee members Jim Fleming, Superintendent, Placentia Unified School District; Rich Ramirez, Boys' Athletic Director, Coachella Valley High School; Ray Monti, Principal, Quartz Hill High School; and Ken Crowe, Principal, Hawthorne High School. Additionally, Past-president Moe Chavez was welcomed back as a guest, and appreciation was expressed for his role in hosting the CIF Golf Tournament held on June 29, 1989, the purpose of which was to raise funds for the Southern Section Golf program.

**3. COMMISSIONER'S UPDATE** - Commissioner Stan Thomas welcomed the entire Executive Committee to the first meeting of the 1989-90 school year. He reviewed with the Committee the State CIF Commissioners' workshop; the Amateur Athletic Foundation soccer coaching program; the Reebok/Coca-Cola contract; and the SportsChannel America television package with the National Federation for national coverage of high school athletic events.

**4. BOYS' A.D. UPDATE** - Mr. Rich Ramirez, Boys' Athletic Director Representative, expressed interest in developing a column of interest to Athletic Directors in the Monthly Bulletin and stated an interest in visiting various athletic directors' groups throughout the Section.

**5. GIRLS' A.D. UPDATE** - Sheri Ross, Girls' Athletic Director Representative, announced

that the National A.D. Conference will be held in December and the State A.D. Conference is set for April of 1990. Additionally, it should be noted that Ms. Ross was recently appointed to the National Federation Athletic Directors' Advisory Committee.

**6. SUPERINTENDENTS' UPDATE** - Cynthia Grennan, Superintendents' Representative, reported that she was most impressed with the National Federation Summer Meeting with the emphasis on athletics and sportsmanship. However, she praised the Southern Section for the emphasis, as noted on the cover of the CIF-SS Blue Book, in striving for excellence in academics and athletics—an important balance in a school program. Additionally, she updated the Committee on the "Say No to Drugs" Week in October; the school of choice issue currently being discussed by the State Legislature; and summertime rules and regulations.

**7. TREASURER'S REPORT** - Ken Gunn, Treasurer, reviewed with the Committee the auditor's report, which is currently a preliminary report only. Additionally, he updated the Committee on income from t-shirt sales and the CIF-SS fund-raising golf tournament.

**8. NATIONAL FEDERATION SUMMER MEETING REPORT** - Bruce Kitchen reported on the National Federation Summer Meetings held in Tampa Bay, Florida, with a theme of "Sportsmanship in Interscholastic Athletics."

**9. STATE CIF REPORT** - Dr. Robert Packer updated the Committee on the School Properties Contract negotiations; the Reebok/Coca Cola corporate support program; summer rules and regulations and the study "Toward the Year 2000" being conducted on behalf of the State CIF by Dr. Pat Rooney of USC.

**10. SPRING PLAYOFF REPORT** - Administrators Dean Crowley, Bill Clark and Karen

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## CORPORATE

## WILSON, CONLIN BROS. REMAIN AS LOYAL SPONSORS

The Wilson Sporting Goods Company and Conlin Bros. Sporting Goods, two long-time Southern Section corporate sponsors, will continue their support of Southern Section athletics with sponsorship programs in the 1989-90 school year.

Wilson Sporting Goods, the only official ball the Southern Section has ever had, continues its role as the industry's market leader. At the present time, a survey to determine the Southern Section member school use of Wilson balls is being conducted. It should be noted that CIF Southern Section championship play mandates the use of Wilson products (in the sports of football, basketball, baseball and tennis).

"Wilson's sponsorship of high school athletics began with the CIF Southern Section and has led to Wilson's involvement in 10 state programs. Wilson is proud of its service to Southern Section schools and appreciates their continued support of Wilson sports equipment," said Roger Gunderson, Vice President, Team Sports Marketing at Wilson.

Conlin Brothers Sporting Goods, one of Southern California's largest

sporting goods dealers, has been involved with the Southern Section for several years. "We use the Southern Section as a reference of information and have enjoyed our relationship immensely," said Ken Conlin, President of Conlin Brothers Sporting Goods. "Currently, our emphasis is directed toward maintenance and repair of indoor and outdoor athletic equipment. In addition, we specialize in installation of new equipment and service needs."

"We cannot overstate the importance of our loyal Southern Section sponsors," said Stan Thomas, Commissioner-CIF Southern Section. "Wilson and Conlin Bros. have shown support to our high schools for many years now, and we heartily encourage our high schools to support Wilson, Conlin Bros. and all Southern Section Corporate sponsors."

Wilson and Conlin Bros. are joined by state-wide sponsors Reebok and Coca-Cola in addition to Southern Section-sponsors: California Angels, Ford Motor Company, Gatorade, Herff Jones, Jack-in-the-Box and Sunny Delight in the support of high school athletics.



## Happy 80th, Kenny!

Recently, Commissioner Stan Thomas and the CIF Southern Section staff helped former Commissioner Ken Fagans celebrate his 80th birthday at a special luncheon. Fagans, who managed CIF-SS affairs from 1954-1975, has many times been referred to as "Mr. CIF" by friends and associates. Fagans will long be remembered for his tremendous contribution to the growth and development of the organization, which became nationally recognized as one of the most successful and unique of its type during his tenure. The CIF-SS is pleased to salute Kenny and his lovely wife Norma on the occasion of his 80th birthday - many happy returns!



By  
Dean Crowley  
Associate  
Commissioner  
of Athletics

## A POTPOURRI OF INTERPRETATIONS

The following is a potpourri of items from the opening of school that have come to the attention of this Office with regard to rules, regulations, policies and procedures.

### SCHOLASTIC ELIGIBILITY

Administrators have the responsibility of monitoring rules pertaining to scholastic eligibility. It should be noted, under the provisions of Rule 204, that any student entering from the eighth grade into a CIF-SS four-year high school, or any student entering from the ninth grade into a CIF-SS three-year high school, must have achieved a 2.0 grade point average in enrolled courses on a 4.0 scale the previous grading period in order to be eligible. Simply, this means that all incoming eighth graders into four-year schools and ninth graders into three-year schools, must be screened prior to participation. If they have not achieved a grade point average of at least 2.0, they may be placed on probation if the governing board has adopted a policy providing for probation, and if a probationary period is not provided for, a student is not eligible until the first grading period.

### CONDITIONING RULE

Out-of-season programs may, under the provisions of Rule 311, conduct before and after school conditioning programs for athletes. This conditioning rule could include weight training, aerobics, jogging or other related conditioning activities, but specific skills or equipment related to that particular sport may NOT be used in such conditioning activity. It should be noted that because jogging and/or running is associated with the skills of track and field, the only activity permitted in this sport would be weight training and/or aerobic exercise.

There is no violation if a coach associates with students having remaining eligibility for the purpose of conditioning. A violation would occur if the association by the coach is ex-

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## EXECUTIVE MINUTES

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Hellyer reviewed with the Committee the spring playoff activities which included background information with reference to income and expenditures.

**11. LEGAL UPDATE** – Attorney Andy Patterson reviewed with the Committee the Santa Margarita High School area placement appeals; the Lone Pine High School football relegating question; and concerns with reference to the CIF liability insurance program.

**12. HALL OF FAME REPORT** – Bruce Kitchen reviewed background information relative to the National Federation Hall of Fame program. It should be noted that Californian and former Olympian Bob Matthias of Tulare was inducted this past summer into the National Federation Hall of Fame. Following discussion, it was moved, seconded and passed to form a nomination committee of Bruce Kitchen, Tom Triggs and Sheri Ross, with their major responsibility being that of submitting a name from the Southern Section to the State CIF as a possible nominee for the National Federation Hall of Fame program.

**13. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE AT-LARGE MEMBER REPORT** – Dr. Tom Jacobson reviewed with the Committee language for a proposed amendment to the by-laws (article 7) that will be presented to the Southern Section Council in September. Following discussion, it was moved, seconded and passed to adopt the following for presentation to the Council:

Proposed addition to Article 7 of the CIF-SS Blue Book:

70.6 An "At-Large" member of the Executive Committee will be appointed to assure appropriate representation of various populations within the Southern Section.

70.61 The Executive Committee will identify and announce the needed representation.

70.62 League representatives may make nominations accompanied by supporting qualifications and background information.

70.63 The Executive Committee will proceed with consideration of all nominees and make an appointment to fill the needed representation.

70.64 The appointment of an At-large position will be for a two-year term with one term renewable.

## NEW FOOTBALL PLAYOFF SCHEDULE

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"Three years ago, we set up a mandatory stagger for our nine 11-man championship games and it proved to be a big success," points out Bill Clark, CIF-SS Football Administrator. "The semifinal-round stagger is a logical step, initiated by the CIF-SS Office with the full support of our Media Advisory Board and the Football Coaches' Advisory Committee."

The schedule change also takes into account the fact that none of the local major college teams will be in action on Saturday, Dec. 2, giving Southland grid fans in general a chance to attend a high school game they may not have attended otherwise.

It should be noted that if the above is approved by the Council, sections now numbered 70.6, 70.7 and 70.8 will become 70.7, 70.8 and 70.9.

**14. BASEBALL OFFICIALS** – Commissioner Stan Thomas reported on the meetings held with the Southern California Baseball Officials Assn.

**15. NATIONAL FEDERATION TELEVISION CONTRACT** – Dr. Robert Packer reported on the Sports Channel America television agreement with the National Federation. It should be noted that the Carson/Banning football game (LA City Section) will be telecast live, nationally, on Thursday, November 9, 1989.

**16. AREA PLACEMENT CRITERIA COMMITTEE** – Commissioner Stan Thomas announced that the Southern Section now has a committee in place to re-evaluate area placement criteria for the Blue Book.

**17. ALUMNI GAMES** – Dr. Tom Jacobson discussed with the committee background information relative to member schools participating in alumni games. Following discussion, it was moved, seconded and passed to appoint a committee consisting of Dr. Tom Jacobson, Dr. Gary Smidderks, and Dean Crowley to review the previous proposals and to re-draft a new proposal for presentation to the Council in September, 1989.

**18. AREA REPRESENTATION** – It should be noted that current Executive Committee members Dr. Gary Smidderks and Ken Gunn, in addition to their duties as officers, will be representing the Private Area and Mt. San Antonio Area, respectively.

**19. RELEAGUING PROCESS** – As noted under the relegating procedures with reference to voting, the Committee discussed the voting status for relegating of the Whitmont and Suburban Leagues in the Foothill Area and the San Gabriel Valley League in the Coast Area. Following discussion, it was moved, seconded and passed that the Whitmont, Suburban and San Gabriel Valley Leagues be authorized to vote in their new relegating areas for the upcoming Council meeting, due to the fact that they were in existence prior to the relegating process for the 1990-92 cycle. It is the intent not to disenfranchise any existing league due to the dissolution of a specific geographical area.

**20. CIF-SS EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE** – Dr. Robert Packer reviewed historical aspects of the role and function of the Executive Committee and

the place of the Administrative Committee in an advisory capacity to the full Executive Committee.

**21. ROYAL HIGH SCHOOL** – Associate Commissioner Dean Crowley requested that the committee give consideration to removing the Royal High School athletic program from probation, due to the exemplary support of Principal Dave Jackson in his efforts to bring Royal High School in compliance with CIF Rules and Regulations. Following discussion, it was moved, seconded and passed to waive the second year of probation for Royal High School, and to reinstate them in good standing, effective immediately, with a commendation to Principal Dave Jackson.

**22. CORPORATE SPONSORSHIP** – Commissioner Stan Thomas reviewed and updated the Committee on the current corporate sponsorships in place in the Southern Section.

**23. SPORTSMANSHIP** – Bruce Kitchen provided information to the Committee with reference to the promotion of sportsmanship at the interscholastic level.

**24. SOUTHERN SECTION EMPLOYEE HANDBOOK** – Commissioner Stan Thomas distributed to the Executive Committee the Southern Section Employee Handbook, revised edition. Following discussion, it was moved, seconded and passed to accept the Handbook as written as an official document of the CIF Southern Section.

**25. NEW SCHOOL MEMBERSHIP** – It was moved, seconded and passed to approve membership for the following schools: Calvary Chapel Christian High School (Redlands) and Calvary Chapel High School (Downey).

**26. NATIONAL FEDERATION REGION 7-8 MEETING** – Following discussion, it was moved, seconded and passed to send President Dr. Tom Jacobson and Commissioner Stan Thomas to the National Federation Region 7-8 Meeting on October 9 through 11, 1989. There being no further business to come before the Committee, the meeting adjourned at 3:20 p.m.

Submitted by  
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Approved by,  
STAN THOMAS,  
COMMISSIONER OF ATHLETICS

## SOUTHERN SECTION CIF/REEBOK/ JACK-IN-THE-BOX 1989 11-Man Football Playoff Schedule

**First Round**  
Friday, Nov. 17

**Quarterfinals**  
Friday, Nov. 24

**Semifinals**  
Friday, Dec. 1 and  
Saturday, Dec. 2 (Div. I-V)

**Championship Finals**  
Friday-Saturday, Dec. 8-9

"We anticipate an exciting 'final-four' weekend with lots of interest, big crowds, and great games," added Clark. "If the new schedule is successful, I anticipate we'll stagger the semifinal-round schedule in all divisions the following year."

This year's championship finals schedule will feature the Division I, V, VI and VIII games on Friday, Dec. 8 and the Division II, III, IV, VII and IX games on Saturday, Dec. 9. The Division I final will be held at Anaheim Stadium and the others at sites to be announced.

## RULE REVIEW

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tended beyond the point of conditioning, as noted under the provisions of this rule whereby a coach would attempt to teach skills or any phase of the game with potential team members. Examples of this would be the presence of a basketball, soccer ball, wrestling holds, use of bat and ball, etc.

## FUND RAISERS

Fund raisers are much like the conditioning rule in that outside the season of sport during the school year, no fund raising activity can be conducted that is associated with the related skills of that sport. Due to the fact that running is associated with the skills of track and field, a run-a-thon could not be conducted by the high school track program. Activities such as a 100-inning game and hit-a-thons in baseball and softball, a shot-a-thon in basketball, a run-a-thon in cross country and track and field are all activities associated with the particular sport and must be conducted during the season of sport.

## FOREIGN EXCHANGE STUDENTS

The Southern Section Office, as well as member schools, have experienced an increase in foreign exchange students seeking interscholastic eligibility. Under the provisions of Rule 212 (c) of the CIF-SS Blue Book, a student under any of the noted and approved foreign exchange programs is automatically eligible and no communication with the CIF-SS Office is necessary. However, if a student is under a foreign exchange program not noted under Rule 212 (c), the student is not eligible for interscholastic competition. This Office will forward the appeal to the State Office, which in turn, will investigate the non-approved foreign exchange program, with a major criteria for approval being the random placement of the student by the foreign exchange program. It should also be noted that if a foreign exchange student has received a high school

diploma and/or completion of requirements in his/her native country, even if completed in three years, the student will have NO FURTHER ELIGIBILITY.

All foreign students are not eligible unless there has been bona fide change of address to the U.S. on the part of the student and his or her ENTIRE family. In cases where a foreign student has moved to live with friends, relatives, etc., the student is not eligible to compete in interscholastic athletics for a period of one year.

## CROWD CONTROL ON SIDELINES

Our Office has received an unusual number of inquiries of late relative to crowd conditions on the sidelines at football games. Without question, unauthorized personnel on the sidelines – most often students, alumni and Booster Club members – created a situation which may lend itself to crowd control problems and possibly affect the contest as well.

It is strongly urged the administration hosting the contest conduct an orientation with its student body and Booster Club and provide an announcement prior to the start of each contest. It is also expected the host school would be in charge of the sidelines for both competing schools and would arrange for procedures of handling same by contacting the visiting school in advance so as to provide for proper supervision.

Additionally, the game officials are within their jurisdiction to stop play and instruct that all unauthorized fans return to the stands prior to continuing play.

Your help in this area would indeed promote the growth of sportsmanship and crowd control throughout the entire Southern Section.

We strongly urge Athletic Administrators to call the CIF-SS Office with any questions concerning rules and regulations affecting the interscholastic athletic program.

## ATHLETIC DIRECTORS PLEASE NOTICE

NEW DUE DATES FOR SCHEDULES TO AREA LIAISONS

<b>Fall Sports</b>	<b>Winter Sports</b>	<b>Spring Sports</b>
MAY 1	JUNE 15	OCTOBER 1

Please meet these important deadlines so that your area Liaison can provide master schedules to the officials' associations.

Contact your area Liaison (Blue Book, page 14) with any questions concerning scheduling.

## SportsChannel L.A. to Cover CIF-SS Events

The California Interscholastic Federation, Southern Section and SportsChannel Los Angeles have signed an exclusive multi-year contract for the television rights to six annual CIF-SS championship events, announced Commissioner of Athletics Stan Thomas.

The agreement will provide for tape-delayed coverage by the Los Angeles-based cable sports network of the following events during the 1989-90 school year: the Girls 5-A Division Volleyball Finals (Nov. 18); the Division I Football Championships (Dec. 8) as well as a second divisional football final of SportsChannel's choice (Dec. 9); Boys and Girls 5-AA Division Basketball Championships (Mar. 2-3); and the 5-A Division Baseball Championships (June 2).

SportsChannel, Southern California's only all sports premium cable channel, has over 140,000 pay subscribers in the greater Los Angeles market (Los Angeles, Orange, San Bernardino, Ventura and West Riverside Counties). In addition, it is now available as a basic cable service to all cable subscribers in the SportsChannel outer market (East Riverside, Inyo, Kern, Fresno, San Luis Obispo and Santa Barbara Counties, as well as the states of Arizona, Hawaii and Nevada).

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ing program section wide. Each association conducts its business independently and is governed by its board and members. This program, as you are aware, did not come about easily, but because of the mutual cooperation and willingness of our respective sports associations, it has been accepted in a professional and competent manner.

Your thoughtfulness and cooperation in recognizing and complying with this request is appreciated. Should you have any questions regarding this issue, please contact me at your convenience.

Finally, a reminder to all leagues, please call my secretary, Kay, and calendar a date when I might attend one of your league meetings this year. I thoroughly enjoy the opportunity to meet and share with our leagues, the business of administering CIF-SS interscholastic athletics.





## MANY THANKS TO "THE COWBOY"

Commissioner of Athletics Stan Thomas extends the gratitude of all CIF Southern Section member schools and student-athletes, when he accepts a check in the amount of \$10,000 from California Angels' owner Gene Autry and wife Jackie, prior to a late-season game at the Big-A. Autry and the Angels made the contribution to the CIF-SS general fund from proceeds earned in the All-Star Workout and Skills Competition, conducted at Anaheim Stadium a day prior to the 1989 Major League Baseball All-Star Game.

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gates to the State Federated Council to support the adoption of National Federation weight classifications beginning with the 1990-91 season.

(C) Amendment, Article 4, Section 42 - Following discussion, it was moved, seconded and passed to direct the Southern Section delegates to the State Federated Council to support a proposal to amend Article 4, Section 42 in order to give the State Commissioner more specific authority in State playoff activities.

(D) Adoption of Basketball Coaches' Box - Following discussion, it was moved, seconded and passed to direct the Southern Section delegates to the State Federated Council to support the basketball coaching box beginning with the upcoming 1989-90 basketball season.

(E) Waiver of Rule 308 - Following discussion, it was moved, seconded and passed to direct the Southern Section delegates to the State Federated Council to not support a proposal allowing for a waiver for the California/Nevada Interscholastic Ski Federation to practice on Sundays.

(F) Travel Reimbursement for State Basketball - Following discussion, it was moved, seconded and passed to direct the Southern Section delegates to the State Federated Council to not support a proposal to increase the transportation costs for boys and girls basketball to \$2 per mile.

There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting was adjourned at 12:20 p.m.

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ASSOCIATE COMMISSIONER

Approved by:  
STAN THOMAS,  
COMMISSIONER OF ATHLETICS

## BASKETBALL RULES

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The rules committee also clarified that a player's request for a timeout must be given orally. More and more, players have been giving signals, such as raising the hand, without verbally asking the official for a timeout.

The committee selected four concerns for "Points of Emphasis" this year. Those areas of concern are rough play, principle of verticality, sportsmanship and use of unauthorized signals and procedures.


"We have had all three of these points before, but there is a continuous need for people in high school basketball to realize that play is getting rougher, the principle of verticality is not being enforced properly and sportsmanship is a must," Schindler said. "Regarding verticality, the committee noted that the defensive player is not being given the rights he or she deserves. There are too many blocking fouls called when a player has done nothing illegal. The emphasis on officials to refrain from using unauthor-

ized signals and procedures is necessary in the interest of standardization of mechanics."

National Federation playing rules are used by approximately 17,000 high schools and more than 500,000 participants in boys basketball, as well as

more than 16,000 schools that offer girls programs for almost 400,000 participants. From the standpoint of school programs, basketball is the most popular high school sport.

The 1989-90 CIF Southern Section basketball season will open Dec. 1.



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