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Federated Council To:

Date: September 26, 2012

Re: Proposal – Voting Item – Delete all mention of "Athletic Motivated" and

"transferring for athletic reasons" from the CIF Constitution and Bylaws

Proposal Originated: Southern Section - Trinity League

Proposal Reviewed

March 16, 2012 - Commissioners Committee

May 3, 2012 - Executive Committee May 4, 2012 - Federated Council

June 13, 2012 - Commissioner

Sept. 24, 2012 - Executive Committee

Type: Bylaw Revision

Next: Vote at October 2012 Federated Council

Proposal Summary: Delete all references to athletic motivation and transferring for athletic

reason from the constitution and bylaws.

Fiscal Impact: None

Background:

In May 2009, the Federated Council voted unanimously to revise Bylaw 510 regarding transfer eligibility. The revisions included the addition of the wording "athletic motivation" and "transferring for athletic reasons." The proposal originated with the Commissioner Committee.

Analysis:

In the proposal, the Trinity League stated that "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 the bylaws." The proposal does not offer any revised wording and simply requires a deletion of the current wording. The Southern Section vote to forward the Trinity League proposal to the Federated Council was 41-33.

Proposal Recommendation

Opposed. Further recommended to subcommittee review and consider more specific language.

No position - Forward as 1st reading

First Reading Opposed.

Opposed.



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The commissioners began work in June 2012 to revise the bylaw to include more specific wording to better clarify the definition of "athletic motivation" and "transferring for athletic reasons." There is no time line as of yet for these possible revisions to be forwarded.

As noted above, both the Commissioner and Executive Committee have taken the position "opposed" to this proposed deletion.



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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:
Advisory Committee Proposal. Committee Name:
Executive Committee Proposal. Submitted by:
Rule Change: Rule Number Affected: 200, 206, 207, 208, 570 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

SS428

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 6].

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

Appendix A

510. UNDUE INFLUENCE, PRE-ENROLLMENT CONTACT AND FAILURE TO DISCLOSE PRE-ENROLLMENT CONTACT AND ATHLETICALLY MOTIVATED TRANSFERS

CONTACT AND ATHLETICALLY MOTIVATED TRANSFERS

a. The use of undue influence by any person or persons to secure or retain a student or to secure or retain one or both parent(s)/guardian(s)/caregiver of a student as residents may cause the student to be ineligible for high school athletics for a period of one year and shall jeopardize the standing of the high school in the CIF.

Appendix C

B. Athletically Motivated Transfers

Pre-enrollment contact or an athletically motivated transfer may be considered prime facie evidence ("sufficient evidence") that the student enrolled in that school in whole or in part for athletic resears (See Bylaw 200) and cause the student to be incligible for the participation in high school athletics for a period of one year from the date of enrollment at the new school in all those sports in which the student participated at the former school.

Athletically metivated pre-enrollment contact of any kind by anyone, from, or associated* with, a school or its athletic programs to which a student may transfer or move into the attendance area is not permitted.

When a prime facio case ("sufficient evidence") of an athletically motivated move exists, the student shall be ineligible to represent the new school in interscholastic athletic competition for a period of one calendar year from the date of the student's enrollment in the new school in all those sports in which the student participated at the former school (See also "C." and "D.") unless sufficient proof is presented to the satisfaction of the Section Commissioner that robuts or disproves the presumption that the move was athletically motivated.



Council Meeting

Southern Section Action Items



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Date: 4/4/12 Submitted by: Name of representative: Ethan Damato and Eric Henninger School of representative: Laguna Beach High School and Garden Grove High School Telephone: 949-497-7750 (LBHS) 714-663-6115 (GGHS) Check one of the following: League Proposal. Name of League: Advisory Committee Proposal. Committee Name: <u>Boys' and Girls' Water Polo Advisory</u> Executive Committee Proposal. Submitted by: ____ Rule Change: Rule Number Affected: N/A (playoff bulletin language for the sport of water polo only Implementation Date: Fall 2012 **Abstract:** (Please add any supporting documents.) See attached Council First Read: April 2012 Council Action Date: October 2012

See reverse side for additional information.

Date Proposal will take effect on member schools: Playoffs 2012

Proposal Number SS446

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

No additional financial impact

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."

Boys & Girls Water Polo Playoff Seeding Proposal for 16 Team Playoff Brackets

Proposed by : Boys & Girls Water Polo CIF Advisory Committee

Date: 4/4/12

<u>Description -</u> To propose a 16 team CIF playoff bracket seeded 1-16 by the Advisory Committee and CIF Commissioners.

<u>Objective</u> — To create a playoff tournament where the qualifying teams in the division will be ranked, based on specific criteria, and seeded within the playoff brackets accordingly. Thus creating a true seeded playoff tournament where teams will be rewarded for their entire season's body of work, with the intention of not altering the playoff bracket due to a teams' position relative to a league opponent.

<u>Solution</u> – Create a 100% subjective 1-16 seeding for all spots, plus wild card slots. The rankings will be kept all year one by the advisory committee members & finalized by CIF Commissioners. The rankings will be based on the following criteria.

Criteria

- 1. Head-to head competition
- 2. Record against common opponents
- 3. League finish
- 4. Top 10 Rankings throughout the duration the Season

- 4. Strength of schedule
- 5. Record against teams in the playoffs

CIF Commissioners will create the playoff groupings based off the final rankings using the following guidelines.

Guidelines

- League Mates cannot be seeded below a fellow league mate who finished behind them in their respective league.
- League mates will not meet in the first round.
- If by seeding, league mates are meeting in the first round, the lower seeded league mate will be moved down one seed until they are not meeting a league mate.
- The higher seeded league mates will not be moved to accommodate this.
- No lower seeded league mate may be moved more than two spots to avoid this conflict.
- If the lower seeded league mate is the last seed in that division, they will be moved up no more than two seeds to avoid the conflict.

Benefits -

- No Top 4 Ranked Team will move down because league finish.
 - Example: Currently a Number 3 ranked team will be moved to Number 4 if the Number 2 team is also in their league.
- No ranked team will move up based on another team's position relative to a league mate.
 - Example: Currently, the Number 4 team will be moved to Number 3 if the Number 3 and 2 teams are in the same league. This gives the Number 4 team a better chance of getting to the Finals than they earned throughout the season; and a better chance than the Number 3 team who earned the higher rank position.
- No team will have to move more than 2 bracket positions because of their or another team's league finish.
 - Example: In many cases a team has to move multiple positions to accommodate being moved to the opposite side of the bracket from a league mate.
- Stop punishing highly ranked teams by having to play a tougher game because league finish.

- Example: Currently a Number 6 team who is in the same league as a Number 2 team may be moved down to Number 8, meaning they will play Number 1 in the quarterfinals as opposed to Number 3.
- Stop punishing teams who play in a strong league.
- Avoid having two high ranked teams meet up in the first round because of a 1st Place Team in a league having to play a 3rd Place team in another league, or 2nd Place team having to play a 2nd Place team.
- Add more value to non-league games, tournament play, and head to competition within the division.



Council Meeting

State Federated Council Non-Action Items



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To: Federated Council

Date:

Re: Proposal - First Reading Item - Statewide Football Tie-Breaker

Proposal Originated: CIF State Football Advisory Committee

Proposal Reviewed

3/14/2012 - Commissioners 3/23/2012 - Executive Committee

5/9/2012 - Football Advisory Committee

6/12/2012 - Commissioners

9/12/2012 - Football Advisory Committee

9/24/2012 - Executive Committee

Proposal Recommendation

Forward to Executive Committee

Send back to Football Advisory Committee

Revised - Forward to Commissioners

Support – Forward to Executive Committee

Support

Support - Forward to Federated Council

Type: Statewide Football Tie-Breaker Proposal

Next: First Reading at October Federated Council

Proposal Summary: The CIF State Football Advisory Committee forwarded a proposal for a statewide football tie-breaker for all varsity contests (non-league, league, playoffs, CIF State Football Championship Bowl Games) using the 10-yard line overtime procedure example in the National Federation Rules Book (p.89-91) as allowed by Rule 3-1-1, Note.

Fiscal Impact: None

Background: At the request of the Section Commissioners in October 2011, the Football Advisory Committee comprised of football coaches and administrators representing all ten sections formulated a proposal for a statewide tie-breaker. The initial proposal included two options for overtime procedures (10-yard and 25-yard formats). After a review by the commissioners in March 2012, the proposal was forwarded to the Executive Committee. The Executive Committee sent the proposal back to the Football Advisory Committee with the request that the proposal be amended to include only one option the overtime procedure. In May 2012, the Football Advisory Committee met and supported a revised proposal to include only the 10-yard procedure which was forwarded to the Section Commissioners to review at their June 2012 meeting. The Section Commissioners reviewed the proposal and recommended that it be moved forward to the Executive Committee for review at their September 2012 meeting.



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Analysis: The Sections are split 6-4 re: the use of the 10-yard tie-break procedure and the 25-yard procedure in their contests (see below for details). The 10-yard procedure is currently used in the CIF State Football Championship Bowl Games. The proposal attempts to bring consistency to a sport that culminates in a state championship which is similar to other championship sports exercising the NFHS option for state association adoption when allowed by rule.

Section Policies re: Use of 10-yard or 25-yard Procedure:

Central: 25-yard for all varsity contests

Central Coast: 10-yard for all varsity contests Los Angeles City: 25-yard for all varsity contests

North Coast: 10-yard for playoffs - League decision otherwise

Northern: 10-yard for all varsity contests
Oakland: 10-yard for all varsity contests
Sac-Joaquin: 10-yard for all varsity contests
San Diego: 25-yard for all varsity contests
San Francisco: 10-yard for all varsity contests

Southern: 25-yard for playoffs - League decision otherwise



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Statewide Football Tie-Breaker Proposal

1906. Tie-Breaker System

All varsity contests (non-league, league, playoffs, CIF Regional and State Football Championship Bowl Games) that end in a tie at the end of regulation will be played to a conclusion (a winner and loser) using the 10-yard line overtime procedure as stated in the National Federation Rules Book (p.89-91) as allowed by Rule 3-1-1, Note.