

# Meeting of the Executive Committee

## March 18, 2021 1:00 p.m. Webinar/Teleconference Agenda

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#### 1. OPENING BUSINESS

**DISPOSITION** ITEM

A. Call to order by Mike West, President of the Council

The meeting was called to order by President Mike West at 1:00 pm. Mr. West welcomed everyone and thanked the Southern Section Staff for their attendance.

- B. Pledge of Allegiance
- C. Roll Call
- D. Introduction of Guests

James Escarcega from the Southern California News Group Connor Morrisette from ScoreBookLive Eric Sondheimer from the LA Times

E. Adopt Agenda

Action

There was a motion by Michelle Spencer and a second by Chris Calderwood to adopt the agenda. There being no discussion, the motion was approved to adopt the agenda as written.

Motion Carried: 18-0-0

F. Approval of Minutes

1. Minutes of the January 14, 2021, Executive Committee Meeting

Action

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There was a motion by Dave Reid and a second by Michelle Spencer to approve the minutes of the January 14, 2021 Executive Committee meeting. The minutes were approved as written.

Motion Carried: 18-0-0

#### 2. PUBLIC COMMENT

A. Recognition of anyone wishing to address the Executive Committee. Speakers must limit their remarks to three minutes.

None.

#### 3. ACTION ITEMS

#### A. STATE FEDERATED COUNCIL ACTION ITEMS

1. Proposed 2021-2022 CIF State Budget

Action

STATE 621

The 2021-2022 Proposed Budget projects income of \$6.62 million and expenses at \$6.59 million. Additionally, the budget shows two unfilled staff positions in the burden of salary figures. Given that only one of these positions may be filled in the 2021-2022 school year, an additional surplus of \$80,000 may be realized. The proposed budget also shows a projected income of \$50,000 for State Regional Baseball and Softball events that have been added to the calendar. Additional information can be found on the CIF State web site at www.cifstate.org

There was a motion by Chris Calderwood and a second by Dr. Paula Rodas to approve the motion as written. There being no discussion, the motion was approved as written.

Motion Carried: 20-0-0

2. CIF State Executive Committee Nominations

Action

STATE 622

As per CIF Constitution Bylaw 70.F., the following Federated Council members have volunteered to be candidates to serve a two-year term on the CIF Executive Committee for the 2021-2022 and 2022-2023 school years. The CIF Federated Council will need to elect two candidates from the list of seven candidates below.

Catherine Arenson, San Francisco Section
Natalie Ayres, Central Coast Section
John Becker, Sac-Joaquin Section
Neezer McNab, LA City Section
Diana Nalbandian-Hatton, Central Section
Marybeth Ortiz, California Association of Private School Organization (CAPSO)

A motion was made by Dave Reid and seconded by Ed Kearby to send the Southern Section delegates to the Federated Council meeting uninstructed on State 622.

Motion Carried: 22-0-0

#### 3. ACTION ITEMS (Cont.)

### A. STATE FEDERATED COUNCIL ACTION ITEMS (Cont.)

3. Proposed Bylaw 504.M Revision – Sunday Cheer Competition

Action

**STATE 619** 

The Southern Section has already reviewed this proposal and voted in favor of the proposal. The proposal was brought back as a first read due to new information regarding other sections and states allowing Sunday competition. The sport of Skiing/Snowboarding has been allowed to practice and compete on Sundays given the unique nature of the sport and the fact that there is competition with Nevada schools which allow for Sunday competition in the sport. This provides some context to the concern that we would be allowing an exception for Cheer that has not been allowed for any other sport.

There was a motion by Dave Hess and a second by Geniel Moon to approve the motion as written. There being no discussion, the motion was approved as written.

**Motion Carried: 21-1-0** 

#### **B. SOUTHERN SECTION ACTION ITEMS**

1. Proposed 2021-2022 CIF Southern Section Budget

Action

SS 623

Chief Financial Officer Mitch Carty presented to the Executive Committee Budget Option 1, best-case scenario, for the 2021-2022 school year. This best-case scenario is highlighted by taking a conservative approach toward sports revenue and special events revenue. In addition, sponsorship and broadcast contracts are at 100% fulfilled and sport fees to match the 2020-2021 school year with no increase in sport fees for 2021-2022. Overall, Mr. Carty presented a balanced budget trending to a normal operating year. The proposed budget indicates a return to a full staff of 17 employees, with step and column adjustments, along with the return of full benefits for office staff employees, if revenues support those actions.

There was a motion by Dr. Paula Rodas and a second by Chris Calderwood to approve the motion as written. There being no discussion, the motion was approved as written.

Motion Carried: 22-0-0

2. CIF Southern Section Executive Committee Nominations

Action

SS 624

President Mike West reviewed the nominations submitted to the Executive Committee. The Coast Area and Mt. SAC Area will be electing representatives to fill vacancies for four-year terms that will be voted on by the leagues in those areas at the Southern Section Council meeting on April 13, 2021. The nominations for the Coast Area are Dr. Paula Hart Rodas, Principal, Lawndale High School and Dr. Allan Tyner, Principal, Palos Verdes High School. The nominations for the Mt. SAC Area are Mr. Paul Lopez, Director, Special Education/Health, Glendora Unified School District and Monica Principe, Director of Secondary Education, Pomona Unified School District.

#### 4. NON-ACTION ITEMS

#### A. STATE FEDERATED COUNCIL NON-ACTION ITEMS

There are no CIF State Federated Council non-action items at this time.

#### B. SOUTHERN SECTION NON-ACTION ITEMS

There are no CIF Southern Section Council non-action items at this time.

#### 5. NEW BUSINESS

A. Financial Report Mitch Carty

1. 2019-2020 CIF Southern Section Audit

Action 5A1

Chief Financial Officer Mitch Carty informed the Executive Committee that the Audit Committee had met, the 2019-2020 Audit was completed, no findings or adjustments were necessary and the Audit Committee accepted the 2019-2020 Audit as presented.

There was a motion by Chris Calderwood and a second by Dave Reid to approve the audit. There being no discussion, the motion was approved as written.

Motion Carried: 22-0-0

Mr. Carty also informed the Executive Committee that as of today we have received 98% of membership dues along with investment interest income of \$218,000. Furthermore, the Section Office did receive \$456,000 from the Payroll Protection Loan and we have applied to have the loan repayment forgiven. We are awaiting a response to that application currently. Office Staff continues to take mandatory vacation and expenditures have been limited to necessary items only. Mr. Carty has also applied and been approved for the second Payroll Protection Loan. A decision as to when those funds will be applied will be made shortly. The funds could be applied to the remaining 2020-2021 budget or shifted to the 2021-2022 projected budget.

Season 2 sports have all returned and are currently playing. If Season 2 sports do have playoffs, this could potentially generate additional revenue for the section but also require additional expenses.

Finally, Mr. Carty announced that the CIF Southern Section Office will re-open on Monday, March 22, 2021, with normal operating hours of 7:30 am - 4:00 pm.

#### B. Marketing Report

Thom Simmons/Jackie Gibson

Marketing Manager Jackie Gibson informed the Executive Committee that three new ball contracts have been finalized with vendors and returned to our office. They are currently under legal review before they will be signed and presented to our member schools and to the public. The additional remaining contract has yet to be signed and returned to our office. The four new ball contract agreements are for five years, beginning in 2021-2022, with the mandatory playoff ball requirement beginning in 2022-2023.

Next, Mrs. Gibson shared her thoughts and experiences with the Executive Committee after attending a Southern Section football game on Friday, March 12, 2021. She was delighted and pleased that high school sports had returned after an over one-year absence.

#### 5. NEW BUSINESS (Cont.)

#### C. Communications Report

Chelsea Heyward

Digital Media Coordinator Chelsea Heyward reported that CIFSS This Week has returned with Episode 14 highlighting the return to play for so many schools. The episode highlighted four member schools, Alemany, Warren, Bonita, and St. John Bosco. The video contains interviews with coaches and players as to how they have handled COVID, the off-season and the return to finally playing sports.

Assistant Commissioner Thom Simmons reported that the televised football contest on Fox Sports West between St. John Bosco and Sierra Canyon on March 13, 2021, earned a .24 rating share in the 25-54 prime age demographic. A normal rating share on Fox Sports West for high school football in that category is a .12 share.

#### D. CIF Southern Section 2020-2021 Goals

Rob Wigod 5D

Commissioner of Athletics Rob Wigod presented and reviewed the 2020-2021 CIF Southern Section Goals. This document shows existing goals, new goals for the 2020-2021 school year and responses to those goals as of March 15, 2021. The goals achieved to this point included increased communication efforts made through social media platforms and Southern Section Updates, completion of the Area Placement process as a prelude to Releaguing, implementing three new rules changes, signing multi-year agreements with Fox Sports West and the NFHS Network and administering the revised 2020-2021 sports calendar completed in August, 2020.

#### 6. CLOSED SESSION

- A. Public Employee Evaluation of Performance (Government Code 54957):
  - 1. Commissioner's Evaluation

Closed Session began at 2:05 pm and ended at 2:15 pm.

#### 7. REPORT OF ACTION(S) TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION

No action was taken during Closed Session

#### 8. REPORTS

#### A. President's Report

Mike West

President Mike West thanked member schools for all their work during the COVID pandemic and pointed out that the Section Office Staff has done a great job in providing services to the member schools under very difficult and unusual circumstances. The member schools have had to juggle and schedule and re-schedule numerous events and this has been no easy task.

#### 8. REPORTS (Cont.)

#### B. Treasurer's Report

Chris Calderwood

Treasurer Chris Calderwood reported that Friends of Golf has donated \$23,500 which will be Distributed to member school golf programs. As of today, 555 of the 559 member schools have created a sports fee invoice. 544 of these invoices have been paid. Mr. Calderwood suggested that if any Executive Committee members know of any schools that have not yet submitted membership dues that they contact them to assist in this collection. Mr. Calderwood also expressed to the Executive Committee that more schools should try and use GoFan as a ticketless/no contact entry system into athletic contests.

#### C. Commissioner's Report

Rob Wigod

Commissioner Rob Wigod stated that as of this coming Saturday, March 20, 2021, all Season 1 and Season 2 sports will have started play in some capacity. That was the goal of the Southern Section dating back to the announcement of the 2020-2021 sports calendar in July, 2020 and we are happy that schools are able to begin once again. Commissioner Wigod reminded the Executive Committee that we continue to advocate for a healthy return to play following the CDPH return to play guidelines. Commissioner Wigod thanked all member schools, principals, athletic directors and coaches for adapting to all of the changes that have been presented to them. Finally, Commissioner Wigod thanked the Executive Committee for their support of our staff and our entire organization.

#### D. Executive Committee Member Reports

Dr. Monica Colunga informed the Executive Committee that Commissioner Wigod received individual recognition from CIF State Executive Director Ron Nocetti for his leadership role in dealing with State and Section issues related to the COVID pandemic.

CADA Representative – Mrs. Geniel Moon reported that CADA just completed a successful online conference that was held on March 1-6.

#### 9. ADVANCE PLANNING

#### A. DATES

- 1. April 13, 2021 CIF Southern Section Council Meeting, Webinar/Teleconference, 9:00 a.m.
- 2. May 13, 2021 CIF Southern Section Executive Committee Meeting, Webinar/Teleconference, 1:00 p.m.

#### **B. SUGGESTED AGENDA ITEMS**

There were no suggested agenda items.

#### 10. ADJOURNMENT

A. Time of Adjournment: 2:33 pm

Submitted By:

Approved By:

Rob Wigod

Commissioner of Athletics

Mike Middlebrook Assistant Commissioner

Agenda			
MEMBER	YES	NO	ABSTAIN
Todd Arrowsmith	Yes		
Alexis Barile			
Terry Barnum	YES		
Chris Calderwood	YES		
Monica Colunga			
Ann Fitzgerald			
Dave Hess	YES		
Mary Jane Hibbard	YES		
Rich Imbriani	YES		
Cleveland Johnson	YES		
Ed Kearby	YES		
Paul Lopez	YES		
Steve Miller	YES		
Geniel Moon			
David Parkes	YES		
Carter Paysinger	YES		
Jim Perry	YES		
Dave Reid	YES		
Paula Rodas	YES		
Michelle Spencer	YES	-	
Reggie Thompkins	YES		
Mike West	YES		
Jeff Williams			

Minutes - January 14, 2021			
MEMBER	YES	NO	ABSTAIN
Todd Arrowsmith	YES		
Alexis Barile			
Terry Barnum	YES		
Chris Calderwood	YES		
Monica Colunga			
Ann Fitzgerald			
Dave Hess	YES		
Mary Jane Hibbard	YES		
Rich Imbriani	YES		
Cleveland Johnson	YES		
Ed Kearby	YES		
Paul Lopez	YES		
Steve Miller	YES		
Geniel Moon			
David Parkes	YES		
Carter Paysinger	YES		
Jim Perry	YES		
Dave Reid	YES		
Paula Rodas	YES		
Michelle Spencer	YES		
Reggie Thompkins	YES		
Mike West	YES		
Jeff Williams			

Item STATE 621 - CIF State Budget			
MEMBER	YES	NO	ABSTAIN
Todd Arrowsmith	YES		
Alexis Barile			
Terry Barnum	YES		
Chris Calderwood	YES		
Monica Colunga			
Ann Fitzgerald	YES		
Dave Hess	YES		
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David Parkes	YES		
Carter Paysinger	YES		
Jim Perry	YES		
Dave Reid	YES		
Paula Rodas	YES		
Michelle Spencer	YES		
Reggie Thompkins	YES		
Mike West	YES		
Jeff Williams	YES		

Item STATE 622 - CIF State Executive Committee			
Nominations			
MEMBER	YES	NO	ABSTAIN
Todd Arrowsmith	YES		
Alexis Barile	YES		
Terry Barnum	YES		
Chris Calderwood	YES		
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Jim Perry	YES		
Dave Reid	YES		
Paula Rodas	YES		
Michelle Spencer	YES		
Reggie Thompkins	YES		
Mike West	YES		
Jeff Williams	YES		
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Item STATE 619 - Bylaw 504.M Revision			
MEMBER	YES	NO	ABSTAIN
Todd Arrowsmith	YES		
Alexis Barile	YES		
Terry Barnum	YES		
Chris Calderwood	YES		
Monica Colunga	YES		
Ann Fitzgerald	YES		
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David Parkes	YES		
Carter Paysinger	YES		
Jim Perry		NO	
Dave Reid	YES		
Paula Rodas	YES		
Michelle Spencer	YES		
Reggie Thompkins	YES		
Mike West	YES		
Jeff Williams	YES		

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Item SS 623 - CIFSS Budget			
MEMBER	YES	NO	ABSTAIN
Todd Arrowsmith	YES		
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Chris Calderwood	YES		
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Ann Fitzgerald	YES		
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Mike West	YES		
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Dave Reid			
Paula Rodas			
Michelle Spencer			
Reggie Thompkins			
Mike West			
Jeff Williams			

Item 5A1 - 2019-2020 CIF-SS Audit			
MEMBER	YES	NO	ABSTAIN
Todd Arrowsmith	YES		
Alexis Barile	YES		
Terry Barnum	YES		
Chris Calderwood	YES		
Monica Colunga	YES		
Ann Fitzgerald	YES		
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