OKLAHOMA SECONDARY SCHOOL ACTIVITIES ASSOCIATION

BASEBALL ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

TUESDAY MAY 20, 2025, 1:00 PM VIA ZOOM



AGENDA

Call to Order/Roll: Present: 6A-Shawn Newkirk-Union, 5A-Tony Reeder-Collinsville, 4A-Breck Draper-Tuttle, 3A-Pat Foster-Metro Christian, 2A-Justin James-Hartshorne, A-Ray Oakes-Thomas-Fay-Custer, B-Dale Bellamy-Ft. Cobb-Broxton, Randy Hughes-OBCA Executive Director, Grant Gower-OSSAA Director of Baseball

ACTION ITEMS:

1. Discussion and Possible Action to develop a Rankings Committee to monitor rankings each week. Motion by James, Second by Oakes to approve developing a Rankings Committee to monitor rankings each week, similar to the Slow Pitch Softball Rankings Committee. The motion carried 7-0.

2. Discussion and Possible Action to utilize a 4 team District Format instead of the 8 team District Format. Motion by Draper, Second by Reeder to approve a 4 team District Format for Class 5A-6A with the structure to be finalized by the OBCA Board. The motion carried 7-0.

3. **Discussion and Possible Action regarding Pitch Count Rule in District Games.** Motion to deny by Reeder, Second by Newkirk to deny making any alterations to the Pitch Count Rule. The motion carried 7-0.

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

4. **Discuss Player Ejections go by innings and not games.** Rule **4** from the OSSAA Handbook covers Student Conduct, and any changes would need to be approved by a membership vote.

5. Discuss Umpire paperwork done within 24 hours after an ejection. Rule 4 from the OSSAA Handbook covers Student Conduct. Umpires currently should submit any ejection to the OSSAA within 24 hours.

6. **Discussion to see expansion of electronic communication to include the pitchers as well as the catchers.** NFHS Baseball Rules address electronic communication currently. There is a Rules Proposal with the NFHS Baseball Rules Committee to examine alterations to the electronic communication rule currently in place.

7. **Discussion for Home Team in the Playoffs be the higher seed instead of utilizing a coin toss.** There will be additional discussion with the OBCA about having the higher seed in the Playoffs have the option to be the Home Team. Respectfully submitted,

Grant Gower

Assistant Director

Director of Baseball

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