



CITY CONFERENCE MINUTES
ATHLETIC DIRECTORS & ADMIN DESIGNEES
THURSDAY, APRIL 30, 2020 – 9:00 AM
ZOOM MEETING

PRELIMINARY FUNCTIONS.....(ITEMS 1-3)

CALL TO ORDER.....Scott Giusti, President
Meeting was called to order at 9:00AM.

SDCC MEMBERS PRESENT:.....Listed by alphabetical school order
S. Walton, D. Smola, D. Beezer, S. Thomas, A. Nowak, R. Nixon, J. Ross, K. Butcher, V. Stahley, J. Sachs, P. Conway, T. Meeks, E. Brown,
D. Fai, R. Peters, R. Jackson, E. Sullivan, R. Lardizabal, E. Leszynski, J. Palacios, K. Malcom, T. McNair, A. Gonzalez, M. William, C. Clark,
K. Lowry, A. Van Heuven, C. Hord, J. Ducat, R. Parra, T. Wilson, N. Willis, J. Pisapia, M. Haupt, A. Villalobos, D. Asuncion, E. Hernandez,
S. Giusti, S. Seiders and J. Stanley
Schools not in attendance: All present

- Public comment by E. Hernandez, University City High School Wrestling Coach.
Shared his concerns that the Power Ranking system is not equitable.
Shared that coaches felt that the leagues should be ranked based on how CIF ranks, by enrollment.

1. CIF Message.....CIFSDS Via Scott Giusti

- a. Status update from State CIF on SDCC members submission of the CIF Census (click here)
S. Giusti confirmed all CIF Census submissions for City Conference have been received by State CIF.
S. Giusti shared San Diego Unified School District schools have completed and posted form Senate Bill 1349 on school websites.
b. All San Diego CIF Athletic Directors Zoom Conferences
S. Giusti expressed encouragement for all Athletic Directors to Zoom into CIF San Diego Athletic Director meetings/conferences as well as CIF State Athletic Director meetings/conferences and the National Athletic Directors Resource Network meetings/conferences.
S. Giusti shared the website nationaladresource.com for the National Athletic Directors Resource Network.
R. Jackson shared that National Athletic Directors Resource Network meetings/conferences are every Wednesday at 10:00am.
R. Jackson shared to reach out to A. Waters, Carlsbad High School Athletic Director (AD), for Zoom information.
It was shared by an AD that the attendance for the Zoom conference was maxed out and therefore were not able to participate.
c. Misc. items
No miscellaneous items were shared.

2. President's Message.....Scott Giusti, City Conference President

- a. Conference Presidents meeting to discuss coaches pay, supervision, league price of admission, conference bylaws
S. Giusti shared he will ask the CIF San Diego Commissioner for help when in person meetings resume.
b. 2020-21: Blue Book changes, winter & spring leagues, SDCC president voted on at 5/7 Athletic Council meeting
S. Giusti addressed that decisions needed to be made on the Blue Book and leagues, so they can be approved at the Athletic Council meeting on Thursday, May 7, 2020.
c. Misc. items
It was shared that Mission Bay High School had a virtual spring sports rally by students.
J. Palacios shared the link:youtu.be/LM4C2artvzE.
R. Lardizabal shared that the nomination for San Diego High School Sports Association Scholarship is due at 9:00am on May 1, 2020.
It was shared that the submission via Google Form is due on May 8, 2020.

3. Approve City Conference Meeting Minutes from 4/9/20 (click here)

- 1st by R. Lardizabal, 2nd by K. Lowry, no discussion, all in favor.

PRESIDENT AND DIRECTOR'S INFORMATION.....(ITEMS 4-10)

4. COVID-19 Impacts

Status updates on impacts from COVID-19 as it pertains to CIF, SDCC, SDUSD.

- d. Guidance from State, Local CIF ([click here](#)) and County ([click here](#))
- D. Smola shared that State CIF is waiting to hear from the Governor.
- S. Giusti shared J. Schniepp's assurance that nothing has been decided and CIF San Diego is currently working on scenarios for fall sports.
- Guidance from County was shared.
 - e. Input from SDCC in regards to athletic guidance
 - i. i. Dead periods
 - Feedback was provided.
 - It was noted that City Conference supports CIF waiver of dead periods.
 - ii. ii. Impacts to fall sports as well as trickled down to winter and spring
 - S. Giusti shared that all three seasons may be condensed down to give equal access.
 - S. Giusti shared that there may be overlap where one season has not ended when another season is starting.
 - R. Jackson addressed his concerns for overlapping the seasons especially for small schools when students play multiple sports and not having enough facilities to support various sports.
 - J. Ross addressed concerns with administrative coverage and supervision with overlapping seasons.
 - R. Parra addressed that limiting the people on campus could present an issue.
 - S. Giusti will share the concerns on behalf of City Conference.
 - iii. iii. Healthy Start impacts
 - M. Haupt shared his concerns to renegotiate and propose the schedule change after all the schools have voted on new schedules.
 - It was shared that the schools with light restrictions will face challenges.
 - S. Giusti addressed if Healthy Start is delayed, revised schedules will need to be prepared and voted on.
 - f. Specific SDUSD athletic guidance
 - i. i. COVID-19 general guidance ([click here](#))
 - The link was shared to guide San Diego Unified School District parents as it is the official communication center.
 - ii. ii. Student activities guidance ([click here](#))
 - The link was shared among San Diego Unified School District Athletic Directors and Vice Principals.
 - It was shared that the link is the most updated information.
 - iii. iii. Collection of uniforms, equipment, etc.
 - It was shared that there is a committee that is working on collection of uniforms and equipment.
 - It was shared that there is a plan to give direction in May.
 - Plans were shared;
 - Only collect from seniors and get underclassmen back at orientations or even next year after schools starts.
 - Have a "drop off" for uniforms and equipment like they are doing technology.
 - Have each coach/school decide on a process of how they will reacquire uniforms and equipment and have that process approved by district before it moves forward.
 - It was shared that one of JROTC instructors is requiring students to wear their JROTC uniforms in their Zoom meetings for accountability purposes and to help ensure the students do not lose the uniforms.
 - K. Lowry suggested to use the model of distribution used to distribute lunch and technology by San Diego Unified School District.
 - J. Pisapia suggested limiting hourly collection, drive thru and split over a couple of days.
 - D. Fai suggested to match the hours for uniform and equipment drop offs to district's lunch and JROTC equipment drop off.
 - S. Giusti will update as he finds out more from the district.
 - iv. iv. Care of facility and equipment
 - S. Giusti shared concerns on equipment left on the field and suggested creating a plan to get the equipment moved.
 - v. v. Status of athletic trainers
 - It was shared that the Athletic Trainer invoices will not be paid after March 13th.
 - It was shared that the Athletics Department processed an order for trainer supplies and will distribute them in August.
 - vi. vi. Status and responsibilities of spring coaches ([click here](#))
 - The link was shared among San Diego Unified School District Athletic Directors and Vice Principals.
 - vii. vii. Athletic courses during the school day beginning April 27
 - It was shared to reach out to R. Jackson for guidance on athletic courses.
 - viii. viii. NCAA eligibility webinar email sent on 4/28 and info sheet ([click here](#))

- M. O’Kelly shared that the webinar was cancelled due to a hacker, but there is no update yet.
- S. Giusti will forward updates and information as he receives them.
 - ix. ix. Fall probationary period
- It was shared that CIF will provide an option, pending approval by the schools/districts.
 - x. Fall athletic physicals
- It was shared that the June physical event for students at Lincoln High School is cancelled.
- It was addressed that the physicals will still be required on a yearly basis and the same titles that could issue physicals in 2019-20 will be the same for 2020-21.
- The Athletics Department will still release the district 2020-21 athletic physical packets via athleticclearance.com on Monday, June 1st.
 - x. xi. Fall coaches hiring process
- It was shared that the Athletics Department will work with Human Resources in May and June regarding fall hiring process.
- It was shared that Human Recourse has temporarily adjusted what is allowable for coaches to be able to recertify their CPR via online course.
 - xi. xii. Fall online coaching education courses
- It was shared that Coaching Education classes will move to online.
- The process was shared;
 - ADs will have to sign up their coaches with an email to R. Lardizabal and J. Stanley.
 - For security purposes, the coach’s name, sport and email address should be included when the AD signs them up.
 - The morning of the class R. Lardizabal will send an invite to attend the online class via Zoom.
 - Coaching Ed administrators will check the coaches into the class when they log into the Zoom waiting room. This way the class is restricted to those that have signed up.
 - There will not be last minute sign ups. Once we send out the link to the class, no more registrations.
 - At the end of the class, Coaching Ed administrators will check out each person and enter their information on the Google sign in sheet. If they leave the meeting without being approved to sign out they will not be credited with attending the class.
 - Dates: Tentative dates are June 16, July 7, July 14, Aug 5, Aug 12 but these dates depend on hiring direction from HR and fall sports season status from CIF.
 - Time of class: All classes will be at 4pm just as the in-person classes at Madison were.
 - xii. xii. Fall virtual tryouts for cheer and other sports
- It was shared that there will not be virtual tryouts for SDUSD at this time due to concerns about equity and access with technology.
- It was shared that this will be revisited in May and guidelines will be distributed.

5. Quick Hits

a. SDUSD NFHS cameras

- S. Seiders shared an update that the Board of Education requested a student committee to put graduation alternative ideas together and one of ideas is to have a social distancing graduation ceremony at the stadium with no fans, thus potentially the need for NFHS cameras.

6. Aquatics & Golf Facilities

Discussion on the challenges aquatics and golf programs are facing.

a. Aquatics feedback to be provided to District Leadership and the City to work towards solutions ([click here](#))

- Concerns were shared;
 - Pools closed for girls’ water polo. CIF sets dates for season of sport not SDCC.
 - Financial inequality in how much aquatics sports are spending in comparison to other sports.
 - Limited access and time of access to the City pools.
- S. Giusti requested research regarding spending on rentals for each season for fall with Boys’ Water Polo, winter with Girls’ Water Polo and spring with Swim and Dive and times of practices and contests.
- S. Giusti also requested to be informed with recurring issues from Athletic Directors.
- It was shared to use last year’s information for spring season.
 - b. Golf feedback provided by SDCC CIF Rep Aaron Quesnell to be provided to District Leadership and the City to work towards solutions ([click here](#))
- S. Giusti shared the major themes;
 - City Conference used to have more tee times.
 - City courses are feeling financial constraints (even before COVID-19) and those constraints are impacting the conference.
 - Limited access and time of access to the city Courses (specifically Torrey Pines as Balboa seems to be fine).
 - Coaches willing to engage with City officials at city golf meetings and local politicians.

7. Football

Information and updates.

- a. SDUSD helmets and shoulder pads
- It was shared that Morse High School was the only school that was completed as of today.
- The data from Riddell was shared regarding counts of helmets at each school site.
 - b. SDUSD 2020-21 Heads Up Football status- May 15 due date to receive additional shoulder pads
- S. Giusti shared that San Diego Unified Schools should complete heads up football certification by May 15, 2020.

8. Financial Items

Discussion of next steps and impacts for the following financial items.

- a. SDCC fines that will be included in billing ([click here](#)) and support for actions ([click here](#))
- It was shared that non San Diego Unified School District schools will receive membership bills at the start of the year.
- It was shared that San Diego Unified School District schools will receive a bill at the beginning of the year as the Athletics Department will not cover the charge of school sites not attending pre/post season meetings.
 - b. SDUSD remaining AK funds and how to spend them ([click here](#))
- The link was shared among San Diego Unified School District Athletic Directors and Vice Principals.
- S. Seiders shared that the Arbiter spring money will carry over into fall money.
- It was shared that district finance clarified that schools could utilize district procurement card to issue payment directly from the district budget to help eliminate steps to request reimbursement.
- It was shared that the deadline of using district procurement card is June 15, 2020.
- It was shared that the normal AK funds can be used as well.
- It was shared that financial clerks received guidance from the district finance team.
- It was shared that financial clerks should be able to finish Football and Basketball Recaps from home and be able to go on campus to write checks with administrator’s approval.
- It was shared ASB meetings can still occur and take minutes and send emails with approvals.
- R. Lardizabal asked about wet signature and S. Seiders shared that in working with the district finance team, email approvals are acceptable during this time except checks.
 - c. SDUSD football, basketball, & ASB Card recap processing is delayed thus checks have not been finalized
- Shared as a reminder.

9. Reminders

Items from previous SDCC meetings that won’t be addressed at this meeting unless there is a question brought forth by a SDCC member. These items remain a focus and are listed as an informational reminder for future actions.

- a. SDUSD Religious/Cultural Calendar Initiative: 9/19, 9/20, 9/27, 9/28
- b. SDCC impacts from the SDUSD BOE Resolution regarding Late Start (Healthy Start) times
- c. Girls flag football opportunity ([click here](#))
- d. 2020-21 continued multi-campus status for SDUSD ([click here](#))
- e. SDUSD Risk Management- online injury reporting form & AEDs
- f. SDUSD middle school intramurals
- g. SDUSD Special Olympics events (Unity Games, Unified Sports, etc.)
- h. SDUSD VNN 2020 State Rankings
- i. UCSD physical event scheduled for Saturday, June 6, 2020 at Lincoln High School is Cancelled
- j. Final Athletic Eligibility Grading Periods 2020-21 ([click here](#))
- k. Trainings as it pertains to athletics are delayed but will resume at a later time ([click here](#))
- l. Gross unsportsmanlike ejections in boys soccer ([click here](#))
- m. BSN Sports BOE approved agreement benefits ([click here](#)) & continuing to work on BSN Spending report to include buy back bucks
- Shared as a reminder.

10. Resources

A reminder of available resources to reference when needed.

- Available resource links that are intended to be easy to use when needed.

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| Cheer Program Status | SDCC Website | CIF Website | CIF Master Calendar |
| SDUSD Athletics Website | SDCC Blue Book | CIF Green Book | CIF Advisory Mtg Dates |
| SDUSD Grading Periods | Athletics Calendar | CIF Sit Out Period Dates | CIF Max Contacts |

CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORTS..... (ITEM 11)

11. Landscaping Committee (J. Sachs)

Issues, concerns, timing, etc. in regards to multiple sites.

- S. Giusti will work with principals to appoint people to address concerns about landscaping.
- Current landscaping conditions at San Diego Unified Schools were shared.
- It was shared that athletic facility landscaping is a true concern that Athletic Directors need to address accordingly and report in a timely manner.
- S. Giusti requested that Athletic Directors take photos when there are concerns.

ACTION ITEMS..... (ITEMS 12-16)

- Voting protocol was shared.
- It was reminded that each school has one vote.
- It was reminded for amendments to the Blue Book bylaws require a 2/3 approval for the recommendation to be ratified.
- It was reminded that if there are three options and a vote does not meet the 2/3 requirement, then the top two votes will move forward to a 2nd round of voting.

12. 2020-21 San Diego City Conference President Election

- S. Giusti was nominated and recommended to be the San Diego City Conference President for the 2020-21 year.
- 1st by R. Lardizabal, 2nd by J. Pisapia, no discussion, all in favor.

13. SDCC 2020-21 Blue Book Recommendations ([click here](#))

Proposed changes to be voted on, Athletic Council will vote on SDCC recommendations at Athletic Council on Thurs 5/7.

- 1st by R. Lardizabal, 2nd by J. Pisapia, all in favor.
- 1b recommended for approval 22-0
- 2a recommended for approval 22-0
- 3c recommended for approval 22-0
- 4b recommended for approval 22-0
- 5a remained 22-0
- 6b recommended to replace 6a with amendments, 22-0
- 7a recommended to keep in addition of 7c, 22-0
- 8a recommended to keep in addition of 8b, 22-0
- 9a recommended to keep in addition of 9c with the amendment of "CIF SDS Bulletin" to "CIF SDS Championship Bulletin", 22-0
- 10a remained 22-0
- 11c recommended for approval 22-0
- 12b recommended for approval 22-0
- 13b recommended for approval with the amendment to add "for that day", 22-0
- 14b is recommended for approval 22-0
- 15b to be added is recommended for approval 22-0
- 16b is recommended for approval with the addition of "3) actions that are not in line with the SDCC vision, purpose and bylaws" 22-0
- 17b is recommended for approval with the addition of the word "school" added in 22-0
- 18b is recommended for approval 20-2, Point Loma HS and University City HS opposed, in addition of "All sports leagues are aligned so that the strongest teams are placed in Western League, followed by Eastern League, City League and Central League in that order."

14. 2020-21 Spring Leagues ([click here](#))

- a. All leagues same as 2019-20 with exception of golf and LAX (Preuss was approved as a seasonal member)
- The changes were explained.
- 1st by R. Lardizabal, 2nd by J. Pisapia, no discussion, spring passed in exception of Point Loma HS opposed.

15. 2020-21 Spring Schedules- email sent by S. Giusti on 4/23

- a. Same schedules as 2019-20 dates with time changes and switches made to golf and LAX.
- b. Spring schedule aren't considered approved until Athletic Council approves spring leagues.

- 1st by R. Lardizabal, 2nd by J. Pisapia, no discussion, all in favor.

16. 2020-21 Wrestling Winter Leagues ([click here](#))

- a. Wrestling feedback emails from SDCC coaches ([click here](#))
- S. Giusti shared Metro and Grossmont have never leagued based on enrollment.
- 1st by R. Lardizabal, 2nd by J. Pisapia, no discussion, all in favor.
- Voted between options of Enrollment Proposal #2, Win & Loss Proposal #3. 18-3, Hoover HS, Mira Mesa HS and University City HS opposed, #3 approved.
 - Cathedral Catholic HS voted #3
 - Christian HS voted #3
 - Clairemont HS voted #3
 - Coronado HS voted #3
 - Crawford HS voted #3
 - Hoover HS voted #2
 - High Tech High San Diego voted #3
 - Kearny HS voted #3
 - La Jolla HS voted #3
 - Lincoln HS voted #3
 - Madison HS voted #3
 - Mira Mesa HS voted #2
 - Mission Bay HS voted #3
 - Morse HS voted #3
 - OLP did not vote
 - Patrick Henry HS voted #3
 - Point Loma HS voted #3
 - San Diego HS voted #3
 - Scripps Ranch HS voted #3
 - Serra HS voted #3
 - Saint Augustin HS voted #3
 - University City HS voted #2

17. 2020-21 Winter Schedules- email sent by S. Giusti on 4/23

- a. Winter schedules aren't considered approved until Athletic Council approves winter leagues
- Voting items were explained.
- R. Lardizabal shared the creation of the basketball schedule.
- 1st by R. Lardizabal, 2nd by J. Pisapia, no discussion, all in favor.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF NEXT MEETING/ADJOURNMENT

- 18. TBD via Zoom (Possibly June, July or August)
 - 1.6.2 of the Blue Book was shared as a reminder.
 - The 1st official San Diego City Conference Meeting for 2020-21 will most likely be in August.
- 19. Roundtable
 - K. Lowry announced that A. Van Heuven will step down as Athletic Director at Point Loma HS.
 - Meeting adjourned at 12:00PM.