

Teams present – North, South, Shanley, Wahpeton, West Fargo, Century, Minot, Dickinson, Davies, Williston, Jamestown, Mandan

Also present – Jim Roaldson, Jamestown AD; Matt Fetsch – NDHSAA

Inclement weather review

Metal bat conversation – possible review in 2 years...

Topics for advisory

Game Limits – The conflict of wording with post season tournament is coming into controversy as we as coaches are not instructed as to which tournaments make money for the state and which do not. We feel that this is a State wide issue to be addressed in all sports, but definitely would like clarification of the wording.

Continue with a game limit of 32 games in 19 dates, but this does not include region and state tournaments, with wording making the region tournament part of the post season. (32 and 19 dates PRIOR to the region and state tournaments) *Matt Fetsch will reword so that region is not included in the limit...

Full compliment of innings – – Justification and Rationale for Inning compliments pre region tournament –

- In class A baseball, each pitcher will have a full complement of innings for post season tournaments providing there is a minimum of 4 days rest prior to any post season tournament.* Any innings used between Sunday and the Post Season Tourney, including play in games and weather related conference make up games will count in the 14 innings in a 7 day period rule.

Rationale:

- This would provide post season tournaments with consistency from region to state tournaments.
- Innings would be full compliment with the previous Saturday being the end date for region play. Any innings used between Sunday and the Post Season Tourney, including play in games and weather related conference make up games will count in the 14 innings in a 7 day period rule.
- This would allow teams to use the last weekend of the regular season for conference games without penalty. This weekend is also one of the best weather related weekends of the spring season.
- This gives the same amount of rest time that a professional and college pitcher would get between starts. (4 days)
- Student athletes are stronger at the end of the season.

- With wood bat play, pitchers in ND are throwing an average of 13.39 less pitches per start than in the metal bat seasons of previous years.
- This would provide the same amount of rest for the region tournaments as the state tournament is allotted.

Umpire Review – We as coaches feel that we should be able to review the officials that umpire our games. Reprimands and ejection notices do not even have the umpire listed. We feel that a review of the umpires can create a paper trail of information. This will allow us and the state to monitor if ejections are being called by the same individuals, called on certain coaches, done professionally, are warranted, or if it is an issue of another type. Coaches should have the right to respond to the ejection in writing to the NDHSAA, and also the umpire should be required to submit a signed document justifying why they made the ejection.

- Starting 2012 umpires will be required to attend a workshop regarding rules and field demeanor on a yearly basis.

State Tournament Umpires – State tournaments we feel should field 3 umpires from the EDC and 3 from the WDA. With the Tournament always held at a WDA school, we have had times were a team is competing against another team, and all 3 umpires are from one of the towns represented in the game. We feel the umpire crews should be mixed with East and West, and an equal representation should be appointed.

2010-2011 All State Team:

EDC Selections:

PARKER LAWLEY	FARGO SOUTH
BRADY HORNER	FARGO SOUTH
DAVID ERNST	FARGO SOUTH
ANDY YOUNG	WEST FARGO
TANNER DAHL	WEST FARGO
BRIAN LILLEMOEN	GF RED RIVER
TAYLOR STEAN	GF RED RIVER
NICK SALENTINE	FARGO SHANLEY
JEREMY BONTJES	WAHPETON

WDA Selections:

Austin Zorn – BHS
 Jordan Kenner – SMHS
 Carson Wentz – CHS
 Aaron Janz – Mandan
 Dwight Mack – Mandan
 Nick Jangula – SMHS
 Casey Axtman – WHS

Alec Grothe – BHS

Tyler Richter – BHS

Brent Stoltz – Mandan