

**COLUMBIA BASIN BIG NINE
ATHLETIC DIRECTOR MEETING
Summary of Meeting May 2009 ***

TESTING DATES FOR NEXT YEAR

Test dates emailed by Sandhop on 5/5. Tuesday-Thursday, March 16-18, 2010. Tuesday, April 13 & Thursday, April 15, 2010.

SPRING SPORTS

A. Baseball

White discussed current ties and how the number draws will impact upcoming District 4A Playoffs. 3-way playoff for first place described in the packet from an email that Dan White sent to coaches and Big 9 AD's on 5/4. White reminded the group of the use of head-to-head as a tiebreaker for this year. He then directed the group to page 4 of the SOP's and reminded them of the "TBD" notation, which describes the desire to avoid having teams from the same division playing each other in games 3 and 4. White led discussion regarding tiebreaker games and use of officials (# on crew, neutral vs. home crew). Two-man split crew with home team behind the plate will be used and needs to be added to the SOP's. Host school needs to charge \$4/3 and contact officials for the games.

Draft 2010 scheduled dispersed also. Cascade schools (except Chiawana) have 14 league + 4 crossovers for 18 games. Chiawana has 14 league and no crossovers. Columbia schools have 12 league + 4 crossovers for 16 games. It is the reciprocal schedule of 2009.

B. Fastpitch Softball

Draft 2010 scheduled dispersed (opposite site of V baseball). See note above under baseball about number of games per division.

C. Track and Field

Discussion regarding Richland Twilight participation and use of marks for qualifying. The meet is a JV meet. Kids can qualify for Districts if they meet the standard while competing at the meet. Athletes are limited to events in which they've already competed.

D. Golf

2010 draft schedule dispersed by Schumacher. Wenatchee hosts boys Districts in 2010. Wenatchee's league meet will be at Three Lakes and the Jack Barnes Invite will be at the Highlander, so kids will have the opportunity to play both courses prior to the District. The coaches and AD's agreed the boys POD 4 held at Columbia Point will not count for 3A Regional seeding.

FALL SPORTS

E. Football

League will pay for DSV. Each school will pay the league.

F. Girls Swimming

Proposed SOP revisions from the April joint boys and girls coaches meeting. Murray reported the coaches have proposed East/West division vs. the Cascade/Columbia Divisions (due to co-ops/facilities etc.). **M/S/P to accept the SOP's as presented, including the East/West divisions.**

Draft 2009 girls schedule, with the East/West division schedule dispersed. **M/S/P to approve the 3A/4A girls swim and dive schedule.**

WINTER SPORTS

G. Wrestling

Draft 2009-10 schedule dispersed. **M/S/P to accept the schedule as dispersed.**

WIAA

Amendments that passed at Rep Assembly: #4) WIAA can appoint a fact finder, #6) delete interpretation from clerical error, #7) coach Sr. in WSCA All-State game, #8) stunt certification for drill coach, #10) sub-V BB 2 games a day, #11B) boys BB shot clock (35 sec.), #14) football mercy rule at 45 points running clock, #17) Sr. on track to graduate one less class, #21) physical moved to article 17 in handbook-no forfeit and #22) 8th graders can salvage V or JV for B schools.

From Executive Board meeting, delayed Saturday/Saturday Regional format until fall 2010, Regional baseball draws finalized, July board meeting will look at all State events formats and duration.

BUDGET REDUCTION SHARING

Program decisions. Number of teams for each sport and number of paid coaches. Discussion about sub-varsity number of contests vs. cutting programs.

Murray shared a memo from the Tri-Cities Superintendents, regarding the league structure.

***Passing/Adoption of Minutes, Financial Statements and items deemed confidential omitted. The Big 9 Conference reserves the right to use Executive Session at all league meetings for the purposes of legal and personnel matters. For full text of discussion and vote, see official league minutes.**