CHSAA Legislative Council Committee Report Amendment
January 30, 2014

Football Committee Report
(requires majority vote for approval)

S-5b - FOOTBALL

yes  no  8-Man Football Seeding Proposal

8-man football will consist of a 9 week season. At the end of the 9 week season, the following procedure will be followed:
1. Seeding committee will be made up of 1 member from each of the 6 leagues. No coach will be allowed to be on the committee. The committee will meet at the CHSAA building on the Sunday following week 9 games.
2. Seeding procedures:
   The following criteria will be used for this selection, in no particular order: overall record, common opponents, conference record, strength of schedule, strength of conference, strength of non-league games, head-to-head competition and last 5 games played.
   A. Each league champion will be a part of the 16 team bracket. Each league champion will be guaranteed a first round home game regardless of what seed they become in the bracket.
   B. Each leagues #2 team will be placed on the board and ranked by the seeding committee. The top 3 #2 teams will be placed into the 16 team pool. This makes 9 of the 16 teams.
   C. Each league that had a #2 seed placed into the pool will have their #3 team placed on the board with the remaining #2 teams. These 6 teams will then be ranked 1-6. The top 3 teams will be placed into the pool of 16 teams. This makes 12 of the 16 teams.
   D. Each league that had a team placed into the pool the last round will have the next place team in their league moved up onto the board. The committee will rank these teams 1 thru 6. The top 3 teams will then be placed into the pool of 16. This makes 15 of the 16 teams.
   E. Each league that had a team placed into the pool the last round will have the next place team in their league moved up onto the board. The committee will rank these teams 1 thru 6. The #1 team on the board will make up the final team on the board of the 16 team pool.
   F. The committee will then rank the 16 teams 1 thru 16. Seeds #13,14,15, and 16 will be interchangeable in order to allow the seeding committee some flexibility for geographical concerns.
   G. No two teams from the same league will be allowed to play each other in the first round.

Rationale: This proposal that was approved by the 8-man committee was done without the representation of several leagues. Many people were snowed in and could not make the meeting. Giving the Plains and Southern 4 representative and the rest of the leagues, 2 representatives is not satisfactory. This proposal may wind up giving a league 4 representatives, but it will be because they deserve it, not because they were given it. This proposal gives each league champion credit and guarantees
them a home game in the first round. This proposal recognizes strong conferences, and gives them more representation in the play-off bracket, at the same time, weaker conferences will receive less representation.

**Pros:**
1. This proposal is fair to all conferences.
2. Geographical consideration is taken into account.
3. Strong conferences will receive more representation
4. League champions are given due respect.

**Cons:** None