

- competition facility availability, availability of certified officials, availability of coaches, and student participation numbers.
 - Positive and/or negative impacts to proportionality and Title IX considerations for the member schools and the Association.
 - Any other considerations within the Committee's role.
- 3. Review by the Sports Medicine Committee prior to the Board of Directors Meeting
 - In considering the new activity, the Sports Medicine Committee shall review:
 - Any safety, liability, or health concerns for the activity.
- 4. Review by the Board of Directors in January/February
 - In considering the new activity, the Board of Directors shall review:
 - The recommendations of the CLOC, Equity, and Sports Medicine Committees.
 - Results from a formal survey (submitted by parties interested in adding a new activity) examining number of schools currently offering the program, student participation numbers, and potential for growth.
 - Cost estimates per school for start and maintenance for the activity.
 - Safety and liability issues involved with the new activity.
 - Availability of officials.
 - Any additional information regarding the impact the activity may have on the state as a whole.

Each committee must provide a formal letter to the sponsoring league letting them know the committee's opinion and rationale. The league may then submit a bylaw proposal to the Legislative Council in April to add the new activity.

Note: Any proposal adding a new activity will require the addition of a new Athletic/Activity Article or amendment to an existing bylaw.

- ~~▪—Results from a formal survey submitted by parties interested in adding a new activity (i.e. school support, funding, coaches availability, student participation)-~~
- ~~▪—Recommendations from the Equity Committee regarding positive and/or negative impact to proportionality in our member schools-~~
- ~~▪—Adequate number of schools in a geographical area to complete a schedule-~~
- ~~▪—Practice and competition site availability-~~
- ~~▪—Availability of certified officials-~~
- ~~▪—Cost estimates per school for start and maintenance for the activity-~~
- ~~▪—Safety and liability issues involved with the new activity-~~

~~5000.11—The Board of Directors may approve sanction for sports on a temporary basis based on criteria it deems acceptable for the conduct of safe and educational programs for young people-~~

Rationale Every new activity looking to be sanctioned should have a clear, fair and consistent process when seeking approval.

Pros This clarifies and outlines a very specific process for the review and sanctioning of a new activity.

Cons Requires much time and effort to get a new activity sanctioned.