



Kentucky High School Athletic Association

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MEMO

TO: Julian Tackett, Commissioner

FROM: Michael J. Barren

DATE: December 21, 2016

RE: Suggested Changes from the Advisory Committee

The Archery Advisory Committee met December 15, 2016 at the KHSAA offices. Several items were discussed, with five unanimously supported changes suggested to the staff for consideration by consensus of the committee.

Due to over a dozen new schools adding the sport/activity, the members of the committee felt it would be in the best interest if the Commissioner realigned the schools for this current post season. I would recommend the draft you presented to the Committee be presented to the Board of Control. This would expand archery from ten (10) to eleven (11) regions with boundaries comparable to the basketball boundaries, with a combination of regions in the far east and far west portions of the state, and the remainder in geographic proximity to the current basketball alignment.

The Committee also makes the following recommendations for the Board to consider to approve within the tournament rules. The Executive Staff has recommended their approval to you and I would recommend you present them to the Board of Control for adoption for 2017.

- Suspend the “Medal Round” portion of the state championship format. Many felt that asking the student-athletes to shoot two full flights in one day, which is not in line with the normal physical training regimen for shooting, puts undue physical stress on the students.
- Removing the medal round allows staff to expand the qualifying teams or individuals if desired, by using those afternoon time slots previously used for the medal round. Currently advancement is the top two overall teams and the top three individuals from each gender. After discussion with the Executive staff, we should review entry data and determine expansion opportunities without lengthening our time and facility commitment.
- Change the recognition and awards to recognize the top five shooters for both boys and girls at the Regional Tournaments. Currently, we recognize the top four shooters overall at the Regional tournaments. Following staff review, this recommendation is revised to recognize the top four in each gender, comparable to another Sport-Activity, Bowling.
- Change the recognition and awards to recognize the top five shooters for both boys and girls at the State tournament. Currently we recognize the top eight shooters, regardless of gender.