Name

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**Topic** 

Sports Report

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**Sport** 

Fall Soccer

Positive Developments and Highlights

Attendance and game quality was extremely positive for this year's semifinal and finals. Weather was a key factor in attendance as well as the matchups. Staff received many thanks and positive feedback at the event.

Issues of Concern (legal, playing Rules, fiscal management, etc.) Continuing to work with format to ensure a positive studentathlete experience will be a priority. In general fan attendance was down some over prior year as it relates to 1st and 2nd rounds. This was in part due to weather that was on the cold side for this rounds. However travel also continues to be of note in some instances. Finding the balance between travel and experience continues to be a focal point.

Officials Update/Review The officials' overall performance was high this year with no complaints. Looking at the best way to assign officials for the 1st and 2nd rounds warrants further consideration during the upcoming year as we continue to plan for the future. The number of soccer officials registered also continues to be an issue. While we increased over prior year, we still had reports of games being cancelled or rescheduled due to officials not being available.

Fiscal and Budget Issues and Review (attendance, etc.)

While the semifinals attendance was up, the finals attendance was down. This is likely due more to matchups than anything.