

Name	Associate Commissioner Butch Cope
Topic	Sports Report
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Sport	Spring Baseball
Positive Developments and Highlights	<p>We continue progress on the educational element on officiating with RefReps. refreps.com</p> <p>This is an online program to help educate and train officials. Staff has been discussing this importance of this for first year officials. In addition, the RefReps program offers curriculum that is turn key and would allow lesson plans for our high schools to be able to teach general and sport specific officiating classes to further help recruitment officials.</p> <p>In addition, we are reviewing materials available from NASO (National Association of Sports Officials) that would be beneficial for our first year officials and our Assigners. Also, last compiled in 2017, NASO is again conducting a nationwide survey of licensed officials that will include a variety of topics to allow insight for all levels on trends.</p> <p>We continue to progress our conversion of licensing from our internal system to Arbiter.</p>
Issues of Concern (legal, playing Rules, fiscal management, etc.)	Still there are areas of concerning on coach, participant and spectator conduct.
Officials Update/Review	Many regions continue to struggle with numbers to cover contests. Non-varsity contests are likely to be the most impacted.
Fiscal and Budget Issues and Review (attendance, etc.)	Staff will share impact of RefReps and NASO materials.