Results from Realignment Voting

There were two plans that were submitted for vote. Plan 1 was the anticipated plan that would come from the KHSAA with the fewest likely changes. Plan 2 was put together by a committee from the 6th and 7th regions that represented each district in those two regions and included an additional representative from Bullitt County, a private school from the 6th region and private school from the 7th region.

Here is the information that came from those votes:

There are 43 schools that are in the 6th & 7th regions. 39 schools voted. The four schools that didn't vote are: Iroquois, Beth Haven, Portland Christian and Presentation. Grace James did vote, but was not included since they are not eligible for post season at this time.

Question 1: If one of the two plans were implemented, would you support either plan?

Yes: 35

No: 4 (See comments below)

Comments related to supporting these two options (this are comments from 3 of the 4 that voted "no"):

The original plan(Plan 1) that we worked to replace through our committee work doesn't take into account the impact on girls sports. Breaking up the Bullitt Co schools gives the districts across the 6th Region the balance that is needed for our girls.

I prefer all three Bullitt Schools be in the same district.

Plan 2 aligns DeSales, Mercy and WEB DuBois (3 private schools) in the same district. There is also the situation where DeSales is closer to several schools than other schools in the proposed district. North Bullitt (9.6 miles from DeSales) Southern (5.4 miles from DeSales). Iroquois (.9 miles from DeSales), Doss (2.3 miles from DeSales), Butler (3.0 miles from DeSales), Fairdale (3.1 miles from DeSales), Western (4.0 miles from DeSales). Fairdale is 9.0 miles from North Bullitt which is closer than DeSales to North Bullitt, DeSales is 9.6 miles from North Bullitt.

DeSales High School would support Plan 1 only.

Question 2: The voting for the two plans:

Plan 1: 18 Plan 2: 21

Comments for Plan 1:

I would like to see more movement between region 6 and 7 than plan 2 had.

Although I support both options, for my school, our goal is to go as deep in the playoffs as we can. By going with option 2, that moves us into a district where we have a much harder time among most sports in making it out of the district tournament.

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Comments for Plan 2:

I think plan 2 makes the most sense, when looking at different schools sports offerings and ensuring equity across the different districts and regions. Plan 2 was created by a selected group of our regional AD's, who know our area and the needs of our schools.

- 1) An exact line to create a geographic split between the two regions makes the regional split straight forward. It also creates minimal changes with current alignment.
- 2) The resulting balance between numbers of schools, but perhaps more significantly the balance between schools offering various team sports (especially girls' sports) creates a better competitive atmosphere than what currently exists.

I hope the KHSAA will consider the committee's work, and the method/rationale that was used, if it is chosen as the plan of preference by the Metro Association. I hope that they understand that it wasn't created with limited input or incomplete reasoning.

We support Plan 2 and appreciate the committee work. IF the Khsaa decides to spread schools out further we would also be open to moving to the 8th region to help even out the # of schools per region

The plan that the committee created for the 6th & 7th regions put a great deal into consideration including: the number of schools per region, number of single gender schools, number of privates, number of 6A, and also focused on balancing out girls sports among districts. It used main highways for easier travel to

games that provided a practical approach to the realignment. Finally, it seemed that a majority of ADs present at our May meeting were in favor of the committees plan.

.Please express my thanks to the committee for all the hard work on this proposal.

Results:

Because 35 of the 39 votes said they would support either plan, and then voted for one of the two plans, it is possible that they chose a plan with no hard line on why. So even though the vote sets up to be

Plan 1 18 Plan 2 21

One could argue that based on the support of either plan, the votes could be:

Plan 1 3 Plan 2 36

*Based on those opposing plan 2

OR, one could argue that based on the support of either plan, the votes could be:

Plan 1 38 Plan 2 1

*Based on those opposing plan 1

As a committee, we feel like we need more information from those that voted on Plan 1 as to why. Again, we recognize that your vote was going to be what is in the best interest of your school and not necessarily the two regions. We want to know what those interests are. If we get more feedback about the voting, maybe the committee can revisit those concerns and present a new option. We know that if we don't present an option, then it will be up to Julian and the board to decide realignment and districts. This very well may be where things end up. But if we can potentially address some concerns, then maybe we can present something that most could be comfortable with. And maybe this is an impossible task at the end of the day.

The committee will listen to thoughts at the AD meeting on Thursday of next week.

We will likely revisit with a plan of action in the early Fall after school starts and numbers at schools become a reality.