



NEBRASKA SCHOOL ACTIVITIES ASSOCIATION



2018 Representative Assembly

**Nebraska School Activities Association Office
500 Charleston
Lincoln, Nebraska**

**Friday, April 6, 2018
9:00 a.m.**

NSAA Mission Statement

The public and non-public high schools of Nebraska voluntarily agreed to form the Nebraska School Activities Association for the following purposes:

****To formulate and make policies which will cultivate high ideals of citizenship, fair competition, sportsmanship and teamwork which will complement the member schools' curriculum programs.***

****To foster uniformity of standards in interscholastic activity programs.***

****To organize, develop, direct and regulate an interscholastic activity program which is equitable and will protect and promote the health and physical welfare of all participants.***

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PARLIAMENTARIAN

George Woolstrom

NSAA STAFF

Dr. Jim Tenopir, Executive Director

Debra Velder, Associate Director

Jennifer Schwartz, Jon Dolliver, Nate Neuhaus, Ron Higdon, Dan Masters, Jeff Stauss

Assistant Directors

*Megan Huber, Business Manager - Ashton Honnor, Marketing Specialist,
Cindy Callaway, Office Manager - Ronda Schmidt, Alicia McCoy, Administrative Assistants*

Meeting Time Agenda

- I. **8:00 A.M.**-Continental Breakfast Served For Delegates.
- II. **9:00 A.M. Call to Order**- Nolan Beyer, Chairperson
- III. **Report of Credentials Committee**- Troy Unzicker and Mark Norvell

A three-fifths majority vote for each proposal is necessary to pass the body. Following is the vote total required, depending on the number of delegates present:

<i>Delegates--51</i>	<i>Votes Required—31</i>
<i>Delegates--50</i>	<i>Votes Required—30</i>
<i>Delegates--49</i>	<i>Votes Required—30</i>
<i>Delegates--48</i>	<i>Votes Required—29</i>

In addition to a three-fifths majority of the delegates, proposals dealing with the Constitution and/or Bylaws dealing with eligibility also must be sent to the membership of the Association for a referendum vote. Any proposal so referred shall become valid as a rule of the Association when approved by three-fifths of the member schools voting on the issue, provided the votes cast in favor of such proposal shall equal or exceed thirty-five percent of the total membership of the Association. See Article 1.5.3 of the 2017-2018 Yearbook.

- IV. **Introduction of Delegates and Reports of the NSAA Districts**--District Chairperson.
- V. **Caucus Committee Report**— Nolan Beyer
- V. **Report of the Executive Director**—Dr. Jim Tenopir
- VI. **Business**-(See Agenda on following pages.) A space is placed after each proposal for amendments on votes and vote recording.

Additional proposals may be made from the floor and may be considered with the consent of a majority of the members of the Assembly. Any new proposals brought up shall be presented in written form with sufficient copies to provide one for each representative.

Any proposal heard from the floor and passed by the Assembly must pass a referendum vote of the member schools prior to being enacted.



2018 Delegates to the Representative Assembly



	Delegate	Alternate
1	Mark Norvell, Fillmore Central, Board of Director	Ryan Ruhl, Norris
1	Kathy Wieskamp, Lincoln Public School	
1	Kevin Simmerman, Lincoln North Star, Chairperson	Greg Hardin, Norris
1	Ryan Ruhl, Norris, Vice Chairperson	Matt Uher, Tri County
1	Neal Randel, Beatrice, Secretary	Greg Hardin, Norris
1	Pat Gatzmeyer, Lincoln High	
1	Mark Armstrong, Lincoln Southwest	
1	Jerry Rempe, Southern	
1	Jack Tarr, Malcolm	
1	Tim Huls, Hampton	
2	Dr. Bob Reznicek, Boys Town, Board of Director	Greg Lamberty, Bennington
2	Nolan Beyer, Millard Public Schools, Board of Director	Rochelle Rohlfs, Omaha Marian
2	Jeff Johnson, Papillion-LaVista South, Chairperson	
2	Rochelle Rolfs, Omaha Marian, Vice Chairperson	
2	Tim McNamara, Yutan, Secretary	Rob Geise, Louisville
2	Greg Lamberty Bennington	Don Hogue, Falls City
2	Mike Smith, Ralston	Donn Kasner, Omaha Skutt
2	Jason Williams, Omaha Burke	Jim Savio, Omaha North
2	Dr. Dan Schinzel, Creighton Prep	Jon Mauro, Bellevue West
2	Shaun Brothers, Plattsmouth	Mark King, Elkhorn
2	Nick Wemhoff, Fort Calhoun	Dallas Sweet, Oakland-Craig
2	Jeremy VanAckeren, Papillion-LaVista South	Jason Ryan, Papillion-LaVista
2	Chris Loofe, Millard West	Steve Throne, Millard South
2	Rob Geise, Louisville	Marc Kaminski, Wahoo
2	Tony Algood, North Bend	Nate Larsen, Logan View
2	Mike Barrett, Weeping Water	Jake Shadley, Columbus Lakeview
2	Chad Holtz, Bellevue East	Joe Tynon, Lourdes Central
2	James Shada, Arlington	Jeremy Schroeder, Conestoga
3	Jay Bellar, Battle Creek, Board of Director	Dr. Jon Cerny, Bancroft-Rosalie
3	Jeff Bellar, Norfolk Catholic, Chairperson	
3	Mike Sanne, Clearwater, Vice Chairperson	David Hamm, Osmond
3	Dr. Jon Cerny, Bancroft-Rosalie, Secretary	
3	Chuck Ross, Wisner-Pilger	Adam James, Winnebago
3	Bob Hayes, Ponca	Marcus Donner, Boone Central
4	Dan Keyser, Sutherland, Board of Director	Jason Alexander, Ord
4	Mitchell Stine, Kearney, Chairperson	Alan Frank, Adams Central
4	Matt Fisher, Northwest, Vice Chairperson	Phil Truax, Lexington
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5	Jon Davis, Alma, Vice Chairperson	Darin Nichols, McCook
5	Craig Newcomb, Bertrand, Secretary	
5	Galen Kronhofman, Alma	
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6	Mike Brockhaus, Sidney, Chairperson	Ward Wacker, Gordon-Rushville
6	Kari Gifford, Banner County, Vice Chairperson	Tammy Tillman, Bayard
6	Tammy Tillman, Bayard, Secretary	Gus Brown, Valentine
6	Glen Koski, Gering	Dave Hoxworth, Scottsbluff

I. PROPOSED CHANGES IN NSAA BYLAWS

A. The proposal deals with: Yearbook: Article 2 Section: 13.12 and 13.2.1 Page: 28
The section/paragraph/sentence indicates what is to be added/deleted/changed to the current Bylaw/Approved Ruling. ADDITIONS are in all capital letters.

2.13.2 Basis for Classification. A school’s classification shall be based on its total enrollment for all activities with the exception of football, BOYS TENNIS, BOYS BASKETBALL, WRESTLING, BOYS GOLF, BOYS SOCCER AND BASEBALL that will be classified on boy enrollment only, AND VOLLEYBALL, SOFTBALL, GIRLS BASKETBALL, GIRLS GOLF, GIRLS TENNIS AND GIRLS SOCCER THAT WILL BE CLASSIFIED ON GIRL ENROLLMENT ONLY.

2.13.2.1 A school’s total enrollment shall be the total boy and girl enrollment in grades nine, ten, and eleven according to the enrollment figures submitted to the State Department of Education on the last Friday in September of the preceding school year except for football, BOYS TENNIS, BOYS BASKETBALL, WRESTLING, BOYS GOLF, BOYS SOCCER AND BASEBALL that will be classified on boy enrollment only, AND VOLLEYBALL, SOFTBALL, GIRLS BASKETBALL, GIRLS GOLF, GIRLS TENNIS AND GIRLS SOCCER THAT WILL BE CLASSIFIED ON GIRL ENROLLMENT ONLY.

Will this proposal impact cost to the School? NO

Will this proposal impact cost to the NSAA? NO

Will this proposal increase travel for the participating schools? NO

Will this proposal impact a student or coach's loss of instruction time? NO

Rationale for the proposed change:

PROS: This is a proposal generated by the NSAA Classification Committee. Last year, the membership elected to classify football on a boys-only enrollment count, as football is an activity that is heavily dependent on participation numbers, and while there may be a few girls who participate in football statewide, it was determined that it was fairer to classify on a boys-only count.

The Committee felt that, given that NSAA receives audited enrollment counts from NDE on a gender basis, it was determined that it would be fairer to classify most of the NSAA sports on a single-gender basis. If a school’s student population includes more boys than girls, or more girls than boys, it might be more appropriate to classify on the single gender.

CONS: Classifying based on single gender has the potential of placing schools in different classes for the boys and girls teams in comparable sports. For example, schools may be in one class in boys basketball, but in a different class in girls basketball. The sports that were selected for single-gender classification are either competed in different seasons (e.g., tennis, golf), or in different weeks for postseason competition (e.g., basketball).

Track and cross country were not included, due to the fact that many schools have the same coaches for both the boys and girls, and if the boys and girls teams were in different classes, it would likely require coaches to potentially miss more school time due to districts being held on different days or possibly require districts at two different sites. Further, in track, a coach who coaches both boys and girls would need to be at the state track meet for both sessions on Friday.

Swimming and Diving were not considered for single-gender classification due to the fact that there is only one class in swimming and diving.

PROPOSED IMPLEMENTATION DATE: 2018-19 SCHOOL YEAR

Representative Assembly Vote

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B. The proposal deals with: Yearbook: Article 3.11.3 Section: TBD Page: TBD

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3.11.2 – Baseball 3.11.3 - BOWLING 3.11.4 – Cross Country 3.11.5 – Football 3.11.6 – Golf 3.11.7 – Soccer 3.11.8 – Softball 3.11.9 – Swimming 3.11.10 – Tennis 3.11.11 – Track 3.11.12 – Volleyball 3.11.13 – Wrestling

2. The section/paragraph/sentence that needs to be added/deleted/changed would read as follows:

3.11.3 - Boys and Girls Bowling 3.11.3.1 - Boys and Girls bowling shall be conducted during the winter sports season.

3.11.3.2 – The bowling season shall begin with the first day of practice as permitted by NSAA rules, and end with the State tournament.

3.11.3.3 – District and State competition takes place following the completion of the regular season.

3.11.3.4 - No student shall participate in more than five games of competition against the same opponent on the same day. The exception to this rule would occur during District and State competition, if the double-elimination format is used to determine the champion.

3. Cost Analysis of Proposal: Financial Impact of Proposal Required. The bowling program we propose has operated for seven seasons with funds generated by team booster clubs. The expectation is that this funding method would continue with NSAA recognition. Additionally, there is no maintenance or facility fee and there are no fees for referees or officials as none exist in the sport. Financial impact on the NSAA would be as follows: District and State Awards for Boys and Girls Competition \$2,500 Bowling Fees for State Championships for Boys and Girls \$2,500-\$10,000* Reimbursement Fees for District and State events TBD NSAA Revenue – Admission fees could be charged for district and state competition. NSAA Expense – Catastrophic insurance premium, taken from 8% of the gross gate receipts from admission charged at district and state events. *Cost variance due to additional lanes for TV arena (estimated). Here is a breakdown of the costs for fielding a bowling team with seven players for twelve weeks of competition and practice: Costs for One Team Costs for Boys and Girls Teams Uniforms \$150 Uniforms \$300 Equipment* \$200 Equipment* \$400 Transportation ** \$2,500 Transportation ** \$2,500 Lineage Fees*** \$0 Lineage Fees*** \$0 Coaching**** \$2,000 – \$4,000 Coaching**** \$2,000 – \$8,000 Total \$4,850 – \$8,850 Total for Boys and Girls Teams - \$5,200 – \$15,200 *Each bowling center has equipment available—free of charge—for any student athlete that requires it. The equipment costs are primarily for teaching and training aids. **Boys and Girls teams compete at the same time and venue minimizing transportation costs. Meets are scheduled on Saturday in a double-dual format. Four schools are present, each team bowling two duals during the afternoon. ***The schools will not be charged a lineage amount, as the bowling centers will be responsible to work with the school booster clubs to offset the lineage cost with fundraising. ****A salary range is offered because a coach may also be assigned for both teams if so desired. It is also possible a non-district employee, with proper NSEA coaching credentials, may be hired.

Will this proposal impact cost to the School? YES

Will this proposal impact cost to the NSAA? YES

Will this proposal increase travel for the participating schools? YES

Will this proposal impact a student or coach's loss of instruction time? YES

Rationale for the proposed change:

PROS:

1. During the 2016-2017 season, 86% of participants in Nebraska High School Bowling Federation (NHSBF) competition were not involved in ANY other varsity sport activity at their school. Bowling provides an opportunity to connect schools with students otherwise not involved in extracurricular activities.

2. Bowling provides opportunities for athletic competition for students who may not have the ability to compete in other sports. Students are able to be highly competitive regardless of age, size, strength, or gender limitations.

- 3. No officials are needed for oversight.
- 4. Bowling proprietors across the state—as part of the Nebraska State Bowling Proprietors Association (NSBPA)—have agreed there will be no alcohol consumption allowed on the bowling center concourse during sanctioned high school competition. A signed agreement by the NSBPA is available upon request.
- 5. There are currently 32 states that offer high school varsity bowling, including neighboring states of Iowa and Kansas.

CONS: Cost to schools

PROPOSED IMPLEMENTATION DATE: 2018-2019 School year

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C. The proposal deals with: Yearbook: Article 4 & 6 Section: Sections 4.3.2, 4.5.3, 6.1.2, 6.3.2 Page: 51 & 54

Activities Manual: Speech & Debate Page: 3

The section/paragraph/sentence indicates what is to be added/deleted/changed to the current Bylaw/Approved Ruling. ADDITIONS are in all capital letters.

YEARBOOK: ... participating in ~~the National Speech Tournament~~ NATIONAL SPEECH/DEBATE TOURNAMENTS SANCTIONED AND APPROVED BY THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF SECONDARY SCHOOL PRINCIPALS... (this phrase appears 11 times in the Yearbook locations listed above)

MANUAL: The limitations do not preclude participation by a school or its students in ~~the National Speech Tournament~~ NATIONAL SPEECH/DEBATE TOURNAMENTS SANCTIONED AND APPROVED BY THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF SECONDARY SCHOOL PRINCIPALS as permitted by NSAA Bylaws...

Will this proposal impact cost to the School? NO

Will this proposal impact cost to the NSAA? NO

Will this proposal increase travel for the participating schools? NO

Will this proposal impact a student or coach's loss of instruction time? NO

Rationale for the proposed change:

PROS: This proposal is one of a clerical nature, meant to update the bylaws for two reasons:

1 – When originally drafted, there was only one national tournament, sponsored by the National Forensic League (NFL). There are now three competitions recognized throughout the country as bona fide national tournaments – the National Catholic Forensic League (NCFL) Grand National Tournament, the National Individual Events Tournament of Champions (NIETOC) and the National Speech and Debate Association (NSDA-formerly NFL) National Tournament. These tournaments occur at different times, offer different events and have different qualifying procedures, which is why some teams choose to attend one over the others or decide to compete in more than one.

2 – This proposal brings the wording of these bylaws regarding national competition into alignment with those regarding interstate competitions (4.4.2 and 6.2.2) which permit participation in tournaments that have received the approval of the National Association of Secondary School Principals (NASSP). All three of the national competitions listed above are sanctioned and approved by the NASSP on an annual basis.

CONS: None

PROPOSED IMPLEMENTATION DATE: 2018-19 SCHOOL YEAR

Representative Assembly Vote			Representative Assembly Vote		
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D. The proposal deals with: Yearbook: Article 5 Section: 6.2.1 Page: 28

Activities Manual: Play Production Page: 7-8

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CURRENT WORDING

Manual: Classification and District Assignments.

1. Only those schools submitting the play production registration fee to the NSAA are assigned to districts.
2. ~~The 32 largest registered schools were placed in Class A, the next 48 in Class B, the remaining schools divided as evenly as possible.~~
3. ~~Class A schools have been divided into four THREE districts.~~
4. Classes B, C1, C2, D1 and D2 schools have been divided into six districts.
5. ~~The top ranked play in each district contest will qualify for the state championship.~~

Bylaw 5.6.2.1: The schools in each class will be assigned to districts for competition to qualify for the state contest. ~~The play judged to be the top play in each district will qualify for the State Contest.~~

PROPOSED WORDING (Manual)

CLASS A SHALL CONSIST OF THE LARGEST 24 SCHOOLS WHO REGISTER FOR PLAY PRODUCTION. CLASS B SHALL CONSIST OF THE NEXT 48 LARGEST, AND THE REMAINING SCHOOLS SHALL BE DIVIDED AS EVENLY AS POSSIBLE AMONG CLASSES C1-D2.

IN CLASS A THE DISTRICT CHAMPION AND RUNNER-UP SHALL ADVANCE TO THE STATE CONTEST. IN CLASSES B-D1, THE PLAY JUDGED TO BE THE TOP PLAY IN EACH DISTRICT WILL QUALIFY FOR THE STATE CONTEST.

PROPOSED WORDING (Bylaw 5.6.2.1)

IN CLASS A THE DISTRICT CHAMPION AND RUNNER-UP SHALL ADVANCE TO THE STATE CONTEST. IN CLASSES B-D1, THE PLAY JUDGED TO BE THE TOP PLAY IN EACH DISTRICT WILL QUALIFY FOR THE STATE CONTEST.

Will this proposal impact cost to the School? NO

Will this proposal impact cost to the NSAA? NO

Will this proposal increase travel for the participating schools? YES

Will this proposal impact a student or coach's loss of instruction time? NO

Rationale for the proposed change:

PROS: Reducing the number of districts in Class A would reduce expenditure (awards, judging, hosting, etc.) by eliminating one district contest.

Limiting Class A to the largest 24 registered schools provides a more typical or traditional grouping than exists currently. In Play Production, the range in enrollment in Class A (2017-18) runs from 1892 students to 350. While reducing the number of schools assigned to Class A does not completely eliminate this disparity, it alleviates it and helps to ensure a more "even" playing field for participating schools.

Advancing six schools to the State Contest brings Class A into line with the other five classes, who each send six entries. It is also more equitable and representative of the proportion of students enrolled in Class A.

CONS: Reducing the total number of districts may increase travel for member schools since there will be fewer district hosts/locations.

PROPOSED IMPLEMENTATION DATE: 2018-19 season

Representative Assembly Vote

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E. The proposal deals with: Yearbook: Article 6 Section: 6.3.3 Page: 28

Activities Manual: Speech Page: 6

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CURRENT WORDING (Bylaw)

~~6.6.3.3 Student Limitations. A student may enter and participate in two events.~~

CURRENT WORDING (Speech Manual, pg. 6)

6.6.3.3

~~1. A contestant may enter and participate in two different events in speech for district and state competition. These can be either individual and/or group events.~~

PROPOSED WORDING (Bylaw)

6.6.3.3 STUDENT LIMITATIONS. IN CLASSES A, B, C1 AND C2, A STUDENT MAY ENTER AND PARTICIPATE IN TWO EVENTS. IN CLASSES D1 AND D2 A STUDENT MAY ENTER AND PARTICIPATE IN THREE EVENTS.

PROPOSED WORDING (Speech Manual)

6.6.3.3

1. IN CLASSES A, B, C1 AND C2, A STUDENT MAY ENTER AND PARTICIPATE IN TWO EVENTS. IN CLASSES D1 AND D2 A STUDENT MAY ENTER AND PARTICIPATE IN THREE EVENTS. THESE CAN BE EITHER INDIVIDUAL AND/OR GROUP EVENTS.

Will this proposal impact cost to the School? YES

Will this proposal impact cost to the NSAA? NO

Will this proposal increase travel for the participating schools? NO

Will this proposal impact a student or coach's loss of instruction time? NO

Rationale for the proposed change:

PROS: Coaches in Class D have indicated challenges in filling their district entries/teams.

Increasing the number of events a student may enter will potentially enable schools with smaller enrollments to fill a greater proportion of their allowed (18) entries in the district contest.

CONS: Since district entry fees are based on number of total entries, increasing entries may potentially increase the cost of the district contest per school.

Some coaches have expressed concern that allowing triple-entry might decrease the total number of students participating at district tournaments.

PROPOSED IMPLEMENTATION DATE: 2018-19 season

Representative Assembly Vote

Representative Assembly Vote

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New Business

A.

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B.

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C.

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D.

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