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TO: Superintendents
High School Principals
Athletic/Activities Directors
School Board Presidents

FROM: Billy Strickland, Executive Director

DATE: March 1, 2022

RE: Proposed Bylaw/Policy Amendments— Article 12 Section 10.B

The Alaska School Activities Association (ASAA) Board of Directors proposes to amend Association bylaws at its meeting on April 25-26, 2022. Preceding the amendment is a short explanation of the proposal.

In amending the Bylaws, the Board of Directors will be using the following procedure:

Article 18, Bylaw Amendment, Section 1, Method, states:

“These Bylaws may be amended by a simple majority vote of the Board of Directors sitting in regular session provided that at least 30 days advance notice has been mailed to the general membership.”

Section 2, Effective Date, states:

“Unless otherwise specified, amendments to these Bylaws take effect 30 days after their filing.”

Please review these proposed changes and if you wish, provide written comment by letter or email billy@asaa.org, to the ASAA office prior to the meeting.

Explanation

Currently schools are required to submit a Master Eligibility list using the School Activities Reporting System (SARS) before the first contest of that season. Particularly our smaller schools often do not comply unless they qualify for a state event. Then they often only include the team members qualifying for the state event rather than all those participating in the regular season. To assist these schools, ASAA will contact each district to find out which activities their schools are offering during the current school year.

Proposed Amendment:

Article 12 Section 10.B

B. (ADD) School Districts will be required to provide ASAA a list of each activity anticipated to be offered by their member schools at the beginning of each school year. The Master Eligibility List for each activity must be submitted by the school using the School Activities Reporting System (SARS) before the first contest of that season. For activities that involve only one event, the list must be submitted by the school at least five (5) school days before the contest.

Master eligibility includes students granted transfers and waiver exceptions. Once the school is notified of the exception, schools must enter the student and exception information into the SARS. Contact the ASAA office for questions regarding the SARS.