# DIGEST OF ACTION TAKEN AT THE 2018 LHSAA ANNUAL CONVENTION

January 26, 2018 | Crowne Plaza, Baton Rouge

#### ITEMS PERTAINING TO INDIVIDUAL CLASSIFICATIONS

The following principals were elected to the LHSAA Executive Committee to serve a two-year term beginning January 27, 2018.

CLASS	DISTRICTS	PRINCIPAL	SCHOOL	TERM
5A	5-9	Bruce Bundy	Mandeville	2 YEARS
4A	6-10	Mark Torbert	South Terrebonne	2 YEARS
3A	1-5	Lee Bellard	Church Point	2 YEARS
2A	7-10	Spencer Harris	Springfield	2 YEARS
1A	1-4	Jeffrey Odom	Block	2 YEARS
В	1-3	Rusty Farrar	Simsboro	2 YEARS
С	1-4	Shane Lee	Summerfield	2 YEARS

The following is a summary of action taken on business agenda items.

#### I. ITEMS PERTAINING TO ELIGIBILITY - TABLED FOR ONE CALENDAR YEAR

Item	Page(s)	Subject	Action Taken/Remarks
		Amend Section 1 - Eligibility, by amending Rule 1.10.13 of the 2017-18 LHSAA By-Laws to be worded as follows:	
1	3	<b>1.10.13</b> Special education students not-working toward a high school diploma Career Diploma for LAA1: Special education students identified and placed according to state regulations, by virtue of the design of their IEP, who may or may not earn the necessary Carnegie units, shall meet the following requirements: (These are the current students who are alternatively assessed and classified as LAAI and LAA2 under Louisiana Connect.) A statement of assurance form shall be completed on each special education student who is not working toward a high school diploma whose exiting pathway falls under Jump Start Alternate Pathway (Louisiana Connect.)	SUSPEND THE RULE TO TAKE OFF THE TABLE YES - 282 NO - 49 <u>PASSED</u> YES - 320 NO - 12

2	4	<ul> <li>Amend Section 1 - Eligibility, by creating new Rule 1.12.2.4 of the 2017-18 LHSAA By-Laws to be worded as follows:</li> <li>1.12.2 <u>4</u>. <u>A student in any parish with open enrollment will be granted</u> <u>a "One Time" Administrative Move for athletic eligibility if the student's</u> parent(s) or legal guardian completes a bona fide move (or not) from the original residence to another residence within the same parish due to a life changing event such as, but not limited to one or more of the following reasons: divorce, legal separation, job change, incarceration of a parent or child abuse.</li> </ul>	<u>SUSPEND THE RULE TO</u> <u>TAKE OFF THE TABLE</u> YES - 208 NO - 121 <u>FAILED</u>
3	5	<ul> <li>Amend Section 1 - Eligibility, by amending Rule 1.22.1 of the 2017-18 LHSAA By-Laws to be worded as follows:</li> <li>1.22.1 3. Once a seventh (7th) and/or eighth (8th) grade student is registered and submitted on the Members' Only website, the student shall have established eligibility at that member school and has made his/her school of first choice and shall not get another choice upon entering high school and a subsequent transfer to another member school without a corresponding bona fide move shall cause the student to become ineligible until he/she has been in attendance at the school for one calendar year. There shall be no exceptions to this rule. The school shall have on file a written statement signed by one or both parents that the above rule has</li> </ul>	<u>ITEM STAYS ON TABLE</u>
4	6	<ul> <li>Amend Section 1 - Eligibility, by amending Rule 1.26.2 of the 2017-18 LHSAA By-Laws to be worded as follows:</li> <li>1.26.2 The Executive Director and/or Hardship Committee shall have the authority to set aside the effect of any eligibility rule on a student-athlete when, in his or the Committee's opinion, the rule fails to accomplish the purpose for which it was intended or when the rule causes an undue hardship on the student with the exception of the eligibility rules regarding the age rule, proof of age rule, undue influence rule, amateur rule, independent teams rule, medical examination, and/or interscholastic competition for boys and girls rule which shall only be appealable to the Executive Committee.</li> </ul>	<u>ITEM STAYS ON TABLE</u>
5	6	<ul> <li>Amend Article 4 - Executive Committee, by amending Rule 4.4.6 of the 2017-2018 Constitution, to be worded as follows:</li> <li>4.4.6 When such appeals are heard, it is the Committee's duty to determine whether the Executive Director correctly found the facts; determine whether the Executive Director correctly interpreted the Constitution and/or Bylaws of the Association and if not, make its own interpretation determine whether the Executive Director correctly applied the Constitutional and/or Bylaw provisions to the facts of the case. The Executive Committee shall have the authority to set aside the effect of any eligibility rule on a student-athlete specifically listed in Rule 1.26.2 regarding the age rule, proof-of-age rule, undue influence rule, amateur rule, independent teams rule, medical examination, and/or interscholastic competition for boys and girls rule which shall only be appealable to the Executive Committee.</li> </ul>	<u>ITEM STAYS ON TABLE</u>

		Amend Section 14 – Football, by creating Rule 14.21.1 of the 2017-18 LHSAA By-Laws to be worded as follows:	
6	7	<b>14.21.1</b> Players will not be allowed to practice or participate with non- scholastic 7 on 7 organizations or teams or participate in tournaments with non-scholastic based teams at any time during the calendar year. This does not restrict athletes from participating in any 7 on 7 tournaments or contests with their school team. Any student-athlete found in violation of this rule may be declared ineligible for interscholastic athletic participation in the sport of football for at least one contest and/or may be declared ineligible for interscholastic athletic participation in the sport of football not to exceed one calendar year.	<u>ITEM STAYS ON TABLE</u>

## II. ITEMS PERTAINING TO ELIGIBILITY - TABLED 2016-2017 - VOTED ON IN 2018

Item	Page(s)	Subject	Action Taken/Remarks
1	8	<ul> <li>Amend Section 1 - Eligibility, by amending Rule 1.6 of the 2017-18 LHSAA By-Laws to be worded as follows:</li> <li>1.6 AGE AND ENTRY REQUIREMENTS - A student becomes ineligible for interscholastic athletic participation if he/she has reached his/her 19<sup>th</sup> birthday before September 1 August 1 of that school year. If he/she becomes 19 on or after September 1 August 1, he/she is eligible for the remainder of the school year, if he/she meets all other eligibility rules. The principal shall have on file at all time's sufficient evidence of the legal birth of each student-athlete and evidence of the student's entry into the 9<sup>th</sup>grade. Proof of birth shall be available to the LHSAA within 24 hours, if requested. Evidence of legal birth date shall be established by one of the following:</li> </ul>	<u>PASSED</u> YES - 195 NO - 142
2	9	<ul> <li>Amend Section 1 - Eligibility, by rewording Rule 1.12.3.3 of the 2017-18 LHSAA By-Laws to be worded as follows:</li> <li>1.12.3 Administrative Transfers: The LHSAA shall not honor school-system approved administrative transfers that are granted for the following reasons:</li> <li>3. To a student attending a school located outside of his/her home attendance zone because of academic reasons or because a specific course(s) is not offered at the school in his/her home attendance zone. A transfer to a magnet school, a school with a magnet program, or a school which offers specific courses to fulfill graduation pathway requirements, or Recovery School District (RSD) public high schools shall be an exception to this rule, if the transfer meets the requirements outlined in Rule 1.19.</li> </ul>	<u>WITHDRAWN BY AUTHOR</u>

## III. ITEMS PERTAINING TO THE CONSTITUTION

Item	Page(s)	Subject	Action Taken/Remarks
1	10	<ul> <li>Amend Article 2 - Purpose, by amending Rule 2.1 of the 2017-2018 Constitution, to be worded as follows:</li> <li>2.1 The mission of the Louisiana High School Athletic Association (LHSAA) is to serve its member schools by providing unified and equitable administrative leadership within the realm of education-based athletics, founded on core values that foster the ideals of respect, responsibility, citizenship, and academic development for our student- athletes. The LHSAA strives to fortify the integrity of its member schools, across the state, by promoting the concepts of sportsmanship, integrity, excellence in academics and life-long values as the principle foundations of Louisiana athletics.</li> </ul>	<u>PASSED</u> YES - 309 NO - 21
2	10	<ul> <li>Amend Article 4 - Executive Committee, by amending Rule 4.4.4 of the 2017-2018 Constitution, to be worded as follows:</li> <li>4.4.4 The actions of the officers and director of the Louisiana High School Athletic Association for the 2015-16 2016-17 calendar year are hereby ratified and adopted.</li> </ul>	<u>PASSED</u> YES - 328 NO - 8
3	10	<ul> <li>Amend Article 4 - Executive Committee, by amending Rule 4.4.6 of the 2017-2018 Constitution, to be worded as follows:</li> <li>4.4.6 1. To consider an appeal, the request must be made in writing within 15 5 days from the date of the ruling.</li> <li>2. At least 24-hours' notice shall be given to the school prior to its appeal being heard by the Committee</li> <li>3. No member of the Executive Committee shall serve on the Committee if a case involves his/her school or parish. The decision of the Executive Committee is final. Executive Committee's decision on a ruling regarding eligibility will become final 15-5 days after the ruling unless, within those 15 5 days, the school applies for third party arbitration.</li> </ul>	<u>FAILED</u> YES - 91 NO - 247
4	11	Amend Article 4 - Executive Committee, by creating Rule 4.4.10 of the 2017-2018 Constitution, to be worded as follows:4.4.10All assistant executive directors, director of finance, director of technology, director of communications and media relation, director of marketing and future director and supervising roles that may be established are required to have approval of the executive committee by a simple majority before employment.	<u>FAILED</u> YES - 199 NO - 129
5	11	Amend Article 4 - Executive Committee, by amending Rule 4.4.11 of the 2017-2018 Constitution, to be worded as follows:4.4.11Any new position, removal of a position or change of a title or position of an employee are required to have approval of the executive committee by a simple majority.	<u>PASSED AS AMENDED</u> <u>(EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY)</u> YES - 235 NO - 99

6	12	<ul> <li>Amend Article 8 - Classification, by amending Article 8.7.1 of the 2017-18 LHSAA Constitution to be worded as follows:</li> <li>8.7.1 Once classified, a school may choose to compete for championship honors in any classification higher than that based on its October 1 enrollment certified to the LHSAA under the guidelines of Article 8.3-Enrollment Calculation. If a school chooses to compete for championship honors in any higher classification, it must do so in all sports. At this time the school must list which sports it intends to play up. Any sport that is not listed, or any sport that is added during the next two years will play in the assigned classification. The declaration shall apply for the two-year classification intervals. The school shall make a written request to play in a higher classification no later than 12:00 noon on the day of the first classification meeting.</li> </ul>	<u>FAILED</u> YES - 124 NO - 212
7	13	<ul> <li>Amend Article 8 - Classification, by amending Article 8.7.4 of the 2017-18 LHSAA Constitution to be worded as follows:</li> <li>8.7.4 Schools Competing in Football: <ol> <li>Football schools shall be divided into five equal or nearly equal classes. This will be done by taking all non-select football playing schools and making the five classes. Once these classes are made, select schools will be placed back into class depending on their enrollment figure. Classes do not have to have equal amounts of teams.</li> <li>Counting to achieve equal fifths shall begin with the lowest and end with the highest football school enrollment of non-select schools.</li> </ol> </li> </ul>	<u>FAILED</u> YES - 202 NO - 131
8	14	<ul> <li>Amend Article 8 - Classification, by amending Article 8.7.4 of the 2017-18 LHSAA Constitution to be worded as follows:</li> <li>8.2.1 Classification and districting shall be changed in even years to become effective in odd years.</li> <li>8.2.2 Changes in classification and districting shall be made at regular two year four-year intervals.</li> <li>8.7.1 Once classified, a school may choose to compete for championship honors in any classification higher than that based on its October 1 enrollment certified to the LHSAA under the guidelines of Article 8.3-Enrollment Calculation. If a school chooses to compete for championship honors in any higher classification, it must do so in all sports. The declaration shall apply for the two year four-year intervals. The school shall make a written request to play in a higher classification no later than 12:00 noon on the day of the first classification meeting.</li> <li>8.7.3 Schools that compete in football shall be classified every two four years according to the one-fifth principle for each class.</li> </ul>	<u>FAILED</u> YES - 56 NO - 278
9	15	Amend Article 9 - Finances, by amending Article 9.1.5 of the 2017-18         LHSAA Constitution to be worded as follows:         9.1.5 Entry Fees for Other State Championship Events (Fees are payable by school check to the LHSAA)         SPORT       FEE         Bowling       \$30 40 per team	<u>PASSED AS AMENDED</u> (STRIKE "EFFECTIVE <u>IMMEDIATELY")</u> YES - 61 NO - 26

10	16	Amend Article 9 - Finances, by deleting Article 9.2.1 and renumbering subsequent articles of the 2017-18 LHSAA Constitution to be worded as follows: 9.2.1 Building Dues: A new school joining the Association shall be required to pay \$1,500 in building dues. Building dues are due September 1 and are delinquent after November 1. Schools failing to paybuilding fund dues by this date shall pay a ten percent penalty. *A school may pay its dues in one payment or annually over a three year period.	<u>FAILED</u> YES - 107 NO - 228
11	16	Amend Article 9 - Finances, by deleting Article 9.2.2 and renumbering subsequent articles of the 2017-18 LHSAA Constitution to be worded as follows: 9.2.2 LHSAA/LHSCA Pass Processing Fee: \$5.00 per card fee shall be assessed each school for each LHSAA/LHSCA card issued.	<u>FAILED</u> YES - 175 NO - 155

### IV. <u>ITEMS INTRODUCED TO ENTIRE ASSOCIATION PERTAINING TO THE BY-LAWS OF THE LHSAA THAT</u> <u>WERE VOTED ON IF AUTHOR(S) WERE PRESENT</u>

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1	17	<ul> <li>Amend Section 3 - Administration, by amending Rule 3.4.6 of the 2017-18 LHSAA By-Laws to be worded as follows:</li> <li>3.4.6 A school shall be limited to four non-faculty coaches per sport excluding football and limited to 5 non-faculty coaches in football. A school will be limited to not more than 24 non-faculty coaches per school year unless the school has 5 non-faculty football coaches and then they will be limited to not more than 25 non-faculty coaches for the year.</li> </ul>	<u>PASSED</u> YES - 204 NO - 61
2	18	Amend Section 5 - Penalty Code, by creating new Rule 5.10.4 of the 2017-18         LHSAA By-Laws to be worded as follows:         5.10.4       If a LHSAA ruling requires the forfeiture of a football contest during the regular season and that forfeiture is an away game, then the forfeiting school shall be required to honor the opponent's home game that following season. If the honoring of that contest is not possible, then the forfeiting school shall pay the following penalty to the opponent that has not lost the home contest:         5A - \$5,000.00         4A - \$4,000.00         3A - \$3,000.00         1A - \$1,000.00	<u>PASSED</u> YES - 165 NO - 91
3	18	Amend Section 5 - Penalty Code, by amending Rule 5.11.14 of the 2017-18 LHSAA By-Laws to be worded as follows: 5.11.14 School failing to report all mandatory information, forms and/or reports as required by the deadline date: <u>3. The school shall be fined \$1,000 (not to exceed \$5,000) for not declaring to</u> <u>play football and fielding a team.</u>	<u>PASSED</u> YES - 235 NO - 96
4	19	<ul> <li>Amend Section 6 - Athletic Contests, by amending Rule 6.2.1 of the 2017-18 LHSAA By-Laws to be worded as follows:</li> <li>6.2.1 LHSAA schools shall be allowed to compete against only the following schools in interscholastic athletic scrimmages, jamborees, invitational tournaments, and/or regular contests:</li> <li>1. LHSAA member schools</li> <li>2. Schools that have officially applied for membership in the LHSAA</li> <li>3. Junior high schools (schools that do not have a 12<sup>th</sup> grade)</li> <li>4. Non-member Louisiana state recovery high schools operated under the jurisdiction of BESE.</li> </ul>	<u>PASSED</u> YES - 251 NO - 74

5	19	<ul> <li>Amend Section 6 - Athletic Contests, by amending Rule 6.12.2 of the 2017-18 LHSAA By-Laws to be worded as follows:</li> <li>6.12.2 <u>Reporting Weekly Contest Results Online</u>: Beginning with the <u>first playing date of the season</u> in the sports of baseball, basketball, football, soccer, softball, and volleyball, the <u>winning school's home team</u> principal or his/her designee shall be required to enter the results of all contests, including tournament games, online no later than 12:00 a.m. on the day the contest is played. Additionally, in the sport of football, the <u>winning school's LHSAA member school's</u> principal or his/her designee shall report the results of an outof-state contest or an open date by the established deadline. Unless disputed by 10:00 p.m. on each <u>Tuesday-Monday</u> of each week, the results will stand as posted. In the sport of football, on the tenth playing date, disputes shall be submitted by 10:00 p.m. on that Saturday, or the results will stand as posted. Failure by the <u>winning school home team</u> to submit game results or reporting incorrect game results shall result in the <u>winning school home team</u> being fined \$50 for each weekly report not submitted or reported incorrectly to the LHSAA by the established deadline.</li> </ul>	<u>PASSED</u> YES - 257 NO - 70
6	20	<ul> <li>Amend Section 6 - Athletic Contests, by amending Rule 6.23.1 of the 2017-18 LHSAA By-Laws to be worded as follows:</li> <li>6.23.1 Artificial noisemakers, including, but not limited to, such items as bells, horns, drums, jam boxes, amplifiers, and/or megaphones, shall be prohibited in any indoor or outdoor facility while an interscholastic contest is being played. Artificial noisemakers do not include items providing warm up or walk-up music under the team(s) supervision or instruments used by an organized stage or pep band if approved by the host principal/administration. Authorized pep bands, or any music, shall not be permitted to play at any time and in any manner while the ball is "alive." Pep bands and/or music would be allowed at regular season and playoff games under the following circumstances:</li> <li>The principal/administration reviews the content</li> <li>Only music that does not contain profanity and/or sexual innuendo shall be played</li> <li>The volume level shall be at a level that does not cause displeasure to spectators.</li> <li>The principal/administration shall be responsible to the Executive Committee in the event inappropriate music is allowed to be played</li> </ul>	<u>AUTHOR NOT PRESENT</u>
7	21	<ul> <li>Amend Section 8 - Contest Officiating, by amending Rule 8.6.7 of the 2017-18 LHSAA By-Laws to be worded as follows:</li> <li>8.6.7 It shall be the participating schools' responsibility not the LHSAA's to secure officials for playoff games in the following sports:</li> <li>1. Soccer (all rounds, except applicable tournaments)</li> <li>2. Track and field (district and regional meets)</li> <li>3. Volleyball (all rounds, except applicable tournaments)</li> <li>4. Baseball (all rounds, except applicable tournaments)</li> </ul>	<u>FAILED</u> YES - 113 NO - 185

8	22	Amend Section 10 - Baseball, by amending Rule 10.1 of the 2017-18 LHSAA         By-Laws to be worded as follows:         10.1       IMPORTANT DATES         Regional Round Deadline (Divisions IV and V)         Regional Round Deadline (Classes 5A, 4A, 3A and 2A and Divisions I, II, III and         Quarterfinal Deadline (Classes 5A, 4A 3A and 2A and Divisions I, II, III and IV)         Quarterfinal Deadline (Classes 1A, B, & C and Divisions IV and V)	<u>ITEM PASSED</u> <u>AUTOMATICALLY AFTER</u> <u>ITEM 20 PASSED</u>
9	23	Amend Section 10 - Baseball, by amending Rule 10.1 of the 2017-18 LHSAA         By-Laws to be worded as follows:         10.1       IMPORTANT DATES         End of Regular Season/District Representatives Named (All Classes)_(Classes 4 3A, 2A, 1A and Divisions I, II, III,IV)         Thursday, April 19, 2018       42nd         End of Regular Season/District	MOOT
10	24	<ul> <li>Amend Section 10 - Baseball, by amending Rule 10.2.1 #2 of the 2017-18 LHSAA By-Laws to be worded as follows:</li> <li>10.2.1 Pre-Season:</li> <li>2. Between the 22<sup>nd</sup> week and the 24<sup>th</sup> week of the NFHS calendar, a school shall be permitted a one week a pre-season evaluation period. The evaluation period shall run from Sunday through Saturday and the Monday of the 22<sup>nd</sup> week to the Friday of the 24<sup>th</sup> week and is limited to only 20 hours of coach/student-athlete contact during that period. There is no restriction on the type of baseball equipment that can be used during the evaluation period. An interschool scrimmage is not allowed during the evaluation period. Under no circumstances, including inclement weather, shall there be an extension of the evaluation period.</li> </ul>	<u>PASSED</u> YES - 265 NO - 35

11	25	<ul> <li>Amend Section 10 - Baseball, by amending Rules 10.2.2 and 10.2.4 of the 2017-18 LHSAA By-Laws to be worded as follows:</li> <li>10.2.2 Season: <ol> <li>A team shall be limited to 34 games per regular season in any combination of games and tournaments keeping the 4 tournaments per season limit (10.2.4).regular season games and tournament games.</li> </ol> </li> <li>10.2.4 Tournaments: <ol> <li>A team shall be limited to four tournaments in a season.</li> <li>A team shall be limited to four games in a tournament, including out of state events.</li> <li>No tournament shall begin prior to Thursday of any week except during a holiday period when school is not in session. To compete in a tournament that begins prior to Thursday, the school shall be out of school because of a holiday period.</li> <li>There shall be no limit to the number of tournaments a team can play as long as the 34 game limit for the regular season is not exceeded.</li> </ol> </li> </ul>	<u>PASSED AS AMENDED</u> <u>(EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY)</u> YES - 276 NO - 21
12	26	<ul> <li>Amend Section 10 – Baseball, by amending Rules 10.3, 10.3.1, 10.3.2, 10.3.3, 10.3.3.1 and 10.3.3.2 of the 2017-18 LHSAA By-Laws to be worded as follows:</li> <li>10.3 GENERAL - Schools shall compete in Classes 5A, 4A, 3A, 2A, 1A, B and C and shall compete in districts as adopted by the LHSAA Executive Committee. The schools in each district shall consist of both select and non-select admission schools.</li> <li>10.3.1 Effective for the 2016-2017 season and thereafter, for the sport of baseball, schools shall be sub-divided into select admission and non-select admission schools for playoff competition.</li> </ul>	<u>FAILED</u> YES - 98 NO - 203
13	27	Amend Section 10 – Baseball, by amending 10.3.3.1 to add new sub-article of the 2017-18 LHSAA By-Laws to be worded as follows: 10.3.3.1 <u>1. For playoff competition, schools that are classified as non-select but have</u> registered a student or students through the online registration system as "not" living in school's athletic attendance zone shall compete in the select playoff bracket.	<u>WITHDRAWN BY AUTHOR</u>

14	27	<ul> <li>Amend Section 10 - Baseball, by amending Rule 10.3.3.4 of the 2017-18 LHSAA By-Laws to be worded as follows:</li> <li>10.3.3.4 Only an assigned baseball coach and/or player shall coach from a coach's box. A coach shall not be required to dress in a uniform or wear a helmet. All first and third base coaches shall be required to wear protective coaching helmets for all LHSAA sanctioned competitions including scrimmages, jamborees, tournaments, non-district, district, and playoff competition.</li> </ul>	<u>PASSED AS AMENDED</u> <u>(EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY)</u> YES - 172 NO - 112
15	28	<ul> <li>Amend Section 10 - Baseball, by amending Rule 10.9 of the 2017-18 LHSAA By-Laws to be worded as follows:</li> <li>10.9 SEEDING THE BRACKET - In Classes 5A, 4A, 3A, 2A, 1A and B, all teams shall be seeded (1-32) according to their power rating. In Class C, all teams shall be seeded (1-16) according to their power rating. In Divisions I, II, III, IV and V, all teams shall be seeded (1-16) according to their power rating and subsequently seeded (1-8) according to teams' regional proximity. Division II will recognize East and West Regions.</li> <li>10.9.1 Teams in Division II will be divided into two (2) Regions (East and West). The teams shall be divided according to regional proximity and are listed as follows:</li> </ul>	WITHDRAWN BY AUTHOR
16	29	<ul> <li>Amend Section 10 - Baseball, by amending Rule 10.10.2 of the 2017-18 LHSAA By-Laws to be worded as follows:</li> <li>10.10.2 Contests played against out of state opponents, sub-varsity opponents and district playoff (tie-breaker) games shall not count in determining a school's power rating.</li> </ul>	<u>PASSED</u> YES - 204 NO - 85
17	30	<ul> <li>Amend Section 10 - Baseball, by creating new Rules 10.10.2 and 10.10.3 and renumbering subsequent articles of the 2017-18 LHSAA By-Laws to be worded as follows:</li> <li>10.10.2 When a team's opponent is an out-of-state team, the classification of the out-of-state team shall all be weighted equally. There will be no play up points factored into an out-of-state opponent. When a school plays an out-of-state school that has any games on its schedule after the LHSAA's final playing date, those games shall not be used in determining the school's power ranking.</li> <li>1. When a school plays an out-of-state school all contests played that count on their regular season record shall be used to calculate a school's power ranking.</li> <li>2. If an out-of-state opponent plays more than 34 regular season games by the time of the LHSAA's final playing date, only the results of the first 34 games played shall be applied in the LHSAA's Wild-Card Program.</li> <li>10.10.3 Contests played against sub-varsity opponents and district playoff (tie breaker) matches shall not count in determining the school's power rating.</li> </ul>	<u>PASSED</u> YES - 211 NO - 66

18	31	Amend Section 10 - Baseball, by amending Rule 10.11.1 of the 2017-18 LHSAA By-Laws to be worded as follows:ITEM PASSE AUTOMATICALLY ITEM PASSE MUTOMATICALLY ITEM 20 PASS10.11.1 All playoff games shall be played on a "home and away" basis through the quarterfinal round for Classes 1A, B, C and Divisions IV and V. All playoff games shall be played on a "home and away" basis through the second round for Classes 5A, 4A, 3A, 2A and Divisions I, II and III and IV.ITEM PASSE ITEM PASSE ITEM 20 PASS	
19	32	<ul> <li>Amend Section 10 - Baseball, by deleting existing Rule 10.11.2 and replacing with new rule of the 2017-18 LHSAA By-Laws to be worded as follows:</li> <li>10.11.2 In all rounds of playoff games, the officials' association shall be assigned by the LHSAA Director of Officials. mutual agreement of the participating schools.</li> </ul>	WITHDRAWN BY AUTHOR
20	33	<ul> <li>Amend Section 10 - Baseball, by amending Rule 10.11.4 of the 2017-18 LHSAA By-Laws to be worded as follows:</li> <li>10.11.4 6. In Classes 5A, 4A, 3A, 2A and Divisions I, II, III and IV in the rounds of play that are decided by a best two out of three series, the following guide-lines shall apply:</li> </ul>	<u>PASSED</u> YES - 24 NO - 5
21	34	<ul> <li>Amend Section 10 - Baseball, by amending Rule 10.11.5 of the 2017-18 LHSAA By-Laws to be worded as follows:</li> <li>10.11.5 The playoff system for Classes 5A, 4A, 3A and 2A and Divisions I, II, III and IV shall be as follows:</li> </ul>	ITEM PASSED AUTOMATICALLY AFTER ITEM 20 PASSED
22	35	<ul> <li>Amend Section 10 - Baseball, by amending Rule 10.11.5 and 10.11.6 of the 2017-18 LHSAA By-Laws to be worded as follows:</li> <li>10.11.5 The playoff system for Classes 5A, 4A, 3A and 2A and Divisions I, II, and III shall be as follows:</li> <li>10.11.6 The playoff system for Class 5A shall be as follows:</li> <li>1. Bi-District Round - Best two out of three series at home field of the higher seeded team as determined under Rule 10.10, Power Ranking, in this section.</li> <li>2. Regional Round - Best two out of three series at the home field of the higher seeded team</li> <li>3. Quarterfinal Round - Best two out of three series at the home field of the higher seeded team.</li> <li>4. Quarterfinal winners shall play for the state championship in a single-elimination tournament at a site to be determined by the Executive Committee.</li> </ul>	<u>FAILED</u> YES - 32 NO - 118

23	36	Amend Section 11 - Basketball, by amending Rule 11.4.2 of the 2017-18         LHSAA By-Laws to be worded as follows:         11.4.2         RESULT OF CONTEST       ADD         Win (5 points)       Same Class         Higher Class       Add 2 points for each class up         Lower Class       N/A	<u>PASSED</u> YES - 236 NO - 84
		Loss (0 points)Same ClassN/AHigher ClassAdd 2 points for each class upLower ClassN/A	
24	37	<ul> <li>Amend Section 11 – Basketball, by amending Rules 11.3, 11.3.1, 11.3.2 and 11.3.3 of the 2017-18 LHSAA By-Laws to be worded as follows:</li> <li>11.3 GENERAL - Schools shall compete in Classes 5A, 4A, 3A, 2A, 1A, B and C and Divisions I, II, II and IV and shall compete in districts as adopted by the LHSAA Executive Committee. The schools in each district shall consist of both select and non-select admission schools.</li> <li>11.3.1 Effective for the 2016-2017 season and thereafter, for the sports of girls' and boys' basketball, schools shall be sub-divided into select admission and non-select admission schools for playoff competition.</li> </ul>	<u>FAILED</u> YES - 120 NO - 205
25	38	Amend Section 11 – Basketball, by amending 11.3.3 to add new sub-article of the 2017-18 LHSAA By-Laws to be worded as follows: 11.3.3 <u>1. For playoff competition, schools that are classified as non-select but have</u> registered a student or students through the online registration system as "not" <u>living in school's athletic attendance zone shall compete in the select playoff</u> <u>bracket.</u>	WITHDRAWN BY AUTHOR
26	38	<ul> <li>Amend Section 11 - Basketball, by amending Rule 11.4.2 of the 2017-18 LHSAA By-Laws to be worded as follows:</li> <li>11.3 Contests played against out of state opponents, sub-varsity opponents, Hall of Fame games, and district playoff (tie-breaker) games shall not count in determining a school's power rating.</li> </ul>	<u>PASSED</u> YES - 229 NO - 95
27	39	<ul> <li>Amend Section 11 – Basketball, by amending Rules 11.7.2 and 11.7.3 of the 2017-18 LHSAA By-Laws to be worded as follows:</li> <li>11.7.2 Beginning with the 2013-14 school year, girls' basketball teams in all classifications and divisions shall compete for state championship honors in their own separate state tournament. The tournament shall be conducted during the 35th week of the NFHS calendar and one week prior to the boys' basketball championship tournament.</li> </ul>	<u>PASSED</u> YES - 208 NO - 108

28	40	Amend Section 12 - Bowling, by amending Rule 12.4.1 of the 2017-18 LHSAA By-Laws to be worded as follows: 12.4.1 The following formula shall be used to determine the number of teams that shall qualify from the regional tournament to the bi-regional tournament, if applicable:	PASSED YES - 74 NO - 3
29	41	Amend Section 12 - Bowling, by amending Rule 12.4.2 of the 2017-18 LHSAA         By-Laws to be worded as follows:         12.4.2 Regional brackets will have highest seed(6) playing the lowest seed (1 vs.         8, 2 vs. 7). Play shall continue until bi-regional teams have been selected.         State Tournament Team Power Ranking determination:         Win – 10 points plus 1.0 point for all wins by the opponent         Loss - 0 points plus .50 point for all wins by the opponent         Ties - 5 points plus .75 point for all wins by the opponent	<u>PASSED</u> YES - 76 NO - 2
30	42	All teams must play a minimum of ten matches to qualify.         Amend Section 12 - Bowling, by amending Rule 12.4.4 of the 2017-18 LHSAA         By-Laws to be worded as follows:         12.4.4 Sites for the regional, bi regional, and state tournaments shall be secured by the state tournament director with approval of the Executive Director. The playoff sites for the 2017 2018 boys' and girls' state championship shall be:	PASSED YES - 73 NO - 2
31	43	Amend Section 12 - Bowling, by amending Rule 12.5.6 of the 2017-18 LHSAA By-Laws to be worded as follows:12.5.6All school(s) declaring to enter teams in the boys' state championship competition and/or girls' state championship competition shall file an official LHSAA entry form(s) with the Executive Director's office and the state tournament director by the 37th week of the NFHS calendar. The entry blank(s) shall be postmarked no later than the date listed in Rule 12.1, Important Dates, in this section and shall be accompanied by a \$30 \$40 entry fee per team, per sport. If a school fails to meet the entry deadline, it shall be allowed to file a delinquent entry form accompanied by a \$100 fine for each delinquent form if postmarked no later than the date listed in Rule 12.1, Important Dates. After that date, no entry forms shall be accepted.	<u>MOOT</u>
32	44	Amend Section 14 - Football, by deleting 14.3.1 and replacing with new rule of the 2017-18 LHSAA By-Laws to be worded as follows:14.3.1Schools shall compete in Classes 5A, 4A, 3A, 2A, and 1A and shall compete in districts as adopted by the LHSAA Executive Committee. The schools in each district shall consist of both select and non select admission schools. Football schools shall be sub divided into select admission and non- select admission schools for playoff competition.	<u>FAILED</u> YES - 99 NO - 152

33	45	<ul> <li>Amend Section 14 - Football, by amending rules 14.3.1 and 14.3.2 of the 2017-18 LHSAA By-Laws to be worded as follows:</li> <li>14.13.1 The power rating for each school shall be rounded to the nearest hundredth (two decimal places) and be determined as follows:</li> <li>14.13.2 A team's power rating shall be the result of the contest plus any additional points for playing a larger classification plus opponent's wins divided by the opponent's games played multiplied by 10 to get the total power points of games which is divided by the number of total games played during the regular season rounded to the nearest hundredth (two decimal places). Refer to the LHSAA website for an example of how the power rating is determined.</li> </ul>	<u>PASSED</u> YES - 228 NO - 19
34	45	Amend Section 14 – Football, by amending 14.3.2 to add new sub-article of the 2017-18 LHSAA By-Laws to be worded as follows: 14.3.2 1. For playoff competition, schools that are classified as non-select but have registered a student or students through the online registration system as "not" living in school's athletic attendance zone shall compete in the select playoff bracket.	WITHDRAWN BY AUTHOR
35	46	<ul> <li>Amend Section 14 - Football, by creating new article 14.3.5 and renumbering all subsequent articles of the 2017-18 LHSAA By-Laws to be worded as follows:</li> <li>14.3.5 Schools with enrollment numbers that place them in Classes C, B or A will have the option of declaring to participate as a Class C or B school, depending on their enrollment numbers, or as a Class A non-football school. If the choice is to participate in Class A non-football, schools will be required to follow all rules pertaining to Class A. Class A non-football school will not be able to start basketball until the official start date for Class A.</li> </ul>	<u>PASSED</u> YES - 194 NO - 42
36	47	Amend Section 14 – Football, by creating new Rule 14.17.7 of the 2017-18 LHSAA By-Laws to be worded as follows: <u>14.17.7</u> Teams Participating in the Superdome Classic shall be allowed to use any NFHS authenticated football.	<u>PASSED</u> YES - 245 NO - 12
37	47	<ul> <li>Amend Section 18 - Soccer, by amending Rule 18.5.1 of the 2017-18 LHSAA</li> <li>By-Laws to be worded as follows:</li> <li>18.5.1 The 24 <u>32</u> highest seeded teams shall be placed on the brackets of each division.</li> </ul>	<u>FAILED</u> YES - 66 NO - 110
38	48	Amend Section 18 - Soccer, by amending Rule 18.6.1 of the 2017-18 LHSAABy-Laws to be worded as follows:18.5.1All teams shall be seeded 1-24 1-32 according to their power ranking.	<u>MOOT</u>

39	48	<ul> <li>Amend Section 19 - Softball, by amending Rule 19.2 #2 of the 2017-18 LHSAA By-Laws to be worded as follows:</li> <li>19.2.1 Pre-Season:</li> <li>2. Between the 22<sup>nd</sup> week and the 24<sup>th</sup> week of the NFHS calendar, a school shall be permitted one week a pre-season evaluation period. The evaluation period shall run from Sunday through Saturday and the Monday of the 22<sup>nd</sup> week to the Friday of the 24<sup>th</sup> week and is limited to only 20 hours of coach/student-athlete contact during that period.</li> </ul>	<u>PASSED</u> YES - 247 NO - 26
40	49	<ul> <li>Amend Section 19 - Softball, by amending Rules 19.3, 19.3.1, 19.3.2 and 19.3.3 of the 2017-18 LHSAA By-Laws to be worded as follows:</li> <li>19.3 <u>GENERAL</u> - Schools shall compete in Classes 5A, 4A, 3A, 2A, 1A, B and C and shall compete in districts as adopted by the LHSAA Executive Committee. The schools in each district shall consist of both select and non-select admission schools.</li> <li>19.3.1 Effective for the 2018-2018 season and thereafter, for the sport of softball, schools shall be sub-divided into select admission and non-select admission schools for playoff competition.</li> </ul>	<u>FAILED</u> YES - 91 NO - 188
41	50	<ul> <li>Amend Section 19 - Softball, by amending Rule 19.3.3 of the 2017-18 LHSAA By-Laws to be worded as follows:</li> <li>19.3.3 For playoff competition, schools that are classified as select schools shall compete in five divisions. Schools in Class 5A shall compete in Division I; schools in Classes 4A and 3A shall be combined and compete in Division II; schools in Class 2A shall compete in Division III; schools in Class 2A shall compete in Division III; schools in Class 2A shall compete in Division IV; and classes B and C shall be combined and compete in Division V, three divisions. Select schools shall be divided evenly among the three divisions based upon school enrollment according to numbers reported to the State Department of Education for reclassification purposes and beginning from the largest school to the smallest school. A select school may choose to compete for championship honors in playoff competition in any division higher than stated above. The declaration to compete for championship honors in any higher division is only for the sports of softball and shall only apply to the 2017-18 sport season.</li> </ul>	<u>MOTION FAILS DUE TO LACK</u> <u>OF A SECOND</u>
42	51	Amend Section 19 – Softball, by amending 19.3.3 to add new sub-article of the 2017-18 LHSAA By-Laws to be worded as follows: 19.3.3 1. For playoff competition, schools that are classified as non-select but have registered a student or students through the online registration system as "not" living in school's athletic attendance zone shall compete in the select playoff bracket.	WITHDRAWN BY AUTHOR

43	52		n 19 – Softball, by amending Rule 19.7.4 of the worded as follows: RESULT OF CONTEST	2017-18 LHSAA	<u>PASSED</u> YES - 225
			Win (20 points) Same Class Higher Class Lower Class		NO - 49
44	53	By-Laws to be 19.7.4 3. Co opponents an	n 19 - Softball, by amending Rule 19.7.4 of the worded as follows: ontests played against <del>out of state oppone</del> d district playoff (tie-breaker) games shall school's power rating.	<del>nts</del> , sub-varsity	<u>PASSED</u> YES - 208 NO - 66
45	53	Amend Section 19 - Softball, by amending Rule 19.8.3 of the 2017-18 LHSAA By-Laws to be worded as follows:19.8.3Schools that failed to play at least 15 games during the regular season, including district play and invitational tournament play, shall be ranked separately using the same ranking system used to rank schools that played at least 15 games or more during the regular season. These schools shall be ranked at the bottom of the bracket and seeded accordingly until all the remaining positions on the bracket are filled. Schools that play at least 15 games during the regular season including district play and invitational tournament play will be ranked and seeded in the playoff bracket. Schools that fail to play at least 15 games will only be ranked and seeded if there are available positions on the bracket to complete it.PASSED YES - 240 YES - 240 			
46	54	<b>By-Laws to be</b> <b>19.9.3</b> In "he date and playin by mutual agr 19.1, Importan	n 19 – Softball, by amending Rule 19.9.3 of the worded as follows: ome and away" games, both schools shall mutua ng time of the contest. If the date of the game ca eement, the game shall be played on the deadli t Dates, in this section. If the game time cannot eent, the starting time shall be 3:30 4:00 p.m.	ally agree on the annot be reached ne cited in Rule	<u>AUTHOR NOT PRESENT</u>
47	54	<b>By-Laws to be</b> <b>19.11.1</b> The E for the state t selected location <u>The state tourn</u>	n 19 – Softball, by amending Rule 19.11.1 of the worded as follows: executive Committee shall accept bids and selec ournament. The state tournament shall be co on on the dates cited in Rule 19.1, Important Date <u>nament shall be conducted on as many days as r</u> play two games on any one day.	t a host and site onducted at the s, in this section.	<u>PASSED</u> YES - 169 NO - 102

48	55	Amend Section 21 - Tennis, by creating new Rule 21.9.2 of the 2017-18         LHSAA By-Laws to be worded as follows:         21.9.2       The advancers to the championship matches will receive 1 point for their         semi-final win and the champion of the match will receive an additional .5         - The champion receives 1.5 points         - The runner-up receives .5 points	<u>PASSED</u> YES - 133 NO - 8
49	56	<ul> <li>Amend Section 23 - Track &amp; Field Outdoor, by amending Rule 23.3.7 of the 2017-18 LHSAA By-Laws to be worded as follows:</li> <li>23.3.7 The host school of any relay carnival or regular season invitational meet may include and/or omit any track and field event of its choice to include the events that are listed in the NFHS Track &amp; Field and Cross Country Rules Book - Rule 1 (Order of Events), Section 2 (Order of Running Events), Article 1a (One - Session Meets), Article 1b (Meets with Preliminaries) and Section 3 (Field Events) with a maximum of 12 running events and 7 field events for the girls and eleven running events and seven field events for the boys.</li> </ul>	<u>WITHDRAWN BY AUTHOR</u>
50	57	<ul> <li>Amend Section 23 - Track &amp; Field Outdoor, by amending Rule 23.3.12 of the 2017-18 LHSAA By-Laws to be worded as follows:</li> <li>23.3.12 The host school of a regular season non district meet and post season meets shall comply with the order of events and time schedule explained as follows: (To be strictly followed) The host school of the district, regional and state meets shall comply with the list and order of running events stated in the NFHS Track &amp; Field and Cross Country Rules Book - <u>Rule 1 (Order of Events)</u>, Section 2 (Order of Running Events), Article 1a (One - Session Meets), Article 1b (Meets with Preliminaries.) The host school of the district, regional and state meets shall comply with the list of field events in the NFHS Rule Book for Track &amp; Field and Cross County - Rule 1 (Order of Events), Section 3 (Field Events). However, the order of the field events is up to the discretion of the host school.</li> <li>1. A coaches' scratch meeting should be conducted (but shall not be required) at least one hours prior to a regular season, non-district meet to make scratches and allow coaches to draw for lanes in running events</li> <li>2. A coaches' scratch meeting shall be conducted at least one hour prior to district meets</li> <li>3. There shall be a minimum 10 minute interval between all running events except for a minimum of 15 minute interval between the 3200 - meter relay and the 100 - meter and 110 - meter hurdles and a minimum of 15 minute interval between the 3200 - meter run and the 1600 - meter relay</li> </ul>	<u>WITHDRAWN BY AUTHOR</u>
51	58	Amend Section 23 – Track & Field Outdoor, by deleting Rule 23.3.13 of the 2017-18 LHSAA By-Laws to be worded as follows: 23.3.13 Order of Events to be followed with Preliminary Events: The same order of events shall be followed for night meets.	WITHDRAWN BY AUTHOR
52	58	Amend Section 24 – Volleyball, by amending Rule 24.3.2 of the 2017-18 LHSAA By-Laws to be worded as follows: 24.3.2 2. Line judges shall be 18 years of age or older and should be properly dressed as an official and paid a set fee per game for JV and Varsity.	MOTION FAILS DUE TO LACK OF A SECOND

53	59	<ul> <li>Amend Section 24 - Volleyball, by amending Rule 24.8 of the 2017-18 LHSAA By-Laws to be worded as follows:</li> <li>24.8 <u>SEEDING THE BRACKET</u> - All teams shall be seeded (1-24) (1-32) according to their power ranking. All teams that automatically qualify for the playoffs and those teams selected as wild-card teams shall be seeded in each division.</li> <li>24.8.1 Schools that failed to play at least 20 matches during the regular season, including district play and invitational tournament play, shall be ranked separately using the same ranking system used to rank schools that played at least 20 matches or more during the regular season. These schools shall be ranked at the bottom and seeded accordingly until all the remaining positions on the bracket are filled. Teams ranked 1-8 shall receive a bye in the first round and therefore a bye is not considered an open position.</li> </ul>	<u>PASSED</u> YES - 76 NO - 74
54	59	<ul> <li>Amend Section 24 - Volleyball, by amending Rule 24.9.2 of the 2017-18 LHSAA By-Laws to be worded as follows:</li> <li>24.9.2 Both schools shall mutually agree on the playing time and date of contest unless mandated by the Important Dates Bylaw. If an agreement cannot be reached, the starting time shall be 5:30 p.m. Admission prices for home and away games shall be set by mutual agreement of the participating schools. Admission price shall be a minimum of \$5.00. Game receipts shall be verified and counted by officials of both schools at the conclusion of the game unless prior arrangements have been agreed upon.</li> </ul>	<u>PASSED</u> YES - 103 NO - 50
55	60	<ul> <li>Amend Section 25 - Wrestling, by amending Rules 25.7.3 and 25.7.4 of the 2017-18 LHSAA By-Laws to be worded as follows:</li> <li>25.7.3 The site shall be selected by the LHSAA Executive Committee. The state tournament will be held at the site selected and on the dates listed in Rule 25.1, Important Dates, in this section.</li> <li>25.7.4 The LHSAA shall appoint a tournament committee to assist the tournament director at the host site. The Executive Director shall secure the services of a physician to serve as the official tournament physician for the state tournament. Any and all decisions of the physician concerning injuries and/or communicable diseases will be final.</li> <li>25.7.3 The LHSAA shall form a State Tournament committee to select the site of the State Tournament and coordinate the event. The site SHALL be approved by the Executive Committee. The state tournament will be held at the site selected and on the dates listed in Rule 25.1, Important Dates, in this section. The Executive Director shall secure the services of a physician to cordinate the event. The site SHALL be approved by the Executive Committee. The state tournament will be held at the site selected and on the dates listed in Rule 25.1, Important Dates, in this section. The Executive Director shall secure the services of a physician to serve as the official tournament physician for the state tournament. Any and all decisions of the physician to serve as the official tournament physician to serve as the official tournament physician for the state tournament. Any and all decisions of the physician concerning injuries and/or communicable diseases will be final.</li> </ul>	<u>PASSED</u> YES - 58 NO - 11