

## THSLL/TSLA MEETING MINUTES

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January 27, 2026

THSLL Board Meeting was called to order by Troy at 7:04 pm.

In Attendance: Michael Brand, Andris Dikmanis, Will Doby, Dave Edwards, Sean Ray, Troy Walker, Non-Voting: Nancy Powers Not attending: Elizabeth Dupont, Tony Martin, Chris Shaffer

### **Class B, Class C**

The board reviewed the preliminary Class B and Class C match-up schedules. The Board confirmed these follow a standard rotation based on the state host city for the year. The Board discussed Super Regional referee assignments are regional officials rather than mixing crews. There was a discussion to hold Super Regionals in the future in a centralized location like Round Rock to reduce travel and allow better visibility of teams, though field quality may be a concern.

### **Class D Status**

The Board discussed the decline of Class D, noting that districts currently lack the minimum requirement of four teams to be a viable District.

### **Operations & Media**

The Board is reviewing the current streaming vendor due to high costs. Sean Ray and Dave Edwards will explore a new partnership for streaming state and super-regional games, potentially utilizing another contact for their digital presence.

### **Referee Evaluation**

- **New Grading System:** The Board discussed changing the official evaluation system from a 1–5 numerical or letter grade scale (A–F) to a simplified "Pass/Fail/NA" system for coach evaluations of referees.
- **Implementation:** If a coach gives a "Fail," they must provide specific comments on areas such as player safety, game management, and rule knowledge.
- **LOA Coordination:** Troy will discuss the rating system with the LOAs to ensure it provides enough data to differentiate between officials.

### **Eligibility & "Sixes" Growth**

- **School Zoning:** The Board discussed the need for teams to be zoned to their school name, and the impact on playoff eligibility.
- **Sixes Expansion:** There is significant growth in Sixes teams across all districts. To remain a member in good standing and eligible for playoffs, programs must support the league's growth initiatives, including Sixes to meet eligibility requirements.

## **Other Discussion**

- Concussion & Injury Reporting: The Board discussed the need for standardized reporting.
- Bylaw Hardening: The Board needs to review the league's liability language to ensure the Board is protected against potential litigation regarding player eligibility or disciplinary actions.

Meeting adjourned at 9:04 pm.