



# MINUTES ATHLETIC DIRECTORS MEETING

ATTACHMENT A

**Facilitator:** Mark Tran

**Date:** Thursday Aug 21, 2025

**Location:** Ygnacio Valley HS, Library

**Time:** 8:45am

755 Oak Grove Road, Concord, CA 94518

**DAL MEETING NORMS;** (1) The meeting will start ON TIME. (2) Minimize side bars; (3) Only one person speaks at a time; (4) There will be time limits on the agenda; (5) A vote on a motion stops discussion on that item; (6) Robert's Rules of Order will be followed.

D=Discussion, P=Participation, A=Action, I=Information only, R=Review/prior topic, C=Consent

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<b>1. Introduction and roll call (8:45-8:50)</b> ✓Acalanes Randy Takahashi ✓Alhambra Anthony Ertola ✓Benicia Katie Caderao ✓Berean Christian LaShawn Wells ✓Campolindo Ray Meadows ✓Clayton Valley Charter Eric Bamberger ✓College Park <b>Hurtado/Bautista</b> ✓Concord Matt Harrod ✓Las Lomas Tim Kruger ✓Miramonte Sean Hennessey ✓Mt. Diablo Fetuao Mua ✓Northgate Ben Ballard ✓Ygnacio Valley Briana Zielinski ✓DAL: Mark Tran / Jonathan McGonagle		I	Tran	Call to order 9.01a	
<b>2. Approval of Agenda (8:50-8:55)</b>		RDA	Tran	Add item #9I. Seniors playing sublevel sports Add item #9J Beach Volleyball DAL/EBAL	Con/Aca PASSED 13-0
<b>3. NCS Eligibility Workshop (8:55-9:55) by</b> <b>Bri Niemi</b> <b>Sonjha Phillips</b>	A	IDP	Niemi Phillips	<a href="https://www.cifncs.org/governance/eligibility-committee/2025-2026_League_Eligibility_WorkshopPortfolio.pdf">https://www.cifncs.org/governance/eligibility-committee/2025-2026_League_Eligibility_WorkshopPortfolio.pdf</a> <b>Takeaways:</b> +NEW CIF Bylaw 209.c Disciplinary Transfer add language of "causing serious injury to another person, possession of a dangerous weapon, possession of a controlled substance, robbery/extortion, assault/battery. Ineligible 1 yr for all sports +For residential eligibility, NCS emphasis on school meeting family for paperwork +Every transfer student is residentially ineligible until cleared +SOP and Limited rulings are NOT APPEALABLE (only 510 violation is appealable) +In addition to the current 8 hardships, CIF is considering a mental health hardship (will require historical proof) +2025-26 NCS Wrestling Team Champ. Girls team must fill 8/14 wt class to apply. IF team is accepted, these athletes will NOT	

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				<p>be able to compete in the boys team championships</p> <p>+NCS Realignment is coming! Each school should be asking:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Should my school remain in the same conference (within Tri-Valley)?</li> <li>2. Will my school support a football only alignment?</li> </ol> <p>+DAL AD Discussion:</p> <p>-Should DAL adopt a universal AQI APP such as airnow or purple air?</p> <p>-CVC lawyers insists the school adopt acclimation period for ALL SPORTS EVERY SEASON for safety</p>	AD voted NO
<b>4. Approval of minutes from previous meeting: Aug 4, 2025 (9:55-10:00)</b>	B	C(DA)	Tran	<a href="https://docs.google.com/document/d/1G4-UvUXurC4dHm7JLjkXKAIEZxA8q0wPI1huS6hKtBc/edit?usp=sharing">https://docs.google.com/document/d/1G4-UvUXurC4dHm7JLjkXKAIEZxA8q0wPI1huS6hKtBc/edit?usp=sharing</a>	Con/Aca PASSED 13-0
<b>5. Public Comment (10:00-10:05)</b> Pursuant to Ed Code 33353.2(C), any person wishing to speak on any item on the agenda, or comment on the policies and practices of the DAL will be heard at this time.		ID	Tran	None	
<b>6. Diversity, Equity and Inclusion committee (10:05-10:05)</b>		ID	Wells Takahashi	No meeting yet.	
<b>7. CIF Information/Discussion/ Action Items (10:05-10:10)</b>			Tran		
A. Proposed common start dates	C	ID	Tran	<p>Information regarding potential state-wide common start dates</p> <p>+Need more information:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• What is the week 4/week 5 acclimation situation?</li> <li>• Are they mandating when you can play your first game in EVERY SPORT?</li> <li>• Is this mandating all types of workouts/contests/dead periods?</li> <li>• Is this table giving traditional competitive cheer a set start date?</li> </ul>	
<b>8. NCS Information/Discussion/ Action Items (10:10-11:40)</b>					
A. Review NCS Sport Advisory/Management Committee Representatives	D	IDA	Tran	<p>Do we want to add or replace representatives?</p> <p>ADs will have coaches contact DAL if they want to join committee</p> <p>-Remove Phil Freeman from girls wrestling</p> <p>-Change Angela Paradise to Campolindo TF</p> <p>-Add Ruth to XC</p> <p>-Add Chris Gonzalez to girls wrestling</p>	

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B. Baseball & Softball (SAC)	E	IDA	Tran	Proposal to cap Division 6 baseball and softball at less than 200 enrollment. Schools can petition up. If you petition up, you remain up for current and future years. D6 Champion would not advance to CIF regional tournament (immediate) <b>-Prefer a global fix as opposed to a sport specific solutions</b>	<b>YES 13-0</b>
C. Wrestling (Boys) (SAC)	F	IDA	Tran	Proposal to adjust the Automatic/At-Large application process for the NCS Dual Team Tournament, giving schools in the rotation the option of participation. (immediate)	<b>YES 13-0</b>
D. Football (SAC)	G	IDA	Tran	Proposal to establish an 8th Division of 11-person football. (immediate)	<b>YES 13-0</b>
E. Track & Field Proposal to amend NCS 28.405H Area Entries. (SAC)	H	IDA	Tran	Athletes shall qualify to the NCS Class A/Area Championships based on times or distances achieved in the finals of their league's qualifying meet. (immediate)	<b>YES 13-0</b>
F. Seeding (Competitive Equity Sports) – Proposal #1 (SAC)	I	IDA	Tran	Proposal to adjust the seeding criteria for use by Seeding Oversight Committees in competitive equity sports. (immediate)	<b>NO 0-13</b>
G. Seeding (Competitive Equity Sports) – Proposal #2 (SAC)	J	IDA	Tran	Proposal to allow Seeding Oversight Committees the ability to evaluate and adjust the top seed in one bracket compared to the last seed in the adjacent bracket. (immediate)	<b>YES 13-0</b>
H. Seeding (Competitive Equity Sports) – Proposal #3 (SAC)	K	IDA	Tran	Proposal to adjust the bracket development process with regards to MaxPreps rankings and league champions. (Immediate)	<b>NO 0-13</b>
I. Football (SAC)	L	IDA	Tran	Proposal to adjust the entries for the NCS Football Championships. (Immediate)	<b>NO 0-13</b>
J. Tennis (B/G)	M	IDA	Tran	Proposal to amend NCS 27.513H Team Composition using UTR to place players in the ladder lineup. (Immediate)	<b>NO 0-13</b>
K. Winter Soccer (B/G)	N	IDA	Tran	Proposal to establish a 4-team Open Division in boys and girls winter soccer. (immediate)	<b>YES 13-0</b>
L. Minimum Qualifying Record		I	Takahashi	Proposal to eliminate the minimum qualifying record for competitive equity sports that have at most three divisions. (immediate)	<b>YES 13-0</b>
M. Voting Representation		I	Takahashi	Proposal to restructure NCS voting representation based on number of schools in the league. (immediate)	<b>YES 13-0</b>
N. NCS Eligibility Committee		ID	Hennessey	Summary of NCS Eligibility Committee Meeting <b>+Mental Health Waiver will have a lot of red tape around it. LOTS of documents will be required</b>	

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				+DV on Probation with NCS for Basketball and Soccer behavior. +Free one time transfer? Still talking about it but backing off	
<b>9. DAL Information/Discussion/ Action Items (11:40-12:30)</b>					
A. NCS / DAL Passes		I	Tran	+1 NCS pass for admin, and 1 for each AD. +40 DAL passes per school. DAL passes are meant for coaches, staff, boosters members, volunteers +Can give DAL comp passes through GoFan +How you charge your parents at your site is up to you, but educate them on that, they should not expect discounts at away sites	Tran will create a shared doc for ADs to declare which sports to charge per site
B. DAL levels of sports - FALL 2025	O	I	Tran	Confirmation of levels of sports offered by school will be finalized on Monday Aug 25th. All changes after will be emailed to the League Commissioner <a href="https://docs.google.com/document/d/1v-cZQ8XHPBZa2z_6WpB7c-3LZN-2FzPhPOyDSUEPZFW/edit?usp=sharing">https://docs.google.com/document/d/1v-cZQ8XHPBZa2z_6WpB7c-3LZN-2FzPhPOyDSUEPZFW/edit?usp=sharing</a>	
C. 2025-26 Dates of Determination	P	I	Tran	2025-26 DOD submitted by ADs to be approved at the next DAL BOM meeting	
D. DAL Fall Sports Preseason Coaches Meetings		IDA	Tran	+Teams without representation were moved to the back of the draw. We had a couple of coaches absent. 1. Cross Country - Woolridge/McGonagle 2. Football - Ballard 3. Girl's Golf - Takahashi DAL at Lone Tree M Oct 20; 8:30a Doug will be tourney director 4. Girl's Tennis - Harrod FH DAL at NG (10/28; 10a) and Aca (10/30; 2:30p) V DAL at YV (10/28; 9a) and YV (10/29; 12:30p) 5. Girl's Volleyball - Zielinski 6. Water Polo - Hennessy DAL Postseason Tournament? -Valley tourney at CP -Foothill tourney at higher seed 7. Flag Football - Kruger DAL Game Times? Proposal to keep current start time and decrease JV to 10min quarters. Will reevaluate if needed.	YES 3-2-1  LL/CP PASSED 13-0
E. DAL Hosting NCS Championships		IDA	Tran	For 2025-26 the DAL is responsible for hosting: 1. Team Tennis - Open and D1	NG to host NCS Team Tennis

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				2. Individual Wrestling Tournament for D2	Wrest TBD
F. NCLRA Contract Proposal	Q	IDA	Tran	Contract proposal for Boys LAX Officials Tran will talk to other league commissioners about this contract at SAC	
G. DAL/WACC LAX Challenge	R	IDA	Tran	2026 Schedules incorporating non-league games between DAL/WACC.	ACA/MIR PASSED 8-0
H. DAL Invoices		I	Tran	Please submit invoices for payment, including DAL Dues and NCS Spring Entry Fee	
I. Seniors playing sublevel sports		IDA	Tran	1. Alhambra GFF - Medical IEP. Cannot play Varsity due to safety 2. Campo GT - two girls with limited experience to fill a JV roster.	
J. Beach Volleyball DAL/EBAL		IDA	Tran	DAL teams: Aca,Campo,Mir,LL,NG,CVC 6-0 approve Tran to work on a DAL/EBAL Challenge schedule with Commissioner	
<b>10. Future Agenda Items (12:30-12:33)</b> A. SAC Summary B. Final DAL Level of Sports		I	Tran		
<b>11. Upcoming Meetings (12:33-12:35)</b> A. SAC (Kleinschmidt/Tran) Monday Aug 25, Novato 8:30a B. DAL AD Thurs Sept 18, 8:45a YVHS C. BOG Thurs Oct 2 @ Alhambra Principals/ADs 8:45a; ADs 10:30a D. NCS BOM (Bamberger/Mackinnon/Tran) Friday Oct 3 @ Acalanes USD 8:45a		I	Tran		
<b>12. Announcements (12:35-12:40)</b> __ Acalanes __ Alhambra __ Benicia __ Berean Christian __ Campolindo __ Clayton Valley Charter __ College Park __ Concord __ Las Lomas __ Miramonte __ Mt. Diablo __ Northgate __ Ygnacio Valley		ID	Tran	-Alhambra hired a new principal -Sept 22nd NCS ADA workshop at Justin Sienna -Benicia has a clear bag policy at all athletic events. -Benicia WILL HAVE JV TENNIS -Berean looking for athletic trainer -Berean looking for JV basketball coach -Miramonte looking for HEAD Girls Lacrosse Coach -Miramonte looking for Baseball Coach -Campolindo looking for Baseball Coach -Campolindo looking for Wrestling coach -MT. Diablo Girls Flag at 7PM. -Northgate got a new softball coach.	
<b>13. Adjournment (12:40)</b>		A	Tran	Adjourned 12.57p	