

September 2, 2009

North Dakota High School Activities Association
134 3rd St NE
PO Box 817
Valley City ND 58072

RE: Hettinger/Scranton Football Co-op

Dear NDHSAA Board of Directors:



The Bowman/Scranton football co-op has been in existence for 6 years with the 2009 season being the 7th year. It has served the purpose of offering Scranton athletes the opportunity to play the sport of football, but as a sports co-op, it has failed in many ways.

As parents of four children actively involved in high school activities, we have taken great interest in the opportunity to form a co-op with Hettinger. The diligent efforts of the 2 school boards and co-op committees has culminated in a Co-op Agreement that offers not only the opportunity for the athletes to play football, but for the athletes and the community of Scranton to have "ownership" in a team. Our hope was that the decision would be made early enough to begin the football co-op with the 2009 Season. Though this was not achieved, we are looking forward to beginning the co-op with the 2010 football season.

Please consider the request by the Scranton Public School to begin the football co-op with Hettinger Public School in the fall of 2010.

Thank you.

Sincerely,



Tony and Dianne Pierce