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April 26, 2017

NDHSAA  
Matthew Fetsch, Executive Director  
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Dear Mr. Fetsch,

This letter of appeal addresses the decision reached by the NDHSAA Executive Board. Mandaree School has received the NDHSAA letter dated April 3, 2017. Specifically, the penalty for violating Part II, Article III, Section VII of the NDHSAA Constitution and By-Laws for unsportsmanlike behavior.

At the April 11, 2017, Regular School Board meeting the School Board made a motion to appeal the decision reached by the Executive Board. This appeal is based on the breakdown of penalties received by Mandaree School basketball players which shows an unfair number of penalties being called on our student athletes. This unfair treatment has appeared to trigger fan behavior that has been deemed unsportsmanlike. This data is attached for your review.

The Mandaree School board requests that the penalty be reversed based on the unfair number of penalties.

Please feel free to contact me or Michael Jensen, Athletic Director for more information.

Respectfully,

Carolyn Bluestone  
Superintendent

Mandaree	Solen	Total Fouls	
Grady P2	Carlow P2	Boys	
R.Fox P1	Arrow P1	Mandaree	Native Teams
T.Fox P5	Moccasin P1	105	104
White owl P2	Archambault P1		
Bear Claw P1	Black P1	Mandaree 21	Dunseith 22
p 11	Hammer P2	Mandaree11	Solon 11
1st half 7	Cloud P1	Mandaree 13	New Town 19
2nd half 4	Dog Skin P1	Mandaree 15	White Shield 17
	P11	Mandaree 16	Parshall 16
	1st half 4	Mandaree 18	New Town 9
	2nd half 7	Mandaree 11	White Shield 10
Mandaree	Dunseith	Mandaree 165	Non Native 93
Grady P2	Nodeau P2		
R.Fox P2	Rivera P2	Mandaree 22	Alexander 10
T.Fox P2 T2	T Peltier P4	Mandaree 26	Hazen 15
Chase P3	Counts P2	Mandaree 10	Divide County 3
Lucio P5	Gladue P4	Mandaree 11	Watford City 9
BearClaw P1	Davis O	Mandaree 11	Killdeer 10
White Owl P3	L.Peltier P4	Mandaree14	Turtle Lake 3
P21 T2	Hearts P3	Mandaree 14	N.S. Plaza 10
1st Half 10	Decoteau P1	Mandaree 13	New England 10
2nd Half 10	P 22	Mandaree 10	Williston Trinity 10
	1st Half 8	Mandaree 17	Beach 8
	2nd Half 10	Mandaree 18	Williston Trinity 5
Mandaree	New Town		
Grady P3	Martin P1		
R.Fox P3	Hale P5		
Chase p2	LeBeau P1		
Lucio P2	Hale P4		
P13	Steele P2		
	Mckenzie P1		
1st Half 6	Baker P3		
2nd Half 7	Head Dress P2		
	P19		
	1st Half 11		
	2nd Half 8		
Mandaree	Alexander		
Grady P1	Heen P2		
T.Fox P1	Sharp P1		

Galindo P2  
Chase P3  
Antonio P2  
Lucio P5  
Lone Bear P3  
Bear Claw P2  
Tsosie P3  
P22  
1st Half 9  
2nd Half 10

Rafferty P5  
Sitsman P2

P10

1st Half 6  
2nd Half 4

Mandaree  
Grady P5  
R.Fox P3  
T Fox P2  
Tsosie P0  
White owl P2  
Chase P0  
Antonio P1  
Bear Claw P2  
Leyva P0  
Galindo P0  
P15

White Shield  
Fox P1  
White P4  
Dickens P2  
Felix P4  
Standing Alone P3  
Bearstail P3  
P17

no record of 1st & 2nd Half Fouls

Mandaree  
Grady P3  
Bear Claw P3  
R.Fox P4  
Tsosie P3  
White Owl P2  
Chase P5  
Antonio P1  
T.Fox P5  
P26  
1st Half 10  
2nd Half 10

Hazen  
Zuern P4  
Leintz P3  
Doll P1  
Bitterman P1  
Oestreich P2  
Corcoran P3  
Riepl P1

P 15  
1st Half 7  
2nd Half 8

Mandaree  
Grady P2  
Ber Claw P2  
T.Fox P1  
Lester P1  
Galiando P2

Divide County  
White P1  
Haugland P1  
Deering P1  
P3

Bailey P1 White Owl P1

P 10

1st Half 3

2nd Half 7

1st Half 3

2nd Half 0

Mandaree

Bear Claw P1

R.Fox P3

Leyva P1

T.Fox P3

White Owl P1

Chase P2

P 11

1st Half 8

2nd Half 4

Watford City

mcgarman P0

Haugeberg P4

Headings P1

Homiston P1

Houge P2

Kaczmar P1

P9

1st Half 6

2nd Half 4

Mandaree

Grady P1

Bear Claw P1

R Fox P3

T. Fox P5

Tsosie P2

White Owl P1

Chase P3

16

1st Half 8

2nd Half 7

Parshall

Hart P2

Foote P 3

Benavides P2

Simpson P2

Jarski P3

Two Crow P2

Maron P2

16

1st Half 10

2nd Half 4

Mandaree

Grady P2

BearClaw P1

R Fox P3

T Fox P3

White Owl P2

11

1st Half 4

2nd Half 7

Killdeer

Zander P2

Gartner P1

Schmeling P2

Danks P2

Lizmieux P1

Sadowsky P2

10

1st Half 5

2 Half 4

Mandaree

Grady P2

R Fox P3

Turtle Lake

Anderson P1

Laframboise P1

T Fox P4	Freeman P1
J Chase P1	3
Bearsclaw P2	
White Owl P2	
14	
1st Half 10	1st Half 3
2nd Half 5	2nd Half 0

Mandaree	NS Plaza
Grady P2	Lopez P3
Bearsclaw P1	Brown P1
R Fox P4	Bailey P1
T Fox P4	Andes P3
J Chase P2	Edwards P1
13	Anders P1
	10
1st Half 2	1st Half 2
2nd Half 12	2nd Half 8
14	10

Mandaree	New England
Grady P2	Sorenson P3
Bearclaw P1	Rettings P2
R Fox P4	Cantwell P1
J Chase P2	Hery P3
13	Sorenson P1
	10
NoRecord	No Record
1st/2nd	1st/2nd
fouls	fouls

Mandaree	Williston Trinity
Grady P0	Abuhl P1
R Fox P3	Skurdal P2
T Fox P2 1 Technical	Larson P2
WhiteOwl P2	Zarling P3
J Chase P1	Smith P2
Lone Bear P1	10
9	
1st Half 3	1st Half 3
2nd Half 7	2nd Half 7
10	10
Team Total 56	Team Total 72

Mandaree  
Grady P4  
R Fox P3  
T Fox P4  
J Chase P2  
Bearclaw P4  
17  
1st Half 5  
2nd Half 12  
17  
Team total 56

Beach  
J Farstvelt P2  
Summers P1  
Orluck P2  
Wegner P1  
G Farstvelt P2  
8  
1st Half 4  
2nd Half 4  
8  
50

District  
Mandaree  
Grady P4  
R Fox P1  
T Fox P3  
Lone Bear P3  
White Owl P1  
J Chase P4  
Lucio P2  
18  
1st Half 8  
2nd Half 10  
18

New Town  
LaBeau P1  
Hall P2  
Steele P1  
Mackenzie P2  
Haedress P2  
Hall P1  
9  
1st Half P2  
2nd Half P7  
9

Mandaree  
Grady P4  
R Fox P1  
T Fox P4  
Lone Bear P2  
White Owl P2  
J Chase P3  
Lucio P2  
18  
1st Half 10  
2nd Half 8  
18

Williston Trinity  
Abuhill P1  
Larsen P1  
Skurdell P2  
Zaring P1  
5  
1st Half 2  
2nd Half 3  
5

Mandaree  
Grady P2  
T Fox P2 1 Technical  
R Fox P1  
Lone Bear P2  
J Chase P1

White Shield  
F Fox P3  
White P3  
Felix P2  
Standing Alone P2  
10

Lucio P3  
 11P 1 Technical  
 1st Half P4  
 2nd Half P7  
 11  
 Total 57

1st Halt P3  
 2nd Half P7  
 10  
 Total 42

Girls 2016-17  
 Mandaree  
 H Vigen P4  
 J Flying Horse P1  
 Johnson  
 H Dawes P1  
 M DeVille P1  
 BlackHawk P2  
 P Yellowwolf P1  
 Serdahl P2  
 12  
 1st Half 10  
 2nd Half 2  
 12

Williston  
 Eder P1  
 Setchfield P1  
 Thomas P1  
 Penner P4  
 Lackey P1  
 8  
 1st Half 6  
 2nd Half 2  
 8

Total Fouls  
 Girls

Mandaree 72	Native Teams 86
Mandaree 15	New Town 15
Mandaree 19	Duseith 18
Mandaree 13	White Shield 17
Mandaree 13	Parshall 15
Mandaree14	Parshall 21

Girls  
 Mandaree 129

Non-Native 102

Mandaree  
 Tsosie P3  
 J Flying Horse P1  
 P Yellow WolfP2  
 Serdahl P2  
 M DeVille P3  
 H Vigen P1  
 H Dawes P2  
 15  
 1st Half P10  
 2nd Half P2

New Town  
 Smith P2  
 J Brady P1  
 Drusdal P3  
 Veter  
 T Fox P1  
 T Brady P2  
 Rainbow P1  
 Sun P3  
 Wells P1  
 B Fox P1  
 15  
 1st Half P8  
 2nd Half P7

Mandaree 12	Williston 8
Mandaree 19	Trenton 14
Mandaree 12	Watford City 15
Mandaree 13	Turtle Lake 6
Mandaree 18	New England 13
Mandaree 14	N.S.Plaza 14
Mandaree 26	Beach 10
Mandaree 8	Trenton 13
Mandaree 7	Williston Trinity 9

Mandaree  
 Tsosie P4  
 H Vigen P2  
 J Flying Horse P1  
 Johnson P1  
 H Dawes P1  
 M DeVille P3  
 P Yellow Wolf P4

Dunsieth  
 St Claire P1  
 Keplan P22  
 Smith P3  
 Counts P1  
 Delorme P5  
 Davis P2  
 Azure P2

Serdahl P3  
19  
1st Halt 13  
2nd Half 7

Davis P2  
18  
1st Half 10  
2nd Half 7

Mandaree  
Tsosie P1  
H Vigen P3  
J Flying Horse P2  
M DeVille P5  
P Yellow Wolf P4  
Serdahl P4  
19  
1st Half 9  
2nd Half 11

Trenton  
Hov3 P1  
A St Pierre P4  
Ax St. Pierre P3  
Krei P3  
Trawbrodge P3  
14  
1st Half 6  
2nd Half 8

Mandaree  
Tsosie p1  
H Vigen P4  
M DeVille P1  
P Yellow Wolf P3  
Johnson P1  
Dawes P2  
12  
1st Half 6  
2nd Half 7

White Shield  
Wilkinson p3  
Vivier P2  
Archambeau P1  
K Bearstail P5  
Fox P1  
T Bearstail P5  
17  
1st Half 10  
2nd Half 7

Mandaree  
Tsosie P1  
H Vigen P4  
MDeVille P1  
P YellowWolf P3  
Johnson P1  
Dawes P2  
12  
1st Half 6  
2nd Half 6

Watford City  
Nokes P3  
Holen P3  
Mensen P2  
Dahl P3  
Falter P3  
White P1  
15  
1st Half 5  
2nd Half 9

Mandaree  
Tsosie P3  
h Vigen P2  
J Flying Horse P3  
Johnson P1

Parshall  
Swerance 4P  
Tveter P1  
YellowBird P1  
Packeneau P1



Dawes P1  
P Yellow Horse P2  
M DeVille P1  
13  
1st Half 10  
2nd Half 3

Hall P1  
Cib P2  
Blunck P1  
Deane P4  
15  
1st Half 5  
2nd Half 10

Mandaree  
Tsosie P1  
J FlyingHorse P1  
MDeVille P1  
P Yellowwolf P2  
Serdahl P3  
Johnson P2  
Dawes P1  
Hall P1  
LoneBear P1  
13  
1st Half 6  
2nd Half 7

Turtle Lake  
Smalls P2  
Goven P1  
Logsdon P1  
Wagner P1  
P Groven P1  
6  
1st Half 4  
2nd Half 2

Mandaree  
Tsosie P3  
J FlyingHorse P2  
M DeVille P1  
P YellowWolf P4  
Serdahl P3  
H Vigen P1  
Dawes P4  
18  
1st Half 13  
2nd Half 5

New England  
Lara P1  
Ehlis P2  
Kathreens P2  
rolles P1  
Burnstock P2  
Kers P3  
13  
1st Half 5  
2nd Half 6

Mandaree  
Tsosie P3  
J Flying Horse P2  
M DeVille P1  
P YellowWolf P1  
Serdahl P3  
H Vigen P1  
Johnson P1  
Hall P2  
14

NS Plaza  
Chenfisch P2  
Lenny P1  
Barley P4  
Rynstad P1  
Reyes P1  
Peterson P5  
14

1st Half 5  
2nd Half 9

Mandaree  
Tsosie P2  
J FlyingHorse P4  
M DeVille 0  
P YellowWolf P3  
Serdahl P5  
H Vigen P5  
Dawes P4  
26  
1st Half 13  
2nd Half 10

District  
Mandaree  
Tsosie P2  
J fLYINGhORSE p1  
m dEVILLE p3  
P YellowWolf P1  
K Dawes P1  
8  
1st Half 7  
2nd Half 1

Mandaree  
J Flying Horse P1  
P Yellow Wolf P1  
Serdahl P1  
H Vigen P1  
BlackHawk P1  
Claymore P2  
7  
1st Half P3  
2nd Half P4

Mandaree  
Tsosie P3  
J Flying Horse P1  
P Yellow Wolf P5

1st Half 5  
2nd Half 9

Beach  
A Wilhelmi P2  
M Wilhelmi P1  
Rising P3  
Myers P1  
Paul P1  
Muruato P2  
10  
1st Half 8  
2nd Half 2

Trenton  
Hose P1  
AX St Pierre P2  
A St Pierre P1  
rowbridge P3  
Kreil P3  
Gibeau P2  
Barlitttle P1  
13  
1st Half 6  
2nd Half 7

Will Trinity  
Eder Greta P3  
D Miranda P3  
H Marlee P1  
Srichfield P1  
SmithP2  
9  
1stHalf 7  
2nd Half 3

Parshall  
A Severance P3  
A Hall P2  
S Severance P1  
Tueter P4

Serdahl P2  
H Vigen P3  
14  
1st Half 7  
2nd Half 7

Yellowbid P4  
Packineau P1  
Balladeau P2  
S Hall P2  
A Hall P2  
Blunck P1  
Deane P1  
21  
1st Half 9  
2nd Half 12



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April 4, 2017

Carolyn Bluestone, Superintendent  
Mandaree Public School  
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Superintendent Bluestone:

The Executive Board of the NDHSAA met on April 3, 2017 to establish penalty against Mandaree High School for violation of Part II, Article III, Section VII of the NDHSAA Constitution and By-Law's, which states: **"High Standards of courtesy, fair-dealing and sportsmanship must be featured in all Association contests. The Board may rate schools or students in these respects, recognizing high attainment and penalizing low"**.

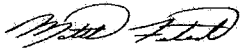
The Executive Board determined that the following penalties are to be administered:

1. The administration of Mandaree High School shall submit a plan of action to the NDHSAA Executive Director prior to September 21, 2017 that details the following:
  - a. Protocol to address safety of game officials before, during, and after contests.
  - b. A preseason parent meeting with all basketball parents that includes detailed expectations for spectators throughout the basketball season.
  - c. Spectator expectations that shall be printed in game programs for all home contests.
  - d. A sportsmanship code that shall be read by the public address announcer prior to all home contests.
  - e. The hiring of additional security at all home contests is strongly encouraged.
2. The administration of Mandaree High School shall submit a report to the NDHSAA Executive Director prior to March 15, 2018 that details a summary of the implementation of the 2017-18 action plan. A carbon copy of this report shall be sent to the Williston Basin Official Association.

3. Mandaree High School is placed on probation through the 2018-19 academic year.
4. Any subsequent violation of NDHSAA By-Law's or regulations prior to June 30, 2019 may result in a monetary fine, loss of home games during future basketball seasons, and/or suspension from NDHSAA membership for a period of time to be determined by the Executive Board.

If you wish to appeal this penalty to the NDHSAA Board of Directors you may do so within thirty days in accordance with Part II, Article VI, Section XIV of the NDHSAA Constitution and By-Law's.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Matthew Fetsch", with a stylized flourish at the end.

Matthew Fetsch  
Executive Director



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March 2, 2017

NDHSAA  
Matthew Fetsch, Executive Director  
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Dear Mr. Fetsch,

Mandaree School has received the NDHSAA letter of findings dated February 17, 2017. Specifically, that on February 3, 2017 and February 10, 2017 the fans at two home basketball events exhibited unsportsmanlike behavior.

This letter of appeal is to provide background information to the Executive Board for use in its decision making.

After the February 3, 2017 basketball game I received several telephone calls regarding the officials and questionable calls made during the game which the fans had issue with. Mandaree School also received an email from Larry Grondahl, Williston Basin BB Official Association, asking for intervention with fans because of the behavior exhibited at the game. Michael Jensen, Mandaree Athletic Director, and I determined that letters home regarding sportsmanship and a meeting with student athletes and coaches would be a beginning step with additional steps to be taken over time to increase positive sportsmanship.

At the February 10, 2017 basketball game fan behavior escalated due to calls made by officials. There was also an allegation that one of the officials called one of the Mandaree players "an asshole." This inflamed and escalated the situation. The events at the game resulted in another email from Larry Grondahl stating that Mandaree would have to find their own officials in the future.

This letter of appeal by the Mandaree School Board would ask that the NDHSAA Executive Board direct game officials to follow the same guidelines to provide fair and impartial officiating at all sporting events conducted at Mandaree School. The Mandaree School Board feels that historically there has been prejudicial officiating that has led to the fans present at home basketball games to become verbal and results in complaints to the Superintendent and Athletic Director by parents. The fans at the February 3, 2017 were reacting to several calls by the officials. At the February 10, 2017 game the fans were also reacting to the comments allegedly made by one official in particular towards a Mandaree player. While fouls may not be a sole indicator of what is going on during a game, during the Beach game there were 26 fouls called on Mandaree and only 10 against Beach.

Respectfully,

Carolyn Bluestone  
Superintendent



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February 17, 2017

Carolyn Bluestone, Superintendent  
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Superintendent Bluestone:

I have completed an investigation into whether or not unsportsmanlike behavior was exhibited during Mandaree Public School home basketball contests on February 3, 2017 and February 10, 2017.

Upon weighing all information, it is my opinion that your fans crossed the line and exhibited unacceptable behavior directed at game officials. According to the NDHSAA Constitution and By-Laws Part II, Article III, Section VII: **"High Standards of courtesy, fair-dealing and sportsmanship must be featured in all Association contests. The Board may rate schools or students in these respects, recognizing high attainment and penalizing low"**.

NDHSAA Constitution and By-Laws, Part Two, Article VI, Sections IX and X state:

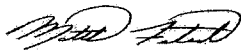
**SECTION IX: If the Executive Secretary determines a violation has occurred, the Executive Board shall set the penalty and the Executive Secretary shall provide written notice of the determination to the party charged with the violation, including a statement of the following right to appeal:**

- a. If the violation has not been admitted, the Executive Secretary's determination that a violation has occurred may be appealed to the Executive Board (see Section X);
- b. If the violation has not been admitted, the Executive Board's written decision to the party (see Section VIII) may be appealed to the Board of Directors with reference to the determination of the violation or the penalty imposed or both (see Section XIV); or
- c. If the violation has been admitted, the Executive Board's determination as to the penalty may be appealed directly to the Board of Directors; (see Section XIV).

**SECTION X: A written notice of appeal by a party to the Executive Board must be postmarked or received by the Executive Secretary within fourteen (14) days after notice of the decision is postmarked or personally delivered. The notice of appeal must be addressed to the Executive Secretary.**

As per Due Process Procedure you have 14 days to appeal my decision in writing. If I do not hear from you before that time, I will request the Executive Board to review and set penalty at their March 7, 2017 conference call meeting.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Matthew Fetsch", with a stylized flourish at the end.

Matthew Fetsch  
Executive Director