

Girls' Tennis State Coaches' Meeting

31 May 2019

Attendees:

Central, Red River, Davies, Shanley, Valley City, Sheyenne, West Fargo, Jamestown, St. Mary's, Mandan, Dickinson, Legacy, Century

Advisory:

1. Amanda Lunsetter's advisory term was up for East Girls' Representative. Chad Anderson from Sheyenne will be taking that position.
2. Dan Keith resigned his coaching position and is no longer with us as the West Girls' Representative. Scott McPherson from Legacy will be taking that position.
3. Discussed the Coaches' Convention in ~~Fargo~~ Bismarck. Tennis will be on court for a one-day event on Thursday.
4. No players added to All-State by coaches' vote.

New Regulation Recommendation:

A player may not use or wear any technology within a match unless for medical reasons. If a player is wearing technology, that player will be asked to remove it. A player using technology will be penalized as per unsportsmanlike conduct.

Moved: McPherson, Legacy

Second: Christen, Mandan

Yes: 13

No: 0

Rationale: With smart watches, players could be receiving outside coaching from parents or others, which is against the rules. As coaches, we want to be proactive and thwart receiving outside coaching before it becomes an issue.

Discussion:

1. State team tournament order if indoors due to weather. After discussing several scenarios, the coaches agreed to play the top half then bottom half of the bracket on 3 courts each for the quarterfinals and semifinals. Fifth and third place would then be on 3 courts each followed by the championship on five.
2. #1 seed locations for quarterfinals in team tournament. We discussed benefits and drawbacks of have both #1 seeds choosing first round location versus keeping the half of the bracket together in the quarterfinals. The coaches decided that keeping halves of the bracket together is what is right for our tournament.

Notes submitted by Matt Nielson, Valley City High School Girls' Tennis Coach