

**SPFL Agenda**  
**October 12, 2017**  
**7:30pm at Visitation School**

- **Opening Prayer and Comments**
- **Approval of August Meeting Minutes**
  - August Minutes attached as [Exhibit A](#)
- **Treasurer's Report**
- **First Round Varsity Playoffs (10/15/17)**
  - Gold (A) Playoff Matchups
    - #1 SFX vs #4 St. Mike's @ Nazareth 1:00
    - #2 St. Joe's vs #3 Visitation @ *TBD*
  - Silver (AA) Playoff Matchups
    - #5 SSPP vs #8 Sacred Heart @ Nike Park 1:00
    - #6 SJC vs #7 St. Cletus @ *TBD*
  - 9/10 Game
    - #9 IC vs #10 TU @ Hinsdale South 1:00
- **First Round JV Playoffs (10/15/17)**
  - Gold (A) Playoff Matchups
    - #1 St. Joe's vs #4 SSPP @ *TBD*
    - #2 TU vs #3 SJC @ Hinsdale South 11:30
  - Silver (AA) Playoff Matchups
    - #5 Visitation vs #8 SFX @ Nazareth 11:30
    - #6 SMS vs #7 IC @ St. Francis HS (*11:30*)
  - 9/10 Game
    - #9 Sacred Heart vs #10 St. Cletus @ *TBD*

- **Championship Game**
  - Venue and Game Times
  - Admissions
  - Concessions
  - Trainer
  - Crowd Control
  - Press Box
  - Trophies
  - Insurance Certificates
  
- **All-Conference Certificates and Procedures**
  
- **Forward Looking Roster Numbers for 2018 (Exhibit B)**
  
- **Approval of Preliminary 2018 Calendar**
  - Tuesday, January 30: Written Submissions re Player Pools Due to Board
  - Thursday, February 22, 7:30 @ Visitation: League Meeting
  - Thursday, May 24, 7:30 @ Visitation: League Meeting
  - Monday, August 6: First Day of Practice
  - Thursday, August 16, 7:30 @ Visitation: League Meeting
  - Saturday August 18, 7:00am @ Visitation: Weigh-In #1
  - Sunday August 26: First Day of Games
  - Monday, September 10, 6:00pm @ Visitation: Weigh-In #2
  - Monday, October 1, 6:00pm @ Visitation: Weigh-In #3
  - Thursday, October 11, 7:30 @ Visitation: League Meeting
  - Sunday October 21: Championship Games
  
- **February Meeting Agenda Items**
  - Sister School and RE Approvals and Policies
  - Electronic Vote Parameters
  - Weight Limits and Weigh-In Attendance Parameters
  - Set 2018 League Calendar and Deadlines
  
- **New Business/2017 Feedback**

**EXHIBIT A – AUGUST MEETING MINUTES**

**SPFL MEETING MINUTES**

**August 17, 2017, 7:30pm at Visitation School**

**Officers in Attendance:**

Meeting Chaired by: Frank Salinas

Treasurer: Chris Leonard

Secretary: Bill Takahashi

**Representatives in Attendance:**

Mary Liz Dudek, Dan Devereux, Jeff Bryk (Immaculate Conception)

Kevin O'Reilly (Visitation)

Ed Sullivan (Sacred Heart)

Mike Magee (St. Cletus)

Phil May (St. John of the Cross)

Tammy Bauer, Jim Farnan (St. Francis Xavier)

Greg Dimit (Team United)

John Baldwin, Ed Ranquist (St. Joseph)

Mike Lowe (St. Michaels)

Justin Busche, Joe O'Malley (Sts. Peter & Paul)

Opening: Meeting opened with a prayer led by League Commissioner, Frank Salinas

May Minutes: May meeting minutes were approved unanimously

Financial Report: Chris Leonard provided a Financial Report to the League. The budget and financial report was unanimously approved by the League representatives, reflecting a current balance of \$8,676. The representatives discussed whether the League should waive the League fee this year, and it was ultimately decided not to move to waive the fees in 2017.

League Forms: League Secretary, Bill Takahashi reviewed the existing checklist of roster forms with League representatives. Various representatives addressed outstanding items and estimated delivery dates.

Weigh-In: League Secretary, Bill Takahashi reviewed the revised weigh-in procedures with League representatives. Discussion ensued on whether the scale readings are rounded up or down, and it was determined that the fractions would always be

rounded down to the nearest whole pound for weigh-in purposes. It was noted that the bylaws should be reviewed to clarify that a weight “*at or over*” the limit should result in a stripe, instead of just “*over the limit*,” as currently drafted. Further discussion ensued as to whether the weight limits for weigh-in attendance should be modified. No motion was made on this subject and the topic was tabled for future meetings.

**Schedule:** The final schedule was reviewed by League representatives and corrections and edits were provided to the Secretary. Discussion ensued as to the policy regarding B games. The consensus of the League representatives was that teams would use their best efforts to play scheduled B games, and if for any reason they could not play the scheduled B games or 5<sup>th</sup> Quarters, it should be communicated to the other teams as part of the Monday schedule confirmation email. Discussion also ensued regarding the format of B games and it was confirmed that B games are full stop clock games, and 5<sup>th</sup> Quarters would consist of two 15-minute running clock periods, both as currently reflected in the Bylaws.

**Equipment:** Discussion ensued as to whether or not the League should mandate certain equipment. Consensus was that this should be a program by program decision and that the League would continue to adhere to IHSA equipment standards.

**Rules Changes:** Referee Pete Alfini attended the meeting and addressed the new rules and points of emphasis passed by the IHSA in the off-season.

**St. Daniels:** League Secretary, Bill Takahashi revisited the electronic vote of the League approving the use of St. Daniel’s students by the St. Cletus program. The vote was 9-1 with SFX being the dissenting vote. Discussion ensued as to the general policy or direction of the League as to sister schools. It was determined that there is no overriding league policy and that these decisions are made on a case by case basis. Further discussion ensued as to whether or not it was appropriate to ask for an electronic vote on this issue. Potential Bylaw clarifications may result in an effort to clarify the parameters of any electronic vote.

**Sacred Heart:** Sacred Heart Athletic Director Ed Sullivan reported on junior varsity numbers and suggested that Sacred Heart may not be able to play certain games if injuries occur. The League representatives discussed numerous options, including potentially playing 8-8 or 9-9 football, as well as allowing smaller 7<sup>th</sup> graders to play down. No consensus was reached and it was determined that if this situation arose, Sacred Heart would discuss the solution with their next opponent on a week by week basis.

**EXHIBIT B – FORWARD LOOKING ROSTER NUMBERS**

<b>2018 Projections <sup>1</sup></b>	<b>Varsity</b>	<b>JV <sup>2</sup></b>
St. Joseph	31	13
Sts. Peter & Paul	26	17
St. Michael	11	9
Team United	27	11
St. John of the Cross	28	16
St. Cletus	29	9
St. Francis Xavier	20	14
Sacred Heart	10	6
Immaculate Conception	20	17
Visitation	18	11

<sup>1</sup> Assumes all 5th-7th grade players in 2017 return to their respective teams in 2018

<sup>2</sup> 2018 6th graders only (5th grade numbers TBD)