

To : Section 6 Athletic Council

From : Jim Walker, Boys Basketball Chairman

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Subject: Finance Committee recommendation to change the financial operation for Sectional Pre-Quarter Final games for 2010-2011.

As Section 6 Boys Basketball Chairman I respectfully ask the Athletic Council to consider the following:

1. These games are Section 6 games, not individual school games.
2. The admission charge for these games of \$3.00 has been the same for at least the last 20 years.
3. If this policy had been in place for the 2009-2010 season the cost to Athletic Departments of the hosting individual districts would have been \$14,321.00. This amounts to an average of almost \$500.00 per district.
4. This \$14,321.00 will be paid out of Athletic Budgets. Any gate receipts will be credited to the Districts General Fund and never seen by Athletic Departments.
5. This policy change gives the appearance that Section 6 wants to take responsibility when there is money to be made but when there is any deficit involved the individual district should bear the burden.
6. The Section lost \$1,846.00 on these games in 2009-2010, but realized a profit of \$38,042.05 overall. The question is, who can best afford these games, Section 6 or Individual Districts who are already struggling with tight budgets.
7. Will this discourage participation by some schools because of the cost, thereby denying another game to an already shorten schedule, to our student/athletes? I believe that it will.

Again, as Section 6 Boys Basketball Chairman, I respectfully recommend that the Athletic Council reject this recommendation of the Finance Committee.