

School Operations
Eddie T. Pearson, Deputy Superintendent

**SUBJECT: PROPOSED AMENDMENT OF BOARD RULE: INITIAL READING
6Gx13- 6A-1.161, INTERSCHOLASTIC ATHLETICS-SENIOR HIGH
SCHOOL**

This item is submitted for consideration by the School Board to amend School Board Rule 6Gx13-6A-1.161, Interscholastic Athletics-Senior High School, and the document, Athletic Manual, which is incorporated by reference and is a part of this rule, to comport to changes in State Law, State Board of Education Administrative Rules, and current Board practice, and to revise outdated language and conditions.

Attached are the Notice of Intended Action and the rule proposed for amendment. Changes from the current rule are indicated by underscoring words to be added and ~~striking through~~ words to be deleted.

Copies of the proposed amended document, Interscholastic Athletic Manual, which is incorporated by reference and is a part of this rule, will be forwarded to School Board Members under separate cover prior to the School Board Meeting of October 11, 2000, and will be available for inspection by the public in the Office of Board Recording Secretary, Room 924, and the Citizen Information Center, Room 158, 1450 N.E. Second Avenue, Miami, Florida 33132.

Authorization of the Board is requested for the Superintendent to initiate rulemaking proceedings in accordance with the Administrative Procedure Act for the amendment of Board Rule 6Gx13-6A-1.161, Interscholastic Athletics-Senior High School.

RECOMMENDED: That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, authorize the Superintendent to initiate rulemaking proceedings in accordance with the Administrative Procedure Act to amend Board Rule 6Gx13- 6A-1.161, Interscholastic Athletics-Senior High School, and the document, Athletic Manual, which is incorporated by reference and is a part of this rule.

ETP:pra

NOTICE OF INTENDED ACTION

THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, announced on October 11, 2000, its intention to amend Board Rule 6Gx13- 6A-1.161, Interscholastic Athletics-Senior High School, and the document, Athletic Manual, which is incorporated by reference and is a part of this rule, at its meeting of November 15, 2000.

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: To update the language in the Board rule to coincide with the current structure and operating procedures for the interscholastic athletic programs in Miami-Dade County Public Schools.

SUMMARY: Changes Board Rule 6Gx13- 6A-1.161, Interscholastic Athletics-Senior High School, to reflect the current structure and operating procedures for the interscholastic athletic program in Miami-Dade County Public Schools.

SPECIFIC LEGAL AUTHORITY UNDER WHICH RULEMAKING IS AUTHORIZED: 230.22(2); 230.23(20) F.S.

LAW IMPLEMENTED, INTERPRETED, OR MADE SPECIFIC: 228.041(1)(e) and (9); 230.03(2); 230.22(1); 230.23005(2)(3)(c) F.S.

IF REQUESTED, A HEARING WILL BE HELD DURING THE BOARD MEETING OF November 15, 2000, which begins at 1:00 p.m., in the School Board Auditorium, 1450 N.E. Second Avenue, Miami, Florida 33132. Persons requesting such a hearing or who wish to provide information regarding the statement of estimated regulatory costs, or to provide a proposal for a lower cost regulatory alternative as provided by Section 120.541(1), F.S., must do so in writing by November 6, 2000, to the Superintendent of Schools, Room 912, at the same address.

ANY PERSON WHO DECIDES TO APPEAL THE DECISION made by The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, with respect to this action will need to ensure the preparation of a verbatim record of the proceedings, including the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based. (Section 286.0105, Florida Statutes)

A COPY OF THE PROPOSED AMENDED RULE is available for inspection and copying at cost by the public in the Citizen Information Center, Room 158, 1450 N.E. Second Avenue, Miami, Florida 33132.

Originator: Dr. Fred C. Rodgers
Supervisor: Mr. Eddie T. Pearson
Date: September 28, 2000

Instruction--Elementary and Secondary**INTERSCHOLASTIC ATHLETICS--SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL****I. Selection by Students**

All students shall be permitted to select their own school team sports activities without duress or interference by any employee.

II. Interscholastic Athletic Manual

Regulations to be observed by school personnel are found in the Interscholastic Athletic Manual which is incorporated by reference into this rule and is a part hereof. The Interscholastic Athletic Manual is on file in the Office of Board Recording Secretary Office, the Citizen Information Center, and the Office of the School Board Clerk.

III. Administrative Procedures for Senior High School Athletic Programs

The Division of Athletics/Activities and Accreditation has the responsibility to:

- A. Provide the schools with consistent, unified leadership in their athletic programs.
- B. Provide athletic opportunities to all high school students.
- C. Provide financial aid to new schools and others needing temporary assistance.
- D. Develop and recommend policies for Board consideration which will continue the development of athletics within the overall educational program.
- E. Carry out and administer the Board's policies through the Office of the Superintendent of Schools.
- F. Interpret Board policy to the extent necessary to provide guidance for schools in areas not specifically covered by policy.
- G. Provide the management leadership on a countywide basis which will enable all schools to develop their individual athletic capabilities to the fullest extent and thereby provide Miami-Dade County Public Schools (M-DCPS) with maximum benefits from balanced, well-managed, and well-operated athletic programs.

IV. Greater Miami Athletic Conference

- A. The Greater Miami Athletic Conference (GMAC) was formed following the dissolution of the Gold Coast Conference, from which Christopher Columbus High School was "grandfathered" into the GMAC. Other non-public schools shall not be permitted to become members of the GMAC.
- B. The Executive Committee of the GMAC shall consist of: the President; the First Vice President; the Second Vice-President; the Immediate Past President; two delegated principals (M-DCPS north and M-DCPS south); two delegated athletic directors (M-DCPS north and M-DCPS south); an FHSAA Board representative; a representative of the secondary principals' group; and two members-at-large. The ~~District~~ Administrative Director of the Division of Athletics/ Activities and Accreditation and the GMAC Executive Secretary serve as non-voting, ex-officio members. Two members from the same school may not serve on the Executive Committee at the same time.
- C. The Executive Secretary shall have decision-making responsibilities relative to the supervision of the high school athletic program as prescribed in the Bylaws, Standing Rules, and Policies of the GMAC, and shall be the executive officer of this Conference.

V. Athletic Administrative Director

The responsibilities of the position of Athletic Administrative Director (~~assigned to District Director, of the~~ Division of Athletics/Activities and Accreditation) are as follows:

- A. Coordinate with the Bureau of Procurement and Materials Management procedures for competitive bidding of all purchases ~~on behalf of the District Director, Division of Athletics/Activities and Accreditation~~ of over \$3,000. All other purchases are to be individually approved by the principal before contracts for purchases are made.
- B. Administer a special trust fund to be used to aid schools in financial distress. ~~This fund is to be developed by assessment of each GMAC member school, on a one-time basis, an amount not to exceed \$1,000. The exact amount of assessment will be determined by the Administrative Director of the Division of Athletics/Activities and Accreditation based on the number of sports offered at an individual school, adjusted football game receipts of the senior high schools according to the following table:~~

first \$10,000 of adjusted gross receipts	1/2 of 1%
second \$10,000 of adjusted gross receipts	1%
third \$10,000 of adjusted gross receipts	1 1/2%
fourth \$10,000 of adjusted gross receipts	2%
fifth \$10,000 of adjusted gross receipts	2 1/2%

The District Administrative Director, of the Division of Athletics/Activities and Accreditation, shall develop procedures for the distribution and repayment of this money and for methods of determining the adjusted gross receipts of the various senior high schools in cooperation with Financial Affairs. ~~Should the fund fall below a reasonable level, Each school will be notified of the additional assessment amount due, and will issue a check made payable to "Miami-Dade County Equalization Fund." This check will be forwarded to Coral Gables Senior High School where a the special trust fund has been created for this purpose is maintained.~~ (Board Rule 6Gx13- 6A-1.161, Section V.B)

- C. Develop and enforce special directives as shall be necessary to provide uniformity of policy within the District ~~where uniformity is desirable~~; and to ensure an effective athletic program in the various senior high schools.
- D. Standardize the operations of the athletic departments in all high schools.
- E. Manage all athletic events in Miami-Dade County Public Schools, within the policies of the GMAC, Florida High School Activities Association, and Miami-Dade County School Board rules, which ~~involve more than two teams; such as, basketball tournaments and track meets~~.
- F. Help all schools to develop their athletic capabilities to the fullest extent.
- G. Coordinate the purchase of all athletic equipment by bid buying purchasing.
- H. Help develop realistic athletic budgets.

Specific Authority: 230.22(2); 230.23~~(17)~~(20) F.S.

Law Implemented, Interpreted, or Made Specific: 228.041(1) (e) and (9); 230.03(2); 230.22(1); 230.23005(2)(3)(c) F.S.

History

THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA

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