

NEASAA Second Meeting Date Notice of Motion - Lee Woodward

1. Motion: Article X - Meetings - A.B.

Current

The NEASAA shall hold a minimum of two general meetings within the school year, to be scheduled on or about each of the following days:

- A. First Monday of October
- B. The Monday prior to the Annual Spring Meeting of the ASAA.

Proposed

The NEASAA shall hold a minimum of two general meetings within the school year, to be scheduled on or about each of the following days:

- A. First Monday of October
- B. First Monday following the ASAA Impact Leadership conference via Zoom.**

Rationale:

When the ASAA moved their Annual Spring Meeting from May to June, it also moved our second general meeting to June according to our constitution. In addition, the ASAA Impact Leadership conference now conflicts with the Monday in May for our second meeting date. This makes it difficult for ASAA representatives to attend our meetings and AD's who would like to attend Impact.

In my opinion, the meeting in early May worked very well because it provided a date $\frac{3}{4}$ quarter of the way through the seasons of play to discuss all events, reports, notices of motions, elections, championship dates, and concerns that needed to be addressed etc. Having the meeting in June to me is too long a period between meetings to connect with our colleagues. In addition, the current meeting timeline between June and October is too short with only golf occurring. May was a nice time to stop and reflect before the push to the end. The NOM's from the ASAA should also be ready by May as that deadline is April 1.

One of the many things we have learned throughout Covid is that things can be done more efficiently through Zoom. It saves time, money, and resources not only for our schools but for the zone as well. The first meeting needs to be done in person to distribute medals, banners and sometimes fees are brought to the meeting. It also is a nice time to reconnect with people face to face. However, the second could be done via Zoom as the need to meet in person is not as vital. We have met three times via Zoom and it has worked well. The option of meeting in person midweek makes it difficult for our colleagues from Fort MacMurray, thus making Zoom a

good alternative for any day of the week. Monday has been presented, as it has historically worked nicely, but in reality if through Zoom, any day could work.