



ATHLETIC COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
PRINCIPALS
THURSDAY, MAY 21, 2026 – 7:30 AM
Virtual via Teams



PRELIMINARY

FUNCTIONS.....

.....(ITEMS 1-2)

CALL TO

ORDER:.....

.....Scott Giusti, President Meeting was called to order at 7:30AM.

ATHLETIC COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:Listed by
alphabetical school order

E. Renfree, N. Stevens, K. Johnstone, R. Villery, J. Boertmann, C. Podhorsky, M. Agudelo, F. Hilgers, J. Sabins, E. Brown, C. Larkin, D. Jaffe, F. Del Carmen, M. Haupt, M. Lawson, M. Paredes, S. Giusti, S. Srsic, J. Stanley

Schools not in attendance: Christian, Coronado, HTHSD, Kearny, LMEC, OLP, Patrick Henry

1. President's Message.....Scott Giusti, City Conference President
 - a. TBD
 - Shared that CIF State plans to levy a \$1,000 fine if a school chooses not to participate in CIF playoffs.
2. Approve Athletic Council Meeting Minutes from 5/7/26 ([click here](#))
 - 1st by F. Del Carmen, 2nd by F. Hilgers, no discussion, no opposition, approved unanimously.

ATHLETIC COUNCIL

BUSINESS.....

.....(ITEMS 3-7)

3. Quick Hits
 - a. SDCC Spring Mission Fed Student Athlete of the Year (will link as soon as CIF announces)
 - CIF will officially post the congratulations to Matilda Meyer from Mission Bay HS and Nicholas Nelson from Canyon Hills HS as the two Mission Fed Spring Athletes of the Year.
 - b. Upcoming Due Dates
 - For San Diego Unified:
 - Spring coach playoff information is due to J. Stanley on June 5th.
 - Spring playoff administrator information needs to be entered by June 8th.
 - Final athletic reimbursements are due to Accounts Payable by June 11th.
 - The physical event is scheduled for June 13th.
 - The athletic director 2026-27 calendars are due to Payroll by July 1st.
 - c. SDUSD SB1349 (site principal to verify information is posted on their school athletics website by Thurs 5/14)
 - The La Jolla and Scripps Ranch SB1349s are not posted but need to be, principals were asked to follow up.
 - d. SDUSD BSN Stores Status Updates
 - S. Giusti shared this is being looked into and updates will be provided by the end of summer.
 - e. SDUSD 4X4 and SDEA: Canyon Hills, Madison, Mira Mesa (Teach 2, AD Prep 1, SDEA Prep 1)
 - A reminder of the changes that come with a 4x4 schedule.
 - K. Johnstone requested that the one pager previously shared be updated.
 - f. SDUSD Club Sports Guidance and Process for 2026-2027 ([click here](#))
 - Shared for awareness.
 - Will be implemented starting July 1st for the 2026-27 school year.
 - g. Miscellaneous
 - N/A
4. SDCC California Interscholastic Federation (CIF)
 - a. Information from the CIF Board of Managers meeting on 5/20
 - Review the meeting agenda:
https://www.cifsd.org/governance/documents/BOM_Agenda_Minutes/2025-2026_Board_Minutes_-_Agendas/Board_of_Managers_Agenda_Packet-05-20-26.pdf

5. Sport Specific Items
 - a. SDUSD Swim & Dive: Invoices from the City should come in early June to ensure schools pay this fiscal year
 - The City was notified that the district's use of City pools is complete for the 2025-26 school year.
 - This should trigger the release of final invoices to be paid using 2025-26 funds.
 - b. SDUSD Tackle Football: Staffing Hiring Approvals 2.0
 - Approvals are being shared via email.
6. SDUSD 2025-26 Financial Items
 - a. Processing Deadlines ([click here](#))
 - A reminder was shared that the last day to submit athletic reimbursements is June 11th.
 - It was recommended to receive proof of submission in case anything is incorrectly charged to the following year's budget.
 - b. Athletic Allowable Expense Grid ([click here](#))
 - Shared as a reminder of what is allowable to assist with end of fiscal year closeout.
 - c. Spring Playoff Pay- Coaches ([click here](#))
 - Coaches should receive payment no later than June 30th.
 - d. Spring Playoff Pay- Admin
 - Principals were reminded to enter CIF playoff information into the Google Sheet by June 8th.
 - e. Financial Challenges - official fees, SDCC fees, CIFSDS fees, CIF State fees, X-day units, OT, copy machine, City of SD (beach volleyball), site supplies, physical day, Perry weather, Kelcie Project, Riddell, Coaching Ed
 - i. Link will be opened the day of meeting ([click here](#))
 - Acknowledged sharing this at the last meeting.
 - Keeping it at the forefront and on the radar.
 7. Resources

A reminder of available resources to reference when needed.

 - Available resource links that are intended to be easy to use when needed.

SDUSD Athletics Website	SDCC/SDUSD Athletics Calendar	CIF Master Calendar/Max Contacts
SDUSD Grading Periods	SDCC Website	CIF Green Book
SDUSD Out of Season Sports	SDCC Blue Book	CIF Playing Matrix
SDUSD AD Handbook	SDCC Mtg Attendance	CIF Advisory Mtg Dates
SDUSD Coaching Education (in red)	Athletic Council Mtg Attendance	CIF Sit Out Period Dates
SDCC Pre/Postseason Coaches Mtg Attendance		

COMMITTEE

REPORTS.....

.....(ITEMS 8-10)

8. SDUSD Playoff Compensation Committee: Canyon Hills, La Jolla, Mira Mesa, Mission Bay, Point Loma, San Diego
 - a. Funding for 2025-26 was currently scheduled to be final year but we have next steps for the future ([click here](#))
 - b. This committee will do summer work to provide guidance for 2026-27
 - This committee will meet when all 2025-26 financial data is complete and received.
9. SDUSD End of Season Student Survey Committee: Canyon Hills, Clairemont, Henry, La Jolla, Mira Mesa, Morse, Point Loma
 - a. This committee will do summer work to provide guidance for 2026-27
 - The spring pilot that rolled out new changes was successful and therefore those changes will be implemented for the 2026-27 school year.
10. SDUSD Human Resources: Crawford, Lincoln, Mission Bay, San Diego, Athletics Office
 - a. 2026-27 Coach Hiring Process
 - The 2026-27 coach hiring process for San Diego Unified was sent via email on May 8th.

DIRECTOR'S INFORMATIONAL

ITEMS.....(ITEMS 11-14)

These items are an FYI and will not be discussed unless Athletic Council has questions.

- Asked if there was any interest in discussion or any questions, there were none.
- 11. Facilities
 - a. City Facilities Status Update on Swimming Pools, Morley Field, Beach Volleyball & Golf Courses
 - b. SDCC 2025-26 Facility Impacts Preventing Competition: Madison Gym (spring- badminton and boys volleyball- away and now fall- girls volleyball), Morse Tennis (fall and spring no longer at MLK and now playing all away games)

- c. SDUSD Middle School Athletics: High School Facility and Usage Data ([click here](#))
- 12. SDCC Chargers Grant ([click here](#))
- 13. SDCC Coaching Opportunities- with fall sports season in mind ([click here](#))
- 14. 2026-27 Scholastic Year
 - a. SDCC Proposed Summer CIF Training Dates ([click here](#))
 - b. SDCC CIFSDS 2026-27 Meeting Dates ([click here](#))
 - c. SDCC CIF San Diego 2026-27 Draft Calendar ([click here](#))
 - d. SDUSD 2026-27 Final Grading Periods: ([click here](#))

ACTION

ITEMS.....

-(ITEMS 15-18)
- 1st by F. Hilgers, 2nd by F. Del Carmen
- 15. 2026-27 San Diego City Conference President
 - SDCC recommended to approve Scott Giusti: yes 22 votes, no 0 votes (1 absent- Coronado)***
 - No discussion.
 - Approved- 16 Canyon Hills, Cathedral, Clairemont, Crawford, Hoover, La Jolla, Lincoln, Madison, Mira Mesa, Mission Bay, Morse, Point Loma, Saints, San Diego, Scripps Ranch, University City
 - Opposed- 0
 - Abstained- 0
 - All in favor.
- 16. 2026-27 Blue Book Bylaw Revisions ([click here](#))
 - Please see column G of the link for vote totals***
 - Item 3 is tabled.
 - Discussion on item 12 included the implementation piece, that the San Diego City Conference of San Diego CIF Section would have it but no one else, there is a belief it should come from the State association, and general disagreement at this time with what the coaches wanted.
 - For item 12 all voted against with Madison abstaining.
 - All other items approved- 16 Canyon Hills, Cathedral, Clairemont, Crawford, Hoover, La Jolla, Lincoln, Madison, Mira Mesa, Mission Bay, Morse, Point Loma, Saints, San Diego, Scripps Ranch, University City
 - Opposed- 0
 - Abstained- 0
 - All in favor.
- 17. Track & Field CIF Divisional Proposal
 - SDCC recommended to approve: yes 21 votes, no 1 vote- Clairemont (1 absent- Coronado)***
 - No discussion.
 - Approved- 16 Canyon Hills, Cathedral, Clairemont, Crawford, Hoover, La Jolla, Lincoln, Madison, Mira Mesa, Mission Bay, Morse, Point Loma, Saints, San Diego, Scripps Ranch, University City
 - Opposed- 0
 - Abstained- 0
 - All in favor.
- 18. LJ CIF Bylaw Change Proposal ([click here](#))
 - SDCC recommended to approve: yes 22 votes, no 0 votes (1 absent- Coronado)***
 - No discussion.
 - Approved- 16 Canyon Hills, Cathedral, Clairemont, Crawford, Hoover, La Jolla, Lincoln, Madison, Mira Mesa, Mission Bay, Morse, Point Loma, Saints, San Diego, Scripps Ranch, University City
 - Opposed- 0
 - Abstained- 0
 - All in favor.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF NEXT MEETING/ADJOURNMENT

- 19. Next Meeting TBA
 - The 2026-27 Athletic Council schedule will be shared once completed.
- 20. Roundtable
 - N/A

21. Meeting Ends

- The meeting adjourned at 8:10AM.