Wright County Boys and Girls Soccer Cooperative Sharing Agreement 2022 – 2023

1. Introduction

- 1.1. This agreement is made by and among the Board of Directors of the Belmond-Klemme (BK) Community School District, the Board of Directors of the Clarion-Goldfield-Dows (CGD) Community School District, and the Board of Directors of the Eagle Grove (EG) Community School District.
- 1.2. The purpose of this agreement is to facilitate a shared 9-12 boys and girls soccer program.
- 1.3. BK will be considered the host school for the purpose of this agreement to complete any paperwork or entries.
- 1.4. This agreement shall be effective March 1, 2023 and shall continue annually by mutual agreement by interested parties. If any participating school does not wish to continue a letter to discontinue needs to be submitted to the BK Community School District on or before September 1 of the school year.
- 1.5. Any interested district wishing to join the cooperative sharing agreement must submit a letter of interest to BK for the current districts to discuss.
- 1.6. Practices will be held at the BK football practice field in Belmond, Iowa. Additional space may need to be arranged.
- 1.7. BK will hire the coaching staff and volunteer coaches.
- 1.8. CDG will provide an assistant coach to each team (boys and girls).
- 1.9. The mascot will be the *Broncos* and the team name will be the Wright County Boys and Girls Soccer Cooperative.

2. Transportation

- 2.1. Each school shall determine how transportation will be handled for their student/athletes to get to practices and for tournaments.
- 2.2. Transportation to matches will be the responsibility of the host school. Match transportation will originate and end in the host school district, unless it is convenient to stop in the sending school district and/or unless extenuating circumstances arise when the host school would transport students back to the sending school. These arrangements will be determined by activity directors.
- 2.3. Students are expected to go to the contest on the provided transportation and return on the provided transportation unless parents take the students' home.

3. Coaches

- 3.1. The host school BK will employ the two head coaches for the activity covered under this agreement.
- 3.2. CGD will employ the two assistant coaches who will serve under the head coaches for the activity covered under this agreement.
- 3.3. The host school BK will employ the two assistant coaches for the activity covered under this agreement. The full cost of the two BK assistants will be borne by EG.

4. Financial Arrangements

- 4.1. The host school BK will receive all gate receipts and fundraising money to cover the cost of officials.
- 4.2. The cost to compete at tournaments will be split equally between the schools.
- 4.3. The host school will invoice the participating school at the end of season for the cost of the shared program.
- 4.4. The host school will honor the sending school's district passes.

5. Supervision

- 5.1. Supervision and organization for the athletic contests will be the responsibility of the host school's administration.
- 5.2. All matters, athletic and parental, are to be handled by the head coach and host school administration.
- 5.3. If any matter cannot be resolved by the head coach, a joint decision will be made by the principals and/or activity directors of the involved districts.

6. Eligibility Rules

- 6.1. The host school students will be subject to the eligibility and good conduct policy set forth by the board of directors of each school's home district.
- 6.2. The sending schools' students will follow each school's home district's eligibility and good conduct policy.
- 6.3. Activities directors will communicate with the head coach and host school's activities director if a student is ineligible.
- 6.4. All students will receive and be expected to follow the coaches' rules and "Good Conduct Rules" prior to the start of the season.

7. Awards

7.1. The student participants will receive any applicable awards from each school's home district. The criteria for determining who receives what award will be determined by the coaches.

8. Insurance

8.1. All participants will be required to have insurance statements given to the head coach showing that they are either covered by school insurance, insurance through the home, or that the parents are aware that the school has no insurance on the student.

9. Physicals

9.1. Each school will provide the opportunity for securing a physical for its own students. Copies of each physical will be on file in the respective school district before the athlete is allowed to participate in practice or competition.

10. Liability

10.1. Liability for all students utilizing school transportation shall be borne by the transporting school.

10.2. Premises liability shall be borne by the "host" district for each particular activity upon the student's arrival on the host school site and shall continue until the departure from the host school site.

11. Contest Sites

- 11.1. All matches will be played at the host school unless otherwise mutually agreed upon by each district's activities director.
- 11.2. A schedule will be built by the host school with the assistance of all schools involved.

12. Other Terms

- 12.1. The parties may amend this agreement only by mutual written agreement signed by all parties involved.
- 12.2. This agreement may be executed in one or more counterparts, each of which shall be deemed to be an original, but all of which shall constitute the same instrument.
- 12.3. If any provision of this agreement is held by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid or unenforceable, then such provisions shall be modified to the extent necessary to be valid and enforceable, and all other provisions of this agreement shall remain in full force and effect.
- 12.4. If any dispute arises, the superintendents of the involved districts will attempt to resolve any questions of interpretation, which may arise under this agreement. In the event that the Parties through their respective boards are unable to agree as to the interpretation or operation of this agreement, a committee from each board and the superintendents may meet with the AEA Chief to attempt mediation. If this mediation is not successful, a dispute may be submitted to arbitration. The Chief Administrator of Central Rivers AEA who is willing to serve and who is knowledgeable in Iowa school district matters shall appoint a single arbitrator. Each party will pay its respective costs of arbitration including the arbitrator's fee and the results shall be binding.

| Belmond-Klemme CSD Board President | Date | |
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| Clarion-Goldfield-Dows CSD Board President | Date | |
| Eagle Grove CSD Board President | | |

Signatures of respective boards of directors appear below.