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To: Federated Council**Date: February 29, 2024****Re: Bylaw 1803 - Traditional Competitive Cheer State Championships****Proposal Originated: CIF Staff****Proposal Reviewed**

06/07/2023 - Commissioners Committee
10/23/2023 - Championship New Events Committee
11/01/2023 - Executive Committee
02/01/2024 - Executive Committee
02/02/2024 - Federated Council
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Proposal Status

Discussion
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First Reading
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Type: Bylaw Revision

Proposal Summary: The CIF Staff is proposing replacing the current regional invitational with the implementation of a CIF Traditional Competitive Cheer State Championship to begin in the 2024-2025 school year. This proposal follows the approved State Championships Master Schedule timeline for implementation of new events for consideration. This championship event is proposed as a two-day event (based on registration numbers) held in late January.

Fiscal Impact: The staff has conducted a review of regional traditional competitive cheer events and calculated the budget estimates for State Championship events. This information is included in this proposal (Page 2, #4).

Background: State CIF does not currently have a state championship in Traditional Competitive Cheer. This event would bring teams from all over California to compete in an even larger scale event than their own section championships. It's another opportunity for boys and girls to have "state" level competition in the sport of Traditional Competitive Cheer as other sports currently do (Swim and Dive, Wrestling, Cross Country, etc). The event would allow traditional competitive cheer teams an opportunity to compete at the State level.

Proposal for CIF Traditional Competitive Cheer State Championship Event



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Name of Event: CIF Traditional Competitive Cheer State Championship

Proposed Event Dates:

TCC Schedule:

2025: Saturday, February 1

2026: Saturday, January 31

2027: Saturday, January 30

2028: Saturday, January 29

2029: Saturday, January 27

Format

Teams will register for the division they would like to compete in through the CIF State Office registration process.

Section Entries

All CIF member schools are eligible to compete.

QUALIFYING TO CIF STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS

This is an open event, teams will register with the CIF State office. Teams must compete in CIF Section Championships (when offered) in order to participate in the CIF State Championship.

Financial Criteria and Feasibility for CIF Traditional Competitive Cheer State Championship Sponsored by the CIF:

1. **What travel, lodging, and meal reimbursement will be provided to participating schools (please use the CIF Adopted Criteria)?**
 - For this championship the CIF State adopted criteria for reimbursements does not apply due to the championship event being an open competition. Teams will register with the CIF State office
2. **Will this event place any CIF Section event at risk financially?**
 - This event will not place any CIF Section event at risk financially because it takes place after all section championships have been concluded. This event will possibly generate greater excitement in the sport of traditional competitive cheer at the section level and generate additional profit.



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3. Will this event be a burden on the CIF State budget?

- The CIF State will work with interested host communities to keep championship expenses in line with the projections and use additional marketing opportunities to supplement the budget.

4. Please provide a detailed, specific, feasible cost estimate for the operation of this event.

Below are the budget estimates for this event:

Projected Traditional Competitive Cheer State Championships based on Regional Championship historical revenue and expense figures		
	Revenue	Expense
Personnel Expenses		\$16,000
Misc Expense/Staff Travel		\$2,500
Event Set-Up		\$6,500
Awards (CIF Trophy)		\$3,000
Facility		\$1,500
Gate	\$40,000	
Total	\$40,000	\$29,500

5. Please demonstrate using both costs in #4 above and anticipated event revenue how this event may be sustained economically over many years.

- This event is projected to show a slight profit, gate revenue should cover expenses. With the continued growth of TCC programs, higher team participation will increase ticket sales.

6. Is the current CIF State Office staff capable of managing this event?

- Yes. The current CIF State Office staff is capable of managing this event.

7. Is there capable staff available to support the CIF State Office in the operation of this event?

- Yes. The State office staff currently has adequate resources to staff the event.



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Philosophical Criteria for New Events:

1. **How does this event contribute to the goals of the CIF (i.e., a new event may enhance gender equity, economic stability and enhance the awareness of values taught through sport)?**
 - This event would bring teams from across the state to compete in an even larger scale event than their own section championships. It's another opportunity for both boys and girls to have "state" level competition in the sport of Traditional Competitive Cheer as other sports currently do (Swimming and Diving, Wrestling, Track and Field).

Qualifying Participation Criterion for a Regional Championship:

1. **Do 50% of all CIF sections participate in the sport in the same season?**
 - Yes, the SFS, OS, NS, CCS, NCS, SJS, CS, SS, SDS, and LACS all participate in the same season.

Other Questions:

1. **How will this event benefit participating schools and students?**
 - This event will give boys and girls the opportunity for post-region championship opportunities not currently available in Traditional Competitive Cheer.
2. **Do the proposed dates conflict with state mandated testing?**
 - The proposed dates are currently used for playoff opportunities in other sports. No conflict with state testing is anticipated.
3. **Does the event cause additional loss of instructional time? If so, has any thought been given to mitigating this loss (Saturdays, evenings, vacation time)?**
 - The State event will follow a schedule similar to many of the other state level events. Depending on travel, there may be some loss of instructional time, but every effort will be made to minimize lost class time.
4. **How, specifically, will this event be a demonstration of the value of participation in high school athletics?**
 - All CIF events are conducted with the above in mind. This event can give CIF member schools another opportunity to demonstrate that competitions can be played fairly and with great sportsmanship. It is also an additional avenue for our member schools to promote the best values of educational athletics.



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5. **Will the proposed event lend itself to a partnership between the State CIF and a CIF Section? If so, the nature of the partnership must be detailed. What are the duties and responsibilities of the State and Section entities?**
 - All duties and responsibilities proposed by the addition of a Traditional Competitive Cheer State Championships will be conducted by the CIF state office. The state office will assume financial responsibility of profit and/or loss of the event.
6. **Will there be any ancillary activities associated with the event to make it more attractive and reflective of the goals and mission of CIF (i.e., training for coaches, sportsmanship activities for schools)?**
 - None anticipated.

ARTICLE 180

TRADITIONAL COMPETITIVE CHEER

~~1803. TRADITIONAL COMPETITIVE CHEER REGIONAL INVITATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS~~

~~A Regional Invitational Championship will be held in January. Regional Invitational Championship entries will be placed into the appropriate divisions based on registration forms.
(Approved January 2020 Federated Council)~~

1803. TRADITIONAL COMPETITIVE CHEER STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS

A State Championship will be held in January. School team entries will be placed into the appropriate divisions based on registration forms and participation in their Section Championships, when offered.