

CBA Classification Review Committee 2024

MEMBERS

Rick Shaw, Committee Chairman
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Sean Cartner, Conifer (Proposal author)
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Becky Paschke, CBA President and small school
Trey Tafoya, Legacy
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The make-up of the CRC was intentional to include members of the Marching Affairs Committee, CBA Board, large program representation, small program representation, large program with small program experience, and large class with small program.

OBJECTIVES

The main objective of the committee is to utilize an established process to determine whether classification by school size or by band size will be the best for the bands of Colorado. To gather the belief and desire of the CBA membership in a way that the CRC will represent the voice of the entire marching community. To be objective and impartial in all matters related to committee work.

OPENING COMMITTEE CHARGE

The initial charge to this committee is to evaluate what is significantly different now from 2011 that would cause us to reformat a system that has been developed and has worked for Colorado since that time and prior. The focus and the dialogue need to be on what is best for students. WL and I strongly feel that for us to support a change, the information and study must without question show that going a different direction must be for the good of marching band students across ALL of Colorado and not to the benefit of a few.

PROCESS

Receive and review materials provided by the chairman.
Act as a sounding board to colleagues in an effort to collect/record opinion and information.
Share openly with transparency among all CRC members in a collaborative manner that is pertinent, timely, and necessary.
Attend all CRC meetings including the summit in early summer.
Communicate summit results to membership via email and website.
Hold a roundtable discussion or session at the CBA Summer Convention
Attend the closing meeting on August 17 if a closing meeting is required.
Release CRC decision to membership, August 31, 2024, or earlier.

OUTCOME

The intended outcome is to review the possibilities and ramifications of a band size classification system vs the current school size model.

The CRC review process will provide data and insight on the pros and cons of each model to the point a classification system is revealed that is best for the students in ALL of Colorado.

Determine if the current Regional and State Championship contest model based on the desired classification system.

Explore the process to create a new contest model should a new classification system require a change.