

Rule Change Proposal 2503

This practice for the 2025 season was proposed by Commissioner Jeff and was agreed to by the Fantasy Board of Governors on August 14, 2025, via Yea votes from Governors Jeff Morris, Ted Sidoriak, Roger Johnson, and Frank Perlmutter. Governor Chuck Seipel abstained from the vote.

Given the fact that expansion has led to having 35 teams this season, I am making the following proposal:

1. Treat the weekly League Average as the league's 36th team. Add them to the Craig Division (the only division currently with 5 rather than 6 teams).
2. The League Average Team would be eligible to make the playoffs the same as all other teams.
3. If the League Average reaches the championship game, then the semifinal losing teams would remain eligible to make free agent moves in Week 17 and their Week 17 scores would contribute to the League Average for that week.
4. Any winnings attained by the League Average would carry over to the pot for the 2026 season unless the League Average wins the championship. In the event that happens, then 40% of the final pot will carry over to the 2026 season and each semifinal losing team would receive an additional 5%.

The voting Governors supported this practice for this season and requested that the League Average be given a team name similar to the other 35 league teams. It was decided that the team representing the league average would be known as the "ESFFL meanjoes."