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Optimism for San Diego, Oakland lacking at NFL meetings

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IRVING, Texas — NFL Commissioner Roger Goodell isn't saying whether he's optimistic that San Diego and Oakland can keep their teams, while Indianapolis owner Jim Irsay considers both franchises all but gone.

Dean Spanos of the Chargers and the Raiders' Mark Davis weren't talking at the NFL owners meeting Wednesday in the Dallas area. And no new specifics were revealed by Goodell a day after city and county officials in Oakland agreed to open negotiations with an investment group on a $1.3 billion plan for a new stadium.

"As you know, these issues have been going on for an awful long time," Goodell said. "The challenges of getting stadiums built is something that we've worked very hard on. We have not made great progress in Oakland and San Diego. There is not a stadium proposal on the table that we think addresses the long-term issues of the clubs and the communities."

The Chargers face a Jan. 15 deadline to decide whether to join the Rams in Los Angeles, part of a deal struck almost a year ago when owners agreed to let the Rams leave St. Louis. A Chargers-written ballot measure asking for $1.15 billion in increased hotel taxes to help fund a new downtown stadium was soundly defeated last month.

Earlier this year, Davis said he was committed to moving the Raiders to Las Vegas, where a $1.9 billion stadium project has been approved. He declined to comment Wednesday when asked by The Associated Press about the vote a day earlier in Oakland.

The Raiders will have from the end of their season, which will likely include their first trip to the playoffs since 2002, until Feb. 15 to apply for relocation. Irsay didn't offer any encouraging words for San Diego or Oakland.

"I think that there is at this point really no reason for optimism in either market for the Chargers and Raiders right now," Irsay said. "We'll see what happens. That's the way it appears to be going with the year ending here."

Among other issues Goodell addressed:

—The salary cap will increase at least another $10 million for the fourth year in a row, which Goodell said was a sign that the labor deal reached in 2011 was working. "This is healthy for us," Goodell said. "We should continue to find ways to continue to extend that and make sure that we address things that we think we could make better."

When the NFL and the players' union did a long-term deal with no opt-out clause, the idea was to help drive up revenues, which in turn makes the cap rise. The more the cap rises the more cash teams have to spend on players.

Had there been an opt-out clause, as previous collective bargaining agreements had, a lockout or strike scenario would have been possible during the contract.

Goodell mentioned the league is interested in an extension of the CBA. It's unlikely the union would favor anything short of negotiations on a new deal in which both sides could address any perceived shortcomings in the current agreement.

—The NFL will experiment with the number of advertisements in TV breaks during Week 16 games as it continues to evaluate a decline in ratings this season. The changes are not expected to reduce the time for ads, but perhaps the number of ads in a break and how many breaks there are.

SEAHAWKS: Team to wear "Action Green" uniforms for NFL's "Color Rush"

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end up with a bye.

"Owning the division has been something for a long time first off, it's the first thing that you get a shot at and we want to focus at what's closest at hand," Carroll said.

"Also, when you win the division, you play a playoff game at home. This is such a decisive advantage, we feel, to play here."

While Seattle is all but assured of a fifth straight playoff appearance, the Rams (4-9) are without direction after the decision to fire Fisher.

The hype that surrounded the Rams' return to Los Angeles has been replaced by apathy after four straight losses and just one win since Oct. 2.

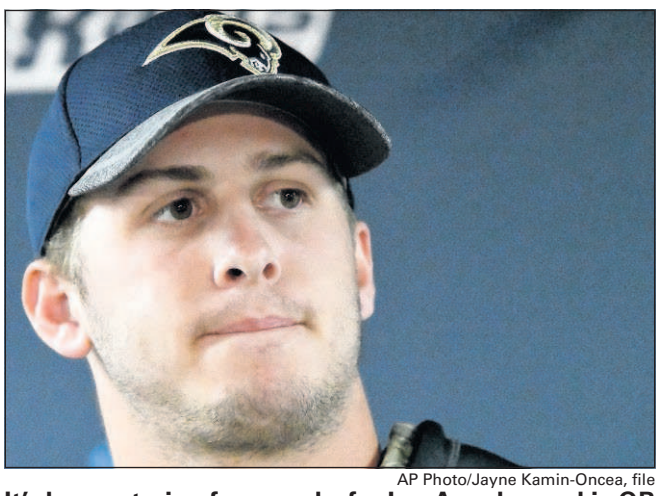
Couple Fisher's firing with the short week and there's no telling how motivated — or indifferent — the Rams will be even with a three-game win streak over the Seahawks.

"The players are just super resilient," interim Los Angeles coach John Fassel said. "I anticipate they'll go out there and put it all on the line for themselves, the team and coach Fisher."

Seattle will be trying to recover from a rarity: A blowout loss. The 38-10 loss to Green Bay last Sunday represented the first loss by 10 or more points in Russell Wilson's career and most lopsided Seattle setback since the 2011 season.

"That's not the norm for us," Wilson said. "We want to get back to playing great football, which is being very efficient and score as much as we can."

Here's what else to watch:



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It's been a trying four weeks for Los Angeles rookie QB Jared Goff since taking over as the starting quarterback. He stepped in as the starter in Week 11 against Miami and is winless thus far.

RUSH, RUSH: For the past few weeks, the Seahawks' pass rush has disappeared. Over the past three games, Seattle has just one sack, that coming when Aaron Rodgers fell down in the third quarter of last Sunday's blowout loss.

The Seahawks have five total sacks over the past five games. This would seem a good week for Seattle to try and get the pass rush started again. Los Angeles quarterback Jared Goff has been sacked 10 times in the past three games.

GOFF GROWTH: It's been a trying four weeks for Goff since taking over as the starting quarterback. He stepped in as the starter in Week 11 against Miami and is winless thus far. In the past two weeks, Goff has thrown four interceptions, one touchdown and been sacked seven times.

"It's gotten a little more comfortable, I'm starting to see the field even more every game so that's been fun," Goff said.

THE DONALD: Los Angeles defensive tackle Aaron Donald has made life miserable for Seattle in the past.

In five games against the Seahawks, Donald has four sacks and 28 total tackles. Carroll said it's Donald's combination of quickness getting off the snap and instincts that has made him so difficult for Seattle to handle.

LIVING COLOR: Get your eyes ready for a "Color Rush" combination that will test even high definition picture.

Seattle will wear its "Action Green" uniforms, that's jerseys, pants, and socks, for Thursday's game. It's the first time a shade of green is the primary color in the Seahawks uniform since a maligned version worn during the 2009 season and was never to be seen again. The shade of green has been an accent color since Seattle's uniforms were redesigned in 2012.

Los Angeles won't be wearing any blinding shades of uniform, but will have a nod to its past with blue and white helmets.

ALL-STATE: Neal finished Top-5 in Class 5A in most receiving categories

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"It was all about finding the right position for me," he said. "The coaches thought I could go up against some bigger guys, and it worked out."

The move more than worked out for Hermiston and Line, as the 6-1, 225-pound senior went on to rack up 99 total tackles, 22.5 tackles-for-loss, 15.5 sacks, and seven more quarterback pressures on the season — all team highs.

Aside from the statistics, he was also a leader of a fierce Bulldog defense that allowed an average of just 10.2 points per game over the final five regular season games. During that stretch, Hermiston went 4-1 as a team to secure a playoff spot for the sixth straight season.

Line says he owes it all to his coaches.

"They believed in me and taught me everything on how to play end," he said. "And having Coach (David) Faaeteete be a Division I lineman at Oregon when he played, it really helped a lot."

After playing quarterback for half a season in 2015, Neal switched back to his natural position at wide receiver and shined from the start. In Hermiston's opener against Union, Neal caught 12 passes for 212 yards and three touchdowns, and instantly became the go-to target for quarterback Andrew James.

For the season, Neal finished with 51 catches for 911 yards and 12 touchdowns, which are all team-highs. Neal's totals also placed him high in the Class 5A leaderboards, finishing second in catches, tied for second in yardage, and tied for third in touchdowns.

Neal said he wasn't surprised at his breakout season, and that he got a feeling that he could be in for a special season during summer the summer workout sessions.

"During summer when we were playing 7-on-7 games and tournaments," he said. "I knew if Andrew and I could keep the chemistry between us and me make him trust throwing the ball to me, we could do something special."

Now Neal and James have an entire offseason to continue to develop chemistry to make Hermiston an even better team next season, and to also help Neal achieve a new goal.

"I'm honored (for second team)," he says, "but at the same time that sets a new goal for me for next season, gotta get that first team."

Class 5A All-State Football

First team

Quarterback — John Bledsoe, sr., Summit.

Running back — Tanner Earhart, sr., Dallas; Nathaniel Maddox, sr., Lebanon.

Wide receiver — Harrison Steiger, sr., Wilsonville; Nicky Weinberg, sr., Ashland; Peter Mason, sr., Central.

Tight end — Grant Tobias, sr., Summit.

Offensive Line — Owen Baker, sr., Crater; Marlon Tuipulotu, sr., Central; Cody Janssen, sr., Dallas; Dustin Gubbels, sr., Silverton; Corbin Anderson, soph., Lebanon.

Kicker — Austin Kness, jr., Wilsonville.

Defensive line — Marlon Tuipulotu, sr., Central; JT Gill, sr., Crater; John-Henry Line, sr., Hermiston; Jakob Cripe, sr., Lebanon.

Linebacker — Cooger Smith, sr., Redmond; Iosefa Polamalu, jr., Sandy; Ty Miller, sr., Lebanon; Nick Ah Sam, sr., Springfield.

Defensive back — Cole Sipos, sr., Lebanon; Nicky Weinberg, sr., Ashland; Peter Mason, sr., Central; Talanoa Hufanga, jr., Crescent Valley; Tharren Blood, sr., Wilsonville.

Punter — Kyle Cornett, sr., Summit.

Second team

Quarterback — Ty Hargis, sr., Lebanon.

Running back — Dawson Ruhl, sr., Summit; Roy Williams, jr., Corvallis; Connor Morton, sr., Thurston.

Wide receiver — Dayshawn Neal, jr., Hermiston; Ben Graziani, jr., Summit.

Tight end — TJ Dimick, jr., Dallas.

Offensive line — Noah Klein, sr., Mountain View; Mario Nonato, sr., Redmond; Brayden Garver, sr., St. Helens; Zach Gadbois, sr., St. Helens; Tanner Gilchrist, sr., Redmond; Wynn Nevin, sr., Eagle Point.

Kicker — Chad Andrews, jr., Ashland.

Defensive line — Draco Bynum, jr., Wilsonville; Cade Caudill, sr., Dallas; Colin Walker, sr., Silverton; Jayden Priester, sr., Sandy.

Linebacker — Kaden Floyd, sr., Wilsonville; Tanner Sallee, sr., Lebanon; Lance Cline, sr., Silverton; Jacob Collins, sr., Dallas; Grant Tobias, sr., Summit.

Defensive back — Kyle Cornett, sr., Summit; Dom Rocha, sr., Wilsonville; Reow Jackson, jr., Marist; Ryan Stanley, sr., Bend; Gabe Poulin, sr., Sandy

Punter — Austin Haskett, sr., Silverton.

Honorable mention

Quarterback — Nick McCoy, sr., La Salle Prep; Talanoa Hufanga, jr., Crescent Valley; Connor Neville, sr., Wilsonville.

Running back — Haidon Allen, sr., St. Helens; Chaise Carmony, sr., Sandy; Daniel Bazan, sr., Bend; Sam Jackson, sr., Churchill; Sage Roundtree, sr., Hillsboro.

Wide receiver — Parker Cardwell, sr., La Salle Prep; Myles Terry, sr., St. Helens; Spencer Clements, jr., Silverton.

Tight end — McKane Ellis, sr., Ashland; Nick Parise, sr., La Salle Prep.

Offensive line — Elijah Cohrs, jr., Sandy; Troy Boyd, jr., Ashland; TJ Brewster, jr., Sandy; Dillon Holliday, sr., Sandy; Kyle Rodden, sr., Ashland; Marco Brewer, jr., Corvallis; Brock Metternich, sr., Bend; Noah Turnbull, jr., Summit; Leonard Hunter, sr., Eagle Point; Nick Carbone, sr., La Salle Prep; Zach Redelings, sr., Redmond.

Kicker — Tyler Lindsey, sr., Bend; Oswaldo Ramirez, jr., South Albany.

Defensive line — John Ale, sr., Crater; Colton Albertson, sr., St. Helens; Matt Allen, sr., Redmond; McKane Ellis, sr., Ashland; Taylor Lawler, sr., Eagle Point; Cian Marderos, jr., Summit.

Linebacker — Spencer Klein, sr., Mountain View; Kaleb Wyngarden, sr., Bend.

Defensive back — Kobe Garcia, jr., Silverton; Tucker Mosley, sr., St. Helens; Connor Morton, sr., Thurston.

Punter — Chad Andrews, jr., Ashland; Parker Cardwell, sr., La Salle Prep.

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SCOREBOARD

Local slate

PREP BOYS BASKETBALL

Today's Games

Umatilla vs. Jordan Valley (at Union Tournament), 3:30 p.m.

The Dalles (JV) at Arlington, 7 p.m.

Friday's Games

Ione vs. Riverside (at Stanield Tournament) 3:30 p.m.

Enterprise vs. Condon/Wheeler (Pilot Rock Tournament), 3 p.m.

Nyssa at Stanfield (at Stanfield Tournament), 6:30 p.m.

Pendleton vs. Mountain View (at Wilsonville Invite), 7 p.m.

Irrigon at Grant Union, 7:30 p.m.

Imbler at Heppner, 7:30 p.m.

Nixyaawii at Wallowa, 7:30 p.m.

Helix at Echo, 7:30 p.m.

Umatilla vs. TBD (at Union Tournament), TBD

Mac-Hi vs. TBD (at Pilot Rock Tournament), TBD

PREP GIRLS BASKETBALL

Today's Games

Umatilla vs. Jordan Valley (at Union Tournament), 2 p.m.

The Dalles (JV) at Arlington, 5 p.m.

Pendleton at Wilsonville, 7 p.m.

Friday's Games

Ione vs. Riverside (at Stanfield Tournament), 2 p.m.

Condon/Wheeler vs. Enterprise (at Pilot Rock Tournament), 4:30 p.m.

Nyssa at Stanfield, 5 p.m.

Irrigon at Grant Union, 6 p.m.

Imbler at Heppner, 6 p.m.

Nixyaawii at Wallowa, 6 p.m.

Helix at Echo, 6 p.m.

Mac-Hi at Pilot Rock (at Pilot Rock Tournament), 7 p.m.

Umatilla vs. TBD (at Union Tournament), TBD

PREP WRESTLING

Today

Pendleton at Liberty, 6 p.m.

Friday

Hermiston at North Idaho College (Tri-State Tournament), TBD

Echo at Dobbs (ID) Invitational, 3 p.m.

Pendleton at Banks, TBD

Saturday

Hermiston at North Idaho College (Tri-State Tournament), TBD

Pendleton at Liberty Invitational, 9 a.m.

Mac-Hi, Riverside, Irrigon, Heppner at Mac-Hi Tournament, 10 a.m.

Echo at Dobbs (ID) Invitational, 3 p.m.

PREP SWIMMING

Saturday

Pendleton, Hermiston at La Grande, Noon

Pendleton (selects) at Bend, 1 p.m.

COLLEGE MEN'S BASKETBALL

Friday

Corban at Eastern Oregon, 7:30 p.m.

Skagit Valley at Blue Mountain, 8 p.m.

Saturday

Northwest Christian at Eastern Oregon, 7:30 p.m.

Tacoma at Blue Mountain, 2 p.m.

Sunday

Clark at Blue Mountain, 2 p.m.

COLLEGE WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

Friday

Corban at Eastern Oregon, 5:30 p.m.

Blue Mountain vs. Grays Harbor (at Salem), 5:30 p.m.

Saturday

Blue Mountain vs. Chemeketa (at Salem), 3 p.m.

Northwest Christian at Eastern Oregon, 5:30 p.m.

Sunday

Blue Mountain vs. Everett (at Salem), Noon

COLLEGE MEN'S WRESTLING

Sunday

Eastern Oregon at Reno (Nev.) Tournament of Champions, TBA

COLLEGE WOMEN'S WRESTLING

Saturday-Sunday

Eastern Oregon at West Coast Tournament of Champions (at Rocklin, Calif.), TBD

Football

NFL

AMERICAN CONFERENCE

East

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
New England	11	2	0	.846	349	230
Miami	8	5	0	.615	281	301
Buffalo	6	7	0	.462	325	301
N.Y. Jets	4	9	0	.308	229	324

South

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Houston	7	6	0	.538	229	274
Tennessee	7	6	0	.538	321	306
Indianapolis	6	7	0	.462	328	333
Jacksonville	2	11	0	.154	240	338

North

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Pittsburgh	8	5	0	.615	317	256
Baltimore	7	6	0	.538	279	237
Cincinnati	5	7	1	.423	268	269
Cleveland	0	13	0	.000	207	375

West

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Kansas City	10	3	0	.769	302	255
Oakland	10	3	0	.769	358	320
Denver	8	5	0	.615	296	242
San Diego	5	8	0	.385	350	347

NATIONAL CONFERENCE

East

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
x-Dallas	11	2	0	.846	340	238
N.Y. Giants	9	4	0	.692	255	244
Washington	7	5	1	.577	330	317
Philadelphia	5	8	0	.385	290	272

South

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Atlanta	8	5	0	.615	428	345
Tampa Bay	8	5	0	.615	293	296
New Orleans	5	8	0	.385	358	351
Carolina	5	8	0	.385	311	337

North

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Detroit	9	4	0	.692	295	268
Green Bay	7	6	0	.538	333	312
Minnesota	7	6	0	.538	258	225
Chicago	3	10	0	.231	221	290

West

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Seattle	8	4	1	.654	274	232
Arizona	5	7	1	.423	299	277
Los Angeles	4	9	0	.308	194	304
San Francisco	1	12	0	.077	251	393

x-clinched playoff spot

Week 15

Today's Game

Los Angeles at Seattle, 5:25 p.m.

Saturday, Dec. 17

Miami at N.Y. Jets, 5:25 p.m.

Sunday, Dec. 18

Philadelphia at Baltimore, 10 a.m.

Cleveland at Buffalo, 10 a.m.

Detroit at N.Y. Giants, 10 a.m.

Pittsburgh at Cincinnati, 10 a.m.

Tennessee at Kansas City, 10 a.m.

Green Bay at Chicago, 10 a.m.

Indianapolis at Minnesota, 10 a.m.

Jacksonville at Houston, 10 a.m.

New Orleans at Arizona, 1:05 p.m.

San Francisco at Atlanta, 1:05 p.m.

New England at Denver, 1:25 p.m.

Oakland at San Diego, 1:25 p.m.

Tampa Bay at Dallas, 5:30 p.m.

Monday, Dec. 19

Carolina at Washington, 5:30 p.m.

NCAA

Bowl Game Lineup

Saturday, Dec. 17

Celebration Bowl

At Atlanta

NC Central (9-2) vs. Grambling State (11-1), 9 a.m. (ABC)

New Mexico Bowl

Albuquerque

UTSA (6-6) vs. New Mexico (8-4), 11 a.m. (ESPN)

Las Vegas Bowl

San Diego State (10-3) vs. Houston (9-3), 12:30 p.m. (ABC)

Camellia Bowl

Montgomery, Ala.

Toledo (9-3) vs. Appalachian State (9-3), 2:30 p.m. (ESPN)

Cure Bowl

Orlando, Fla.

UCF (6-6) vs. Arkansas State (7-5), 2:30 p.m. (CBSSN)

New Orleans Bowl

Southern Miss. (6-6) vs. Louisiana-Lafayette (6-6), 6 p.m. (ESPN)

FCS Playoffs

Semifinals

Friday

No. 4 James Madison at No. 1 North Dakota State, 4 p.m. (ESPN2)

Saturday

Youngstown State at No. 2 Eastern Washington, 3:30 p.m. (ESPNU)

NAIA

Championship

Saturday

At Municipal Stadium

Daytona Beach, Fla.

Saint Francis (Ind.) (11-2) vs. Baker (Kan.) (14-0), 3 p.m.

Basketball

NBA

EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Toronto	18	7	.720	—
New York	14	11	.560	4
Boston	13	12	.520	5
Brooklyn	7	17	.292	10½
Philadelphia	6	19	.240	12

Southeast Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Charlotte	14	12	.538	—
Atlanta	12	13	.480	1½
Washington	10	14	.417	3
Orlando	11	16	.407	3½
Miami	9	17	.346	5

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Cleveland	18	6	.750	—
Chicago	13	11	.542	5
Detroit	14	13	.519	5½
Indiana	13	13	.500	6
Milwaukee	11	12	.478	6½

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Southwest Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
San Antonio	20	5	.800	—
Houston	19	7	.731	1½
Memphis	18	9	.667	3
New Orleans	8	18	.308	12½
Dallas	6	19	.240	14

Northwest Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Utah	16	10	.615	—
Oklahoma City	15	11	.577	1
Portland	13	14	.481	3½
Denver	9	16	.360	6½
Minnesota	7	18	.280	8½

Pacific Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Golden State	22	4	.846	—
L.A. Clippers	19	7	.731	3
Sacramento	9	16	.360	12½
L.A. Lakers	10	18	.357	13
Phoenix	8	17	.320	13½

Wednesday's Games

L.A. Clippers 113, Orlando 108

Miami 95, Indiana 89

Toronto 123, Philadelphia 114

Washington 109, Charlotte 106

Brooklyn 107, L.A. Lakers 97

Houston 132, Sacramento 98

Memphis 93, Cleveland 85

Detroit 95, Dallas 85

Utah 109, Oklahoma City 89

San Antonio 108, Boston 101

Today's Games

Chicago at Milwaukee, 5 p.m.

Indiana at New Orleans, 5 p.m.

Portland at Denver, 6 p.m.

San Antonio at Phoenix, 6 p.m.

New York at Golden State, 7:30 p.m.

NCAA

Men's Top 25

Today's Games

No. 4 Baylor 89, Southern 59

No. 14 Wisconsin 73, Green Bay 59

No. 20 Saint Mary's 73, Western Kentucky 51

No. 2 UCLA 102, UCSB 62

Grand Canyon at No. 19 Arizona, late

Thursday-Friday

No games scheduled

Women's Top 25

Wednesday's Games

Mississippi 83, No. 25 Oregon 67

No. 22 South Florida 129, Saint Francis (PA) 80

No. 8 Louisville 83, South Dakota State 30

No. 9 UCLA 71, UCSB 52

Today's Games

Winthrop at No. 3 Baylor, 10 a.m.

Clemson at No. 6 South Carolina, 4 p.m.

UT Rio Grande Valley at No. 16 Texas, 5 p.m.

No. 17 DePaul at Temple, 6 p.m. (ESPNU)

Hockey

NHL

EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division

	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Montreal	29	19	6	4	42	92	64
Boston	31	16	12	3	35	74	75
Ottawa	30	16	11	3	35	73	82
Tampa Bay	30	15	13	2	32	87	84
Florida	30	13	13	4	30	71	82
Detroit	30	13	13	4	30	71	81
Toronto	28	11	11	6	28	81	87
Buffalo	28	11	11	6	28	62	75

Metropolitan Division

	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Pittsburgh	30	20	7	3	43	108	87
N.Y. Rangers	31	20	10	1	41	106	72
Columbus	27	18	5	4	40	90	57
Washington	28	18	7	3	39	76	61
Philadelphia	31	18	10	3	39	101	94
New Jersey	28	12	10	6	30	69	82
Carolina	29	12	11	6	30	77	82
N.Y. Islanders	28	11	12	5	27	73	85

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Central Division

	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Chicago	31	19	8	4	42	83	71
St. Louis	30	16	10	4	36	82	85
Minnesota	28	16	8	4	36	80	57
Nashville	28	13	11	4	30	84	81
Dallas	31	12	13	6	30	81	98
Winnipeg	32	13	16	3	29	82	96
Colorado	27	11	15	1	23	60	86

Pacific Division

	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
San Jose	30	18	11	1	37	75	66
Anaheim	30	15	10	5	35	83	81
Edmonton	32	15	12	5	35	94	88
Calgary	32	16	14	2	34	84	92
Los Angeles	28	14	12	2	30	74	76
Vancouver	30	12	16	2	26	73	94
Arizona	29	10	14	5	25	66	91

NOTE: Two points for a win, one point for overtime loss.

Wednesday's Games

San Jose 4, Ottawa 3, OT

Pittsburgh 4, Boston 3, OT

Tampa Bay at Calgary, 6:30 p.m.

Philadelphia at Colorado, late finish

Today's Games

Anaheim at Boston, 4 p.m.

Chicago at N.Y. Islanders, 4 p.m.

Arizona at Toronto, 4:30 p.m.

Los Angeles at Detroit, 4:30 p.m.

New Jersey at St. Louis, 5 p.m.

Minnesota at Nashville, 5 p.m.

Florida at Winnipeg, 5 p.m.

N.Y. Rangers at Dallas, 5:30 p.m.

Transactions

Wednesday

BASEBALL

American League

BOSTON RED SOX — Named Raquel Ferreira vice president, major league and minor league operations, and Jack McCormick senior director, team travel.

CHICAGO WHITE SOX — Agreed to terms with LHP Derek Holland on a one-year contract. Designated LHP Matt Purke for assignment.

SEATTLE MARINERS — Announced INF/OF Richie Shaffer has been claimed off waivers by Philadelphia.

National League

CHICAGO CUBS — Agreed to terms with RHP Koji Uehara on a one-year contract.

PHILADELPHIA PHILLIES — Agreed to terms with INF Andres Blanco on a one-year contract. Designated LHP David Rollins for assignment.

PITTSBURGH PIRATES — Claimed RHP Brady Dragmire off waivers from Texas.

BASKETBALL

National Basketball Association

NBA — Fined Los Angeles Lakers coach Luke Walton $15,000 for verbally abusing a game official and not leaving the court in a timely manner after his ejection from their Dec. 12 game.

DETROIT PISTONS — Assigned F Henry Ellenson and G Michael Gbinije to Grand Rapids (NBADL).

ORLANDO MAGIC — Purchased the Erie BayHawks (NBADL) and will relocate the team from Pennsylvania to Lakeland, Fla., beginning with the 2017-18 season.

PHILADELPHIA 76ERS — Recalled G/F Timothe Luwawu-Cabarrot from Delaware (NBADL).

FOOTBALL

National Football League

ARIZONA CARDINALS — Signed WR Jeremy Ross. Signed T Givens Price from the practice squad. Released WR Michael Floyd. Signed T Aaron Epps and WR Marvin Hall to the practice squad.

BUFFALO BILLS — Signed DE Greg Townsend Jr. to the practice squad.

CHICAGO BEARS — Signed LB Josh Shirley to the practice squad.

CLEVELAND BROWNS — Claimed RB Darius Jackson off waivers from Dallas. Waived LB Corey Lemonier.

GREEN BAY PACKERS — Signed LB Jordan Tripp.

HOUSTON TEXANS — Signed T Laurence Gibson and WR Tevin Jones to the practice roster.

NEW ORLEANS SAINTS — Placed LT Terron Armstead on injured reserve. Signed LB Jason Trusnik

NEW YORK GIANTS — Signed RB Russell Hansbrough to the practice squad.

SAN DIEGO CHARGERS — Placed CB Brandon Flowers on injured reserve. Signed DT Kaleb Eulls from the practice squad. Signed DT Chuka Ndulue to the practice squad.

TAMPA BAY BUCCANEERS — Signed FB Austin Johnson to the practice squad.

HOCKEY

National Hockey League

BOSTON BRUINS — Recalled D Matt Grzelcyk from Providence (AHL).

NASHVILLE PREDATORS — Recalled G Juuse Saros from Milwaukee (AHL). Assigned G Marek Mazanec to Milwaukee.

NEW JERSEY DEVILS — Assigned D Yohann Auvitu to Albany (AHL). Recalled F Luke Gazdic from Albany.

NEW YORK RANGERS — Assigned LW Nicklas Jensen to Hartford (AHL).

TAMPA BAY LIGHTNING — Recalled D Luke Witkowski from Syracuse (AHL). Assigned F Erik Condra to Syracuse.

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Major League Soccer

ATLANTA UNITED — Signed MF Jeff Larentowicz.

FC DALLAS — Signed LB Anibal Chala.