Good morning!

Take a look at another uncommon situation in a game <u>HERE</u>.

In this game, one official noticed the floor was slippery earlier in the game. Game management swept and mopped it. Later, it reappeared and a player slipped. The floor was not wet, it had a 'greasy' slippiness to it. After the player slipped, it was swept again but less than 2 minutes later the 'greasiness' returned. The officials got together with the coaches and discussed the situation and told the coaches the game would be suspended unless maintenance could get the issue rectified. It was able to be corrected with about a 20-minute delay. Both teams were given 5 minutes to warm back up and both said they were ready after about 3 minutes.

When there is a safety issue with the floor, we cannot permit the game to continue. Taking the chance that a player gets injured is not worth the risk. Talk with the coaches and game management to try to rectify the problem. Make sure the coaches and game management are on board with the decision to continue or not. Safety must come first!

Wednesday extra: Make sure that when we have a dead ball, such as during timeouts that we are *not* 'dead'. 'When the ball is dead, we must be alive'. We need to be at our spots for timeouts, we shouldn't be talking to spectators with our foot up on the first bleacher, during pregame we should be at our spot observing teams and looking for what we should be!

Have a great game tonight!

Tim