



IHSAA Executive Committee
Tuesday, August 7, 2012

PRESENT

Chairperson Nancy Alspaugh, Mike Broughton, Victor Bush, Nathan Dean, Phil Ford, Don Gandy, Tim Grove, Jimmy Howell, Ken Howell, Jed Jerrels, Paul Neidig, Geoff Penrod, Janis Qualizza, Debb Stevens, Deborah Watson, Mike Whitten, Commissioner Bobby Cox, Assistant Commissioners Robert Faulkens, Phil Gardner, Chris Kaufman, Sandy Searcy, Sandra Walter, Sports Information Director Jason Wille, Technology Director Ed Sullivan, Attorney Bob Baker, and Intern David Lang.

MINUTES

Minutes of the June 21, 2012 meeting were recommended for approval. A motion to approve the minutes was made by Tim Grove; seconded by Nathan Dean; motion passed 15-0.

APPROVE REQUEST FROM INDIANA SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF

Commissioner Cox presented a letter of special request from the Indiana School for the Deaf. The IHSAA By-Laws provide for special accommodations for the Indiana School for the Deaf and Indiana School for the Blind. A motion to approve the request was made by Mike Whitten; seconded by Jed Jerrels; motion passed 15-0.

CONFLICT OF INTEREST STATEMENT

Commissioner Cox presented a Conflict of Interest Statement to be signed by the IHSAA Executive Committee members.

APPROVE NEW APPLICATIONS FOR IHSAA MEMBERSHIP

Commissioner Cox presented the new IHSAA membership applications from Christel House Academy, Indianapolis; Hammond Academy of Science and Technology, Hammond; Smith Academy for Excellence (SAFE), Fort Wayne; South Bend Career Academy, South Bend; Traders Point Christian Academy, Whitestown.

Following discussion, a motion to approve the application of Christel House Academy, Indianapolis was made by Mike Broughton; seconded by Geoff Penrod; motion passed 15-1 with Victor Bush dissenting.

A motion to approve the application of Hammond Academy of Science and Technology, Hammond, was made by Paul Neidig; seconded by Don Gandy; motion passed 16-0.

A motion to approve the application of Smith Academy for Excellence (SAFE), Fort Wayne, was made by Geoff Penrod; seconded by Janis Qualizza; motion failed 0-16.

A motion to approve the application of South Bend Career Academy, South Bend, was made by Nathan Dean; seconded by Victor Bush; motion approved 16-0.

A motion to approve the application of Traders Point Christian Academy, Whitestown was made by Tim Grove; seconded by Mike Broughton; motion failed 7-9, with Mike Broughton, Nathan Dean, Ken Howell, Mike Broughton, Geoff Penrod, Janis Qualizza and Deborah Watson voting in favor.

ATTENDANCE AT CONFERENCES AND WORKSHOPS

Commissioner Cox requested permission to have representatives attend the conferences and workshops outlined below:

1. Midwest Officials Summit at Bloomington, IL on Sept. 16-18, 2012 (Asst. Commissioner Walter)
2. NFHS Section IV Meeting at East Lansing, MI on Sept. 21 & 22, 2012 (Commissioner Cox)
3. NFHS Winter Meeting at Orlando, FL on Jan. 3-6, 2013 (Commissioner Cox)

A motion to approve the recommended participation in these workshops was made by Phil Ford; seconded by Paul Neidig; motion passed 16-0.

DETERMINATION OF 2012 STATE FINALS VENUE FOR SOCCER

Assistant Commissioner Walter presented information pertaining to the 2012-13 Girls and Boys Soccer Tournament Series.

1. The 2012-13 IHSAA Boys and Girls Soccer State Championships will be held at the IUPUI Carroll Stadium in Indianapolis.
2. Additionally, the Class 2A Southern Semi-state site has been changed and will now be held at Roberts Stadium in Evansville.

POLICY HANDBOOKS

Assistant Commissioner Searcy discussed the 2012-13 Policy Handbooks.

POWERS AND DUTIES OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Commissioner Cox reviewed those sections of the IHSAA By-laws dealing with the powers and duties of the Executive Committee.

REPORT ON CATASTROPHIC, GENERAL LIABILITY AND EXCESS LIABILITY INSURANCE

Assistant Commissioner Faulkens presented the 2012-13 Catastrophic, General Liability and Excess Liability insurance coverage. This year's quotation reflects a slight increase from last year's assessment.

IHSAA STUDENT LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE REPORT

Assistant Commissioner Searcy reported on the ninth annual IHSAA Student Leadership Conference, conducted on June 19 at Plainfield High School. More than 900 student athletes, athletic administrators, and principals attended the conference. Three keynote speakers and over 40 breakout session topics were provided, focusing on a curriculum designed to foster leadership and good sporting behavior.

REPORT ON PRESENCE AT INDIANA BLACK EXPO

Assistant Commissioner Walter reported that the IHSAA sponsored a booth at the 2012 Indiana Black Expo. IHSAA staff members were on hand, as well as IHSAA licensed officials. The theme for this year was official's recruitment, and Assistant Commissioner Walter felt that it was a successful event. The IHSAA hopes to continue participating at the Indiana Black Expo in the future.

NEW ATHLETIC DIRECTORS WORKSHOP

Assistant Commissioner Faulkens reported that the IHSAA hosted the New Athletic Directors Workshop on July 24, 2012 for 70 individuals.

SPRING FINANCIAL REPORTS

The following reports were presented regarding the financial status of sports conducted during the spring season:

1. The baseball tournament showed an increase in the net and was a financial success. The sectional revenue alone improved over \$31,000. The state championship attendance set an all time record as well.
2. Boys golf is a sport that generates limited income. The cost of greens fees continues to rise resulting in a deficit of approximately \$61,000, which is similar to previous year's result. The state championships utilized a two wave start, which appears to have been well received.

3. The softball balance sheet showed an increase in total revenue, primarily due to great weather at the sectional level. State championship attendance was at an all time high, and the net result also set a robust benchmark.
4. Girls tennis is a deficit sport that produces little income. The cost of the girl's tennis tournament series in 2011 was slightly lower than previous years, with a cost of approximately \$17,000 to the Association.
5. The boys and girls track and field tournament series recorded a positive net balance and a healthy attendance at the state championships.

TRANSFERS

Assistant Commissioner Gardner reported on transfers that have been ruled on as of July 31, 2012:

Full Eligibility.....	326
Limited Eligibility.....	52
Ineligible.....	4
Total	382

LITIGATION

Attorney Bob Baker updated the Executive Committee on the current status of pending litigation against the Association.

PENALTIES ASSESSED

The following penalties were assessed for various violations of the IHSAA By-Laws:

Elkhart Central High School – Commissioner Cox reported the following action resulting from a violation of Rule 15-2.2a (*Seven student athletes were rostered on the same non-school sponsored basketball team during the school year out of season*)

1. The Elkhart Central High School boys’ basketball program is issued a warning.
2. Any player involved in the violation shall be suspended for two Elkhart Central boys’ basketball contests during the 2012-13 season. These suspensions may be spread out over the first ten regular season contests.

Gary Wallace High School - Commissioner Cox reported the following action resulting from a violation of Bulletin Policy (*Baseball team failed to appear for tournament series game after advancement in sectional tournament – PROBATION*).

1. The Gary Wallace baseball program is placed on probation. This probation is a severe type of warning. It is official notice that serious violations have occurred, are a matter of record and future, similar incidents will not be tolerated. This probation shall last throughout the entire 2012-13 baseball season.
2. Gary Wallace High School shall remit a penalty of \$200.00 payable to the IHSAA on or before September 1, 2012.
3. The administration of Gary Wallace and the Gary Community Schools is encouraged to clearly communicate with all athletics personnel of the school the procedures and policies of the IHSAA including entry list and participation policies.

Gary West Side High School - Commissioner Cox reported the following action resulting from a violation of Bulletin Policy (*Baseball team failed to appear for tournament series game after drawing was completed for sectional tournament – PROBATION*).

1. Gary West Side baseball program is placed on probation. This probation is a severe type of warning. It is official notice that serious violations have occurred, are a matter of record and future, similar incidents will not be tolerated. This probation shall last throughout the entire 2012-13 baseball season.
2. Gary West Side High School shall remit a penalty of \$200.00 payable to the IHSAA on or before September 1, 2012.
3. The administration of Gary West Side and the Gary Community Schools is encouraged to clearly communicate with all athletics personnel of the school the procedures and policies of the IHSAA including entry list and participation policies.

Lafayette Central Catholic High School – Commissioner Cox reported the following action resulting from a violation of Rule 101-1 (*Girl golfer participated in an interschool match without completing two days of mandatory practice under the direct supervision of the coach*).

1. The Lafayette Central Catholic High School girls' golf program is issued a warning.
2. The student athlete involved in this violation shall be suspended and declared ineligible for further competition until she meets the minimum standards for eligibility.
3. In accordance with Rule 3-9, the meet score must be recalculated after removing the score of the ineligible athlete.

South Spencer High School – Commissioner Cox reported the following action resulting from a violation of Rule 15-3.4 (*Asst. softball coach worked with student athlete during moratorium week*).

1. The South Spencer High School softball program is issued a warning.
2. Coach Chris Dawson is reprimanded for causing this violation to occur. Ignorance of the rules is not an acceptable explanation for a rules violation.

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

1. Fall Area Principal Meeting Agenda – Bobby Cox
2. Reactions & Feedback from NFHS Summer Conference in Nashville, TN
3. Communications:
 - Alyssa Keller, 2A Mental Attitude Award Winner from Adams Central High School
4. For the Good of the Order

A motion to adjourn was made by Phil Ford; seconded by Deborah Watson; motion passed 16-0.

Nancy Alspaugh

Chairperson

Bobby Cox

Commissioner