

PRESENT

Chairperson Phil Ford, Mike Broughton, Victor Bush, Steve Cox, Nathan Dean, Tim Grove, Jimmie Howell, Ken Howell, Jed Jerrels, Patti McCormack, Paul Neidig, Geoff Penrod, Debb Stevens, Deborah Watson, Rae Woolpy, Dave Worland, Directors Elect – Jim Brown and Richard Lance, Commissioner Bobby Cox, Assistant Commissioners Robert Faulkens, Phil Gardner, Chris Kaufman, Sandy Searcy, Sandra Walter, Directors Ed Sullivan, Jason Wille, and Attorney Bob Baker.

MINUTES

The revised minutes of the February 21, 2014 meeting were recommended for approval. A motion for approval was made by Tim Grove; seconded by Mike Broughton; motion passed 16-0.

APPROVAL OF 2014-15 GIRLS BASKETBALL STATE CHAMPIONSHIP VENUE

Commissioner Cox presented information pertaining to the 2015 Girls Basketball State Championships host site. The Commissioner recommended that the IHSAA Girls Basketball State Championships be held at Bankers Life Fieldhouse on March 7, 2015. A motion for approval was made by Geoff Penrod; seconded by Steve Cox; motion passed 16-0.

APPROVAL OF FOOTBALL COACHES ASSOCIATION PROPOSALS

Assistant Commissioner Faulkens reviewed the football proposals submitted last month by the Football Coaches Association. Since details of this proposal involve By-Law changes, it must be considered after the Annual May Board of Director's meeting. A motion to table the proposal to the May Executive Committee meeting was made by Mike Broughton; seconded by Jed Jerrels; motion approved 16-0.

BASKETBALL COACHES PROPOSALS

Chris Benedict and Tom Beach , IBCA presented the following proposals:

1. IBCA Hybrid Tournament Proposal**Sectionals**

Class 3A	Team Number	Enrollment	Format
Division 1	32 Teams	4687-1935	8 – 4 Team Sectionals
Division 2	32 Teams	1929-1504	8 – 4 Team Sectionals
Class 2A			
Division 1	64 Teams	1496-819	16 – 4 Team Sectionals
Division 2	96 Teams	810-489	16 – 6 Team Sectionals
Class 1A			
Division 1	96 Teams	485-282	16 – 6 Team Sectionals
Division 2	85 Teams	281-59	16 – 5/6 Team Sectionals

Regionals**Class 3A**

4 - 4 Team Regionals

Class 2A

8 - 4 Team Regionals

Class 1A

8 – 4 Team Regionals

Semi-State**Class 3A**

2 – 2 Team Semi-States

Class 2A

2 – 4 Team Semi-States

Class 1A

2 – 4 Team Semi-States

State**Class 3A**

1 – 2 Team State

Class 2A

1 –2 Team State

Class 1A

1 –2 Team State

2. 7 Minute Quarters for Junior Varsity and Freshman Teams

Action will be taken at the May Executive Committee meeting.

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Commissioner Cox reported on the Brady Awards Banquet to be held at the Indiana Roof Ballroom on April 24, 2014, in conjunction with the Methodist Sports Medicine awards ceremony. Scholarship recipients and their parents will be guests of the IHSAA at this event.

Norwell High School's **Brent Alan Bales** is ranked first in his graduating class of 2014 with a 4.0 GPA. In his tenure at Norwell, Brent has earned 10 varsity letters while participating on the basketball, cross country, and track and field teams. He stays active in his school by serving as a member of the student council, and has also been a member of the National Honor Society, Campus Life, and the Golden Knights. Brent is a 4-H program member of 10 years, where he is also a 4-H Junior Leader. He has volunteered his time with the Wells County "Feed the Hungry" program, and with local youth basketball leagues. He is the son of Steve and Jodie Bales.

St. Theodore Guerin High School's **Andrew Bentivoglio** carries a GPA of 4.0. He has earned three varsity letters in cross country and four varsity letters in track and field. Andrew is highly involved in school activities, as he has been a member of the student council for four years, a member of the National Honor Society for two years, and a participant in Math League as well as other various clubs. Andrew also contributes positively to the community. As an Eagle Scout, he is the Senior Patrol Leader for Troop 152. He is also the Vice President of the Temple Knights and a Planning Committee member for the St. Theodore Guerin Cancer Walk. He is the son of Joe and Nora Bentivoglio.

Hayley Betz of Evansville Harrison High School has excelled academically, athletically, and in her community. This spring, Hayley will graduate as valedictorian of her class with a 4.0 GPA. Beyond the classroom, she has earned varsity letters all four years of her career in soccer. Hayley has served as the secretary of the student council and is the president of the National Honor Society. She is the president of the IHSAA Student Advisory Committee, has participated in multiple mission trips, volunteered in multiple capacities in support of Special Olympics, and with many organizations in the Evansville community. She is the daughter of Joe and Cheryl Betz.

Amy Bowman of Southwood High School will graduate at the top of her class this spring with a 4.4 GPA. To go along with her academic achievements, Amy has also excelled athletically, earning four varsity letters in basketball, three in volleyball, and three in track and field. She has been a leader in her community, serving as president of Student Congress for two years, as a leader of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes, and as a leader of Peers Educating Peers. Amy has twice received the county sportsmanship award for basketball. She is an active member of the 4-H program, and has participated in various activities with her church. She is the daughter of Kevin and Kymber Bowman.

Charlestown High School's **Brett Brooks** carries a GPA of 4.9, putting him at the top of his class. He has earned four varsity letters in cross country, four varsity letters in swimming, and one varsity letter in track and field. He has been a member of the National Honor Society for two years, participated in the school band, and is the chapter president of the Students Against Destructive Decisions group. Brett is a Club Recreation Leader in the 4-H program, President of the Junior Leaders program, and is on the Indiana State Junior Leader Council. He is the son of Jerry and Carmen Brooks.

Robert Fox of Delta High School currently holds a 4.17 GPA on a 4.0 scale, ranking him near the top of his class of 188 students. He has earned a total of nine varsity letters in his time at Delta, including four in baseball, three in football, and two in basketball. Robert has been a member of both the National Honor Society and the Fellowship of Christian Athletes for the past three years. He is a member of the Eaton First Church of God Youth Leadership Committee, and has volunteered for the Salvation Army as well as a local sleep shelter. Robert is the son of Trent and Suzanne Fox.

As an honors student and standout athlete, **Jessica Griggs** is also active within Lafayette Jefferson High School and its community. The two-sport athlete (volleyball, track and field) is editor in chief of the student newspaper, program director for the high school radio station, and member of the spirit advisory committee, speech team, and National Honor Society. She has volunteered with the Salvation Army and Natalie's Second Chance Shelter. Jessica is the daughter of Larry and Susan Griggs.

Myranda Harris has earned seven varsity letters in basketball and volleyball during her time at Merrillville High School. Top-ranked academically with a GPA of 4.0, Myranda is a member of the National Honor Society, MPAC Athletic Council, and the Peer Tutoring program. She has served in the outreach program of her church and in the community through the Junior Pirate Elementary Basketball League as a volunteer coach, and has participated in the Merrillville vs. Hunger initiative, serving food to community members and the homeless. Myranda is the daughter of Leesa Harris.

Rachel Hoagburg of Fort Wayne Canterbury High School will graduate among the top of her class this spring with a 4.3 GPA. During her tenure at Canterbury, Rachel has earned eleven varsity letters in basketball, track and field, soccer, and softball. She is a member of the student government, serves as a tutor, and is a member of the Resource Committee. Rachel volunteers her time to the community in a number of ways. She has twice participated in the Dominican Republic Service Trip, volunteered at soccer camps, and is a Wyldlife Leader. She is the daughter of Steven and Susan Hoagburg.

Greensburg High School's **Macy Holdsworth** ranks at the top of his class with a 3.9 GPA in his class of 129 students. He has been a member of the varsity baseball and basketball teams all four years at Greensburg, earning eight varsity letters. Macy is a member of the National Honor Society, as well as a Student Council, Mentoring Program, and Peer Tutor participant. He volunteers his time to the community in a number of ways, including as a youth league basketball coach, a participant in the Bread of Life program, and a Day of Caring volunteer. He is the son of Scott and Kara Holdsworth.

Philip Moss holds a 4.0 GPA in the International Baccalaureate Program at South Bend Adams High School, and will graduate at the top of his class. He has earned six varsity letters; four in tennis and two in track and field. Philip is a participant in multiple school activities, including Quiz Bowl, Physics and iRobotics Club, Show Choir, Winter Drum Line, and the Caroling Club. He the son of G. David and Tammy Moss.

With a GPA of 4.6, **Emmy Rawson** of Muncie Central ranks first in her class. As an athlete, she has earned four varsity letters in swimming, four in golf, and two in track and field. Emmy is a leader in her school, as she has served as class president for the past three years. She is also president of the Latin Club and the National Honor Society. She has served her community through various service projects with groups such as the Trinity Baptist Church Youth Group, Northside Middle School, and the Cardinal Community Swim Club. Emmy is the daughter of Greg and Amy Rawson.

Mitchell Turley of Westfield High School ranks first in his class of 461 students with a 4.4 GPA. As an athlete, Mitchell has earned a varsity letter seven times; three in football and four in lacrosse. To go along with his academic and athletic achievements, Mitchell is the Boys State representative for Westfield, a National Honor Society co-president, a Principal's Advisory Committee member, and a Fellowship of Christian Athletes leader. He has also participated in multiple mission trips. He is the son of Patrick and Stacy Turley.

TRANSFERS

Assistant Commissioner Gardner reported on transfers that have been ruled upon during the 2013-14 school year. This report included the following actions as of February 28, 2014:

Full eligibility	3,152	84.32%
Limited eligibility	294	7.87%
Temporarily ineligible	275	7.36%
Ineligible	<u>17</u>	.45%
Total transfers	3,738	

SPORTSMANSHIP

Assistant Commissioner Walter reported that the Association has received 635 unsporting behavior reports which include 104 student/coach ejections for the winter season.

SPORTSMANSHIP TASK FORCE

Assistant Commissioner Searcy presented a report on the activities of the task force during their first meeting on March 23th, 2014. The next meeting will be conducted on May 18th, 2014, where the committee will provide their recommendations for an enhanced program.

FINANCIAL REPORTS

1. Assistant Commissioner Searcy presented a financial report for the girls and boys swimming & diving tournament series'. Overall, both tournaments show an decrease in total attendance, which is reflected in the overall net revenue.
2. Assistant Commissioner Faulkens reported on the financial status of the wrestling tournament series. Attendance at the state championships set an all-time record. In addition, the IHSAA net increased slightly from last year's figures.
3. Commissioner Cox submitted the 2013-14 Budget Analysis by Sport, the Paid Attendance Analysis, and the Master Financial Report.

LITIGATION

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

PRESENTATION BY LAWRENCE NORTH HIGH SCHOOL

Administrators of Lawrence North High School made a presentation to the Executive Committee.

PENALTIES ASSESSED

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

Anderson Preparatory Academy - Commissioner Cox reported the following action as a result of a violation of Rule 19-3 (Girls' track and field athlete participated in an interschool contest without an approved transfer report on file).

1. The Anderson Preparatory Academy girls' track and field program is issued a warning.
2. The student athlete involved in this violation shall be suspended and declared ineligible until an approved transfer report is on file.
3. The contest in which the ineligible athlete participated in shall be rescored after removing the ineligible athlete's scores and the opposing school (s) shall be notified of this violation.

Bloomington South High School - Commissioner Cox reported the following action as a result of a violation of Rules 19-3 (Gymnast participated in multiple meets without an approved transfer on file).

1. The Bloomington High School South girls' gymnastics program is issued a warning.
2. The student athlete involved in this violation shall be suspended and declared ineligible until an approved transfer report is on file.

3. The contests in which the ineligible athlete participated in shall be rescored after removing the ineligible athlete's scores and the opposing schools shall be notified of this violation.

Delta High School - Commissioner Cox reported the following action as a result of a violation of Rules 9-13 (Members of boys' basketball staff met with parents and students on a Sunday).

1. The Delta High School boys' basketball program is issued a warning.
2. Coach Stan Daugherty is reminded that members of his coaching staff and their actions are direct reflections of the high school program for which he is charged supervision of and responsibility for. It is the obligation of both the head coach and school administration to insure that all members representing the school have a complete understanding of the IHSAA by-laws governing their participation.

Elkhart Memorial High School - Commissioner Cox reported the following action as a result of a violation of Rules 15-1.2h (A boys' basketball student participated in a pre-game warm-up in uniform while academically ineligible – PROBATION).

1. The Elkhart Memorial High School boys' basketball program is placed on probation for the 2014-15 school year. This probation is a severe type of warning. It is official notice that multiple illegal acts have occurred within the program during the same program year, is a matter of record, and shall be stopped immediately to avoid further sanction.
2. Head Coach Mark Barnhizer shall be suspended from the first interscholastic contest of the 2014-15 season for this infraction. Ignorance of the rules is not an acceptable reason for a rules violation.
3. Elkhart Memorial shall forfeit their game of February 28, 2013 vs. Marquette Catholic if Elkhart Memorial was victorious and shall notify the opposing school of this violation.

Gary Westside High School - Commissioner Cox reported the following action as a result of a violation of Rule 14-1 (School used an unlicensed official to officiate a boys' varsity basketball game - PROBATION).

1. The Gary West Side Leadership Academy boys' basketball program is placed on probation throughout the 2014-15 season. 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.
2. Athletic Director Vanessa Nichols is reprimanded for allowing an unlicensed official to once again work a contest hosted by Gary West Side Leadership Academy. It is the responsibility of the school to insure that all officials are duly licensed with the IHSAA.
3. The contest against 21st Century Charter – Gary shall be forfeited if Gary West Side Leadership Academy was victorious and the opposing school shall be notified of this violation.

Indianapolis Arsenal Technical High School - Commissioner Cox reported the following action as a result of a violation of Rule 20-1 (Football coach contacted parent about student transferring back to school – PROBATION).

1. The Indianapolis Arsenal Technical High School football program is placed on probation for the 2014-15 season. 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.
2. Coach Anthony Henderson is reprimanded for committing this rules violation. Ignorance of the rules is not a valid reason for a rules infraction.
3. Indianapolis Arsenal Technical High School shall continue its ongoing efforts of education with the football coaching staff of the IHSAA by-laws, specifically to Rules 19 and 20.

New Haven High School - Commissioner Cox reported the following action as a result of a violation of Rule 15-2.2d (Boys' soccer coach was coaching players in local club league).

1. The New Haven High School boys' soccer program is issued a warning.
2. Coach Taylor Cool is reprimanded for committing this violation.
3. The resignation of Coach Cool satisfies any game suspensions that would have been administered.

Oldenburg Academy - Commissioner Cox reported the following action as a result of a violation of Rule 20-1 (Volleyball coach openly recruiting players on his Facebook page – PROBATION).

1. The Oldenburg Academy volleyball program is placed on probation for the 2014-15 season. 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.
2. Coach Brian Patterson is severely reprimanded for allowing this unacceptable violation to occur.
3. Oldenburg Academy shall report their course of correction within its athletic department in writing to the IHSAA within 30 days of receipt of this notice to insure these flagrant violations will not occur moving forward from this point.
4. A failure to comply may result in additional sanctions against the volleyball program and/or the school's athletic program.

Seton Catholic High School - Commissioner Cox reported the following action as a result of a violation of Rule 15-1.1a (Boys' track athlete participated in a non-school sponsored meet without an approved waiver).

1. The Seton Catholic High School boys' track and field program is issued a warning.
2. The student shall be suspended for next boys' track and field meet on the current Seton Catholic High School schedule.

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

1. IHSAA Board of Directors Agenda
2. For the Good of the Order
 - a. NFHS 95th Annual Summer Meeting, Boston, MA
3. Communications:
 - a. Connie Lawson, Secretary of State, State of Indiana
 - b. Jim Morris, President, Pacers Sports and Entertainment
4. Congratulations:

A motion to adjourn the March meeting of the IHSAA Executive Committee was made by Tim Grove; seconded by Deborah Watson; motion passed 16-0. The next meeting of the Executive Committee will be at IHSAA headquarters on May 5, 2014 (also annual meeting of Board of Directors).

Phil Ford

Chairman

Bobby Cox

Commissioner