

PRESENT

Chairperson Tim Grove, Derick Bright, Mike Broughton, Jim Brown, Victor Bush, Steve Cox, Nathan Dean, Don Gandy, Jimmie Howell, Richard Lance, Patti McCormack, Paul Neidig, Geoff Penrod, Janis Qualizza, Debb Stevens, Deborah Watson, Mike Whitten, Rae Woolpy, Dave Worland, Director-elect Ed Gilliland, 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 20, 2015 meeting were recommended for approval. A motion for approval was made by Jimmie Howell; seconded by Geoff Penrod; motion passed 13-0.

APPROVAL OF INDIANA HIGH SCHOOL TENNIS COACHES ASSOCIATION PROPOSALS

Assistant Commissioner Kaufman reviewed the tennis proposals submitted last month by the Indiana High School Tennis Coaches Association.

1. During JV matches, coaching should be allowed throughout the match as long as it does not violate the 20 second limit between points or the 90 second limit at changeovers.

A motion for approval was made by Deborah Watson; seconded by Mike Broughton; motion passed 13-0.

2. All four IHSAA State Finals quarterfinal matches should be played at the same site.

A motion for approval was made by Geoff Penrod; seconded by Deborah Watson; motion failed 0-13.

3. Semi-state matches should start at 12:00pm instead of 10:00am due to travel distances.

A motion for approval was made by Dave Worland; seconded by Jimmie Howell; motion passed 13-0.

4. The IHSAA should provide State Finalist medals for all eight of the "Eight at State" team finalists.

A motion for approval was made by Jim Brown; seconded by Mike Broughton; motion failed 0-13.

APPROVAL OF SWIMMING AND DIVING COACHES ASSOCIATION PROPOSALS

John Sincroft, Warren Central HS and Dana Culp, Eastern (Greentown) HS representing the IHSSCA and ICGSA, presented the following proposal:

1. At the IHSAA swimming and diving state championships, if a fifth heat is needed because of more than 32 qualifiers in an event, fill the heat with the next overall faster swimmers.

WRESTLING COACHES ASSOCIATION PROPOSALS

Tyson Skinner, Jeffersonville High School and Danny Struck, Madison Consolidated High School presented the following proposals:

1. Change team scoring to begin in the first round of three levels of the state tournament – regional, semi-state, and state finals.
2. Add wrestle backs at the regional and semi-state levels.
3. Allow for teams selected for the IWSWCA Team Stet Duals to have one extra weigh-in.
4. Allow for the 28 man sectional entry roster to allow kids to be put in at their lowest qualifying weight, but to move up multiple weight classes if needed.
5. All for an exemption of one tournament or wrestling meet outside of the 300 mile competition rule.

IHSAA C EUGENE CATO SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

Commissioner Cox reported on the Brady Awards Banquet to be held at the Indiana Roof Ballroom on April 16, 2015, in conjunction with the Methodist Sports Medicine awards ceremony. Scholarship recipients and their parents will be guests of the IHSAA at this event.

Haley Harrell of Plymouth High School has excelled not only in athletics, but also academically. She is ranked fifth in her class of 280 with a 4.3 GPA. As a three-sport athlete, Haley has earned 11 letters and numerous honors and awards.

She has held multiple leadership positions on and off the court, serving as both class president and varsity volleyball captain all four years; she was also named varsity basketball captain during her sophomore, junior, and senior seasons as well. Furthermore, Haley is an active member of the Fraternal Order of Police #195, which organizes “Shop with a Cop” during the Christmas season and “Pack-A-Backpack” for kids to receive school supplies. She is the daughter of Julie Harrell.

Fort Wayne Canterbury’s **Christian Kreiger** has excelled beyond the playing field during his tenure in school. While serving as team captain for both the golf and basketball teams, Christian is also a member of the IHSAA’s Student Advisory Committee and will be graduating this year with a 4.25 GPA. As the chairman of Canterbury’s Service Committee, he regularly volunteers in the community; he has helped orchestrate service projects that include working at Fort Wayne’s Mustard Seed Furniture Bank and Canterbury’s “Blessings in a Backpack” program. The son of Scott and Stacie Kreiger, Christian plans on attending the University of Miami.

Jake Mangas of Warsaw Community is ranked first in his graduating class of 2014 with a 4.48 GPA. While at Warsaw, Jake earned six varsity letters while participating on the football and basketball teams. He was a captain in both sports and was selected as an Indiana Academic All-star in football. Jake is also a member of the National Honors Society, is the president of the KEYS club, and helped create the Warsaw community fundraiser of “Hoops for Homework”, which raises funds for the Baker Youth Club. Aside from community and athletic involvement, he is an active member of the Business Professionals of America and competes on Warsaw’s Financial Analyst Team. Jake is the son of Tim and Ann Mangas.

Megan Mannering has earned a total of 14 varsity letters during her career at Cass High School. A letter winner on the girls track, golf, and swim teams, Megan has also served as the manager for both the football and baseball teams. In addition to her athletic involvement, Megan is not only the Spanish club president, National Honor Society president, and the school’s year book editor, but she has also been elected class president each of the past four years. Outside of school, Megan volunteers at the Kokomo rescue mission, assists with the community’s Special Olympics Bowl, and also helps with church Thanksgiving meals and food drives. She is the daughter of Scott and Lisa Mannering.

Anisah Abdul-Aleem ranks first in her class of 92 at Indianapolis Crispus Attucks with a 4.2 GPA. She has earned varsity letters in volleyball all four years and served as the team’s captain her senior season. In addition to excelling in the classroom and on the court, Anisah has completed multiple community service projects through her membership with the National Honor Society, Mayor’s Youth Council, and the Crispus Attucks chapter of the NAACP, for which she serves as President. She also volunteers regularly with her mosque’s food pantry and summer programs. She is the daughter of Nashia and Ismail Abdul-Aleem.

A three-sport athlete, **Josh Brune** is ranked fifth in his class of 158 at Belmont High School. While working hard for his 4.24 GPA, Josh also earned varsity letters in football, baseball, and basketball and has won multiple athletic awards for his performances. He has served as captain of both the football and baseball teams and is the head of a National Honor Society Committee. Not only has Josh excelled athletically and academically, he has also achieved over 180 hours of community service volunteering at sport camps, assisting at a nursing home and cooking for the elderly, and assisting at school events. He is the son of Jim and Rhonda Brune.

Lauren Tibbets of Oak Hill High School ranks fourth in her class of 109 with a GPA of 4.1. She has received varsity letters in golf all four years and swimming and diving her junior year. Lauren has won numerous honors and awards for her athletic and academic achievements, including being named the 2014 IHSAA Girl’s Golf Mental Attitude Award winner. Lauren not only shines in the classroom and as an athlete, she also serves as the Student Council President and the National Honor Society Vice President. Lauren is a member of the school orchestra, the Spanish Club and the Fellowship of Christian Athletes. She is the daughter of Mike and Luanne Tibbets.

Perry Central’s **Grace James** will graduate at the top of her class of 79 with a 4.0 GPA. Outside of the classroom, Grace was a three-sport athlete and earned varsity letters in volleyball, track, and basketball. She captained the volleyball team to a regional championship in 2014 and holds school records for most aces and most assists in a single season. Grace has served as the Vice President for multiple organizations including the National Honor Society, Student Council,

Student Wellness Awareness Team and Key Club. As a member of those organizations, she has contributed hours of community service and helped raise funds for numerous charities. She is the daughter of Raymond James.

Norwell's **Monica Frauhiger** will graduate as her class' valedictorian with a perfect GPA of 4.0. She has excelled not only academically, but also athletically, earning seven varsity letters in cross country and track and field while also participating in basketball and tennis during her four-year career. She was a member of the cross country sectional team champions her freshman and sophomore years and was voted team captain her senior year. Monica is the Vice President of the National Honor Society and has held multiple leadership roles within the Student Council. She is an avid volunteer and has been on multiple mission trips to Jamaica. Monica is the daughter of Grant and Maura Frauhiger.

Alexandra Lubbe of Shelbyville High School is a two-sport athlete who has participated in cross country and track and field, where she has earned a combined seven varsity letters. She was named captain of the cross country team for three years and has won multiple honors and awards for both sports. Alexandra not only excels at running, she has also held multiple leadership roles including Editor and Chief of the Yearbook Staff as well as Secretary of the National Honor Society. She has been on several mission trips to Haiti to help those in need and is part of Shelbyville's peer mentoring program. Alexandra is graduating as the school's salutatorian with a GPA of 4.65. She is the daughter of Craig Lubbe.

North Decatur's **Eric Moorman** ranks first in his class of 81 students with a 4.24 GPA. He has earned 10 varsity letters in three sports: basketball, cross country, and track. Not only is Eric an outstanding student and athlete, he also serves as President of the National Honor Society and Student Council, team captain of the Math Academic Team, and team captain for both the cross country and basketball teams. Eric also commits time to volunteering and has worked with many different organizations for various causes. He is the son of Beth Moorman.

A three-sport athlete, **Isabelle Ortt** is ranked at the top of her graduating class of 100 students at Milan High School with a GPA of 4.22. Isabelle has participated in swimming, tennis and cross country, earning eight varsity letters and several awards and honors. Not only has she shined in the classroom and as an athlete, Isabelle is also involved with multiple school organizations. She serves as Secretary of the National Honor Society, Treasurer of the Class Club, and is senior drum major of Milan's marching band. Isabelle is the daughter of Dennis Ortt.

Luke Schepers is the valedictorian of Indianapolis Cardinal Ritter, earning a 3.97 GPA. He has earned varsity letters all four years in both cross country and track and field. During both his junior and senior seasons, Luke was named captain of the cross country by his teammates. Luke has worked as a student ambassador and campus ministry leader; he has also been a member of the Student Council, National Honor Society, Math Academic Super Bowl Team, and Ping Pong Club, which he founded. Luke is an active Boy Scout and currently holds the rank of Eagle Scout. He is the son of Vicki Schepers.

TRANSFERS

Assistant Commissioner Gardner reported on transfers that have been ruled upon during the 2014-15 school year. This report included the following actions as of February 28, 2015:

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| Full eligibility | 3,135 | 84.78% |
| Limited eligibility | 262 | 7.08% |
| Temporarily ineligible | 285 | 7.71% |
| Ineligible | <u>16</u> | .43% |
| Total transfers | 3,698 | |

SPORTSMANSHIP

Assistant Commissioner Walter reported that the Association has received 664 unsporting behavior reports which include 106 student/coach ejections for the winter season. We will reconvene the IHSAA Sportsmanship Task Force to study and clarify expectations and penalties.

FINANCIAL REPORTS

1. Assistant Commissioner Searcy presented a financial report for the girls and boys swimming & diving tournament series'. Overall, the girls tournament showed an increase in total attendance and net revenue, but the boys tournament reflected an overall decrease in attendance and net revenue.
2. Assistant Commissioner Faulkens reported on the financial status of the wrestling tournament series. Attendance during the tournament series was higher than the previous year. In addition, the IHSAA net increased slightly from last year's figures.
3. Commissioner Cox submitted the 2014-15 Budget Analysis by Sport.

LITIGATION

Attorney Robert 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:

Fort Wayne Bishop Dwenger High School - Commissioner Cox reported the following action as a result of a violation of Rule 15-2.2c (*Assistant softball coach provided instruction to a player during the school year out of season*).

1. The Fort Wayne Bishop Dwenger High School softball program is issued a warning.
2. Assistant Coach Jeannie Mellish is reprimanded for this violation.

Gary Roosevelt High School - Commissioner Cox reported the following action as a result of a violation of Rules 3-6 (*Fight in stands during boys' basketball game caused suspension of contest*).

1. The Gary Roosevelt boys' basketball program is issued a warning.
2. Gary Roosevelt shall not host any additional boys' basketball contests in their facility for the remainder of the 2014-15 season. Should the contest with Fort Wayne Bishop Luers be rescheduled, it must be at the opponents' venue or a neutral site.
3. The Gary Roosevelt administration is instructed to review existing safety and security plans established by the school corporation and provide a written plan of enhancements to the policy to insure the safety of all attendees and participants. This written plan is due to the offices of the IHSAA by March 31, 2015.
4. It is noted that the players, coaches and staffs of both schools were not involved in these altercations in any manner. The IHSAA contest officials are commended for their actions in the removal of the teams from the gymnasium.

Lapel High School - Commissioner Cox reported the following action as a result of a violation of Rules 3-10 (*Girls' track athlete participated in a meet without a pre-participation physical examination and consent form on file*).

1. The Lapel High School girls' track and field program is issued a warning.
2. Coach Krista Loller is reprimanded for allowing this violation to occur. This is a health and safety issue and it is absolutely imperative that the "IHSAA Pre-Participation Evaluation Form" complete in every detail be on file for all student athletes prior to their participation in a practice, let alone an interscholastic competition.
3. The student athlete shall be declared ineligible until this requirement is met.

Penn High School - Commissioner Cox reported the following action as a result of a violation of Rules 15-1.1.1d (*Wrestler participated in practice with an athlete not belonging to the school*).

1. The Penn High School wrestling program is issued a warning.
2. Coach Brad Harper is reprimanded for allowing this violation to occur.

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

1. IHSAA Board of Directors Agenda
2. NFHS 96th Annual Summer Meeting, New Orleans, LA
3. Congratulations
 - a. Patti McCormack – IIAAA Administrator of the Year
 - b. Paul Neidig – NFHS Citation Nominee from the IIAAA
 - c. Debb Stevens – IIAAA National Award of Merit for the State of Indiana

A motion to adjourn the March meeting of the IHSAA Executive Committee was made by Deborah Watson; seconded by Mike Broughton; motion passed 13-0. The next meeting of the Executive Committee will be at IHSAA headquarters on May 4, 2015 (also annual meeting of Board of Directors).

_____ Chairman
Tim Grove

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Bobby Cox