



**IHSAA Executive Committee**  
**Tuesday, August 7, 2014**

**PRESENT**

Chairperson Tim Grove, Mike Broughton, Jim Brown, Steve Cox, Nathan Dean, Patti McCormack, Paul Neidig, Geoff Penrod, Janis Qualizza, Debb Stevens, Dave Worland, 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**

Minutes of the June 26, 2014 meeting were recommended for approval. A motion to approve the minutes was made by Geoff Penrod; seconded by Jim Brown; motion passed 10-0.

**ACCEPT THE RESIGNATION OF KEN HOWELL FROM THE IHSAA EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

Ken Howell, a member of the Board of Directors since 2008, submitted his resignation from the Board due to his assignment as Principal at Morristown High School. Ken served as a representative for District II, both Class 1A and Class III schools. A motion to approve the request, with regret, was made by Steve Cox; seconded by Mike Broughton; motion passed 10-0.

**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. A motion to approve the request was made by Nathan Dean; seconded by Janis Qualizza; motion passed 10-0.

**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 Gambold Preparatory Magnet High School, Indianapolis, and Traders Point Christian Academy, Whitestown. Commissioner Cox explained the process by which the IHSAA Staff will mentor the new members over the course of their first four years of membership.

Following discussion, a motion to approve the application of Gambold Preparatory Magnet High School, Indianapolis was made by Mike Broughton; seconded by Jim Brown; motion passed 10-0.

A motion to approve the application of Traders Point Christian Academy, Whitestown was made by Nathan Dean; seconded by Debb Stevens; motion passed 10-0.

**ATTENDANCE AT CONFERENCES AND WORKSHOPS**

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

1. Midwest Officials Summit at East Lansing, MI on Sept. 21-23, 2014 (Asst. Commissioner Walter)
2. NFHS Section IV Meeting at Stevens Point, WI on Sept. 18-19, 2014 (Commissioner Cox)
3. NFHS/NIAAA Athletic Directors Conference at National Harbor, MD on Dec. 12-16, 2014 (Asst. Commissioner Faulkens)

4. NFHS Winter Meeting at Asheville, NC on Jan. 3-6, 2015 (Commissioner Cox)
5. NFHS Let's Connect Meeting at Chicago, IL on Jan. 8-9, 2015 (Asst. Commissioners Faulkens, Kaufman, Searcy, Sports Information Director Wille and Technology Director Sullivan)

A motion to approve the recommended participation in these workshops was made by Dave Worland; seconded by Steve Cox; motion passed 11-0.

#### **POLICY HANDBOOKS**

Assistant Commissioner Searcy discussed information contained in the 2014-15 IHSAA 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, EXCESS LIABILITY INSURANCE**

Assistant Commissioner Faulkens presented the 2014-15 Catastrophic, General Liability and Excess Liability coverages. This year's quotation reflects a substantial 9% increase in costs at all levels.

#### **REPORT ON NEW ATHLETIC DIRECTORS WORKSHOP**

Assistant Commissioner Faulkens reported that the IHSAA hosted the New Athletic Directors Workshop on July 22, 2014 for 68 individuals. There were many veterans who had recently received assignments at new schools attend this workshop. Approximately 100 athletic directors have participated in the workshop over the past year. Assistant Commissioner Faulkens reported that the Indiana Interscholastic Athletic Administrators Association will be conducting an additional session for the new athletic directors in October. A suggestion was made to inquire with the Indiana Association of School Principals regarding presenting a session addressing member school responsibilities during their annual conference.

#### **REPORT STUDENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE RETREAT**

Assistant Commissioners Faulkens and Searcy reported on the Student Advisory Committee retreat held on August 2-3 at Bradford Woods in Martinsville, Indiana.

#### **REPORT ON SECOND ANNUAL OFFICIAL'S SUMMIT**

Assistant Commissioner Walter reported on the 2014 IHSAA Officials Summit. The event was moved to Zionsville Middle School; their staff was very accommodating and the facility was well suited for this event. Attendance increased from the previous year, and by all accounts it was a very positive experience for the IHSAA officials.

#### **REPORT ON NEW LIVE SCORING PROGRAM FOR GOLF CHAMPIONSHIPS**

Assistant Commissioner Kaufman reported on a new software package that we will use for the golf state championships. Birdie Fire will permit score input from a mobile device, which will facilitate the reporting of scores from the course.

#### **REPORT ON TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE**

Technology Director Sullivan presented the results of the Technology Committee meeting that met this past Saturday. The IHSAA will pursue creating new officials registration software which will improve data integrity and provide more control over IHSAA data.. The sportsmanship task force recommended that each member school be able to view their sportsmanship score card when they login to their .net site. This figure will reflect student and coach ejections (negative points), plus exemplary sportsmanship reports submissions, attendance at the IIAAA Spring Conference and the IHSAA Student Leadership Conference (positive points). The IHSAA will be tracking Concussions for the 2014-15. Athletic trainers will have an opportunity to enter concussive event numbers through a module contained on the [www.ihsaa.net](http://www.ihsaa.net) site. Athletic directors and athletic trainers will be able to view a comprehensive list of concussive events for their school during 2014-15 year.

## 2014-15 IHSAA DISTINGUISHED MEDIA SERVICE AWARDS

Sports Information Director Jason Wille presented criteria for selection of the award winners for each of three districts.

## SPRING FINANCIAL REPORTS

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

1. The baseball tournament showed a decrease in net throughout the tournament series, basically due to inclement weather during the first three levels of the tournament. However, the state championship attendance was near an all-time record.
2. Boys golf is a sport that generates limited income. The cost of greens fees were slightly lower this year in a smaller deficit of approximately \$52,000.
3. The softball balance sheet showed record attendance thus a record net for the tournament series.
4. Girls tennis is a deficit sport that produces little income. The cost of the girl's tennis tournament series in 2014 was slightly higher than previous years, with a cost of approximately \$13,800 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. This year the first annual Unified Track and Field State Championships were held in conjunction with this event. By all accounts it was a successful weekend.
6. Commissioner Cox presented the spring sport summary regarding attendance, expenses and revenue, plus the year-end financial report. He reported that the spring revenue improved 12% and the year-end report reflecting a 9.2% improvement.

## TRANSFERS

Assistant Commissioner Gardner reported on transfers that have been ruled on as of July 31, 2014:

Full Eligibility .....	384	85.91%
Limited Eligibility.....	37	8.28%
Temporarily Ineligible.....	23	5.15%
Ineligible.....	3	.67%
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>447</b>	

## 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:

Carmel High School – Commissioner Cox reported the following action resulting from a violation of Rule 15-2.2 (*Seven girls' soccer players participated together on a non-school sponsored team*).

1. The Carmel High School girls' soccer program is issued a warning.
2. Student athletes Emma Chambers, Kelly Freeland, Alicia James, Audrey King, McKenzie Knight, Laura Lentz and Emily Roberts shall be suspended for two contests on the 2014-15 Carmel girls' soccer schedule. This penalty may be served over the first four games of the season.

Columbus North High School - Commissioner Cox reported the following action resulting from a violation of Rule 15-3.4 (*Asst. baseball coach had contact with a student athlete during the moratorium week*).

1. The Columbus North High School baseball program is issued a warning.
2. The disciplinary measures taken by Columbus North High School in this matter are both acceptable and appreciated by the Association.

Floyd Central High School - Commissioner Cox reported the following action resulting from a violation of Rule 15-3.3 (*Several non-school individuals participated in a boys basketball open facility session*).

1. The Floyd Central High School boys basketball program is issued a warning.
2. Coach Todd Sturgeon is reprimanded for causing this violation to occur.

Goshen High School - Commissioner Cox reported the following action resulting from a violation of Rule 15-3.4 (*Asst. track and field coach conducted a workout with student athletes during the moratorium week*).

1. The Goshen High School boys' track and field program is issued a warning.
2. The measures taken by Goshen High School in this matter are both acceptable and appreciated by the Association.

New Haven High School - Commissioner Cox reported the following action resulting from a violation of Rule 7-1.4 (*School failed to report a non-teaching coach or instruct to achieve coach education*).

1. The New Haven High School girls' basketball program is issued a warning.
2. Coach Shawn Shearer must complete two IHSAA approved courses prior to the beginning of girls' basketball practice for the 2014-15 season. The IHSAA must receive written documentation of the completion of these courses prior to the beginning of the 2014-15 girls' basketball season.

Yorktown High School - Commissioner Cox reported the following action resulting from a violation of Rule 15-3.4 (*Head and Assistant Wrestling Coaches coached student athletes during the moratorium week – PROBATION*).

1. The Yorktown High School wrestling 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. The disciplinary measures taken by Yorktown High School in this matter are both acceptable and appreciated by the Association. It is understood that Head Coach Trent McCormick shall be suspended for two interscholastic contests on the Yorktown High School varsity wrestling schedule during the 2014-15 season. It is further understood that should Assistant Coach Troy Dulaney be rehired by the school to serve as an assistant coach, he shall be suspended for four varsity contests on the Yorktown High School wrestling schedule. These suspensions shall be determined by the school administration.
3. Coaches Trent McCormick and Troy Dulaney are severely reprimanded for their participation in this rules violation. It is beyond comprehension that veteran coaches do not understand the provisions of Rule 15-3.4 to the extent a violation of this nature could occur.

#### **ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION**

1. Findings of the Basketball Study Committee – Phil Gardner and Sandra Walter
2. Amending of Date for Acceptance of Coach Education Course Completions – Robert Faulkens
3. Fall Area Principal Meeting Agenda – Bobby Cox
4. Reactions & Feedback from NFHS Summer Conference in Boston, MA
5. Executive Committee State Tournament Assignments – Tim Grove
6. Communications:
  - Amy Bowman, Southwood High School – C. Eugene Cato Memorial Scholarship Recipient
  - Andrew Dorrel, Head Football Coach, The Culver Academies (with response from the Commissioner)
  - Ken Howell, Principal, Morristown High School (see item #2 of agenda)
7. For the Good of the Order
  - Investment Committee Meeting – immediately after the Executive Committee Meeting

A motion to adjourn was made by Paul Neidig; seconded by Mike Broughton; motion passed 11-0. The next meeting of the Executive Committee will be at IHSAA headquarters on October 2, 2014.

Chairperson

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Tim Grove

Commissioner

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Bobby Cox