

IHSAA Executive Committee

Friday, October 9, 2015

Indianapolis, Indiana



Present

Chairman Paul Neidig, Vice-Chairwoman Patti McCormack, Jim Brown, Victor Bush, Nathan Dean, Ed Gilliland, Tim Grove, Jimmie Howell, Richard Lance, Debb Stevens, Deborah Watson, Mike Whitten, Rae Woolpy, Dave Worland; Commissioner Bobby Cox, Assistant Commissioners Robert Faulkens, Phil Gardner, Chris Kaufman, Kerrie Schludecker, Sandra Walter; Technology Director Luke Morehead, Sports Information Director Jason Wille, Attorney Bob Baker.

Approve August Minutes

The minutes of the August 19, 2015 Executive Committee meeting were presented for approval. A motion for approval was made by Jim Brown; seconded by Mike Whitten; motion passed 15-0.

Report on Chair Officials for the Boys Tennis Tournament Series

Assistant Commissioner Kaufman presented a list of tennis chair officials eligible for possible use in the boys tennis tournament series. Requests for USTA officials are increasing at the earlier rounds of the tournament which creates some issues.

Report on Officials for the Cross Country Tournament Series

Assistant Commissioner Gardner presented a list of cross country starters eligible for the Cross Country Tournament Series. The tournament requires the use of 32 officials.

Report on Officials for the Soccer Tournament Series

Assistant Commissioner Walter presented a list of soccer officials eligible for the soccer tournament series. The soccer tournament series requires 336 officials and 390 applied, which includes a significant number who declined assignments this year.

Report on Officials for the Volleyball Tournament Series

Assistant Commissioner Schludecker submitted the names of 192 volleyball officials who have applied to work the volleyball tournament series. The volleyball tournament series requires 128 officials at the sectional level.

Report on Officials for the Football Tournament Series

Assistant Commissioner Faulkens presented a list of 161 football crews eligible for the Football Tournament Series. The football tournament requires 146 crews for the first round of sectional play. A total of 860 individual assignments were received, many who are not a part of a regular crew and would fill in if needed.

Reports on Probationary Members of the IHSAA

Assistant Commissioners Faulkens, Gardner, Kaufman, Schludecker, and Walter submitted reports regarding probationary members of the IHSAA:

Christel House Academy – Assistant Commissioner Walter

Hammond Academy of Science and Technology – Assistant Commissioner Gardner

Indianapolis Lighthouse Charter – Assistant Commissioner Schludecker

Providence Cristo Rey – Assistant Commissioner Kaufman

Smith Academy for Excellence – Assistant Commissioner Gardner

South Bend Career Academy – Assistant Commissioner Faulkens

Traders Point Christian Academy – Assistant Commissioner Walter

Preliminary Plans for Boys Basketball Tournament

Assistant Commissioner Gardner reported on the preliminary plans for the 2015-16 Boys Basketball Tournament Series. The Executive Committee will approve the tournament series host sites during the November meeting.

Preliminary Plans for Girls Basketball Tournament

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Investment Report

Mark Stoltz, financial advisor from Morgan Stanley Smith Barney, presented a report regarding the Association's investments.

Report on Corporate Sponsorships

Assistant Commissioner Kaufman submitted a report regarding current and new corporate sponsors including Ivy Tech who is sponsoring the IHSAA's sportsmanship program. Also, the Association welcomes back Indiana Farm Bureau Insurance who has become the presenting sponsor of the IHSAA Champions Network and will again cover the cost of mental attitude awards in all sports except for football, girls basketball and boys basketball.

Report on NFHS Section IV Meeting

Commissioner Cox reported on his attendance at the 2015 Section IV meeting held on September 24-25 in Boone, Iowa. He reported under the Section IV rotation, Assistant Commissioner Walter will serve on the NFHS Athletic Directors Advisory Committee as well as the Officials Association Committee. Assistant Commissioner Schludecker will serve on the Swimming & Diving Rules Committee.

Topics discussed by attendees included telemedicine projects in rural states, anti-specialization in youth sports, health and well-being of student-athletes, turnover in school leadership and how to help reduce it, as well as non-contact football practices during the week.

Report on Midwest Officials Summit

Assistant Commissioner Walter reported on topics from the 2015 Midwest Officials' Summit hosted by the IHSAA on September 21-22. The group of 19 association administrators from surrounding states discussed recruiting initiatives, retention, training and assigners.

Report on IHSAA Foundation

Commissioner Cox presented a list of six individuals who have agreed to serve on the initial Board of Directors for the new IHSAA Foundation. Nine members are desired but the initial six who have accepted are: J. Terry Clapacs, Vice President Emeritus of Indiana University; Dr. Phil N. Eskew, Jr., retired Director of Physician and Patient Relations at St. Vincent Hospital and current professor at the IU School of Medicine; James T. Morris, Vice President of Pacers Sports & Entertainment; Blake Ress, Commissioner Emeritus of the Indiana High School Athletic Association, Inc.; Patrick Shoulders, partner in the Evansville law firm of Ziemer, Stayman, Weitzel Shoulders, LLP; and Jennifer K. Wilfong, Vice President and Executive Coach at Merrill Lynch.

Transfers

Assistant Commissioner Gardner reported on transfers that have been ruled on for the 2015-16 school year. This report included the following actions as of September 30, 2015:

Full Eligibility	2,235...	84.75%
Limited Eligibility	192.....	7.28%
Temp. Ineligible.....	202.....	7.66%
Ineligible.....	8.....	0.30%
Total	2,637	

Sportsmanship

Assistant Commissioner Walter reported the Association has received 1,705 unsporting reports from officials working contests this fall including 96 ejections of coaches, players and fans. Both figures are up from this time last year with the majority in football and soccer. Ideas on how to reduce this trend as well as instances of Exemplary Sportsmanship were discussed.

Member School Sportsmanship Report

As part of the IHSAA Sportsmanship Task Force that was created last year, a point system was installed to monitor acceptable levels of sportsmanship among member schools. East Chicago Central was one of four schools in the state that fell below the expected level at the conclusion of the 2014-15 school year. Administrators from the school appeared before the Committee to outline their plans for improvement.

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:

Andrean HS – Rule 18-1 (*Boys' soccer player participated in a contest while academically ineligible*)

1. The Andrean High School boys' soccer program is issued a warning. This warning is official notice that an illegal act has occurred, is a matter of record, and shall not be repeated.
2. The student involved in this violation is declared ineligible until such time the student may become academically eligible.
3. It is understood that Andrean lost the contest however, the opposing school shall be made aware of this violation.
4. The administration of Andrean High School is commended for its reporting and handling of this matter.

Barr-Reeve HS – Rule 15-1.2a (*Volleyball player participated in a recreational volleyball match during the authorized contest season*)

1. The Barr-Reeve High School volleyball program is issued a warning. This warning is official notice that an illegal act has occurred, is a matter of record, and shall not be repeated.
2. The student has been suspended for one contest by the school for this infraction. The IHSAA supports this suspension and deems it appropriate for the penalty incurred.
3. The administration of Barr-Reeve High School is commended for its reporting and handling of this matter.

Beech Grove HS – Rule 18-1 (*Boys' soccer player participated in multiple contests while academically ineligible*)

1. The Beech Grove High School boys' soccer program is issued a warning. This warning is official notice that an illegal act has occurred, is a matter of record, and shall not be repeated.
2. The student involved in this violation is declared ineligible until such time the student may become academically eligible.
3. The interscholastic contests in which this ineligible athlete participated in shall be forfeited if Beech Grove was victorious. The opposing schools shall be made aware of this violation.
4. The administration of Beech Grove High School is commended for its reporting and handling of this matter.

Bloomington North HS – Rule 9-13 (*JV coach hosted student athletes in his home for volleyball activities on a Sunday*)

1. The Bloomington North High School volleyball program is issued a warning. This warning is official notice that an illegal act has occurred, is a matter of record, and shall not be repeated.
2. Coaches Klaus Haagen and Ken Wood are reprimanded for allowing this violation to occur. Ignorance of the rules is not an acceptable excuse for committing a rules violation.
3. The administration of Bloomington North High School is commended for its reporting of this matter.

Bloomington North HS – Rule 54-3.1b (*Football player participated in six quarters in one week*)

1. The Bloomington North High School football program is issued a warning. This warning is official notice that an illegal act has occurred, is a matter of record, and shall not be repeated.
2. The football coaching staff is reprimanded for allowing this violation to occur. A lack of attention to detail is not an acceptable explanation for a rules violation.
3. All quarters played shall count against the maximum number of quarters allowed for the student athlete involved in this violation.

4. The contest in which the violation occurred shall be forfeited if Bloomington North was victorious. The opposing school shall be made aware of this violation.
5. The administration of Bloomington North High School is commended for its reporting and handling of this matter.

Boone Grove HS – Rule 18-1 (*Football player participated in a contest while academically ineligible*)

1. The Boone Grove High School football program is issued a warning. This warning is official notice that an illegal act has occurred, is a matter of record, and shall not be repeated.
2. The student involved in this violation is declared ineligible until such time the student may become academically eligible.
3. The interscholastic contest in which this ineligible athlete participated in shall be forfeited if Boone Grove was victorious. The opposing school shall be made aware of this violation.
4. The administration of Boone Grove High School is commended for its reporting and handling of this matter.

Brown County HS – Rule 19-3 (*Football player participated in a contest without an approved transfer report on file*)

1. The Brown County High School football program is issued a warning. This warning is official notice that an illegal act has occurred, is a matter of record, and shall not be repeated.
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 shall be forfeited if Brown County was victorious and the opposing school shall be notified of this violation.
4. The IHSAA supports the school's suspension of Head Coach Ethan Schreiber for one game with respect to this violation.
5. The administration of Brown County High School is commended for its reporting and handling of this matter.

Christian Academy of Indiana – Rules 3-10 (2) and 101-1 (*Girls' soccer player participated in a match without the requisite number of practices and without a pre-participation physical examination form on file*)

1. The Christian Academy of Indiana girls' soccer program is issued a warning. This warning is official notice that an illegal act has occurred, is a matter of record, and shall not be repeated.
2. Coach Brett O'Loughlin is severely reprimanded for allowing these violations to occur. These are health and safety issues and it is absolutely imperative that the "IHSAA Pre-Participation Evaluation Form" is completed in every detail and on file for all student athletes prior to their participation in a practice, let alone an interscholastic contest. Additionally, a student must complete ten practices under the direct supervision of the coaching staff to adequately prepare the student for competition.
3. The student involved in this violation is declared ineligible until such time the student provides a valid pre-participation physical and consent form to the school and completes the requisite number of separate days of practice.
4. The administration of Christian Academy of Indiana is commended for its reporting and handling of this matter.

Eastern (Pekin) HS – Rule 111-4 (*Volleyball player participated in more than one level of play during the same tournament*)

1. The Eastern (Pekin) High School volleyball program is issued a warning. This warning is official notice that an illegal act has occurred, is a matter of record, and shall not be repeated.
2. Coach Samantha Bradburn is reprimanded for permitting this violation to occur. A lack of attentiveness to the rules is not an acceptable explanation for a rules violation.
3. In accordance with rule 3-9 of the IHSAA By-Laws, the participating schools must be notified that this violation occurred and the match in which the violation occurred shall be forfeited if Eastern (Pekin) was victorious.
4. Participation in these matches shall all count toward the total of allowable matches the student in violation may participate in.
5. The administration of Eastern (Pekin) High School is commended for its reporting and handling of this matter.

Fort Wayne Northrop HS – Rule 101-1 (*Girls' soccer player participated in two contests without completing the requisite number of practices*)

1. The Fort Wayne Northrop High School girls' soccer program is issued a warning. This warning is official notice that an illegal act has occurred, is a matter of record, and shall not be repeated.

2. Coach Jay Glogowski is reprimanded for allowing this violation to occur. Ignorance of the rules is not an acceptable excuse for a rules violation.
3. The student athlete involved in this violation shall be suspended and declared ineligible for further competition until she meet the minimum standards for eligibility. Additionally, the two contests in which the student participated do not count toward the requisite of ten separate days of practice under the direct supervision of the girls' soccer coaching staff.
4. In accordance with Rule 3-9, the contests in which the ineligible athlete participated shall be forfeited if Fort Wayne Northrop was victorious and all opposing schools shall be notified of this violation.
5. The administration of Fort Wayne Northrop High School is commended for its reporting and handling of this matter.

Fort Wayne Northrop HS – Rule 111-4 (*Volleyball player participated in more than five sets against the same school*)

1. The Fort Wayne Northrop High School volleyball program is issued a warning. This warning is official notice that an illegal act has occurred, is a matter of record, and shall not be repeated.
2. Coach Scott Shipman is reprimanded for permitting this violation to occur. A lack of attentiveness to the rules is not an acceptable explanation for a rules violation.
3. In accordance with rule 3-9 of the IHSAA By-Laws, the participating schools must be notified that this violation occurred and the match in which the violation occurred shall be forfeited if Fort Wayne Northrop was victorious.
4. Participation in these matches shall all count toward the total of allowable matches the student in violation may participate in.
5. The administration of Fort Wayne Northrop High School is commended for its reporting and handling of this matter.

Hamilton Heights HS – Rule 18-1 (*Boys' soccer player participated in multiple matches while academically ineligible*)

1. The Hamilton Heights High School boys' soccer program is issued a warning. This warning is official notice that an illegal act has occurred, is a matter of record, and shall not be repeated.
2. The student involved in this violation is declared ineligible until such time the student may become academically eligible.
3. The interscholastic contests in which this ineligible athlete participated in shall be forfeited if Hamilton Heights was victorious. The opposing schools shall be made aware of this violation.
4. The administration of Hamilton Heights High School is commended for its reporting and handling of this matter.

Lake Central HS – Rule 3-10 (2) (*Boys' soccer player participated in practice without an approved pre-participation physical and consent form on file*)

1. The Lake Central High School boys' soccer program is issued a warning. This warning is official notice that an illegal act has occurred, is a matter of record, and shall not be repeated.
2. Coach Jereme Rainwater 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.
3. The student involved in this violation is declared ineligible until such time the student provides a valid pre-participation physical and consent form to the school.
4. The administration of Lake Central High School is commended for its reporting and handling of this matter.

LaPorte HS – Rule 3-10 (2) (*Football player participated in practices and a contest without an approved pre-participation physical and consent form on file*)

1. The LaPorte High School football program is issued a warning. This warning is official notice that an illegal act has occurred, is a matter of record, and shall not be repeated.
2. Coach Dave Sharpe 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 contest.
3. The student involved in this violation is declared ineligible until such time the student provides a valid pre-participation physical and consent form to the school.
4. The contest in which the ineligible athlete participated in shall be forfeited if LaPorte was victorious and the opposing school shall be made aware of this violation.
5. The administration of LaPorte High School is commended for its reporting and handling of this matter.

Lebanon HS – Rule 18-1 (*Football player participated in multiple contests while academically ineligible*)

1. The Lebanon High School football program is issued a warning. This warning is official notice that an illegal act has occurred, is a matter of record, and shall not be repeated.
2. The student involved in this violation is declared ineligible until such time the student may become academically eligible.
3. All interscholastic contests in which this ineligible athlete participated in shall be forfeited if Lebanon was victorious. The opposing schools shall be made aware of this violation. It is noted that Athletic Director Levine illustrated in his correspondence to the Association the level and amount of participation the ineligible student completed. The fact the student had limited participation and/or impact in varsity competition has no bearing in the determination of this penalty.
4. The administration of Lebanon High School is commended for its reporting and handling of this matter.

Linton-Stockton HS – Rule 18-1 (*Varsity football player participated in a game while academically ineligible*)

1. The Linton-Stockton High School football program is issued a warning. This warning is official notice that an illegal act has occurred, is a matter of record, and shall not be repeated.
2. The student involved in this violation is declared ineligible until such time the student may become academically eligible.
3. The interscholastic contest in which this ineligible athlete participated in shall be forfeited if Linton-Stockton was victorious. The opposing school shall be made aware of this violation.
4. The administration of Linton-Stockton High School is commended for its reporting and handling of this matter.

Madison Consolidated HS – Rule 19-3 (*Girls' soccer player participated in multiple contests without an approved transfer report on file*)

1. The Madison Consolidated High School girls' soccer program is issued a warning. This warning is official notice that an illegal act has occurred, is a matter of record, and shall not be repeated.
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 shall be forfeited if Madison Consolidated was victorious and the opposing schools shall be notified of this violation.
4. The administration of Madison Consolidated High School is commended for its reporting and handling of this matter.

Merrillville HS – Rule 14-1 (*School used an unlicensed official in a boys' soccer match*)

1. The Merrillville High School boys' soccer program is issued a warning. This warning is official notice that a rule violation has occurred, is a matter of record, and shall not be repeated.
2. In accordance with Rule 14-1 of the IHSAA By-Laws the school shall remit a penalty of \$500.00 to the IHSAA for this infraction. The contest is not forfeited.
3. The administration of Merrillville High School is commended for its reporting of this matter.

Michigan City HS – Rules 3-6, 8-1, 8-2 and 8-4 (*Varsity football team members engaged in unsportsmanlike behaviors leading to an early and improper conclusion of the contest – PROBATION*)

1. The Michigan City football program is placed on probation through the remainder of the 2015-16 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. Head Coach Michael Karpinski is reprimanded for this incident. The head coach is ultimately responsible for the deportment of his coaching staff and players.
3. Student-athletes as identified by the school and contest officials (Darnell Johnson, Kyle Karpinski, Jamariah Woodard and Tyler Woods) shall be suspended for one contest for their roles in this exchange. These suspensions shall be served in the next regularly scheduled Michigan City varsity contest.
4. The aforementioned varsity student-athletes shall complete the NFHS Sportsmanship Course prior to their participation in their next interscholastic contest.
5. The contest between Michigan City and South Bend Washington which did not arrive at a proper conclusion shall be declared a double forfeit.

6. The administration of Michigan City High School shall continue to work with all stakeholders in the football program to insure acts of this nature are eliminated with a focus on proper compartments in an education based athletic setting.
7. The administration of Michigan City High School is commended for the manner in which they have responded and investigated the incidents of August 21, 2015.

Mooresville HS – Rule 19-3 (*Football player participated in multiple games without an approved transfer report on file*)

1. The Mooresville High School football program is issued a warning. This warning is official notice that an illegal act has occurred, is a matter of record, and shall not be repeated.
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 shall be forfeited if Mooresville was victorious and the opposing schools shall be notified of this violation.
4. The administration of Mooresville High School is commended for its reporting and handling of this matter.

Muncie Burriss HS – Rule 50-1 – (*Boys' soccer player participated in a JV match without completing the requisite number of practices*)

1. The Muncie Burriss High School boys' soccer program is issued a warning. This warning is official notice that an illegal act has occurred, is a matter of record, and shall not be repeated.
2. Coach Josh Murray is severely reprimanded for allowing this violation to occur. Defiance of IHSAA by-laws is unacceptable and will not be tolerated.
3. The IHSAA strongly supports the suspension of Coach Josh Murray with respect to this incident.
4. The student athlete involved in this violation shall be suspended and declared ineligible for further competition until he meets the minimum standards for eligibility. Additionally, the contest in which the student participated does not count toward the requisite of ten separate days of practice under the direct supervision of the boys' soccer coaching staff.
5. In accordance with Rule 3-9, the contest in which the ineligible athlete participated shall be forfeited if Muncie Burriss was victorious and the opposing school shall be notified of this violation.
6. The administration of Muncie Burriss High School is commended for its reporting and handling of this matter.

New Haven HS – Rule 18-1 (*Boys' soccer player participated in a soccer match while academically ineligible*)

1. The New Haven High School boys' soccer program is issued a warning. This warning is official notice that an illegal act has occurred, is a matter of record, and shall not be repeated.
2. The student involved in this violation is declared ineligible until such time the student may become academically eligible.
3. The interscholastic contest in which this ineligible athlete participated in shall be forfeited if New Haven was victorious. The opposing school shall be made aware of this violation.
4. The administration of New Haven High School is commended for its reporting and handling of this matter.

Northfield HS – Rule 18-1 (*Football player participated in multiple contests while academically ineligible*)

1. The Northfield High School football program is issued a warning. This warning is official notice that an illegal act has occurred, is a matter of record, and shall not be repeated.
2. The student involved in this violation is declared ineligible until such time the student may become academically eligible.
3. The interscholastic contests in which this ineligible athlete participated in shall be forfeited if Northfield was victorious. The opposing schools shall be made aware of this violation.
4. The administration of Northfield High School is commended for its reporting and handling of this matter.

Oldenburg Academy – Rule 19-3 (*Football player participated in multiple contests without an approved transfer report on file*)

1. The Oldenburg Academy football program is issued a warning. This warning is official notice that an illegal act has occurred, is a matter of record, and shall not be repeated.
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 shall be forfeited if Oldenburg Academy was victorious and the opposing schools shall be notified of this violation.
4. The administration of Oldenburg Academy is commended for its reporting and handling of this matter.

Perry Meridian HS – Rule 19-3 (*Two boys' soccer players participated in multiple matches without an approved transfer report on file*)

1. The Perry Meridian High School boys' soccer program is issued a warning. This warning is official notice that an illegal act has occurred, is a matter of record, and shall not be repeated.
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 shall be forfeited if Perry Meridian was victorious and the opposing schools shall be notified of this violation.
4. The administration of Perry Meridian High School is commended for its reporting and handling of this matter.

Pike Central HS – Rule 19-3 (*Two students participated in a cross country meet without an approved transfer report on file*)

1. The Pike Central High School girls' cross country program is issued a warning. This warning is official notice that an illegal act has occurred, is a matter of record, and shall not be repeated.
2. The student athletes involved in this violation shall be suspended and declared ineligible until approved transfer reports are on file.
3. The contest in which the ineligible athletes participated in shall be rescored to remove any points scored by the ineligible athletes. The opposing school shall be notified of this violation.
4. The administration of Pike Central High School is commended for its reporting and handling of this matter.

Portage HS – Rule 14-1 (*School used an unlicensed official in a boys' soccer match*)

1. The Portage High School boys' soccer program is issued a warning. This warning is official notice that a rule violation has occurred, is a matter of record, and shall not be repeated.
2. In accordance with Rule 14-1 of the IHSAA By-Laws the school shall remit a penalty of \$500.00 to the IHSAA for this infraction. The contest is not forfeited.
3. The administration of Portage High School is commended for its reporting of this matter.

Portage HS – Rule 19-3 (*Boys' tennis player participated in two matches without an approved transfer report on file*)

1. The Portage High School boys' tennis program is issued a warning. This warning is official notice that a rule violation has occurred, is a matter of record, and shall not be repeated.
2. The student is declared ineligible until a completed transfer report is submitted and ruled upon.
3. The matches that the ineligible student participated in shall be forfeited and the team scores shall be refigured reflecting a loss at the particular points in question. The opposing schools shall be notified of this violation.
4. The administration of Portage High School is commended for its reporting of this matter.

Rochester HS – Rule 19-3 (*Girls' soccer player participated in multiple contests without an approved transfer report on file*)

1. The Rochester High School girls' soccer program is issued a warning. This warning is official notice that an illegal act has occurred, is a matter of record, and shall not be repeated.
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 shall be forfeited if Rochester was victorious and the opposing schools shall be notified of this violation.
4. The administration of Rochester High School is commended for its reporting and handling of this matter.

Salem HS – Rule 111-4 (*Volleyball player participated in more than one level of play during the same tournament*)

1. The Salem High School volleyball program is issued a warning. This warning is official notice that an illegal act has occurred, is a matter of record, and shall not be repeated.
2. Coach Straton Thomas is reprimanded for permitting this violation to occur. A lack of attentiveness to the rules is not an acceptable explanation for a rules violation.
3. In accordance with rule 3-9 of the IHSAA By-Laws, the participating schools must be notified that this violation occurred and the match in which the violation occurred shall be forfeited if Salem was victorious.

4. Participation in these matches shall all count toward the total of allowable matches the student in violation may participate in.
5. The administration of Salem High School is commended for its reporting and handling of this matter.

Silver Creek HS – Rule 18-1 (*Volleyball player participated in multiple matches while academically ineligible*)

1. The Silver Creek High School volleyball program is issued a warning. This warning is official notice that an illegal act has occurred, is a matter of record, and shall not be repeated.
2. The student involved in this violation is declared ineligible until such time the student may become academically eligible.
3. The interscholastic contests in which this ineligible athlete participated in shall be forfeited if Silver Creek was victorious. The opposing schools shall be made aware of this violation.
4. The administration of Silver Creek High School is commended for its reporting and handling of this matter.

South Bend Adams HS – Rule 19-3 (*Junior varsity football player participated during the 2014-15 season without an approved transfer report on file*)

1. The South Bend Adams High School football program is issued a warning. This warning is official notice that an illegal act has occurred, is a matter of record, and shall not be repeated.
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 shall be forfeited if South Bend Adams was victorious and the opposing schools shall be notified of this violation.
4. The administration of South Bend Adams High School is commended for its reporting and handling of this matter.

South Bend Washington HS – Rules 3-6, 8-1, 8-2 and 8-4 (*Varsity football team members engaged in unsportsmanlike behaviors leading to an early and improper conclusion of the contest – PROBATION*)

1. The South Bend Washington football program is placed on probation through the remainder of the 2015-16 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. Head Coach Jay Johnson is reprimanded for this incident. The head coach is ultimately responsible for the deportment of his coaching staff and players.
3. Student-athletes as identified by the school and contest officials (Tony Brazier and JohnMichael Hankerson) shall be suspended for one contest for their roles in this exchange. These suspensions shall be served in the next regularly scheduled South Bend Washington varsity contest.
4. The aforementioned varsity student-athletes shall complete the NFHS Sportsmanship Course prior to their participation in their next interscholastic contest.
5. It is recognized and supported that Assistant Coach Keith Witherspoon has been suspended indefinitely by the school. Mr. Witherspoon must complete the NFHS Role Modeling and Behavior course prior to coaching in an interscholastic contest.
6. The contest between Michigan City and South Bend Washington which did not arrive at a proper conclusion shall be declared a double forfeit.
7. The administration of South Bend Washington High School shall continue to work with all stakeholders in the football program to insure acts of this nature are eliminated with a focus on proper comportments in an education based athletic setting.
8. The administration of South Bend Washington High School is commended for the manner in which they have responded and investigated the incidents of August 21, 2015.

South Bend Washington HS – Rule 19-3 (*Football player participated in a junior varsity contest without an approved transfer report on file*)

1. The South Bend Washington High School football program is issued a warning. This warning is official notice that an illegal act has occurred, is a matter of record, and shall not be repeated.
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 shall be forfeited if South Bend Washington was victorious and the opposing school shall be notified of this violation.

4. The administration of South Bend Washington High School is commended for its reporting and handling of this matter.

South Central (Union Mills) HS – Rule 111-4 (*Volleyball player participated in more than five sets against the same school*)

1. The South Central High School volleyball program is issued a warning. This warning is official notice that an illegal act has occurred, is a matter of record, and shall not be repeated.
2. Coach Jill Stepanek is reprimanded for permitting this violation to occur. A lack of attentiveness to the rules is not an acceptable explanation for a rules violation.
3. In accordance with rule 3-9 of the IHSAA By-Laws, the participating school must be notified that this violation occurred and the match in which the violation occurred shall be forfeited if South Central was victorious.
4. Participation in these matches shall all count toward the total of allowable matches the student in violation may participate in.
5. The administration of South Central High School is commended for its reporting and handling of this matter.

South Ripley HS – Rule 19-3 (*Boys' soccer player participated in a match without an approved transfer report on file*)

1. The South Ripley boys' soccer program is issued a warning. This warning is official notice that an illegal act has occurred, is a matter of record, and shall not be repeated.
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 forfeited if South Ripley was victorious and the opposing school shall be notified of this violation.
4. The administration of South Ripley is commended for its reporting and handling of this matter.

Southmont HS – Rule 9-14c (*Boys' soccer player failed to complete requisite number of separate days of practice after returning from an injury*)

1. The Southmont High School boys' soccer program is issued a warning. This warning is official notice that an illegal act has occurred, is a matter of record, and shall not be repeated.
2. Coach Brandon Rash is reprimanded for causing this violation to occur. Rule 9-14 provides safeguards for student athletes returning to competition after illness or injury and shall be strictly adhered to.
3. In accordance with Rule 3-9, Southmont High School shall forfeit the contest in which the ineligible athlete participated if Southmont was victorious and notify the school of such forfeiture.
4. The administration of Southmont High School is commended for the manner in which it handled this situation.

Southport HS – Rule 19-3 (*Junior varsity football player participated in a game without an approved transfer report on file*)

1. The Southport High School football program is issued a warning. This warning is official notice that an illegal act has occurred, is a matter of record, and shall not be repeated.
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 shall be forfeited if Southport was victorious and the opposing schools shall be notified of this violation.
4. The administration of Southport High School is commended for its reporting and handling of this matter.

Twin Lakes HS – Rule 3-10 (2) (*Boys' cross country runner participated in three meets without an approved pre-participation physical and consent form on file*)

1. The Twin Lakes High School boys' cross country program is issued a warning. This warning is official notice that an illegal act has occurred, is a matter of record, and shall not be repeated.
2. Coach David Schultheiss 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 involved in this violation is declared ineligible until such time the student provides a valid pre-participation physical and consent form to the school.
4. The interscholastic competitions where the ineligible student participated shall be rescored to eliminate any scoring from the ineligible athlete. The opposing schools shall be made aware of this violation.
5. The administration of Twin Lakes High School is commended for its reporting and handling of this matter.

Valparaiso HS – Rule 19-3 (*Boys' soccer player participate in multiple soccer matches without an approved transfer report on file*)

1. The Valparaiso High School boys' soccer program is issued a warning. This warning is official notice that an illegal act has occurred, is a matter of record, and shall not be repeated.
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 shall be forfeited if Valparaiso was victorious and the opposing schools shall be notified of this violation.
4. Boys' Soccer coaches Danny Jefitich and Jovan Jefitich are reprimanded for allowing this violation to occur. An ignorance of the rules or a lack of attention to detail are not an acceptable reasons for a rules violation.
5. The administration of Valparaiso High School is commended for its reporting and handling of this matter.

Western Boone HS – Rule 111-4 (*Volleyball player participated in more than five sets against the same school*)

1. The Western Boone High School volleyball program is issued a warning. This warning is official notice that an illegal act has occurred, is a matter of record, and shall not be repeated.
2. Coach Laura Lawson is reprimanded for permitting this violation to occur. A lack of attentiveness to the rules is not an acceptable explanation for a rules violation.
3. In accordance with rule 3-9 of the IHSAA By-Laws, the participating schools must be notified that this violation occurred and the match in which the violation occurred shall be forfeited if Western Boone was victorious.
4. Participation in these matches shall all count toward the total of allowable matches the student in violation may participate in.
5. The administration of Western Boone High School is commended for its reporting and handling of this matter.

Winamac HS – Rule 18-1 (*Boys' soccer player participated in a soccer match while academically ineligible*)

1. The Winamac High School boys' soccer program is issued a warning. This warning is official notice that an illegal act has occurred, is a matter of record, and shall not be repeated.
2. The student involved in this violation is declared ineligible until such time the student may become academically eligible.
3. The interscholastic contest in which this ineligible athlete participated in shall be forfeited if Winamac was victorious. The opposing school shall be made aware of this violation.
4. The administration of Winamac High School is commended for its reporting and handling of this matter.

Items for Discussion

1. Communications:
 - Kyle Bloom, Owner, Edgewood Golf Club, Anderson
 - J. Terry Clapacs, Vice President Emeritus, Indiana University
 - Ray Craft, Retired Associate Commissioner, IHSAA
 - Lafayette Jefferson High School Unified Track and Field Team
 - Patrick Shoulders, Partner, Ziemen Stayman Weitzel Shoulders LLP
2. For the Good of the Order

A motion to adjourn the October meeting of the Executive Committee was made by Tim Grove; seconded by Patti McCormack; motion passed 15-0. The next meeting of the Executive Committee will be at IHSAA headquarters at 8:00 a.m. on Friday, November 6, 2015.

Paul Neidig, Chairman

Bobby Cox, Commissioner