



# Executive Committee Meeting Minutes

Indianapolis, IN  
October 5, 2023 at 8:00 AM ET

## Members Present:

Chairman Chris Conley, Vice Chairman Tom Black, Stacy Adams, Jim Brown, Larry Cochren, Kye Denney, Jeff Doyle, Kyle Duncan, Tom Finicle, Tim Grove, Jeff Hamstra, Joe Herrmann, Patti McCormack, Kris Painter, Roman Smith, Brian Strong, Paul Voigt.

## Executive Staff Present:

Commissioner Paul Neidig, Assistant Commissioner Robert Faulkens, Assistant Commissioner Chris Kaufman, Assistant Commissioner Brian Lewis, Assistant Commissioner Kerrie Rosati, Assistant Commissioner Janie Ulmer, Associate Commissioner Ed Gilliland, Director of Champions Together Brian Avery, Foundation Director Trip Lukemeyer, Technology Director Luke Morehead, Director of Broadcasting Heath Shanahan, Sports Information Director Jason Wille, General Counsel Katie Williams-Briles.

## I. FOR ACTION

### A. **Proposed Emergency Amendment to IHSAA By-Law 15-2.3.b - Conditioning Program**

Commissioner Paul Neidig presented the following updated language to By-Law 15-2.3.

#### **RULE 15 - PARTICIPATION**

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#### **15-2.3 Conditioning Program**

a. During the School Year Out-of-Season, a student who participates in Team Sports may participate in a Conditioning Program; a Conditioning Program is a program which occurs in a School's gymnasium, playing field or other School facility and is designed for and limited to activities which promote physical fitness and exclude game drills. Examples of permissible activities are weight lifting, running and aerobic exercising. The limitations on participation by, and contact with, a student in Team Sports, During the School Year, Out-of-Season, do not apply to a student's participation in a Conditioning Program.

b. During the School Year Out-of-Season,

- (1.) A student who participates in the Team Sport of baseball may throw a baseball as a part of the student's Conditioning Program and a student who participates in the Team Sport of softball may throw a softball as a part of the student's Conditioning Program ~~(beginning M—WK26)~~.
- (2.) When a baseball or a softball is thrown as part of a Conditioning Program, the throw shall be part of a game of catch between Two (2) students using gloves; the process shall not involve a pitching mound or a pitching circle, an actual or simulated batter or any type of pitching instruction.

**Motion:**

Motion moved by Brian Strong and motion seconded by Tom Black. Approved 17-0. This amendment goes into effect immediately and will be added to the agenda of the annual Board of Directors meeting next spring for formal ratification.

**B. Consideration for Approval – Minutes from the August 22, 2023 Executive Committee Meeting**

The minutes of the August 22, 2023 meeting were recommended for approval.

**Motion:**

Motion moved by Tim Grove and motion seconded by Jeff Doyle. Approved 17-0.

**C. Consideration for Approval – 2023-24 Gymnastics State Tournament Series**

Assistant Commissioner Janie Ulmer presented the assignments for the 2023-24 Gymnastics Tournament Series.

Ulmer said the number of participating schools has increased by 10 in recent years year so she has attempted to better balance the sectional assignments as listed below.

**Motion:**

Motion moved by Jim Brown and motion seconded by Patti McCormack. Approved 17-0.

**Sectionals: February 23,24, 2024**

- 1. Crown Point (16):** Chesterton, Crown Point, Hobart, Knox, Lake Central, LaPorte, Lowell, Merrillville, Michigan City, Morgan Township, Munster, New Prairie, Portage, Valparaiso, Westville, Wheeler
- 2. Lafayette Jefferson (16):** Benton Central, Crawfordsville, Faith Christian, Guerin Catholic, Harrison (West Lafayette), Kokomo, Lafayette Central Catholic, Lafayette Jefferson, Logansport, McCutcheon, North Montgomery, Northwestern, Southmont, West Lafayette, Western, Westfield
- 3. Lakeland (14):** Angola, Caston, DeKalb, East Noble, Eastside, Elkhart, Lakeland, Maconaquah, NorthWood, Peru, Plymouth, Warsaw Community, Wawasee, West Noble
- 4. Fort Wayne Concordia Lutheran (12):** Carroll (Fort Wayne), Columbia City, Fort Wayne Bishop Dwenger, Fort Wayne Concordia Lutheran, Fort Wayne North Side, Fort Wayne Northrop, Fort Wayne Snider, Fort Wayne South Side, Fort Wayne Wayne, Homestead, Huntington North, Jay County
- 5. Franklin Central (14):** Bloomington North, Bloomington South, Columbus East, Columbus North, Edgewood, Fishers, Franklin Central, Lapel, Martinsville, Noblesville, North Putnam, Owen Valley, Roncalli, Seymour
- 6. Connersville (11):** Connersville, Franklin County, Morristown, Muncie Central, New Castle, New Palestine, Northeastern, Richmond, Rushville Consolidated, Shelbyville, Southwestern (Shelbyville), Union County

## **Regionals: March 1,2, 2024**

- 1. Valparaiso:** Crown Point, Lafayette Jefferson
- 2. Huntington North:** Lakeland, Fort Wayne Concordia Lutheran
- 3. Franklin Central:** Franklin Central, Connersville

## **State Finals: March 9**

## **II. REPORTS**

### **A. Student Advisory Committee Presentation**

IHSAA Student Advisory Committee members Whitman Horton of Crawfordsville HS and Jake Tippmann of Fort Wayne Snider HS were introduced by Assistant Commissioners Kerrie Rosati and Robert Faulkens. Horton, who serves as president, and Tippmann, this year's vice-president, reported on the group's summer retreat, their quarterly group meetings, leading student discussions at the Area Fall Principals Meetings and next summer's Student Leadership Conference.

### **B. Report on Officials for the Cross Country Tournament Series**

Assistant Commissioner Brian Lewis presented a list of 64 cross country starters eligible for the state tournament series.

This is the first year of the new three-week state tournament format which features 25 sectionals and five regionals that feed into the state finals.

### **C. Report on Officials for the Soccer Tournament Series**

Assistant Commissioner Janie Ulmer presented a list of 372 soccer officials who applied for the state tournament series. She says it's a slight increase of applicants which is helpful considering we compete with college tournaments this time of year. She also requested assistance from Executive Committee members at the state finals on Oct. 27-28 at IUPUI's Carroll Stadium in Indianapolis.

### **D. Report on Officials for the Volleyball Tournament Series**

Assistant Commissioner Kerrie Rosati submitted a list of 210 volleyball officials who have applied to work the state tournament series as sectionals begin next week.

Brian Strong discussed difficulty in finding line judges for his school's regular season matches.

### **E. Report on Officials for the Football Tournament Series**

Assistant Commissioner Robert Faulkens presented a list of officials who make up 129 football crews who applied to work the state tournament series. Faulkens will

begin assigning crews to sectional games next week following this Sunday's pairings show.

**F. Report on NFHS Section 4 & 5 Meeting**

Commissioner Paul Neidig recapped the NFHS Section 4 & 5 meeting he attended on Aug. 30-Sept. 1 in Coralville, IA outside of Iowa City.

The meeting included other executives from the states of Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, North Dakota, South Dakota, and Wisconsin as well as the NFHS.

The NFHS Network was discussed along with how our own IHSAA Champions Network has evolved at the same time.

NIL (Name, Image, Likeness) at the high school level, transfers, sportsmanship messaging, and state legislature involvement were other topics covered by the attending executives.

**G. Report on Midwest Officials Summit**

Assistant Commissioner Brian Lewis reported on the Midwest Officials Summit he attended Sept. 17-19 hosted by the Iowa High School Athletic Association in Des Moines, IA. The states from NFHS Sections 4 & 5 also attended this meeting.

Officials administrators from the Midwestern states exchanged ideas on many different topics notably recruiting and retention, ejection policies, officials review policy, and officials pay. RefReps, which has helped the IHSAA reach out to potential high school-age officials, also had a presence at this meeting.

**H. Reactions to Fall Area Principals Meetings**

Commissioner Paul Neidig requested feedback and comments on the recently-completed Fall Area Principals Meetings where IHSAA staff traveled around the state to host high school administrators and update them with IHSAA initiatives.

Neidig is looking at the current format and how to engage more with attending administrators. It's important to strike the right balance between being informative and worth-while for those traveling from a greater distance while not making the meetings too long.

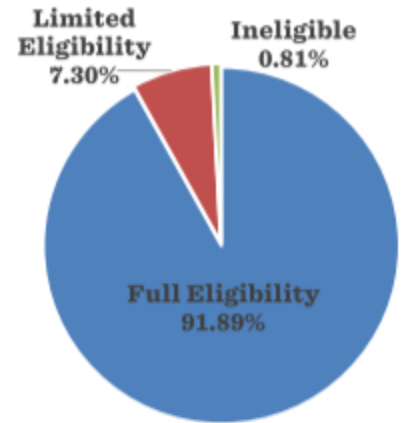
He also discussed the idea of hosting an annual meeting of the membership of principals and athletic administrators.

**I. Transfers**

Assistant Commissioner Brian Lewis reported on transfers that have been ruled on for the period of June 1, 2023-September 27, 2023.

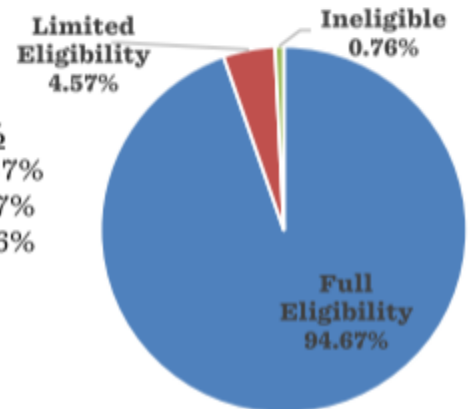
**Student-Athlete Transfer Eligibility Statistics**

	<b>Totals</b>	<b>%</b>
Full Eligibility	1825	91.89%
Limited Eligibility	145	7.30%
Ineligible	16	0.81%
<b>Total</b>	<b>1986</b>	



**J1 Visa Foreign Exchange Transfer Student-Athlete Eligibility Statistics**

	<b>Totals:</b>	<b>%</b>
Full Eligibility	373	94.67%
Limited Eligibility	18	4.57%
Ineligible	3	0.76%
<b>Total</b>	<b>394</b>	



**J. Officials**

Assistant Commissioner Brian Lewis spoke to the 5,258 officials that are currently licensed and have successfully uploaded their profile picture to their account. There are approximately 600 officials who have yet to upload a photo which gives a general idea of how many individuals are licensed through the IHSAA but don't work our regular season contests or state tournaments.

Lewis also reported on the changes to the rating system on how to integrate younger officials into our tournaments and to advance through the different levels of the tournaments.

**K. Sportsmanship**

Commissioner Paul Neidig shared the ejection report for each sport so far this year.

He expressed concern with the continued egregious behavior occurring in boys soccer, which continues to lead the state by far in unsporting behavior.

In what ways can the Association combat this behavior and what corrective measures must be taken with participants, coaches and even parents and other spectators who are ejected from contests.

**L. Technology**

Director of Technology Luke Morehead provided an update regarding the status of the rollout of digital ticketing for all IHSAA Tournament Series events. Morehead then previewed upcoming improvements to the myIHSAA portal including diving meet scoring and reclassification.

**M. Litigation & Case Review Panel**

Attorney Katie Williams-Briles updated the Executive Committee on the status of pending litigation against the Association and recent Case Review Panel rulings.

**N. Penalties Assessed**

Austin – Boys Soccer – Rule 19-3 (*A student-athlete participated in multiple interscholastic contests without an approved transfer on file*)

- The Austin High School boys' soccer program has been issued a warning. This warning is official notice that a member school By-Law violation act has occurred, is a matter of record, and shall not be repeated.
- The student-athlete involved in this violation is declared ineligible for further competition until a transfer report is completed and ruled upon.
- In accordance with Rule 3-9, the contest(s) in which the ineligible student-athlete participated in shall be forfeited and the opposing school(s) shall be notified of this violation.
- Part of a member school's duty is to uphold the By-Laws of its association and furthermore to self-report any violation to the Commissioner (Rule 3).

Beech Grove – Boys Soccer – Rule 18-1 (*Three soccer student-athletes participated in multiple contests while academically ineligible*)

- The Beech Grove Boys' Soccer program has been issued a warning. This warning is notice that an IHSAA member school rule violation has occurred and shall not be repeated.
- The student-athletes involved in this violation shall were declared ineligible for further competition until they meet the minimum academic standards for eligibility.
- In accordance with Rule 3-9, the contests in which the ineligible student-athletes participated shall be forfeited and the opposing school shall be notified of this violation.

- Part of an IHSAA member school's duty is to uphold the member school by-laws of its association and furthermore to self-report any violation to the Commissioner (Rule 3).

Beech Grove – Boys Soccer – Rule 50-1 & 50-1.2 (*Two soccer student-athletes participated in a contest without having the completed number of required practice to participate*)

- The Beech Grove Boys' Soccer program has been issued a warning. This warning is notice that an IHSAA member school rule violation has occurred and shall not be repeated.
- The student-athletes were declared ineligible until the required number of practices have been met.
- In accordance with Rule 3-9, the contests in which the ineligible student-athletes participated shall be forfeited and the opposing school shall be notified of this violation.
- Part of an IHSAA member school's duty is to uphold the member school by-laws of its association and furthermore to self-report any violation to the Commissioner (Rule 3).

Calumet – Football – Rule 19-3 (*A student-athlete participated in an interscholastic football contest without an approved transfer on file*)

- The Calumet football program has been issued a warning. This warning is notice that an IHSAA member school rule violation has occurred and shall not be repeated.
- The student-athlete was declared ineligible until a completed transfer report is submitted and ruled upon.
- In accordance with Rule 3-9, the contest in which the ineligible student-athlete participated in shall be forfeited if victorious. The opposing school shall be notified of this violation.
- Part of an IHSAA member school's duty is to uphold the member school by-laws of its association and furthermore to self-report any violation to the Commissioner (Rule 3).

Covenant Christian (Indianapolis) – Cross Country – Rule 19-3 (*A student-athlete participated in an interscholastic meet without an approved transfer on file*)

- The Covenant Christian cross-country program has been issued a warning. This warning is notice that an IHSAA member school rule violation has occurred and shall not be repeated.
- The student-athlete was declared ineligible until a completed transfer report is submitted and ruled upon.
- In accordance with Rule 3-9, the contest(s) in which the ineligible student-athlete participated shall be rescored to remove any team points earned by the ineligible student-athlete and the opposing school(s) shall be notified of this violation.
- Part of an IHSAA member school's duty is to uphold the member school by-laws of its association and furthermore to self-report any violation to the Commissioner (Rule 3).

Covenant Christian (Indianapolis) – Girls Soccer – Rule 19-3 (*A student-athlete participated in multiple interscholastic contests without an approved transfer on file*)

- The Covenant Christian (Indianapolis) High School Girls' Soccer program has been issued a warning. This warning is official notice that a member school By-Law violation act has occurred, is a matter of record, and shall not be repeated.
- The student-athlete involved in this violation was declared ineligible for further competition until they meet the minimum academic standards for eligibility.
- In accordance with Rule 3-9, the contest(s) in which the ineligible student-athlete participated in shall be forfeited if Covenant Christian was victorious and the opposing school(s) shall be notified of this violation.
- Part of a member school's duty is to uphold the By-Laws of its association and furthermore to self-report any violation to the Commissioner (Rule 3).

Crothersville – Volleyball – Rule 3-10 (*A student-athlete participated in an interscholastic volleyball contest without an approved pre-participation physical examination and consent form on file*)

- The Crothersville volleyball program is issued a warning. This warning is notice that an IHSAA member school rule violation has occurred and shall not be repeated.
- The student-athlete was declared ineligible until a completed pre-participation physical examination and consent form is submitted and the student-athlete involved in this violation shall be declared ineligible for further competition until they meet the minimum academic standards for eligibility.
- In accordance with Rule 3-9, the contests in which the ineligible student-athlete participated shall be forfeited and the opposing schools shall be notified of this violation.
- The administration of Crothersville High School is commended for its handling of this member school by-law violation. Part of an IHSAA member school's duty is to uphold the member school by-laws of its association and furthermore to self-report any violation to the Commissioner (Rule 3).

Delphi – Boys Soccer – Rule 18-1 (*A student-athlete participated in a soccer match while academically ineligible*)

- The Delphi High School boys' soccer program has been issued a warning. This warning is official notice that a member school By-Law violation act has occurred, is a matter of record, and shall not be repeated.
- The student-athlete involved in this violation shall be declared ineligible for further competition until they meet the minimum academic standards for eligibility.
- In accordance with Rule 3-9, the contest in which the ineligible student-athlete participated in shall be forfeited if Delphi was victorious and the opposing school shall be notified of this violation.
- Part of a member school's duty is to uphold the By-Laws of its association and furthermore to self-report any violation to the Commissioner (Rule 3).

Fishers – Boys Basketball – Rule 20-1 (*Recruiting a prospective student-athlete prior to the student's enrollment at Fishers High School*)

- The Fishers boys basketball program is placed on probation through the summer of 2024. This probation is a severe type of warning. It is official notice that unacceptable and serious violations have occurred, are a matter of record and future incidents by the head coach, assistant coaches, or any individual



involved in the Fishers program may result in the team being suspended from future IHSAA Boys Basketball Tournament(s).

- Head Coach Garrett Winegar and Former Assistant Coach Derrick Williams are placed on probation through the summer of 2024 (Rule 7-1.4f).
- In accordance with Rule 9-16b (3) all contracted opponents may withdraw from an existing contest contract if their opponent was in violation of Member School By-Law, Rule 20 Undue Influence. All contracted Boys Basketball opponents for the 2023-24 school year shall be notified of this Rule 20 violation and given the option to withdraw from an existing contract. Please include Assistant Commissioner Brian Lewis on all communication with contracted opponents.

Fort Wayne Bishop Luers – Boys Soccer – Rule 15-2.1(g) (*Two student-athletes participated in a tryout during the contest season*)

- A meeting shall be scheduled with the entire Boys Soccer program to review IHSAA member-school rule 15. Once this meeting is complete, the date of the meeting, meeting agenda, and attendance shall be sent to Assistant Commissioner Ulmer.
- The IHSAA concurs with a one (1) game suspension for both student-athletes imposed by Bishop Luers High School. This suspension shall be fulfilled on October 4<sup>th</sup>.
- Part of an IHSAA member school's duty is to uphold the By-Laws of its association and furthermore to self-report any violation to the Commissioner (Rule 3)

Fort Wayne Snider – Volleyball – Rule 15-2.5(b) (*A student-athlete participated in summer workouts without the first section of the transfer report being completed*)  
Henryville – Volleyball – Rule 62-4 (*A student-athlete participated in seven (7) volleyball sets in one day*)

- The Fort Wayne Snider High School volleyball program has been issued a warning for allowing this member school by-law violation to occur. This warning is notice of a rule violation occurring and shall not be repeated.
- Further digressions as they relate to Member school by-laws by student-athletes, coaches, or affiliates of the volleyball program and may include further sanctions, including but not limited to, suspensions of coaches and/or student-athletes and/or probation for the program.
- Part of an IHSAA member school's duty is to uphold the member school by-laws of its association and furthermore to self-report any violation to the Commissioner (Rule 3).

Heritage Christian – Boys Basketball – Rule 20-1 & 20-2 (*Recruiting transfer students prior to their enrollment to Heritage Christian*) (*Allowing student-athletes to participate on the boys varsity basketball team after transferring with a past link to the program*)

1. Heritage Christian will vacate all wins of the (2021-22) and (2022-23) Boys' Basketball Seasons. (*Rule 17-7.1(d)*).
2. Heritage Christian's Boys' Basketball Program is placed on probation for a period not to exceed Three-hundred Sixty-five (365) days. Further incidents may result in the suspension from future IHSAA Boys' Basketball Tournaments. (*Rule 17-7.1(c)(4)*).
3. Heritage Christian is not permitted to host any Boys' IHSAA Basketball Tournaments during its probationary period. (*Rule 17-7.1(d)*).

4. Per (*Rule 3-9*), the contests in which the ineligible student-athletes participated shall be forfeited and the opposing schools shall be notified of forfeitures.
5. Heritage Christian must forfeit all revenues generated from the Association, including but not limited to, Sectional Contests for both the (2021-22) and (2022-23) seasons. (*Rule 17-7.1(c)(3)*). The funds need to be returned to the schools in accordance with the instructions provided below.
6. Per (*Rule 9-16b (3)*) all contracted opponents may withdraw from an existing contest contract if their opponent was in violation of Member School By-Law, Rule 20, Undue Influence.
  - a. All contracted Boys Basketball opponents for the (2023-24) school year shall be notified of this Rule 20 violation and given the option to withdraw from an existing contract.
  - b. Please include Assistant Commissioner Brian Lewis on all communication with contracted opponents.

Indianapolis Arsenal Technical – Boys Soccer – Rule 8-1 (*An unfortunate incident at a boys soccer contest held on August 31, 2023*)

- The Arsenal Technical High School Boys’ Soccer program is placed on probation for 365 days from the date of the incident. Further incidents may result in the team being suspended from future IHSAA Boys Soccer Tournament(s).
- The IHSAA recognizes and supports the Arsenal Technical High School administration and their efforts to improve the behavior of the Boys’ Soccer student-athletes and to ensure this type of behavior does not happen in the future.

Indianapolis Shortridge – Football – Rule 19-3 (*A student-athlete participated in an interscholastic football contest without an approved transfer on file*)

- The Shortridge football program has been issued a warning. This warning is notice that an IHSAA member school rule violation has occurred and shall not be repeated.
- The student-athlete was declared ineligible until a completed transfer report is submitted and ruled upon.
- In accordance with Rule 3-9, the contest in which the ineligible student-athlete participated in shall be forfeited if victorious. The opposing school shall be notified of this violation.
- Part of an IHSAA member school’s duty is to uphold the member school by-laws of its association and furthermore to self-report any violation to the Commissioner (Rule 3).

Jeffersonville – Girls Golf – Rule 19-3 (*A student-athlete participated in four (4) interscholastic matches without an approved transfer on file*)

- The Jeffersonville High School girls’ golf program has been issued a warning. This warning is official notice that a member school By-Law violation act has occurred, is a matter of record, and shall not be repeated.
- The student-athlete involved in this violation shall be declared ineligible for further competition until a transfer report was complete and ruled upon.
- In accordance with Rule 3-9, the contest(s) in which the ineligible student-athlete participated shall be rescored to remove any team points earned by the ineligible student-athlete and the opposing school(s) shall be notified of this violation.

- Part of a member school's duty is to uphold the By-Laws of its association and furthermore to self-report any violation to the Commissioner (Rule 3).

Knightsstown – Boys Tennis – Rule 19-3 (*A student-athlete participated in multiple interscholastic matches without an approved transfer on file*)

- The Knightsstown High School boys' tennis program has been issued a warning. This warning is official notice that a member school By-Law violation act has occurred, is a matter of record, and shall not be repeated.
- The student-athlete involved in this violation was declared ineligible for further competition until a transfer report was complete and ruled upon.
- In accordance with Rule 3-9, the contest(s) in which the ineligible student-athlete participated shall be rescored to remove any team points earned by the ineligible student-athlete and the opposing school(s) shall be notified of this violation.
- Part of a member school's duty is to uphold the By-Laws of its association and furthermore to self-report any violation to the Commissioner (Rule 3).

Lawrence North – Boys Soccer – Rule 19-7 (*A foreign exchange student participated in multiple contests without an approved transfer on file*)

- The Lawrence North Boys' Soccer program has been issued a warning. This warning is notice that an IHSAA member school rule violation has occurred and shall not be repeated.
- The student-athlete was declared ineligible until a completed foreign exchange transfer report was submitted and ruled upon.
- In accordance with Rule 3-9, the contest(s) in which the ineligible student-athlete participated in shall be forfeited if Lawrence North was victorious and the opposing school(s) shall be notified of this violation.
- Part of an IHSAA member school's duty is to uphold the member school by-laws of its association and furthermore to self-report any violation to the Commissioner (Rule 3).

Lebanon – Girls Soccer – Rule 19-3 (*A student-athlete participated in multiple interscholastic matches without an approved transfer on file*)

- The Lebanon High School girls' soccer program has been issued a warning. This warning is official notice that a member school By-Law violation act has occurred, is a matter of record, and shall not be repeated.
- The student-athlete involved in this violation was declared ineligible for further competition until a transfer report was complete and ruled upon.
- In accordance with Rule 3-9, the contest(s) in which the ineligible student-athlete participated in shall be forfeited if Lebanon High School was victorious and the opposing school(s) shall be notified of this violation.
- Part of a member school's duty is to uphold the By-Laws of its association and furthermore to self-report any violation to the Commissioner (Rule 3).

Lewis Cass – Girls Golf – Rule 18-1 (*A student-athlete participated in multiple interscholastic matches while academically ineligible*)

- The Lewis Cass High School girls' golf program has been issued a warning. This warning is official notice that a member school By-Law violation act has occurred, is a matter of record, and shall not be repeated.
- The student-athlete involved in this violation was declared ineligible for further competition until they meet the minimum academic standards for eligibility.

- In accordance with Rule 3-9, the contest(s) in which the ineligible student-athlete participated shall be rescored to remove any team points earned by the ineligible student-athlete and the opposing school(s) shall be notified of this violation.
- Part of a member school's duty is to uphold the By-Laws of its association and furthermore to self-report any violation to the Commissioner (Rule 3).

Lighthouse CPA– Volleyball – Rule 19-3 (*A student-athlete participated in multiple interscholastic contests without an approved transfer on file*)

- The Lighthouse College Prep volleyball program has been issued a warning. This warning is official notice that a member school By-Law violation act has occurred, is a matter of record, and shall not be repeated.
- The student-athlete involved in this violation is declared ineligible for further competition until a transfer report is completed and ruled upon.
- In accordance with Rule 3-9, the contest(s) in which the ineligible student-athlete participated in shall be forfeited and the opposing school(s) shall be notified of this violation.
- Part of a member school's duty is to uphold the By-Laws of its association and furthermore to self-report any violation to the Commissioner (Rule 3).

Martinsville – Boys Soccer – Rule 19-7 (*A foreign exchange student participated in multiple contests without an approved transfer on file*)

- The Martinsville Boys' Soccer program has been issued a warning. This warning is notice that an IHSAA member school rule violation has occurred and shall not be repeated.
- The student-athlete was declared ineligible until a completed foreign exchange transfer report was submitted and ruled upon.
- In accordance with Rule 3-9, the contest(s) in which the ineligible student-athlete participated in shall be forfeited if Martinsville was victorious and the opposing school(s) shall be notified of this violation.
- Part of an IHSAA member school's duty is to uphold the member school by-laws of its association and furthermore to self-report any violation to the Commissioner (Rule 3).

Noblesville – Volleyball – Rule 15-2.1(f) (*A student-athlete participated in a tryout while on a college visit during the contest season*)

- A meeting shall be scheduled with the entire volleyball program to review IHSAA member-school rule 15. Once this meeting is complete, the date of the meeting, meeting agenda, and attendance shall be sent to Assistant Commissioner Rosati.
- The IHSAA concurs with a one (1) game suspension imposed by Noblesville High School.
- Further digressions by student-athletes, coaches, or affiliates of the girls volleyball program as they relate to member school by-laws, may include further sanctions, including but not limited to, suspensions of coaches and/or student-athletes and/or probation for the program.
- Part of an IHSAA member school's duty is to uphold the By-Laws of its association and furthermore to self-report any violation to the Commissioner (Rule 3)

North Miami – Wrestling – Rule 15-1.2 & Rule 9-13 (*The head wrestling coach was having a practice on a Sunday with four (4) North Miami student-athletes*)

- The North Miami’s High School boys wrestling program has been issued a warning for allowing this member school by-law violation to occur. This warning is notice of a rule violation occurring and shall not be repeated.
- A meeting shall be scheduled with the entire wrestling coaching staff of North Miami High School to review IHSAA member-school by-law 15. Once this meeting is complete, the date of the meeting, meeting agenda, and attendance shall be sent to Assistant Commissioner Faulkens.
- Head Coach Bill Hoover is reprimanded and suspended for the first regular season contest for 2023-24 season for allowing this violation to occur. Further infractions of IHSAA member school By-Laws may result in the revocation of Bill Hoover’s coaching accreditation which is outlined in Rule 7.
- Further digressions as they relate to Member school by-laws by student-athletes, coaches, or affiliates of the boys wrestling program and may include further sanctions, including but not limited to, suspensions of coaches and/or student-athletes and/or probation for the program.
- Part of an IHSAA member school’s duty is to uphold the member school by-laws of its association and furthermore to self-report any violation to the Commissioner (Rule 3).

Oregon-Davis – Girls Soccer – Rule 19-3 (*A student-athlete participated in multiple interscholastic matches without an approved transfer on file*)

- The Oregon-Davis High School girls’ soccer program has been issued a warning. This warning is official notice that a member school By-Law violation act has occurred, is a matter of record, and shall not be repeated.
- The student-athlete involved in this violation was declared ineligible for further competition until a transfer report was complete and ruled upon.
- In accordance with Rule 3-9, the contest(s) in which the ineligible student-athlete participated in shall be forfeited and the opposing school(s) shall be notified of this violation.
- Part of a member school’s duty is to uphold the By-Laws of its association and furthermore to self-report any violation to the Commissioner (Rule 3).

Penn – Softball – Rule 15-2.2(c) (*The head softball coach coached members of the softball program during a travel team practice during the school year, out of season*)

- The Penn High School softball program is issued a warning. This warning is official notice that member school by-law violation has occurred, is a matter of record, and shall not be repeated.
- A meeting shall be scheduled with the entire softball coaching staff of Penn High School to review IHSAA member-school by-law 15. Once this meeting is complete, the date of the meeting, meeting agenda, and attendance shall be sent to Assistant Commissioner Rosati.
- Head Coach Beth Zachary is reprimanded and not permitted to coach the first regular season contest for 2023-24 season for allowing this violation to occur. Further infractions of IHSAA member school By-Laws may result in the revocation of Beth Zachary’s coaching accreditation which is outlined in Rule 7.
- Further digressions as they relate to Member school by-laws by student-athletes, coaches, or affiliates of the softball program and may include further sanctions, including but not limited to, further suspensions of coaches and/or student-athletes and/or probation for the program.

- Part of an IHSAA member school's duty is to uphold the member school by-laws of its association and furthermore to self-report any violation to the Commissioner (Rule 3).

Pike Central – Football – Rule 18-1 (*A student-athlete participated in an interscholastic contest while academically ineligible*)

- The Pike Central High School football program has been issued a warning. This warning is official notice that a member school By-Law violation act has occurred, is a matter of record, and shall not be repeated.
- The student-athlete involved in this violation was declared ineligible for further competition until they meet the minimum academic standards for eligibility.
- In accordance with Rule 3-9, the contest in which the ineligible student-athlete participated in shall be forfeited and the opposing schools shall be notified of this violation.
- Part of a member school's duty is to uphold the By-Laws of its association and furthermore to self-report any violation to the Commissioner (Rule 3).

Riverside – Boys Soccer – Rule 15-2.1(a) (*The head soccer coach transported five (5) student-athletes to a travel soccer tournament during the contest season*)

- Coach Richard Parient was immediately removed as head coach at Herron-Riverside High School.
- The interim coach is reviewing IHSAA bylaws and confirming that this action will not be taken again and is against IHSAA regulations.
- The five Herron-Riverside athletes that participated in the tournament played in 4 games. They will receive a four (4) game suspension before being allowed to return to play. This suspension is in addition to the four (4) games that their schedule will be reduced by in order to keep their maximum games played below the sixteen (16) allowed contests.
- Further digressions by student-athletes, coaches, or affiliates of the boys' soccer program as they relate to member school by-laws, may include further sanctions, including but not limited to, suspensions of coaches and/or student-athletes and/or probation for the program.
- Part of an IHSAA member school's duty is to uphold the By-Laws of its association and furthermore to self-report any violation to the Commissioner (Rule 3).

Southmont – Boys Basketball – Rule 15-2.2(a) (*Six (6) student-athletes on the boys basketball team participated in a single church league game during the school year, out of season*)

- The Southmont High School boys' basketball program has been issued a warning. This warning is official notice that member school by-law violation has occurred, is a matter of record, and shall not be repeated.
- A meeting shall be scheduled with the entire boys' basketball program to review IHSAA member-school by-law 15. Once this meeting is complete, the date of the meeting, meeting agenda, and attendance shall be sent to Assistant Commissioner Lewis.
- Further digressions as they relate to Member school by-laws by student-athletes, coaches, or affiliates of the boys' basketball program and may include further sanctions, including but not limited to, further suspensions of coaches and/or student-athletes and/or probation for the program.

- Part of an IHSAA member school’s duty is to uphold the member school by-laws of its association and furthermore to self-report any violation to the Commissioner (Rule 3).

Switzerland County – Cross Country – Rule 19-7 (*A foreign exchange student-athlete participated in an interscholastic contest without an approved foreign exchange transfer on file*)

- The Switzerland County cross-country program has been issued a warning. This warning is notice that an IHSAA member school rule violation has occurred and shall not be repeated.
- The student-athlete was declared ineligible until a completed foreign exchange transfer report was submitted and ruled upon.
- In accordance with Rule 3-9, the contests in which the ineligible student-athlete participated shall be rescored to remove any team points earned by the ineligible student-athlete and the opposing schools shall be notified of this violation.
- Part of an IHSAA member school’s duty is to uphold the member school by-laws of its association and furthermore to self-report any violation to the Commissioner (Rule 3).

Tri – Cross Country – Rule 19-3 (*A student-athlete participated in an interscholastic contest without an approved transfer on file*)

- The Tri Jr/Sr High School cross-country program has been issued a warning. This warning is notice that an IHSAA member school rule violation has occurred and shall not be repeated.
- The student-athlete was declared ineligible until a completed transfer report is submitted and ruled upon.
- In accordance with Rule 3-9, the contest in which the ineligible student-athlete participated shall be re-scored to remove any team points earned by the ineligible student-athlete and the opposing school shall be notified of this violation.
- Part of an IHSAA member school’s duty is to uphold the member school by-laws of its association and furthermore to self-report any violation to the Commissioner (Rule 3).

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### **III. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION**

#### **A. Communications**

#### **B. Congratulations**

The following earned NIAAA Certifications in the month of August 2023:

- Bryan Leverenz – CAA – Winamac High School
- Sherry Keyser – CMAA – Mishawaka High School
- Mark Osmialowski – RAA – Wawasee High School

- Congratulations to Assistant Commissioner Kerrie Rosati who was the recipient of the Royal Award this fall from her alma mater, Roncalli High School.
- Congratulations to Assistant Commissioner Robert Faulkens who will be honored with an NFHS Citation at next summer's NFHS Summer Meeting.

**C. For the Good of the Order**

- The Finance Committee will meet following today's meeting.
- The Public Relations Committee will meet following today's meeting.
- The commissioner requested that Committee members sign up to work the various state finals events this year.
- Assistant Commissioner Chris Kaufman reported on the Girls Golf State Finals which were contested at Prairie View Golf Club in Carmel last weekend.
- The commissioner updated the committee on the on-going renovations in the building.
- Brian Avery, Director of Champions Together, reported on two schools – Franklin Community and South Ripley – who recently received national banners from Special Olympics. He also was part of a school assembly yesterday when Vincennes Lincoln High School presented three unified student-athletes with their letter jackets and received a standing ovation from the student body.

**D. Adjournment**

**Motion:**

Motion moved by Jeff Doyle and motion seconded by Tim Grove. Approved 17-0.

**E. Next Meeting**

Executive Committee Meeting: Friday, November 3, 2023.