



IHSAA Executive Committee Thursday, August 4, 2011

PRESENT

Chairperson Nathan Dean, Nancy Alspaugh, Victor Bush, Steve Cox, Jim Diagostino, Tim Grove, Ken Howell, John Marks, Paul Neidig, Pam Noble, Geoff Penrod, Debb Stevens, Deborah Watson, Mike Whitten, Commissioner Bobby Cox, Assistant Commissioners Robert Faulkens, Phil Gardner, Sandy Searcy, Theresia Wynns, Communications Director Chris Kaufman, Sports Information Director Jason Wille, and Attorney Bob Baker.

MINUTES

Minutes of the June 23, 2011 meeting were recommended for approval. A motion to approve the minutes was made by Tim Grove; seconded by Geoff Penrod; motion passed 14-0.

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 and Indiana School for the Blind. A motion to approve the request was made by Mike Whitten; seconded by Nancy Alspaugh; motion passed 14-0.

APPROVE ADJUSTMENT IN SOCCER STATE FINALS ADMISSIONS

Assistant Commissioner Wynns presented a proposal to adjust the ticket price for the 2011 IHSAA Soccer State Championships. This year the Soccer State Championships will contain just one session. Assistant Commissioner Wynns presented a proposal to offer a single ticket for \$10.00. A motion to approve the proposal was made by Paul Neidig; seconded by Victor Bush; motion passed 14-0.

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 a new IHSAA membership application from Anderson Preparatory Academy, Anderson, Indiana, and West Gary Lighthouse College Charter Preparatory Academy, Gary, Indiana. Following discussion, a motion to approve the applications was made by Jim Diagostino seconded by Steve Cox; motion approved 14-0.

ATTENDANCE AT CONFERENCES AND WORKSHOPS

Commissioner Cox requested permission to have representatives attend conferences and workshops outlined below: The National Federation's Winter Meeting will be held at San Antonio, Texas on January 2-5, 2012. A motion to approve the recommended participation in these workshops was made by Tim Grove; seconded by Pam Noble; motion passed 14-0.

HOME SCHOOL DISCUSSION – REP. JEFF THOMPSON, INDIANA GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Mark Palmer introduced Representative Jeff Thompson, to discuss the merits of recent house bills relative to high school athletic participation by students not attending member schools (home schools, non-member charter schools, non-accredited, no public schools, etc.).

POLICY HANDBOOKS

Assistant Commissioner Searcy discussed the 2011-12 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 AND EXCESS LIABILITY INSURANCE

Assistant Commissioner Faulkens presented the 2011-12 Catastrophic, General Liability and Excess Liability insurance coverage. This year's quotation reflects a slight increase from last year's assessment.

IHSAA STUDENT LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE REPORT

Assistant Commissioner Searcy reported on the eighth annual IHSAA Student Leadership Conference, conducted on June 21 at Pike High School. More than 800 student athletes, athletic administrators, and principals attended the conference. Three keynote speakers and over 40 breakout session topics were provided, focusing on a curriculum designed to foster leadership and good sporting behavior.

REPORT ON PRESENCE AT INDIANA BLACK EXPO

Assistant Commissioner Wynns reported that the IHSAA sponsored a booth at the 2011 Indiana Black Expo. IHSAA staff members were on hand, as well as IHSAA licensed officials. The theme for this year was official's recruitment, and Assistant Commissioner Wynns felt that it was a successful event. The IHSAA hopes to continue having a presence at the Black Expo in the future, as it was a positive experience.

NEW ATHLETIC DIRECTORS WORKSHOP

Assistant Commissioner Faulkens reported that the IHSAA hosted the New Athletic Directors Workshop on July 26, 2011 for 61 individuals.

SPRING FINANCIAL REPORTS

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

1. Overall the baseball tournament was a financial success. Despite a low attendance at the sectional level, the final analysis showed an improvement over last year's financial report.
2. Boys golf is a sport that generates limited income. The cost of greens fees continues to rise resulting in a deficit of approximately \$61,000, which is an improvement over the previous year's result. The state championships utilized a two wave start, which appears to have been well received.
3. The softball balance sheet showed a decrease in total revenue, primarily due to inclement weather at the sectional level.
4. Girls tennis is a deficit sport that produces little incomes. The cost of the girl's tennis tournament series in 2011 was similar to previous years, with a cost of approximately \$18,000 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.

TRANSFERS

Assistant Commissioner Gardner reported on transfers that have been ruled on as of July 31, 2011:

Full Eligibility	215
Limited Eligibility	23
Ineligible.....	<u>3</u>
Total	241

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:

Ben Davis High School – Commissioner Cox reported the following action resulting from a violation of Rule 15-3.2 (*Girls' soccer player attended a non-school sponsored camp after the deadline*)

1. The Ben Davis High School girls' soccer program is issued a warning.
2. The student athlete who participated in this non-school sponsored camp shall be suspended from participation in two soccer matches.

Cloverdale High School - Commissioner Cox reported the following action resulting from a violation of Rule 15-3.4 (*Softball coach transported and coached students during moratorium week*).

1. The Cloverdale High School softball program is issued a warning.
2. Coach Brian Knapp is reprimanded for causing this violation to occur.
3. The IHSAA accepts and supports as appropriate the actions taken by Cloverdale High School in reaction to this rule violation.

Fremont High School - Commissioner Cox reported the following action resulting from a violation of Rule 15-3.3b (*Boys' basketball coach conducted open facility program beyond the deadline*).

1. The Fremont High School boys' basketball program is issued a warning.
2. Coach Ted Bookwalter is reprimanded for causing this violation to occur.

Hamilton Southeastern High School – Commissioner Cox reported the following action resulting from a violation of Rule 15-3.4 (*Coaches had contact with swimmers during non-school sponsored event during moratorium week*).

1. The Hamilton Southeastern High School swimming and diving programs are issued a warning.
2. Coach Andy Pedersen is reprimanded for causing this violation to occur.
3. The IHSAA accepts and supports as appropriate the actions taken by Hamilton Southeastern High School in reaction to this rule violation.

Jeffersonville High School – Commissioner Cox reported the following action resulting from a violation of Rule 15-3.4 (*Football coach transported players to fundraising event during the moratorium week*).

1. The Jeffersonville High School football program is issued a warning.
2. Coach Lonnie Oldham is reprimanded for causing this violation to occur.
3. The IHSAA accepts and supports as appropriate the actions taken by Jeffersonville High School in reaction to this rule violation.

South Spencer High School – Commissioner Cox reported the following action resulting from a violation of Rule 15-2.3k
(*Coaching staff transported students to football clinic*).

1. The South Spencer High School football program is issued a warning.
2. Coach Jason Fischer is reprimanded for causing this violation to occur.

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

1. Fall Area Principal Meeting Agenda – Bobby Cox
2. 2011-12 Media Awards – Jason Wille
3. Reactions & Feedback from NFHS Summer Conference in Philadelphia
4. Communications:
 Alison Curtis, Lebanon, IN (*C. Eugene Cato Memorial Scholarship Recipient*)
5. For the Good of the Order
 Use of Google Docs – Mike Whitten

A motion to adjourn was made by Paul Neidig; seconded by John Marks; motion passed.