

IHSAA EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

Indianapolis, Indiana – December 15, 2011

PRESENT

Chairperson Nathan Dean, Nancy Alspaugh, Victor Bush, Steve Cox, Jim Diagostino, Phil Ford, Tim Grove, Ken Howell, Jed Jerrels, John Marks, Paul Neidig, Pam Noble, Geoff Penrod, Janis Qualizza, Debb Stevens, Mike Whitten, Deborah Watson, 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

The minutes of the November 4, 2011 meeting were presented for approval. A motion to approve the minutes as amended was made by Tim Grove; seconded by Jed Jerrels; motion passed 17-0.

CERTIFY THE 2011 BOARD OF DIRECTORS ELECTION RESULTS

Commissioner Cox presented the results of the Board of Directors elections that were conducted on December 1-10, 2011, for certification.

District 1, Class 2A

Don Gandy, Principal, Wheeler HS 38

Chuck Phillips, Principal, LaVille HS 37

Don Gandy is elected to serve a three year term beginning on July 1, 2012.

District 1, Class 4A

Geoff Penrod, Athletic Director, Columbia City HS 62

Geoff Penrod is elected to fill a seat which is currently open and serve a three year term beginning on July 1, 2012.

District 2, Class 1A

Ken Howell, Principal, Blue River Valley HS 67

Derick Bright, Principal, Wes-Del HS 42

Ken Howell is elected to serve a three year term beginning on July 1, 2012.

District 2, Class 3A

Jim Diagostino, Principal, Tri-West Hendricks HS 52

Steve Cox, Principal, Beech Grove HS 44

Tom Jarvis, Principal, Muncie Central HS 23

Jim Diagostino is elected to serve a three year term beginning on July 1, 2012.

District 3, Class 2A

Tim Grove, Principal, North Knox HS 79

Ty Mungle, Superintendent, Eastern Greene Schools 27

Tim Grove is elected to serve a three year term beginning on July 1, 2012.

District 3, Class 4A

Mike Broughton, Athletic Director, Jennings County HS 55

John Skinner, Principal, Evansville North HS 35

Scott Kern, Principal, Whiteland Community HS 17

Mike Broughton is elected to fill a seat which is currently open and serve a three year term beginning on July 1, 2012.

A motion to certify election results was made by Geoff Penrod; seconded by Jed Jerrels; motion passed 17-0.

APPROVE SPECIAL ELECTIONS FOR DISTRICT 1, CLASS 3A and DISTRICT 2, CLASS 2A VACATED SEATS

A motion to approve a special election for the District 1 Class 3A seat and for the District 2 Class 2A seat was made by Mike Whitten; seconded by Geoff Penrod; motion passed 17-0. The election will be held in February 1-10, 2012.

HOLIDAY BONUS FOR SUPPORT STAFF

Commissioner Cox requested that members of the support staff receive a holiday bonus as they have in recent years. Paul Neidig made a motion that members of the support staff receive holiday bonuses; Jim Diagostino seconded the motion; motion passed 17-0.

APPOINT SCREENING COMMITTEE FOR IHSAA C. EUGENE CATO MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS

Commissioner Cox asked the Executive Committee to establish a screening committee for the 2011 IHSAA C. Eugene Cato Memorial Scholarship. Nancy Alspaugh, Diagostino, and Tim Grove will serve on the committee.

APPROVE RESIGNATION OF ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER THERESIA WYNNS

Assistant Commissioner Theresia Wynns has accepted an appointment to the National Federation of State High School Association, and therefore, submitted her resignation to the IHSAA Executive Committee. A motion to accept the resignation, with regret, was made by Jim Diagostino, seconded by Mike Whitten; motion approved 15-2 with Deborah Watson and Victor Bush dissenting.

APPROVE WRESTLING TOURNAMENT SITE LOCATION

Assistant Commissioner Faulkens recommended that the team regional be moved from LaPorte High School to Crown Point High School. A motion to approve the recommendation was made by Jim Diagostino; seconded by Tim Grove; motion approved 17-0.

2011-12 GIRLS BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT OFFICIALS

Assistant Commissioner Wynns presented a list of basketball officials who have applied to work the 2011-12 Girls Basketball Tournament Series. Of the 506 officials who applied, the IHSAA will choose 384 to work the tournament series.

TRANSFERS

Assistant Commissioner Gardner reported on the transfers that have been ruled on for the 2011-12 school year. This report included the following actions as of November 30, 2011:

	Total	Percent
Full Eligibility	2820	85.24%
Limited Eligibility	265	8.52
Ineligible	<u>24</u>	0.77%
Total	3109	

SPORTSMANSHIP

Assistant Commissioner Wynns updated the Executive Committee on the unsportsmanlike conduct reports that have been submitted. As of December 13, 2011, there have been 423 reports filed. This figure shows a slight increase over last year's numbers. The sportsmanship banners have been sent to the member schools.

FINANCIAL REPORTS

The following reports were presented regarding the financial status of sports conducted during the fall sports season.

1. The Girls Golf tournament series produces little income. The costs related to greens fees were slightly lower than the previous year.
2. Boys Tennis is also a non-revenue generating sport. The cost of the Boys Tennis Tournament Series showed an increase of approximately \$7000 in expenditures from last year. Assistant Commissioner Wynns noted that the tournament series was realigned from the previous year.
3. The Boys and Girls Cross Country Tournament Series expenses were relatively similar from the previous year.
4. The Boys and Girls Soccer tournament was conducted as a class sport for the first time. While the expenses were lower than last year, income was lower which was reflected in the decreased net totals for the tournament series.
5. The Volleyball tournament series experienced an overall increased attendance. Coupled with a decrease in tournament expenditures, an increase in total net for the tournament was shown.

Commissioner Cox reported that attendance was lower in most fall tournament reports. Attendance across the Midwestern states at championship events has diminished this year and may be attributable to the economy.

LITIGATION

Attorney Robert Baker updated the Executive Committee on the current status of pending litigation against the Association.

PENALTIES ASSESSED

Austin High School – (*Boys' basketball player participated in six quarters in the same session*). Commissioner Cox reported the following action as a result of a violation of Rule 52-3.2c.

1. The Austin High School boys' basketball program is issued a warning.

2. Coach Keith Henderson is reprimanded for allowing this violation to occur. A lack of attention to detail regarding the rules of participation is not an acceptable explanation for a rules violation.
3. All six quarters shall count against the maximum number of quarters allowed for the student athlete involved in this violation.
4. In accordance with Rule 3-9, Scottsburg High School shall be notified of this violation and if Austin was victorious, the varsity game shall be forfeited.

Boonville High School – *(Boys' freshman basketball team played a quarter against Vincennes Lincoln without a licensed IHSAA official)*. Commissioner Cox reported the following action as a result of a violation of Rule 14-1.

1. The Boonville High School boys' basketball program is issued a warning.
2. Coach Steve Alstadt is reprimanded for allowing this violation to occur. It remains the head coach's responsibility to monitor the activities of all coaches under his supervision and to clearly communicate all rules and policies affecting the program.

Delta High School – *(Boys' basketball player participated in a non-school sponsored game during the authorized contest season)*.

Commissioner Cox reported the following action as a result of a violation of Rule 15-1.2.

1. The Delta High School boys' basketball program is issued a warning.
2. The student athlete involved in this violation shall be suspended for two games for violating Rule 15-1.2. Contests already served as suspension for this violation shall supplement said penalty.

Eastside High School – *(Boys' soccer coach instructed students during the school year out of season)*. Commissioner Cox reported the following action as a result of a violation of Rule 15-2.2d.

1. The Eastside High School boys' soccer program is issued a warning.
2. Coach Matt Ward is reprimanded for committing this violation. Ignorance of the rules is not an acceptable excuse for a rules violation.
3. The IHSAA accepts the disciplinary action taken by Eastside High School in this matter.

Fall Creek Academy – *(Girls' basketball coach removed team from floor prior to end of contest due to displeasure with officiating – PROBATION)*. Commissioner Cox reported the following action as a result of a violation of Rule 9-16.1.

1. The Fall Creek Academy girls' basketball program is placed on probation. This probation is a more severe notice that an illegal act has occurred, is a matter of record, and shall not be repeated.
2. Coach Adra Brown is severely reprimanded for her role in her role in removing players from the contest prior to its conclusion. Ignorance of the rules is not an acceptable explanation for rules violations.

Fort Wayne Wayne High School – *(Wrestler participated in a match without an approved transfer report filed)*.

Commissioner Cox reported the following action as a result of a violation of Rule 19-3.

1. The Fort Wayne Wayne High School wrestling program is issued a warning
2. It is absolutely mandatory that the "IHSAA Transfer Report" be submitted and acted upon by the Association prior to a student being allowed to participate in a contest at their new school.
3. In accordance with Rule 3-9 of the IHSAA By-Laws, the scores of the meets the ineligible student participated in shall be recalculated to remove all points acquired by the ineligible athlete. Fort Wayne Wayne High School is instructed to inform all schools involved of this violation and the refigured scores.

Guerin Catholic High School – *(Wrestler participated in two matches without an approved transfer report filed)*.

Commissioner Cox reported the following action as a result of a violation of Rule 19-3.

1. The Guerin Catholic High School wrestling program is issued a warning.
2. It is absolutely mandatory that the "IHSAA Transfer Report" be submitted and acted upon by the Association prior to a student being allowed to participate in a contest at their new school.
3. In accordance with Rule 3-9 of the IHSAA By-Laws, the scores of the meets the ineligible student participated in shall be recalculated to remove all points acquired by the ineligible athlete. Guerin Catholic High School is instructed to inform all schools involved of this violation and the refigured scores.

Harrison (West Lafayette) High School – *(Two JV wrestlers participated in a tournament while academically ineligible)*.

Commissioner Cox reported the following action as a result of a violation of Rule 18-1.

1. The Harrison High School wrestling program is issued a warning.
2. The student athletes involved in this violation shall be suspended and declared ineligible for further competition until they meet the minimum standards for academic eligibility.

3. In accordance with Rule 3-9 of the IHSAA By-Laws, Harrison High School shall notify the schools against whom the ineligible athletes competed of this violation. Any points scored in competition by these ineligible athletes shall be vacated and team scores for these events recalculated.

Monrovia High School – (*Wrestler participated in a tournament while academically ineligible*). Commissioner Cox reported the following action as a result of a violation of Rule 18-1.

1. The Monrovia High School wrestling program is issued a warning.
2. The student athlete involved in this violation shall be suspended and declared ineligible for further competition until he meets the minimum standards for academic eligibility.
3. In accordance with Rule 3-9 of the IHSAA By-Laws, Monrovia High School shall notify Cloverdale High School of this violation. Any points scored in competition by this ineligible athlete shall be vacated and team scores for this event recalculated.

Noblesville High School – (*Graduate practiced with members of the wrestling team*). Commissioner Cox reported the following action as a result of a violation of Rule 15-1.1d.

1. The Noblesville High School wrestling program is issued a warning.
2. Coach Tom Knotts is reprimanded for allowing this violation to occur. Ignorance of the rules is not an acceptable explanation for a rules violation.

Penn High School – (*Boys' basketball player participated in a game without an approved transfer report filed*).

Commissioner Cox reported the following action as a result of a violation of Rule 19-3.

1. The Penn High School boys' basketball program is issued a warning.
2. It is absolutely mandatory that the "IHSAA Transfer Report" be submitted and acted upon by the Association prior to a student being allowed to participate in a contest at their new school.
3. In accordance with Rule 3-9 of the IHSAA By-Laws, the contest in which the ineligible player participated shall be forfeited. Penn High School shall notify Mishawaka Marian High School of this violation.

Vincennes Lincoln High School – (*Boys' freshman basketball team played a quarter against Boonville without a licensed IHSAA official*). Commissioner Cox reported the following action as a result of a violation of Rule 14-1.

1. The Vincennes Lincoln High School boys' basketball program is issued a warning.
2. Coach Jeff Hein is reprimanded for allowing this violation to occur. It remains the head coach's responsibility to monitor the activities of all coaches under his supervision and to clearly communicate all rules and policies affecting the program.

Warsaw High School – (*Girls' Soccer player participated in several JV matches without an approved transfer report filed*).

Commissioner Cox reported the following action as a result of a violation of Rule 19-3.

1. The Warsaw High School boys' soccer program is issued a warning.
2. Coach Scott Bauer is reprimanded for causing this violation to occur. Ignorance of the rules is not an acceptable explanation for a violation.
3. In accordance with Rule 3-9, Warsaw High School shall notify all schools where the violations occurred and forfeit the games if Warsaw was victorious.

Winamac High School – (*Girls' basketball player participated in six quarters in the same session*). Commissioner Cox reported the following action as a result of a violation of Rule 102-3c(2).

1. The Winamac High School girls' basketball program is issued a warning.
2. Coach Jeff Wagner is reprimanded for allowing this violation to occur. A lack of attention to detail regarding the rules of participation is not an acceptable explanation for a rules violation.
3. All six quarters shall count against the maximum number of quarters allowed for the student athlete involved in this violation.
4. In accordance with Rule 3-9, Pioneer High School shall be notified of this violation and if Winamac was victorious, the varsity game shall be forfeited.

Zionsville High School – (*Boys' basketball player participated in a church league game during the authorized contest season*). Commissioner Cox reported the following action as a result of a violation of Rule 15-1.2a.

1. The Zionsville High School boys' basketball program is issued a warning.
2. The student athlete involved in this violation shall be suspended from participation in two boys' basketball games on the Zionsville High School schedule.

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

1. Communications:
 - Gene E. Ress, M.D.
2. Congratulations:
 - Mike Blackburn, NIAAA Associate Executive Director, NIAAA Award of Merit
 - Pris Dillow, Retired Athletic Director, Ben Davis High School, NIAAA Hall of Fame Inductee
 - Bernie Meyer, Retired Athletic Director, Boonville High School, NIAAA State Award of Merit
 - Sam Rasmussen, Retired Athletic Director, Valparaiso High School, NIAAA Distinguished Service Award
3. For the Good of the Order
 - Senate Bill 84 – Single Class Basketball

A motion to adjourn the December meeting of the IHSAA Executive Committee was made by Phil Ford; seconded by Geoff Penrod; motion passed 17-0. The next meeting of the Executive Committee will be at IHSAA headquarters at 8:00 a.m. on Thursday, January 19, 2012.

Nathan Dean Chairman

Bobby Cox Commissioner