Minutes of the Boys/Girls Cross Country Advisory Committee November 29, 2023

The IHSA B/G Cross Country Advisory Committee met virtually on November 29, 2023, beginning at 10:00 a.m. Committee members present were Eric Simpson, AD, Chicago (Marist); Ryan Hollister, Coach, Hampshire; Mark Luttrell, Coach, Tinley Park (Andrew); Janet Erb, Coach, Winnebago; Jane Stillman, Assistant Principal, Champaign (Central); Charlie Helton, Coach Carlinville; David Mitchell, Coordinator of Officials, Peoria; Others in attendance: Brien Dunphy, Meet Manager, Peoria (H.S.); Nicole Schaefbauer, IESA Executive Director; Kraig Garber, IHSA, Assistant Executive Director.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS RECOMMENDATIONS:

No Recommendations at this time

The Cross-Country Advisory committee reviewed and discussed the following topics which were submitted by representatives of member schools and officials. These topics received no committee action to advance.

- 1. The committee supports the continued use of Athletic.net for the State Series.
- 2. The committee discussed a proposal to allow for the flexibility of regionals or sectionals to be conducted on a Friday afternoon or a Saturday of weeks 16 and 17.
- 3. The committee discussed a proposal to allow for one 1A sectional to be held on a Friday afternoon as part of a religious accommodation.
- 4. The committee discussed a proposal to allow for one 1A regional to be conducted on a Sunday of week 16 only for the 2024 State Series as a part of a religious accommodation.
- 5. The committee discussed altering the window of time in which a regional and sectional must be conducted.
- 6. There was a discussion on the number of trophies awarded at the cross country state finals.
- 7. There was a discussion regarding a designated coaches/athletes area with porta-potties near the finish corral.