

IHSA Do What's Right! Advisory Committee Meeting

September 4, 2024

10:00 a.m.

The IHSA Do What's Right Advisory Committee met on Wednesday, September, 2024, in an online setting from various communities across Illinois, beginning at 10:00 a.m. Committee members present were: Alahrie Aziz-Sims, Chicago (Bogan); Carlos Enriquez, Chicago (Prosser); David Rohlman, Maple Park (Kaneland); Jenette Fruit, Earlville; Isaiah Johnson, Rockford (R. Christian); Jody Steinke, Quincy (Sr.); Katie McCulley, Springfield (Lutheran); and Kara Harris, Greenville. Also in attendance were Michael Souza, Mundelein (H.S.), on behalf of Alexandria Rios-Taylor, and Dan Le, IHSA Assistant Executive Director. Not in attendance: Alexandria Rios-Taylor, Mundelein (H.S.); Raeann Huhn, Wheaton (St. Francis); Chet Lines, Plainfield (South); Erin Smith, Fithian (Oakwood); Matt Koeppel, Clinton; Derek Beard, Murphysboro; Nick Chavarria, Darien (Hinsdale South); and Josh Schroeder, Official.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS RECOMMENDATIONS

None.

ADMINISTRATIVE RECOMMENDATIONS

None.

ITEMS OF DISCUSSION:

1. The committee heard an update on the IHSA Student Advisory Committee's initiatives, which includes more outreach to students around the state. Schools can now add an Official Student Representative through the Schools Center to be included in a mailing list for correspondence from the IHSA office on behalf of the Student Advisory Committee.
2. Dan Le presented an update to the number of special reports submitted in the 2023-2024 school year to include the number of soccer ejections as a result of red cards and two yellow cards. The data presented at the last meeting did not include soccer data.
3. Dan Le presented initial numbers of ejection and hate speech and harassment reports for the 2024-2025 school year.
4. The committee reviewed and discussed spectator ejection policies from other state associations and organizations. The committee will continue discussions on spectator ejection policies and draft sample language that could be submitted as a future by-law proposal.
5. The committee discussed training sessions provided by the IHSA for school administrators with respect to contest management.
6. The committee discussed the Do What's Right! sportsmanship awards and will continue discussing ideas to recognize more schools and teams for displays of good sportsmanship. Dan Le reminded the committee of Sport A Winning Attitude (SAWA) reports, which can be submitted by officials and schools through the IHSA Schools Center.
7. The committee discussed behavior of student sections and ways to encourage better sportsmanship.
8. The committee discussed the appropriateness of music at interscholastic contests.
9. The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, December 5, 2024.