

Minutes of the 2014-15 IHSA Sportsmanship Advisory Committee Meeting

December 10, 2014

The IHSA Sportsmanship Advisory Committee met at the IHSA Office in Bloomington, Illinois, on Wednesday, December 10, 2014 beginning at 10:00 a.m. Committee members present were: Drew Potthoff, Woodstock (Marian); Jennifer Uliks, Libertyville; Julie Traenkenschuh, Glasford (Illini Bluffs); Scott Hamilton, Tolono (Unity); Judy Fitzgerald, Moweaqua (Central A & M); Sean Berry, Tremont; Heather Miller, Knoxville; Terry Milt, Johnston City; Bethany Shaw, West Frankfort (Frankfort). Not in attendance: Steve Haines, Seneca; Eileen Hart, Rolling Meadows; Renee Simms, Country Club Hills (Hillcrest); Dan Jones, Hinsdale (Central); Gary Stephens, Decatur; Julie Cochran, IESA.

RECOMMENDATION FOR BOARD ACTION:

Recommendation: The committee recommends that when schools Official Representatives enter their teams for fall sports, they will have an opportunity to register their school for the Do What's Right! Program. The Official Representative will watch the short presentation (3-5 minutes), and then will be directed to click the link to register their school for DWR! for that school year.

Rationale: Administrators will take more responsibility and ownership of the DWR! Program. Creates more awareness by individual schools of the DWR! Program, of the benefits to their community, and the potential positive recognition for their school. The short video may also be shown to the whole coaching staff and the student body.

Approved

COMMITTEE ACTIONS

1. Modified the SAC Student Section Showdown details. (See attached)

COMMITTEE DISCUSSION

1. The committee reviewed the final draft of the DWR! Sportsmanship Manual to post on the IHSA website.
2. The committee discussed the annual October 20 DWR! Registration deadline for Conferences and Individual Schools. The committee discussed the need for conferences to regularly discuss the DWR! Expectations and how Administrators, Coaches and Students can actively promote good sportsmanship in their communities.
3. The committee discussed the need to create a focused approach to work with parents before the season and especially after there has been a problem or an ejection.
4. Create a short video for Administrators to view in order to get the red out and register their school for the DWR! Program. Include: DWR! Expectations, advantages of registering, opportunities for students to gain recognition, how coaches can work with parents, etc.
5. Discussed the Football State Final awards ceremony process. The committee commented that there would be better recognition for each team if two awards risers are available for each team to stand on. Present the medals, medals and then trophy, trophy. All of the focus will be on the awards and not the team meeting that occurs on the football field or in the stands while the other team is honored.

6. Create the following links under “Add A Tude Tools” for schools to submit and share their best practices with other schools:
 - a. All Videos
 - b. Documents
 - c. Game Management
 - d. Rubric
 - e. PPT’s
 - f. Social Media
 - g. Benefits

7. Discussed potential IADA Conference presentation topics:
 - DWR! Registration process
 - DWR! Program modifications
 - Student Section Showdown information
 - SAC 2015 Leadership Conference

Future Meetings

April 15, 2015 IHSA Office

NFHS Student Leadership conference July 20-22, 2015 Indy?

Aug 2-3, 2015 SAC Retreat

Sunday, September 13, 2015

Student Leadership Conference – September-27-28, 2015 Peoria Civic Center