

MINUTES OF THE 2014-15 IHSA BOYS/GIRLS TENNIS ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

November 5, 2014

The IHSA Boys/Girls Tennis Advisory Committee met in the IHSA Office in Bloomington on Wednesday, November 5, 2014, beginning at 10:00 a.m. Committee Members present were: Division 2 - Trish Betthouser, Athletic Director, Lincolnshire (Stevenson), Division 3 – Raeann Huhn, Principal, Wheaton (St. Francis); Division 4 – Connie Cassidy, Girls Coach, Peoria (Richwoods); Division 5 – Kaye Kimpling, Boys/Girls Coach, Teutopolis; Division 6 – Mike Terry, Boys/Girls Coach, Quincy (Sr.); and Division 7 – David Lipe, Boys/Girls Coach, Edwardsville (H.S.). Also in attendance were Boys State Tennis Tournament Manager Matt Norris, Arlington Heights (Hersey); Girls State Tournament Manager Kevin Schrammel, Buffalo Grove; IHSTCA Representative Kelly Willard, Metamora; and Assistant Executive Director Shaunda Brown.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS RECOMMENDATIONS

1. **Recommendation: Article VIII-C Tournament Rules**

VIII-C will become VIII-C-1 and add this item as VIII-C-2 “Consolation Round Tie Breakers: State Final Consolation rounds shall use ad scoring with a 10 point match tie breaker in lieu of a third set. Any medal matches shall continue to use ad scoring with three full sets”.

Rationale: This will decrease the length of matches players might have to play during the consolation rounds on one given day, which will decrease the risk of injury as well as allow the tournament to stay on schedule. This is consistent with USTA scoring and scoring during many regular season matches.

Approved

ITEMS OF GENERAL DISCUSSION

1. Matt Norris presented an overview of the 2014 Boys State Final.
2. Kevin Schrammel presented an overview of the 2014 Girls State Final.
3. Discussed changing the time between matches from at least 20 minutes between matches to at least 30 minutes between matches. Tabled this discussion, tournament directors will speak with site directors to ensure they understand the procedure.
4. Discussed the IHSA’s streaming company, streaming the semi-finals and finals at the girls and boys state tennis finals.

5. Discussed changing the start time for the Boys Tournament to 10:00 on Thursday and the Girls Tournament to 9:00 on Thursday. Tabled this discussion, due to lack of support for the change.
6. Discussed the pros and cons of a two- class system for boys and girls state series.
7. Discussed use of USTA officials at the state tournaments.
8. Discussed the seeding process for three/four seeds and five/six during the sectional seeding meeting.
9. Discussed ideas for celebrating 100 years of boys' tennis.
10. Recommended a spread sheet be available to coaches at the beginning of season to input match data, which can be later uploaded or imported to IHSA schools center as part of the List of Participants information.
11. The next Tennis Advisory Committee Meeting will be held on November 4, 2015 (tentative).