

MINUTES OF THE IHSA BOYS AND GIRLS SOCCER ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

May 7, 2015

The IHSA Boys and Girls Soccer Advisory Committee met at the IHSA Office, in Bloomington, Illinois, on Thursday, May 7, 2015 at 10:00 a.m. Committee members present were; Scott Taylor, (Official) Morton; Jeff Niemiec, Chicago (Eric Solorio Academy); Kevin Kullby, Lake Villa (Lakes); Chris Griffin, Danville (H.S.); Brian Papa, Frankfort (Lincoln-Way East); Matt Blackford, Peoria (Notre Dame); Jay Lipe, Chatham (Glenwood); and IHSA Assistant Executive Director Beth Sauser. Not in attendance: Scott Burney Jerseyville (Jersey).

TERMS AND CONDITIONS RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. Boys and Girls Section VII. E. Artificial Noisemakers

Recommendation: The committee recommends that all artificial and/or mechanical noise-making shall be excluded from **all** venues during the **State Series**. Cheerleaders may use megaphones.

Rationale: Currently all artificial and mechanical noise-making devices are prohibited at State Final venues. Extending this rule to include all state series games will help with crowd behavior and create consistent crowd expectations throughout the tournament.

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ADMINISTRATIVE RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. Recommendation: The committee recommends the team caution count continue for the 2015-16 seasons. Officials must continue to report all yellow cards given in a game. The IHSA office will continue to track yellow card accumulations. Only cautions awarded in the following categories will count towards the team accumulations:

- C. Objecting by word of mouth or ac (dissent)
- D. Incidental use of vulgar or profanity
- F2. Unnecessary delay (kicking, throwing)
- F4. Deliberate verbal attacks
- F7. Deliberate tactical foul
- F10. Reckless play
- H. Unsportsmanlike behavior

Rationale: The committee recommends continuing the caution count but emphasize the unsportsmanlike behavior and fouls. This will give a more accurate view of the game.

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2. Recommendation: The committee recommends the continued use of the current Soccer State Association Adoptions as well as any needed editorial changes to be made by Beth Sauser for 2015-16 seasons if the above recommendations are not approved.

Rationale: The State Association Adoptions are in accordance with provisions set forth in the NFHS Soccer Rules Book. The adoptions have been in place in Illinois for years, and the committee favors their continued use since the rules have been accepted and successfully administered over the years.

Approved

ITEMS FOR BOARD ACTION and GENERAL DISCUSSION:

1. The committee discussed the potential change in tournament structure as recommended by the Ad-Hoc Committee.
2. The committee reviewed minutes from the 2014 meeting.
3. The committee discussed the proposal to change the season limitation by-law to a total number of matches played during the season (individual and tournament games). This change will allow schools more flexibility in scheduling games. A bylaw proposal has been submitted to the IHSA office.
4. Reviewed the new IHSA By-laws and NFHS rules for the 2015 -16 school year.
5. The committee reviewed the current Terms and Conditions and needed editorial changes to be made by Beth Sauser
6. The committee expressed concerns that officials are not reporting all of the yellow cards, and are informing coaches after the game that their card(s) are being rescinded. It is the official's responsibility to report all cards. It is the responsibility of all coaches to report every yellow to administrators and make sure the School Center card tracker is updated throughout the season.
7. The committee reviewed the 2014 Boys and Girls State Final Tournaments. The committee discussed the need for officials to follow the Terms & Conditions during the state series and especially during the State Finals so there are no issues before, during or after the game. This includes letting the warm-up clock to wind down to 0:00 before having the coaches and captains meetings.
8. The committee reviewed the yellow and red card reports from the boys and girls seasons.
9. The committee reviewed the 2013-14 Boys and Girls State Final Tournaments. The committee discussed the need for Administrators and Coaches to follow the Terms & Conditions during the state series and especially during the state finals so there are no issues before, during or after the game.
10. For the 2016 Advisory Committee meeting, the committee would like to have a Yellow Card report that displays a breakdown of cards given to players and coaches separately.
11. The committee thanked Chris Griffin for his service to the Soccer Advisory Committee.
12. Next meeting: Thursday, May 5, 2016.