

**Minutes of the Boys/Girls Cross Country Advisory Committee
November 30, 2022**

The IHSA B/G Cross Country Advisory Committee met virtually on November 30, 2022, beginning at 10:00 a.m. Committee members present were Robell McMiller, Coach, Chicago (De La Salle); Suzanne Curry, Coach, Vernon Hills; Mark Luttrell, Coach, Tinley Park (Andrew); Kelly Fox, Coach, Mt. Zion (H.S); Brad Pfeiffer, Coach, Belleville (East) Geza Ehrentreu, Coordinator of Officials, Rockford; Others in attendance: David Mitchell, Official, Peoria; Brien Dunphy, Meet Manager, Peoria (H.S.); Kraig Garber, IHSA, Assistant Executive Director.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS RECOMMENDATIONS:

VIII.P Posting of Regional/Sectional/State Results: Meet hosts may post unofficial live scoring/results at the Regional/Sectional/State meets. However, unofficial results may never be the basis for a protest or appeal. Once the meet referee has signed off/approved the race results, it will be posted and/or announced that the meet results are official. From that point, a period of not less than 15 minutes will be provided for coaches' review of official results after posting and prior to going to the awards stand.

Rationale: The committee feels that the IHSA should allow the use of unofficial live scoring/results at all levels of the state series if a timing system operator is equipped to do so. A growing number of timing system operators are using this feature, and the committee thinks that it is becoming more common in regular season meets. This recommendation does not change the 15-minute coaches' review period of official results before the awards ceremony at all levels of the state series.

Approved by Consent

X.C.2 State Final Awards: Trophies will be awarded to the first, second, third, **and fourth** place teams.

Rationale: Members of the advisory committee recognized that with the growth/number of high school cross country programs in our state, the number of team honors at the State Finals should be increased to 4. The committee recognized that this conflicts with the current IHSA awards process regarding bracketed and non-bracketed sports, but they feel that this could be reviewed and considered on a sport by sport basis.

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The Cross-Country Advisory committee reviewed and discussed the following topics which were submitted by state series hosts and others. None of these items advanced beyond this committee.

1. The committee supports the continued use of Athletic.net for the State Series.
2. The committee discussed how state series assignments are determined.
3. The committee discussed a proposal that would alter the number of 2A and 3A regionals and sectionals along with the 2A and 3A criteria for advancing from regionals to sectionals.
4. The committee discussed a proposal that would require the IHSA to assign four certified officials as opposed to two at IHSA regionals and sectionals.