

MINUTES OF THE IHSA BOYS/GIRLS GOLF ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

November 28, 2012

The IHSA Boys/Girls Golf Advisory Committee met at the IHSA Office, Bloomington, Illinois, on Wednesday, November 28, 2012, beginning at 10:00 a.m. Committee members present were: Janice Wilson, Girls Coach, Chicago (Latin); Tom Martindale, Boys Coach, Mt. Prospect (Prospect); Paul Heitkamp, Athletic Director, Rockford (Boylan); Tom Noonan, Boys/Girls Coach, Decatur (St. Teresa); Jake Stapleton, Girls Coach, Springfield (H.S.); and Mike Karoski, Boys Coach, West Frankfort (Frankfort). IHSA Associate Executive Director Kurt Gibson and Assistant Executive Director Stacey Lambert; Kurt Rogers and Chuck Weigle, Girls State Final Managers; Laura Provost and Tim Franz, Boys State Final Managers; and IESA Assistant Executive Director Julie Cochran. Robert Smith Jr., Principal, Plainfield (Central) was absent from the meeting.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. **Revise. Section VIII. Tournament Rules B. Coaching**

Recommendation: For the entire state series the head coach and the assistant coach will be allowed to coach between the green and tee. Coaches must however wait until the last player on the green putts out before the communication takes place. Coaches may not delay teeing off on the next hole. Verbal or non-verbal communication at any other time of the round is prohibited. Both the head coach and the assistant coach must meet the IHSA coaching by-laws and be listed on the schools list of participants.

Rationale: This will allow coaches more opportunity to be involved with their players. Also give coaches more authority to help with situations that occur on the course, such as requesting a ruling.

Approved

2. **Revise. VIII. Tournament Rules E. Observers 1**

Recommendation: Schools are required to provide an observer at regional and sectional tournaments. Preference shall be given to assigning observers from among the representatives from schools with individual competitors for the Regional and Sectional tournaments. If a sufficient number of golf coaches are not available to serve as observers, the local manager may appoint adult spectators as observers.

Rationale: Allowing any adult to observe helps to continue to use observers at the regional and sectional levels. Committee asks that the IHSA provide further clarification in the manual for managers and in the rules video

Approved

Administrative Recommendations:

1. **Recommendation:** The committee recommends clarifying in the manuals the policy for golf carts use at the regional and sectional levels.

Rationale: Cleans up the wording in the manuals so that it is consistent throughout.

- 2. Recommendation:** The committee recommends using split tees for the practice round (1 and 10) starting at 9 am and teeing off every 9 minutes.

Rationale: This should help ensure that all teams are able to finish the practice round before dark.

- 3. Recommendation:** The committee recommends the IHSA use a survey to gather information about the regional and sectional sites.

Rationale: This would be an opportunity for coaches to provide feedback about the site, how the event was ran, what was good, bad, etc.

Items of General Discussion:

1. The committee heard reports on both the recently-completed girls' and boys' state final tournaments.
2. The committee reviewed 2011 Minutes
3. The committee discussed a review of the criteria used for the reclassification of schools using the 3-class system for Boys Golf for the 2012 season.
4. The committee discussed criteria used in determining the Regional sites for Boys Golf for the 2012 season.
5. The committee discussed the criteria for seeding the state series. Class A/AA Girls and Class 1A/2A/3A Boys: All schools entered will be assigned by the coaches (or a group of coaches from different geographical areas) to one of the sixteen (16) regional and one of the four (4) sectional tournaments. No further recommendation was made.
6. The committee discussed the use of observers through the state final series.
7. The committee discussed the possibility of finishing the State Final tournament the next weekend in the event weather would occur again.
8. The committee thanked Paul Heitkamp and Mike Karoski for their service.