Minutes of the Boys/Girls Cross Country Advisory Committee December 2, 2020

The IHSA B/G Cross Country Advisory Committee met virtually on December 2, 2020, beginning at 10:00 a.m. Committee members present were Shari Hayes, A.D., St. Charles North (H.S.); Chris Baldwin, Coach, Oak Park (O.P. – River Forest H.S.); Dan Gray, Coach, Peoria (Notre Dame H.S.); Kelly Fox, Coach, Mt. Zion (H.S); Harold Landon, Coach, Jersey Community (H.S.); Geza Ehrentreu, Coordinator of Officials, Rockford; Others in attendance, Mark Anderson, (ITCCCA); John Polka, Oak Park; Brien Dunphy, Meet Manager, Peoria (H.S.); Matt Grimm, Peoria (H.S.); Kraig Garber, IHSA, Assistant Executive Director.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS RECOMMENDATIONS:

No terms and conditions recommendations at this time.

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. IHSA Assistant Executive Director, Kraig Garber, explained that there would not be a new NFHS Rule Book for the 2021 Season. The next anticipated NFHS Rule Book will be for the 2022 track and field and cross-country seasons.
- 2. IHSA Assistant Executive Director, Kraig Garber, explained the procedure for submitting advisory committee topics to be included on the agenda for advisory committee meetings. Coaches and administrators interested in submitting proposals for advisory committee members to consider must do so through their Schools Center account.
- 3. The committee discussed this year's new process for state series entries and results using Athletic.net. The committee discussed the positive aspects of using it as well as ideas for improvement.
- 4. There was discussion about the selection of sectional sites.
- 5. There was discussion about the future of the sport. It is the hope and intent of the IHSA to conduct the cross country season and post season as we traditionally have for the 2021 season and beyond.