

**MINUTES OF THE IHSA GIRLS BADMINTON ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING**  
**May 14, 2008**

The IHSA Girls' Badminton Advisory Committee met at the Office of the Illinois High School Association on Wednesday, May 14, 2008, beginning at 10:00 a.m. Committee members in attendance were: Barb Barrows, Naperville (Neuqua Valley); John Charters, Darien (Hinsdale South); Bob Hanson, Palatine (Fremd); Kim Collings, Villa Park (Willowbrook); and Carl Watchke, Wheeling. Also in attendance was Susan K. Hinrichsen, Assistant Executive Director of the IHSA. Theresa Busch, Principal, Hoffman Estates ( H.S.) was not in attendance.

**TERMS AND CONDITIONS RECOMMENDATIONS:**

1. **Item V-H-5 -- Making the Sectional Draw:**

**Recommendation:** A sectional redraw shall be required when there is a lineup change for seeded player(s). A redraw is not required for non seeded player(s).

**Rationale:** The draw is designed to separate the seeded players. When a seeded team or player is replaced after the sectional draw is made, a redraw by the sectional manger is required to honor the purpose of seeding.

**approved**

2. **Item V-L-3: State Final Tournament and State Final Draw:**

**Recommendation:** The remainder of the draw will place the winners of each sectional in one of the quarters making sure that players from the same school from the same sectional should be placed in opposite halves of the draw. If there is a conflict then the next available line for 1<sup>st</sup> place players that is on the opposite bracket in a similar line will be used. In each quarter the sectional winner shall be paired with a 4<sup>th</sup> place finisher from a sectional. Additionally the 2<sup>nd</sup> place finisher in a sectional will be paired with a 3<sup>rd</sup> place finisher in a sectional. In the event of a seeded player not winning a sectional, the pairings will be adjusted in the quarter to ensure that 1-4, 2-3 occurs.

**Rationale:** This draw rewards the sectional champions and balances each quarter by having the 1-4 player(s) from different sectionals and different schools play each other in their quarter and the 2-3 place sectional finishers from different sectionals and different schools in each quarter. Overall it makes the draw fairer, and also makes sure that one quarter is not stronger than other quarters. Additionally it will be more manageable and reduces the risk of errors in the draw.

**approved**

**ADMINISTRATIVE RECOMMENDATIONS:**

1. Committee made rally scoring corrections to the coaching rule in the Code of Conduct, Casebook, and Terms and conditions.
2. Committee discussed jewelry as a rules code but did not take action.

3. The committee approved the following interpretation for who calls the 11 point break when matches have officials. During the medal matches where the contest is officiated, the players must still call the time out at 11 points.
4. John Charters will write out the process for completing the state final draw. This will be included in the school manual.
5. The committee approved a clarification to the serve rule to state “the player must hit the base of the shuttle first. She must hit the shuttle below her waist (belly button).
6. The committee reviewed the USAB rules during the season and at the meeting. To summarize the changes to the rules book;
  - a) Removed the following rules from high school play. All of rule 15. “Shuttle Not In Play”, 16.5.1 “Advice and leaving the court”, 12.2.1, 12.2.3.
  - b) Revise the language for “Intervals and Change of Ends to say (p,.2)” When the leading score reaches 11 points only the player may have a 60 second interval.
7. The sectional complex seeding process was clarified in the instructions for team seeding to read the team seed is based on the sectional entries. Therefore the seeding at the sectional complex for the teams is only based on the actual sectional lineup.
8. A sign up sheet for warm-up blocks on Friday will be available at the Thursday warm-up. Schools will sign up for a court and time block.
9. Carl will send the excel form for the sectional tournament bracket to the IHSA. It will be posted on the IHSA website for managers to use for their sectional tournament.
10. The committee reviewed the Wilson 80 Shuttlecock used this year. The committee recommends the Wilson 60 for next year be used for the state series. This recommendation is based on the durability of the shuttlecocks and their use in a sectional. Also it was recommended to check to make sure all shuttlecocks are being humidified at the state finals.
11. The committee supports a by-law recommendation to change their season limitation starting date and number of contests from 16-18. A by-law proposal will be submitted with the recommendation that if passed would be in effect 30 days after passing.

#### **ITEMS OF DISCUSSION:**

1. State tournament will not have Lantz Arena next year. We will have to use only the Recreation Center for the tournament. There will need to be changes to the time schedule and playing order that will be worked as the planning process takes place. There were concerns about fan seating. Also question about using the track area above the rec center as a place for teams to store their possessions. It was also noted that the PA announcing of match winners can be disruptive to players.
2. Clarified the serving rule to add that the bird must be contacted at the waist and belly button.

3. Discussion on the length of the singles matches. The committee discussed the option for a cap for the 3rd game. No action.
4. There was discussion about a jewelry rule with no action.
5. Housing at dorms for females was discussed. Concerns will be shared with EIU.
6. Discussed whether to seed the 3 and 4 separately in the state final bracket like tennis or keep the 3-4 seed together. The committee decided to make no change in this area and keep the 3-4 seeds the same.
7. The state tournament personnel of Dr. Kevin Hussey, Nancy Grant, Dr. Jill Owen, Nackil Sung, along with the volunteers and workers were recognized by the committee for their masterful work. Additionally, the Mattoon and Charleston Tourism Bureaus were recognized for their support of the tournament.
8. Barb Barrows was recognized for her service on the badminton advisory committee and hosting state series badminton meetings/tournaments.