

MINUTES OF THE IHSA BOYS AND GIRLS BASKETBALL ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING
April 30, 2009

The IHSA Boys and Girls Basketball Advisory Committee met at the IHSA Office, Bloomington, Illinois, on Thursday, April 30, 2009, beginning at 10:00 a.m. Committee members present were Meghan Janda, Chicago (University); Brian Clodi, St. Charles (East); Lawrence Thompson, Jr., Lockport (Twp.); Bob Peterson, Granville (Putnam County); Nancy Stiff, Arcola; Chad Roseboom, Springfield (Southeast); Janet Holst, Salem; and James Knauf, official, Ottawa. Also in attendance were IHSA Assistant Executive Directors Kurt Gibson and Beth Sauser.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. Boys and Girls Section VI. B. 4) State Final Tournaments

Recommendation: The committee recommends using the same starting times for the Friday and Saturday afternoon sessions at the boys' and girls' state finals, beginning each of those sessions at 12:15 p.m.

Rationale: With the move to four classes, schools who qualify for the state finals now only play one game per day. As a result, keeping the starting times for the afternoon sessions on both days of the state finals makes sense for participants, fans, and tournament management.

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HAPPENING TERMS AND CONDITIONS RECOMMENDATIONS:

**1. Boys' VII. B. 10) Contest Rules
Girls' VII. A. 10) Contest Rules**

Recommendation: There will be a time limit of forty-five (45) seconds per shooter each regular round. There will be a time limit of thirty (30) seconds per shooter each tiebreaker round. In the event a ball becomes lodged in the basket support during a contestant's shooting round, the clock shall be stopped, the ball removed, and then the clock will be restarted, allowing the shooter to complete his/her round.

Rationale: The committee believes there should be some standard practice that all managers follow in the event such a situation occurs.

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ADMINISTRATIVE RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. Tournament Structure

Recommendation: The committee recommends that the IHSA Board of Directors review Policy 19 (*Grouping and Seeding State Tournament Series*).

Rationale: The committee is concerned about the lack of consistency in tournament structure in the four class sports in Class 3A and 4A. In making this recommendation, the committee reviewed requests from both the South 7 and Mid-State 6 Conferences regarding the perceived inequities of the current structure at the 3A and 4A levels and believe, with two years of the four class system having been completed, it is an appropriate time for a review of the structure.

No Action Taken

ITEMS OF GENERAL DISCUSSION:

1. The committee reviewed minutes from their 2008 meeting.
2. The committee reviewed the recently-completed boys' and girls' state series. Mr. Peterson shared with the committee the results of an informal survey he conducted following the boys' state finals. The survey generated some responses, although given the smaller response rate, it was hard to develop any firm conclusions from the survey.
3. The committee heard a report from IHSA Staff regarding points of emphasis from last season, specifically relating to the wearing of illegal uniforms. The committee was reminded that ultimately schools are responsible for the uniforms their teams wear and responsible for any penalties assessed by officials. Continued emphasis will be given to uniforms in 2009-10.
4. The committee reviewed the proposed NFHS Basketball Rules Changes for the 2009-10 season. The committee was reminded that once the NFHS Board of Directors approves any of the changes, information regarding those changes will be made available to member schools through the IHSA/NFHS websites.
5. The committee reviewed the on-line seeding process using in both boys' and girls' basketball this year. The committee reviewed some correspondence from a member school concerning the seeding process timeline and possible advantages to schools whose regular season ends early enough to allow them to scout a regional opponent without that opponent being able to scout them. The committee was comfortable with the current timeline.
6. The committee discussed the process for selecting slam dunk contestants. The committee would like to see the IHSA allow for schools to offer more information on nominees and have the ability to vote for on those nominees. IHSA staff indicated it will work with its IT department to see if those changes can be incorporated into the reporting system for next year.
7. The committee discussed the assignment process for state series officials. IHSA staff reviewed the assigning process and philosophy used in making those assignments. The committee also discussed the importance of officials enforcing the rules as written and avoiding 'situational' officiating.
8. The committee heard a report from IHSA staff concerning the association's performance-enhancing drug testing plan and its implementation during this year's state series. The committee heard that the IHSA SMAC is recommending the program's continuation for 2009-10. The committee also heard that there is legislation pending in the Illinois General Assembly that would increase the scope of testing as soon as next year.
9. The committee reviewed the by-law changes scheduled to take effect with the start of the 2009-10 school term.
10. The committee recognized outgoing members Holst, Knauff, and Clodi for their service to the group and to the sport over the past three years.