

MINUTES OF THE IHSA BASEBALL ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING
August 28, 2012

The IHSA Baseball Advisory Committee met at the IHSA Office, Bloomington, Illinois, on, August 28, 2012, beginning at 10:00a.m. Committee members present were; Dave Rosene, Chicago (Jones); Glen Wilson, Woodstock (H.S.); Doug Hoster, Newark; David Garcia, Granville (Putnam County); Sean Martin, Maroa (M.-Forsyth); Greg Pohlman, Carrollton; Lee Meyer, Belleville (West); Jeff Siegel, Official; and Craig Anderson, IHSA. Also in attendance was Dan Schoessling, Illinois Baseball Coaches Association Representative.

The Minutes of the August 30, 2011 meeting were accepted.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. Item IV. A. Preliminary and Quarterfinal Regional Games

Recommendation: Regional host will issue checks to game officials for all levels of the regional.

Rational: Certain quarterfinal host sites are not as familiar with the process for paying for officials in the post season. Since the Regional host is completing the financial report on-line and likely more familiar with the process, the committee believed umpires would be paid in a more timely fashion if the designated host completes the payment to the officials.

Died for Lack of Motion

2. Item IX. B. Players in Team Uniform:

Recommendation: Raise the uniformed players to 27.

Rational: Since the bench limit is 30 individuals (all team personnel), the committee believes the coach should be able to allow many of these 30 individuals to be current players on the roster and keep them in uniform for playing eligibility. The last players on a roster would not have to be singled out by being allowed in the bench area but not in uniform.

Approved

3. Item IX. D. Baseballs:

Recommendation: Increase the number of baseballs sent to regional hosts to 2 dozen.

Rational: The committee believes it is very difficult for a regional host to work through 3 and maybe 4 games with one dozen baseballs. To allow for quality baseballs at the end of the regional, the committee suggests one more dozen sent to regional hosts.

Died for Lack of Motion

ADMINISTRATIVE RECOMMENDATIONS:

None

ITEMS OF DISCUSSION:

1. The committee reviewed state-wide Sectional complexes. The committee discussed the consideration of sub-sectionals to balance the quality of teams playing in the early rounds of the tournament.
2. The committee reviewed adding an umpire to the state final crew to allow for four-man umpiring crews for the state finals. This agenda item will be part of the officials' advisory committee as well.
3. The committee talked about fall baseball and its benefit to students. Non-football playing schools maintain fall baseball teams as the by-laws allow. The committee talked about the by-law amendment process needed to implement fall baseball back into all member schools.
4. The committee reviewed the multiplier waiver and its impact on the 2012 state series.
5. The committee recognized the outgoing members of the baseball advisory committee: David Garcia, Granville (Putnam County), Sean Martin, Maroa (M.-Forsyth), Lee Meyer, Belleville (West).