

MINUTES OF THE IHSA OFFICIALS ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING  
April 23, 2015

The IHSA Officials Advisory Committee met at the IHSA Office, Bloomington, Illinois, on Thursday, April 23, 2015, beginning at 10:00 a.m. Committee members present were: Craig Jeffreys, Chicago; Lora Boehne, Pingree Grove; Regina Dryden, Schaumburg; Mark A. Anderson, Arlington Heights; Perry Korbakis, Crestwood; Dion Wiley, Ford Heights; Michael Tresnak, Roanoke; Eric Lawson, Manlius (Bureau Valley), Andy Turner, Normal (Community); Mike Walling, Normal; Richard Cacciatori, Hudson; Brian Mason, Manito; Willie Lewis, East St. Louis; Nicole Schaeftbauer, IESA and Craig Anderson, IHSA. Absent were: Ed Schell, Urbana; Julie Matarelli, Edwardsville and Rick Karhliker, NFOA Liaison.

The Minutes of the September 11, 2014 meeting were accepted.

**TERMS AND CONDITIONS RECOMMENDATIONS:**

**None.**

**ADMINISTRATIVE RECOMMENDATIONS:**

1. **Recommendation:** The committee recommends a change in the girls' gymnastics officials pay for the state preliminary round to \$202.50. (13 – 0 – 0)

**Rationale:** This is a result of bringing the pay for the officials back to the amount paid when the two sessions were dropped to one session. This would bring reasonableness to the amount of officiating (routines and time) that is comparable to other levels of assignment.

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2. **Recommendation:** The committee recommends the IHSA Administrators and/or an ad-hoc committee be developed to review the lodging allowances for the state final officials.

**Rationale:** Currently Girls Gymnastics is conducted over two days with no hotel accommodations provided to the state final officials. While a number of officials are in close proximity to the state host site, a number of officials have significant round trip mileage to cover for this event.

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- 3. Recommendation:** The committee recommends the IHSA design and makes available a veteran/military patch for IHSA licensed officials to display on their uniform designating them as a veteran.

**Rationale:** The IHSA encourages military veterans to continue to support IHSA and this recognition would help demonstrate the appreciation our veterans deserve.

Approved

- 4. Recommendation:** The committee recommends the IHSA consider a first time (one-time) licensing fee waiver of the first sport license for all veteran/military personnel.

**Rationale:** The IHSA encourages military veterans to continue to support IHSA and this fee waiver would help demonstrate the appreciation our veterans deserve.

Approved

- 5. Recommendation:** The committee recommends the IHSA consider a one-time licensing waiver to all currently licensed officials who are veteran/military personnel. This could be done over a number of years by officials ID numbers or by sport.

**Rationale:** The IHSA encourages military veterans to continue to support IHSA and this fee waiver would help demonstrate the appreciation our veterans deserve.

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

1. The committee discussed the number and pay for cross country officials at the regional and sectional levels. The Officials Advisory Committee supports the recent approval of 2 officials at regional and sectional meets. The committee also supports the increases in the stipend that were approved previously.
2. The committee reviewed the tentative schedule for the 2015 IHSA Summer Officials Conference to be held July 17 – 18, 2015.
3. The committee discussed the coordinator of officials pay for swimming and diving.
4. The committee discussed allowing officials to see comments/ratings provided by coaches after the season was over and without indication of the submitting school coach.
5. The committee discussed the publication of an official's street address in the schools/officials center.
6. The committee discussed the officials promotion process and if there should be more stringent criteria before allowing for the promotion opportunity. No recommendations were brought forward.

7. The committee discussed the officials handbook and reviewed possible updates to the handbook.
8. The officials discussed the power rating criteria and in particular the regular season contests worked category. No recommendation was brought forward to change the process.
9. The committee was made aware of the IESA having an electronic calendar in their version of the officials center that would allow officials to note their availability for IESA post season competition.
10. The committee recognized outgoing committee members Regina Dryden, Schaumburg; Julie Matarelli, Edwardsville; Eric Lawson, Manlius (Bureau Valley); Michael Tresnak, Roanoke; and Brian Mason, Manito.
11. The meeting concluded at 1:15 pm.