

Minutes of the 2016 IHSA Boys/Girls Water Polo Advisory Committee Meeting
May 27, 2016

The IHSA Boys/Girls Water Polo Advisory Committee met in Naperville, on Friday, May 27, 2016, beginning at 9:00 a.m. Committee Members present were: Gerard Winston, Chicago (Morgan Park); Trish Betthausser, Lincolnshire (Stevenson); Marty Gibson, Chicago (St. Patrick); Edward Prystalski, (Official) Chicago; Stephanie Palmer, Darien (Hinsdale South); Mitch Tucker, Palatine (H.S.) and Assistant Executive Director Beth Sauser. Not in attendance: Lauren Burel, LaGrange (Lyons).

TERMS AND CONDITIONS RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. Item VI. A. 2) Tournament Structure and Time Schedule: (boys and girls)

Recommendation: Warm-up time is 15 minutes prior to each game in competition pool if an auxiliary pool or swim lanes are not available for teams to use. Warm-up time is 10 minutes prior to each game in competition pool if an auxiliary pool or swim lanes are available for teams to use. If an auxiliary pool is available at a Sectional site, competing teams are able to warm up after half time of the preceding game. Depending on the configuration of the sectional pool will determine if swimming and passing drills may be practiced during this warm up or just swimming.

Rationale: Allows for both teams to warm up in the auxiliary pool or lanes if available and give the host administrator parameters for warm ups in the competition pool.

Approved by Consent

2. Item VIII. B. Tournament Rules: (boys and girls)

Recommendation: Warm-up time is 15 minutes prior to each game in competition pool if an auxiliary pool or swim lanes are not available for teams to use. If an auxiliary pool or lanes are available at a Sectional site, then warm-up time is 10 minutes prior to each game in the competition pool

Rationale: Allows for both teams to warm up in the auxiliary pool or lanes if available and give the host administrator parameters for warm ups in the competition pool.

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Items of General Discussion and Administrative Recommendations:

1. The committee recommended the IHSA staff continue to update the Water Polo manuals, State Qualifiers packet and Official's information for the 2017 Boys and Girls seasons.
2. Only 4 deck officials are assigned to each Sectional site to work. If other officials show up to work the host administrator shall contact Beth Sauser immediately and not allow the additional unassigned official to work.
3. Each Sectional site host is responsible to secure goal judges by either working through their assignor or a knowledgeable adult.
4. The committee discussed the need to have more experienced officials on varsity regular season games. They questioned the possibility to pair a veteran official and a new official as often as possible.
5. The committee inquired if officials are able to start a mentoring program to entice people to become new officials.

6. The committee discussed modifying the sectional schedule to eliminate Friday evening contests.
7. Next Meeting: May 26, 2017 in Naperville.