

IESA Scholastic Bowl

2007 ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES & RECOMMENDATIONS

June 1, 2007

The following members were present for the meeting: Jack Small; Suzanne Pettyjohn, Rochester; Jeff Price, Barrington Station; Art Mattson, Beecher; Like Bonomo, Princeville; and Linda Walgamott, St. Jacob.

Introductions were made and a review of the role of the advisory committee took place. The IESA Scholastic Bowl Advisory Committee, in its meeting of June 1, makes the following recommendations to the IESA Board of Directors for its June 8, 2007 meeting:

Passed **RECOMMENDATION:** To add the following change to the Terms and Conditions Section X. Tournament Policies – No reproduction of questions in written form, videotaping, or tape recording will be permitted in regional, sectional or state competition by competing schools or visitors. *The tournament host will retain the questions provided at regional and sectional state series play.*

RATIONALE: This is a perk of hosting a regional or sectional tournament site helps prevent the reproduction of questions for winners and others. State series questions are copyrighted.

Passed **RECOMMENDATION:** Interscholastic matches may begin the Monday of Week 30 in the IESA standardized calendar.

RATIONALE: To better define a scholastic bowl season for when coaches may start matches. The committee felt it important to leave practice and tryouts without a start date as the scholastic bowl team in many schools is their only gifted program and the committee didn't want to stifle these programs.

The following recommendations are changes in the IESA Rule Book:

Passed **RECOMMENDATION:** Rule 3-2 Art. 2a₁ All toss-up and bonus questions must be read in the numerical order on the page.

RATIONALE: This was added to ensure that the questions are asked in the designed order and to ensure impartiality.

Passed **RECOMMENDATION:** Rule 5-2-Art. 1d₁ Following the calling of time, teams will have 3-seconds to pass papers to the captain, as judged by the moderator.

RATIONALE: Clarifying the completion of passing the papers. This is the current practice, but no rules in place to support it.

Passed **RECOMMENDATION:** 6-1-Art.3 Substitutions

- a. Substitution is the exchange of at least one player in the match by a teammate who is listed on the roster.
- b. B. Substitutions can only be made during a team timeout.

RATIONALE: This gives a clear definition of what a substitution is and when it can take place. No clear definition currently exists in the rules.

Passed **RECOMMENDATION:** 6-1-Art.1b. During a team time-out, both teams may confer with their coaches.

Passed **RECOMMENDATION:** 1-7-Art1a. The score of a forfeited match is 301-0.
RATIONALE: to help determine the runner up in pool play and regular season tournaments.

Passed **RECOMMENDATION:** 1-5-Art.2a. After the 30th toss-up question is answered correctly, if neither team has scored 301 points the accompanying bonus shall be given.
RATIONALE: This clarifies the intent of the existing rule.

Passed **RECOMMENDATION:** Remove current Rule 5-1-Art.1f – Blurt Rule
Reword 5-1-Art. 1e. If a player on either teams answers who has not buzzed in, that team forfeits the right to answer the toss-up question. *The toss-up question would then be rebounded to the opponent.*
RATIONALE: The committee felt the current ‘blurt’ rule was too harsh.

Passed **RECOMMENDATION: Add Rule 8: Unsportsmanlike Conduct.**
Section 1 – Definition

Art. 1. Unsportsmanlike conduct includes actions which are unbecoming to an ethical, fair, honorable individual. It consists of acts of deceit, disrespect or vulgarity and includes taunting.

Note: The IESA disapproves of any form of taunting which is intended or designed to embarrass, ridicule or demean others under any circumstances including on the basis of race, religion, gender or national origin.

Passed **RECOMMENDATION: Rule 3-2-5 Penalties**

d. If a moderator determines a player is guilty of unsportsmanlike conduct the moderator shall have the authority to eject that player from the match. All additional penalties are in accordance with IESA By-law 5.120 (Any player or coach ejected from a contest shall be ineligible for the next interscholastic contest.)

RATIONALE: Rising incidents of unsportsmanlike conduct as the activity grows in popularity have forced the committee to examine and add a conduct rule.

Additional Items Discussed

1. The committee discussed the New Coaches Manual and will have suggestions back to the IESA office by July 30th.
2. Several new Case Book scenarios were discussed for addition and other ideas for the Case book will be sent to the IESA office by July 30th.
3. Promotional Brochure
4. Online Hosting to be added to the Scholastic Bowl Entry Center to put playing dates and sites on the website for fans.
5. State Series Dates and Spring Breaks
6. 2007 Scholastic Bowl Workshop

Pairings were drawn for the 2006 state finals.

Class A

Pool A A, B, D, F

Pool B C, E, G, H

Class AA

Pool A A, B, D, G

Pool B C, E, F, H

Recognition of Service: Suzanne Pettyjohn of Rochester.
Next Meeting May 30, 2008