

IESA TRACK & FIELD

2013 ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES & RECOMMENDATIONS

June 4, 2013

The following members were present for the meeting: Coaches Brian Schweitzer, McHenry; Erin Duffy, DePue; Bryan Glass, Rochester; Chris Ward, Geneseo, and Official, Jay Marshall, Richmond; Administrator Tim Green, Normal ChiddixCoach., Lynn Morgan, Catlin was not able to attend.

The IESA Track and Field Advisory Committee, in its meeting of June 4, 2013, make the following recommendations to the Board of Directors for their June 14 meeting:

***To adopt the following changes to the designated heights for pole vault.**

Event	Sect. Starting Height		State Starting Height		State Designated Height	
	2013	2014	2013	2014	2013	2014
7AA Boys Pole Vault	7-6"		8-3"		9-6	9-3"

APPROVED

***To adopt the following changes to the state Series**

1. The committee selected Option 1 in the track survey for a new state series format.
 - Class A weekend followed by Class AA weekend
 - 7th and 8th grade boys and girls divisions
 - Top sectional finisher plus anyone meeting the qualifying standard in each event. Qualifying standards to be reviewed at September meeting.
 - 20 sectionals in each class

APPROVED

***To make the following changes to the Terms and Conditions:**

1. *If the state track and field meet can only be run on one day due to bad weather, then races run in preliminaries and semi-finals could be run in finals only and will be determined by the state final manager and the IESA.*

APPROVED

Points of Emphasis

- Times submitted for seeding purposes in all individual track events at the Sectional Seeding Meeting shall be times actually achieved at metric distances during the current outdoor Track and Field Season. Coaches may not submit combined individual times as a relay time. Practice times are not permitted as acceptable times.
- Individual Limitations and Penalty: All athletes are limited to 4 events and this limitation must be followed for all interscholastic meets- regular season, conference, and state series. "Exhibition" events must be counted in the event total for the athlete.
- The IESA By-laws state that all coaches must meet the coaching education requirement. This includes pole vault coaches, volunteer coaches, throws coaches etc. A coach meeting these requirements should be in attendance at the state meet with the athlete.
- Situations that are not subject to protest: 1) Any judgment decision pertaining to violation or alleged violations of the rules. 2) A decision made by the finish judges or timers that does not involve misapplication of a rule, or the terms and conditions of competition. 3) Whether a start is fair and legal.
- Coaches should bring a copy of their roster with any changes that need to be made to their seed meeting. This is the information that hosts will use to update their team information.

- For all meets, coaches and non-participating athletes should be knowledgeable of the designated restricted areas. Coaching or the use of electronic equipment in restricted areas is prohibited and could result in disqualification from the event.
- Coaches are reminded to go over the rules for relay exchanges with their athletes for all relays and to review the rules pertaining to the acceleration zone.

Committee Discussion

- Reviewed last year's minutes
- Survey of member schools
 - Triple Jump - discussed
 - Alternating boys and girls running/field events every other year - discussed
- High Jump
- Running 100/Hurdles in finals only as well as seeding for these events and advancement policy.
- Discussed the State Meet Time Schedule
- Coaches on cell phones at the pole vault
- Running the pole vault at State and sectional sites.
- Requiring 8-lane tracks
- The sectional financial reports were discussed and the committee asks that the Finance Committee look at these reports.
- The sectional order of events was discussed but no changes made at this time.
- Scoring at sectional meets.
- Alley and Position Assignments were discussed as the IHSA lines them up differently. No changes were made as the committee felt if the track didn't have a waterfall start that it was better to remain as we are doing it. The committee felt this would be best left up to the officials and track meet managers based on the track in use.
- The committee discussed using hy-tek for all regular season meets and the possibility of this information downloading into the IESA participant entry center.
- Online seed meetings were discussed.
- The possibility of adding another alternate to the relays and that alternates in these relays not count towards the individual event total were both discussed.
- The Assistant Executive Director shared a new online course offered by the NFHS for pole vault. The NFHS *Pole Vault: Successful Skill Development* video is available for free on the NFHSLearn.com website.
- The IESA will look into purchasing mini cones that were used at both state tournaments. To help with lines for the 100/Hurdles as well as curves.

Brian Schweitzer, Jay Marshall, and Tim Green were thanked for their service to the Committee and to the participating members of the activity

The date of the next meeting is June 10, 2014.