Minutes of the IESA Officials Advisory Committee Date of meeting: April 24, 2014

Present at the meeting were: Nicole Schaefbauer, IESA Associate Executive Director; Dan Wieczorek, Peru, Baseball; Scott Orban, Streator, Basketball; Carroll Hickenbottom, Blandinsville, Track/Cross Country; Dustin Carter, Baseball, Bloomington; Jim Grimsley, Normal, Volleyball; and Thorn Keene, Peoria, Basketball. Scott Bahorik, Washington, Softball was not present.

The IESA Officials Advisory Committee makes the following recommendation to the IESA Board of Directors:

1. To create an online Officials Center.

Rationale: This will require a \$200.00 yearly software purchase so that Craig can build an officials center. This would be an area where officials could log-in with their IHSA login/password, submit forms and ratings, complete availability for post-season, sign-up for text alerts, etc. It would also be a centralized place for information regarding IESA activities.

2. Eliminate the shell allowance from the Track and Field Sectional official's pay and include an expense line on the host financial report for shells. Track and Field Sectional hosts would now be required to supply their starter with shells.

Rationale: Moving the shell expense to the host financial report will reduce the frequency of increases to the sectional official pay. The price of shells has risen each year.

Points of Emphasis:

- Any violation (hiring of non-licensed official, ejection, or an occurrence of a concussion) must be reported to the IESA Office. Use the Special Report Form that is available on the IESA website.
- Professional appearance and conduct will set the tone for the contest.
- It is important that player equipment be consistently enforced throughout the season.

Thorn Keene and Dan Wieczorek were thanked for their service to the Committee and the membership.

The next meeting of the Committee was set for Wednesday of Week 41 (April 15, 2015).