



**Scholastic Bowl Advisory Committee Meeting**  
**Thursday, June 4, 2015**  
**Minutes and Recommendations**

The following members were present for the meeting: Moderator: Jack Small, Chuck Cunningham; Coaches: Brenda Searby, Champaign Next Generation; Rosanne Corey, Maroa-Forsyth; and Mark Grant, Petersburg PORTA JHS. Not present was Scott Larson, Willowbrook.

The IESA Scholastic Bowl Advisory Committee, in its meeting of June 4, 2015, makes the following recommendations to the Board of Directors for their June 19, 2015 meeting:

1. Terms & Conditions changes/recommendations
  - a. All head coaches must indicate that their students are in compliance with the sportsmanship and eligibility standards when completing the online Regional Entry Form. **APPROVED**  
**Rationale:** Rewording of the current rule. Change will reduce some of the paperwork required of the host.
  - b. The IESA will review all results, break ties and confirm seeds. Results will be posted online in each regional bracket on the assignment page. **APPROVED**  
**Rationale:** The rewording will allow the IESA Administrator the ability to review the seed results and proceed as necessary.
2. Rule changes
  - a. Rule 1, Section 6, Art. 4: If more than two teams have equal records in any pool or tournament, a tiebreaker series round shall be held with rematches between those teams in the order of the initial tournament schedule. Only one moderator will be assigned for all tiebreaker matches. **APPROVED**  
**Rationale:** Provides additional information for moderators and coaches regarding the assignment of moderators for tiebreaker pool play.
  - b. Rule 1, Section 6, Art. 4c: Each match shall consist of 5 toss-up questions with accompanying bonus. **APPROVED**  
**Rationale:** Increase in the number of questions given during the pool play tiebreak.
  - c. Rule 2, Section 1, Art. 1: During the state tournament series, a fully functioning ten position lockout system shall be used in all competitions. **APPROVED**  
**Rationale:** Reworded to include the entire state series as opposed to just the state tournament.
  - d. Rule 5, Section 4, Art. 6: Units are required unless otherwise noted. Moderator will not prompt. **APPROVED**  
**Rationale:** Provides direction and clarification to moderators and coaches regarding prompting for units.
  - e. Rule 5, Section 2, Art. 2b1: All answers must be given in numerical order. Answers not given in order will be disqualified. **APPROVED**

**Rationale:** Provides additional information for moderators and coaches regarding the consequence for not answering the bonus in the correct order.

- f. Rule 6, Section 1, Art. 2: A clarification time-out must be requested before the reading of the bonus section or the next toss-up category is given.

**APPROVED**

**Rationale:** Provides direction and clarification to moderators and coaches regarding the time frame for when a coach may call a clarification timeout.

- g. Rule 7, Section 1, Art. 3d: While asking for the lock-out system to be reset, and on the systems where a visible clock is in use, that the timer be engaged.

**APPROVED**

**Rationale:** Provides additional information for moderators and coaches regarding legal communication.

Committee Discussion

- Prompting guidelines- discussion
- Instructions to Question Galore
- Timing errors- no recommendation
- Pre-empting the moderator- no recommendation
- Change in the reading of bonus questions- survey to be sent
- Change to 5 team format- no recommendation
- Change to 6 team format- no recommendation
- Shortening the season- no recommendation
- Moving the regional date off of Wednesday- survey to be sent
- Adding another class to scholastic bowl based on enrollment- no recommendation
- Adding an additional class to scholastic bowl based on school type- no recommendation
- Base regional assignments on conference affiliation- no recommendation
- Re-configure coach and bench placement- no recommendation
- Team uniform- no recommendation
- 2015 Scholastic Bowl Workshop
  - Date: October, 23, 2015

**Points of Emphasis for 2015-16**

- Communication Rule
- Room set-up for state series
- Match etiquette

**Pairings were drawn for the 2016 IESA Scholastic Bowl State Finals:**

**Class A**

Pool A                    **A, B, E, H**

Pool B                    **C, D, F, G**

**Class AA**

Pool A                    **B, C, E, F**

Pool B                    **A, D, G, H**

Next Meeting Date - Thursday, June 2, 2016.