

IESA BASKETBALL

2016-17 ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES & RECOMMENDATIONS

March 2, 2017

The following members were present for the meeting: Coach, Sondra Findley, Parkside JHS; Coach, Traci Harrell, Carthage; Coach, Dyke Buerkett, Hillsboro; Coach, Scott Flanigan, Pleasant Plains; Coach, Tom May, Taylorville; Coach, Darryl Focken, Cissna Park; Administrator, Craig Shymanski, Ottawa Shepherd; and Chris Hart, Official, Rockford. Not in attendance Coach, Kevin Cain, Yorkville.

The IESA Basketball Advisory Committee, in its meeting of March 2, 2017, makes the following recommendations to the Board of Directors for their April 7, 2017 meeting:

1. By-laws and Terms & Conditions changes/recommendations

a. 4.043:

Proposed: No basketball team representing a member school shall, in any one season and exclusive of the IESA state series, participate in more than **25** games.

Rationale: *The increase in the number of regular season games allowed in a season would give schools more flexibility in their scheduling.*

- 1. It would allow for the ability to participate in more tournament or weekend play.*
- 2. It would allow 8th grade teams the opportunity play a game during the 7th grade regional week and not have to go that week without playing.*
- 3. It would allow those schools that are required to participate in a conference tournament or conference play the ability to incorporate regular season non-conference contests without breaking contracts or jeopardizing relationships.*
- 4. The Committee recognizes that schools do not have to incorporate the additional games on each of their schedules. Each school would retain local control to incorporate the number of contests that complement their program philosophy and budget.*

<p>Current: No basketball team representing a member school shall, in any one season and exclusive of the IESA state series, participate in more than 22 games.</p>
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Board Action: Died

b. **Proposed:** Allow the admission of both the 7th and 8th grade teams into the state series tournaments in which either team is participating.

Rationale: *Currently, the admission is required for the non-participating grade level (i.e. the 7th grade team must pay to enter the 8th grade regional). The Committee would like to see both teams be able to enter both regional tournaments with no admission charge. Participating schools would be asked to send both rosters to the host for each regional tournament. Most of the participating schools consider their 7th and 8th grade teams as encompassing their school basketball "team". They are a family throughout the year, supportive of each other throughout the year and that support and philosophy should extend thru the state tournament series.*

Current: Members of a school's non-participating team should be charged an admission fee.

Board Action: Died

c. 2.128

Proposed: Two officials shall be hired for each quarter-final and semi-final regional game. Three officials will be hired for regional championship games.

Rationale: *The recommendation would provide an additional official on championship night. Having an additional would provide more court coverage for the Championship game.*

Current: Two officials shall be hired for each regional game.

Board Action: Died

d. Publish the seed results of all regionals. The seed information would be published in the Entry Center of each participating team once the brackets had been confirmed.

Example:

Ranker	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Bloomington Evans	Bloomington JHS	Normal Kingsley	Normal Chiddix	Normal Parkside	Washington Central	Stanford Olympia	
Bloomington JHS	Normal Kingsley	Normal Chiddix	Bloomington Evans	Normal Parkside	Washington Central	Stanford Olympia	
Normal Chiddix	Bloomington JHS	Normal Kingsley	Bloomington Evans	Washington Central	Normal Parkside	Stanford Olympia	
Normal Kingsley	Bloomington JHS	Bloomington Evans	Normal Chiddix	Washington Central	Stanford Olympia	Normal Parkside	
Normal Parkside	Bloomington JHS	Bloomington Evans	Normal Kingsley	Washington Central	Normal Chiddix	Stanford Olympia	
Stanford Olympia	Bloomington JHS	Washington Central	Bloomington Evans	Normal Kingsley	Normal Chiddix	Normal Parkside	
Washington Central	Bloomington JHS	Normal Kingsley	Bloomington Evans	Normal Chiddix	Normal Parkside	Stanford Olympia	

Rationale: *The Committee would like more transparency in the seed process.*

Current: Seed information is currently not published.

Board Action: Approved

e. To make the following change to the Terms and Conditions

Proposed: "The official scorer and timer for all regular season and state series games must be at least ~~4~~ 16 years of age."

Rationale: *These are positions that are extremely important to the efficient administration of contests and should be staffed by adults for both the regular season and the state series.*

Current: The official scorer and timer of all state series games must be at least 18 years of age.

Board Action: Approved

f. 4.046

Proposed: All seventh grade games shall consist six minute periods. Overtime periods shall be three minutes. All eighth grade games shall consist of seven minute periods. Overtime periods shall be three minutes. Member schools may play away basketball games with seven-minute quarters with member schools of the Southern Illinois Junior High School Athletic Association.

Rationale: *The increase in quarter length at the eighth grade level would be a good transition for players to high school competition. Keeping the 7th grade level at six-minutes would be appropriate for the 5th-7th grade students who participate at that level. With the increase only being applied to*

one grade level, the contest day would not be considerably lengthened, nor, would officials fees need to be increased. Those on the Committee that have had the opportunity to participate with SIJHSAA schools have indicated that the additional time does encourage incorporating more personnel into the contest.

Current: All games shall consist of six minute quarters.

Board Action: Died

g. 3.015 and 4.044

Proposed:

3.015: ...Schools in baseball, softball, cross-country, volleyball, or scholastic bowl may make changes to the Regional/Sectional Entry Form anytime up until their first contest in the state series by going online, updating the form, and clicking on "Update Entries"; but, are not permitted to make any changes to the Regional/Sectional Entry Form after their first contest in state series play. No changes will be permitted after the seeding meetings in track and field. See section 4.044 for permitted changes in wrestling. See section 4.044 for permitted changes in basketball.

4.044: ...Changes, additions and/or substitutions may be made to the Regional Entry form information until the final entry deadline for roster information.

Final Entry Deadline for Rosters

7th Grade Girls: 4:00 p.m. on Friday of Week 20

8th Grade Girls: 4:00 p.m. on Monday of Week 22

7th Grade Boys: 4:00 p.m. on Friday of Week 29

8th Grade Boys: 4:00 p.m. on Friday of Week 30

Rationale: *Currently, it is possible for roster changes to be made without being reflected online. This is disconcerting for hosts and opponents. The recommendation would "lock-in" rosters so that hosts and opponents would know what team personnel to expect and what additions/changes were legal.*

Current: Schools may make changes to the Regional/Sectional Entry Form anytime up until their first contest in the state series by going online, updating the form, and clicking on "Update Entries".

Board Action: Approved

h. 3.120: Administrative confirmation in conjunction with the submission of a school's online schedule and ranking information.

Rationale: *The Committee is recommending a step that attempts to incorporate administrative oversight at the local level in certain areas that have become a concern to the participating schools- submission of schedule and submission of rankings. Coaches would submit schedule and seed information online as they have in the past. An administrator from their school would then be required to confirm that information as complete and correct. Any inconsistencies or inaccuracies would then be addressed at the local level.*

Current: No further action required to be taken after information has been submitted.

Board Action: Died

i. ~~2.124: If an assignment has been made for a state series contest and there is an affiliation between an official and a participating team, the official will be reassigned or paid.~~

If an assignment has been made by a host school for a state series contest and there is an affiliation between an official and a participating team, the official will be removed from the contest.

Rationale: There is an appearance of impropriety from the onset of a contest if the official has an affiliation with one of the participating schools- employed by one of the participating schools, kids/grandkids attend, member of parish, etc. This potentially adds ill-feelings to the event that could be avoided.

Current: If an assignment has been made by the IESA in the state series and there is an affiliation between an official and a participating team, the official will be reassigned or paid.

Board Action: Approved with rewrite

2. NFHS Exceptions

- a. Adopt an exception to NFHS Rule 3-3-5. Wearing the pants/shorts properly... Shorts may be rolled when done for the purpose of allowing a better fitting uniform. Strings must be tucked in to the shorts/pants/skirt.

Rationale: *School uniforms may not always accommodate small athletes. This would allow students to adjust their uniform to fit without penalty.*

Current: The rule reads "A player not wearing the pants/skirt properly and above the hips...shall be directed to leave the game."

Board Action: Approved

3. Host Instruction Changes/Recommendations

- a. To add the following recommendation to the Host Instructions. It is recommended that all regional and sectional hosts have medical personnel onsite for all state tournament series contests.

Rationale: *This would provide approved medical staff onsite for concussion evaluation and any other medical emergencies that could arise. The financial report would then need to reflect this allowance.*

Current: There is currently no recommendation for regional and sectional hosts.

Board Action: Died

2. 2017 IESA Basketball Points of Emphasis

- a. Quarter length, haltime length, and overtime periods.
- b. Entering Roster and Record information accurately and completely.
- c. How to properly make changes to your roster.
- d. Appropriate use of the pass gate.
- e. Legal uniforms and player equipment.
- f. Role of Assistant Coaches
- g. Ejection policy
- h. The Basketball Advisory Committee recommends that coaches appear at all state series contests- regional, sectional, state- with a professional appearance.

Committee Discussion:

- Discussed the boys and girls state tournaments. All hosts were complimented and thanked.
- Discussed revising the policy regarding signs and banners during the State Series. No recommendation from the Committee.
- Discussed lowering the number of quarters played per night. No recommendation from the Committee.
- Discussed restricting 7th graders to one state series only. No recommendation from the Committee.
- Discussed adjusting the girls season to finish all regional play prior to Thanksgiving. No recommendation from the Committee.
- Discussed starting the girls season earlier in the fall. No recommendation from the Committee.
- Discussed changing the regional assignment procedure to be based on something other than geography. No recommendation from the Committee.
- Discussed implementing sectional complexes. No recommendation from the Committee.
- Discussed changing the state final format to four teams. No recommendation from the Committee.
- Discussed making an exception to the NFHS equipment rules regarding knee pads. No recommendation from the Committee.
- Discussed requiring a training course for table personnel. No recommendation from the Committee.
- Discussed creating a separate class for private schools. No recommendation from the Committee.
- Discussed requiring 3 person crews during the regular season. No recommendation from the Committee.
- Discussed the consistency of officiating during the regular season. No recommendation from the Committee.

Date of the next meeting: Thursday of Week 35 (March 1, 2018)

Dyke Buerkett and Tom May were recognized for their service to the Committee and the membership.

STATE TOURNAMENT PAIRINGS FOR 2017-18

Girls

7 th Class 1A	8 th Class 1A	7 th Class 2A	8 th Class 2A
5 vs. 8	7 vs. 1	5 vs. 6	1 vs. 8
4 vs. 7	5 vs. 2	3 vs. 8	4 vs. 6
1 vs. 3	3 vs. 6	1 vs. 4	3 vs. 7
2 vs. 6	8 vs. 4	2 vs. 7	5 vs. 2

7 th Class 3A	8 th Class 3A	7 th Class 4A	8 th Class 4A
4 vs. 5	2 vs. 6	7 vs. 5	6 vs. 4
3 vs. 7	5 vs. 8	4 vs. 6	5 vs. 7
2 vs. 6	3 vs. 7	8 vs. 2	2 vs. 1
1 vs. 8	4 vs. 1	3 vs. 1	8 vs. 3

Boys

7 th Class 1A	8 th Class 1A	7 th Class 2A	8 th Class 2A
6 vs. 4	3 vs. 8	5 vs. 6	3 vs. 7
5 vs. 1	7 vs. 2	1 vs. 4	6 vs. 4
7 vs. 3	1 vs. 5	7 vs. 2	1 vs. 8
8 vs. 2	4 vs. 6	3 vs. 8	2 vs. 5

7 th Class 3A	8 th Class 3A	7 th Class 4A	8 th Class 4A
5 vs. 3	7 vs. 4	5 vs. 3	8 vs. 6
7 vs. 1	6 vs. 2	6 vs. 1	7 vs. 1
6 vs. 2	1 vs. 3	4 vs. 7	4 vs. 5
4 vs. 8	8 vs. 5	2 vs. 8	2 vs. 3