

IESA GOLF

2016 ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES & RECOMMENDATIONS

October 12, 2016

The following members were present for the meeting: Gary Brunner, Pontiac St. Mary's; Tony Calucchia, Springfield Blessed Sacrament; : Eric Hadden, Normal Kingsley; Ryan Heavner, Greenview; Stan Adkins, Charleston; Sarah Cordis-Tournament Manager, and Kyle Meger-Kellogg Golf Pro.

Absent: Jeremy Larson, Paris Mayo.

The IESA Golf Advisory Committee, in its meeting on October 12, 2016, makes the following recommendations to the Board of Directors for their January 2017 meeting.

Terms and Conditions Changes:

Recommendation: to move the sectional playing date

Proposed - Sectional contests for both boys and girls shall be held on the Tuesday of week 10 in the IESA standardized calendar.

Current: Currently the sectionals are played on the Saturday of week 10

Rationale: Helps the IESA administrator secure sectional sites as courses more likely to host on weekday. A date change reduces the conflict between golf and Baseball/Softball for increased participation.

(T&C II B and Bylaw 4.181)

APPROVED

Recommendation: Penalty for spectator coaching

Proposed: Penalty for spectator coaching violation: 1st offense = warning to the spectator, 2nd offense = 2-stroke penalty to the golfer, and 3rd offense = Disqualification of the golfer.

Current: there is no penalty for this infraction

Rationale: A specific penalty for spectators to help with the spectator coaching problem. Penalty is in line with the IHSA golf spectator penalty. Committee asked that this be added to the Participant Code of Conduct and Spectator Code of Conduct.

(T&C IVE addition)

APPROVED

Recommendation: Team Championship added to State Tournament

Proposed: Any school that qualifies 3 or more golfers to state tournament is automatically enrolled in team competition. The top 3 golfers' scores will be added together for team total. The team with the lowest team total will receive a team championship trophy at both the boys and girls level of play.

Current: there is no team trophy in golf

Rationale: The committee feels this is the easiest way to introduce a team concept without changing the format of the current state series. It would not decrease the level of competition or change the format for the boys or girls competition.

Boys teams: 2014 - 9/40, 2015 - 8/43, 2016 - 5/49

Girls teams: 2015 - 6/40, 2016 - 9/41

Cost: \$200 for two trophies

(T&C VIII D. new and Bylaw 4.186)

DIED

Recommendation: Increase number of participants each school may sign up.

Proposed: The Entry Form, which is available only from the IESA website, shall be used to enter up to **six (6) boys**

and/or up to **six (6) girls** who are certified contestants for the state tournament.

Current: 5 boys and 5 girls

Rationale: increase participation may help feed the team aspect.

(T&C IV. A and Bylaw 4.183)

APPROVED

Recommendation: Golf Carts at sectional play for coaches.

Proposed: Coaches may use motorized golf carts at sectional level of play at the discretion of the course and at the coaches' expense.

Current: Coaches may not use motorized golf carts during the state series.

Rationale: Help coaches get around course for multiple golfers at sectional.

(T&C I.)

DIED

Recommendation: Advancement Formula

Proposed: With the objective of bringing 72 golfers to the state tournament, ***qualifiers to advance to state will be based on a percentage of participants in each sectional at the roster deadline date. Ties for the final spot will be included.*** At the discretion of the IESA golf administrator, sectional sites can be added or decreased. All sectional tournaments will be held...

Current: With the objective of bringing 72 golfers to the state tournament, the top 24 boys and girls golfers including ties will qualify out of sectionals if there are three sectionals. At the discretion of the IESA golf administrator, sectional sites can be added or decreased and the number of qualifiers changed...

Rationale: Gives schools an idea of how many will qualify out of sectionals 3 days out. Helps with skewed sectional assignments based geographically.

(T&C II. B. Bylaw 4.183)

APPROVED

Recommendation:

Proposed: Move the Roster deadline to Monday of week 9 in the standardized calendar.

Current: Friday of week 9

Rationale: Helps Administrator post tee times prior to holiday weekend. Plus change in sectional date and advancement formula calculations.

(T&C II. A., IV. B. and Bylaw 4.183)

APPROVED

Other Items discussed by the Committee:

- The state course and host, Peoria Park District Golf Division, were discussed and the committee commented on the wonderful job that Peoria does hosting this tournament.
- All sectional courses were discussed and thanked for hosting by the Advisory committee.
- Friday Night Registration Activities: discussion was had about adding a clinic on the registration night as well.
- Sectional participant order was discussed, but no change made. The committee felt the best golfers should go off last as this is typical tournament procedure.
- Participant Code of Conduct and Spectator Code of Conduct
- Coaches and spectators at sectional courses were discussed.
- 9-hole tournament was discussed.

Gary Brunner and Eric Hadden were thanked for their service and commitment to the golf advisory committee.

Date of the next meeting: October 11, 2017