



# GOLF

## ADVISORY COMMITTEE

### MEETING AGENDA

November 19, 2020 & January 19, 2021

The following members were present for the meetings: Mike Wallace, Administrator, East Peoria Central; Gina Francis, Coach, Mason City Illini Central; Matt Coulter, Coach, Peoria St. Philomena; Robert Duckles, Coach, Carlinville

The IESA Golf Advisory Committee makes the following recommendations to the IESA Board of Directors for their January 29, 2021 meeting.

#### **Recommendation #1**

**Current:** At the sectional level, to break ties for 2-9<sup>th</sup> place using the USGA scorecard playoff format.

**Proposed:** Rescind the recommendation from last year so that ties will not be broken for any place other than 1<sup>st</sup> place at the sectional level.

**Rationale:** Breaking a tie at the sectional level makes no sense. If two golfers tie for 4<sup>th</sup> place, why break the tie so one golfer gets the 4<sup>th</sup> place medal and one golfer gets the 5<sup>th</sup> places medal when both golfers are going to advance to the state final regardless of 4<sup>th</sup> or 5<sup>th</sup> place? If both golfers shoot the same score one goes home with a 4<sup>th</sup> place medal and one goes home with a 5<sup>th</sup> place because for the last 9 holes one score was better than the other? Why not give both golfers a 4<sup>th</sup> place medal and let them both claim they were the 4<sup>th</sup> place finisher?

**T&C:** VI A 2

**Handbook:** 4.186

**Admin Vote:** 2-0 in favor

**Board Action:** **APPROVED**

#### **Recommendation #2**

**Current:** All sectional contests are held on the first Wednesday after Labor Day.

**Proposed:** Girls sectionals will be played on the first Wednesday after Labor Day. Boys sectionals will be played the first Thursday after Labor Day.

**Rationale:** Since many schools do not have traditional golf teams, having the girls sectional on a different day than the boys sectional allows the same coach for a given school to attend each sectional assuming they have boys and girls golfers. With our current set-up, a school has to have a girls coach and a boys coach since they play their sectionals at different course. This forces the coaches who are not faculty members to take the coaching education course and take the concussion course in order to coach. If one coach can attend each sectional, schools may be able to have just one coach for the school team.

**T&C:** II A;

**Handbook: 4.181**  
**Admin Vote: 2-0 in favor**  
**Board Action: APPROVED**

**Recommendation #3**

**Current:** The state golf final is played at the same course for both the girls and boys on the second Saturday after Labor Day.

**Proposed:** Approve a three-year bid from Metamora Fields to hold the IESA State Golf Finals. The Girls tournament will be held on second Thursday after the girls sectional; the boys final will be held on the second Friday after the boys sectional.

**Rationale:** Metamora Fields is an outstanding golf facility. In addition to a very nice course layout, well maintained, awesome clubhouse, the driving range and putting green are right on the grounds. This is an unbelievable opportunity to hold our finals at a wonderful facility. With the girls finals on one day and the boys finals on the next day, this allows IESA staff to attend both tournaments, allows host management to run a better tournament since the tournament is split into two days, more carts are available for coaches, and if a coach coaches both the boys team and girls team the coach can focus on just one tournament each day.

**T&C: II A**

**Handbook: 4.181**  
**Admin Vote: 2-0 in favor**  
**Board Action: APPROVED**

Next Meeting: October 22, 2021