

2024 IESA VOLLEYBALL COMMITTEE MEETING

Minutes and Recommendations

April 4, 2024

Hybrid Meeting

The following members were present for the meeting: In person - Jackie Litwiller (IESA Assistant Executive Director), Doug Daniels, IHSA Official; Jill Kistner, Coach, Newton Jasper County; Jordan Williams, Coach, Morton JHS; Kristie Rettke, Coach, Manteno; Brett Ward, Administrator, Downs Tri-Valley; Virtual via Zoom - Lynda Kasik, Coach, Peru Parkside; Holly Boehs, Coach, Williamsville. Not in attendance – Hannah Hunt, Coach, Mazon-Verona-Kinsman

The IESA Volleyball Advisory Committee, in its meeting on April 4, 2024, makes the following recommendations to the Board of Directors in its April meeting:

Recommendation 1: Require Line Judges at the Sectional

Current: *XI. Officials*
5. Line Judges
b. For regional and sectional hosts line judges are an allowable expenditure on the financial report form with a rate of pay not to exceed \$20.00 per line judge per match.

Proposed: b. For sectional hosts, line judges are **REQUIRED** and are an allowable expenditure on the financial report form with a rate of pay not to exceed \$20.00 per line judge per match. For regional hosts line judges are optional and are an allowable expenditure on the financial report form with a pay rate not to exceed \$20.00 per line judge per match.

Rationale: As the level of play gets faster, the need for line judges increases. The R1 and R2 would also benefit from the additional line help during the sectional match.

IESA By-Law
Admin Vote 2-2
Board Action Died lack of motion.

Recommendation 2: Move the sectional match time to 6pm.

Current: *VIII. Hosts – Regional, Sectional and State Finals.*
C. Sectional Match
2. Sectional Contest will begin at 6:30pm.

Proposed: Move the sectional match time to 6pm.

Rationale: The sectional match creates a must later night for student athletes. The 7th grade sectional poses the most difficulty since the 8th grade regionals are typically competing the day after the sectional. A 6pm start time, teams can still possibly practice before leaving for a match, it also bridges that gap between a typical match starting at 4:30pm.

IESA By-Law
Admin Vote 1-3
Board Action Died lack of motion.

Recommendation 3: During pre-game warm-ups, allow the team's other players to help with warm-ups on the court.

Current: C. Team Personnel and Warm-Up Procedures
1. Team personnel are defined as those individuals listed on the regional entry form.
d. Only team personnel listed on the regional entry form are permitted in the playing area (on the court, on the competition floor).
e. Non-team personnel may be present around the perimeter of the court.

Proposed: e. Non-team personnel may be present on the court properly equipped, not in uniform to help with shagging during warm-ups.

Rationale: It helps to keep the tournament moving, it also prevents injuries and balls from rolling underneath the net and players feet. It also helps coaches keep track of players, instead of them roaming the building.

IESA By-Law
Admin Vote 4-0
Board **Approved**

Recommendation 4: The host school will select the bench/fan seating assignments prior to the tournament for all post season play.

Current: D. State Tournament Team Limitations
4. The host school shall have the court set up and ready for the first match 45 minutes prior to the scheduled start of the match.

Proposed: The host school will select the bench/fan seating assignments prior to the tournament for all post season play. Fans will be directly across or behind their school team, depending on gym set up.

Rationale: This eliminates teams selecting bench assignments and fan seating assignments at the last minute. It can prevent crossover fans and allows the host to control seating assignments.

IESA By-Law
Admin Vote 1-3
Board No motion – will give guidance in hosting packet about seating.

D. Additional Discussion Topics

- 1) Calendar – Shared the proposals from the Calendar Committee
- 2) Private School Tournament – No recommendation
- 3) Ranking of Teams – Keep current wording. No recommendation
- 4) State hosts should not be able to host their own level of play. No recommendation
- 5) Host sites, assignments, and travel. Shared the mapping process. Hotel options are limited in some state hosting cities.
- 6) Remove language about 15 uniformed rostered players. – No recommendation.
- 7) Sportsmanship Pins explained.
- 8) 24-25 NFHS Volleyball Updates.

E. Points of Emphasis

- 1) State Tournament Officiating: Consistency (IESA)

F. Recognizing Advisory Service

Thank you, Jill Kistner, Newton Jasper County for your service on the IESA Volleyball Advisory Committee.

G. State Final Pairings 2042-2025

	7-1A	7-2A	7-3A	7-4A
Match 1	4 vs. 2	4 vs. 5	6 vs. 1	4 vs. 8
Match 2	3 vs. 7	2 vs. 3	4 vs. 3	5 vs. 3
Match 3	1 vs. 5	1 vs. 8	5 vs. 8	6 vs. 1
Match 4	8 vs. 6	6 vs. 7	7 vs. 2	7 vs. 2

	8-1A	8-2A	8-3A	8-4A
Match 1	6 vs. 4	4 vs. 2	8 vs. 2	2 vs. 5
Match 2	8 vs. 2	6 vs. 8	3 vs. 7	7 vs. 4
Match 3	3 vs. 5	7 vs. 1	4 vs. 6	1 vs. 3
Match 4	7 vs. 1	3 vs. 5	5 vs. 1	6 vs. 8

H. Next meeting: Wednesday, April 9th, 2025 – Virtual.