

2022 IESA TRACK AND FIELD ADVISORY MEETING

Minutes and Recommendations

June 8, 2022

The following members were present for the meeting: Nicole Schaeftbauer (IESA Executive Director), Scott Austin (Beecher, Coach), Ross Forlines (Findlay Okaw Valley, Principal), Jay Marshall (Antioch, Official), Tim VanSwol (Manteno, Coach), Brad Henz (ShaZam Racing), Britney Tomlinson (East Peoria Central), and Todd Ehlert (Geneseo, Coach).

The IESA Track and Field Advisory Committee, in its meeting on June 8, 2022, makes the following recommendations to the IESA Board of Directors for their June, 2022, meeting:

Recommendation 1- State Series

Current English measurement

Proposed **Sectional**

All field event marks must be reported as metric distances actually achieved during the current Track and Field season.

At all Sectional meets, metric measurements shall be used in all field events.

The qualifying standards for the field events are metric measurements. The metric measurements will be used in determining qualifying marks for all field events. English conversions will not be used or considered to determine if a qualifying standard was met.

State

At the State meet, metric measurements shall be used in all field events.

Rationale Metric measurement has become more of the standard for track and field. This will also be the measurement system that our athletes will be using when they reach high school

T & F T&C III., A., 3, d.- New
VIII., A., 10.
XI. C- New

IESA By-Law

Admin Vote 3-0 in favor with the following administrative recommendation: To be implemented in 2022-23

Board Action **Died for lack of a motion.**

Recommendation 2- Terms and Conditions: Field Events

Current For the IESA Track and Field State Series, there shall be three trials in preliminaries and three trials in finals of the long jump, shot put, and discus throw. At the state meet, preliminaries will be run in flights. Once a competition has begun, except as scheduled, competitors are not allowed to use for practice purposes the runway, ring, take-off area or throwing implements associated with the competition.

Proposed For the IESA Track and Field State Series, there shall be four total trials in in the long jump, shot put, and discus throw. No finals will be conducted. At the state meet, there may be multiple flights of an event. Once a competition has begun, except as scheduled, competitors are not allowed to use for practice purposes the runway, ring, take-off area or throwing implements associated with the competition.

Rationale

T&F T&C XIII. H.

IESA By-Law

Admin Vote

Board Action **Approved.**

Recommendation 3- Entry Fees

Current	Entry fees are \$70.00 per level.
Proposed	For 2023-24, increase entry fees to \$100.00 per level. The additional \$30.00 per level would be sent to the host school to offset expenses.
Rationale	The hope of the committee is that this money will be used to cover the timing/scoring expense and would encourage more hosts to use FAT without requiring it.
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IESA By-Law	
Admin Vote	
Board Action	Tabled.

Recommendation 4- Officials

Current	
Proposed	Add a Clerk of Course Official- \$180.
Rationale	This official will facilitate the movement of those multi-event athletes.
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IESA By-Law	
Admin Vote	
Board Action	Approved

Recommendation 5- Terms and Conditions: Relay Alternates

Current	<p>In all interscholastic track and field meets, <u>students are allowed to participate in a maximum of four (4) events.</u> Relay teams may list a maximum of five athletes- four runners and one alternate. Any four of the five runners listed may run at either the sectional or state level of competition. Students may only be listed in two relays. If a student participates in two relays, one of the relays must be the 4x400. <u>Regardless of the participation grade level, no student may participate in both the 4x100 relay and the 4x200 relay.</u></p> <p>Athletes listed as a relay alternate will not have an event count toward their event total unless they participate in that event. Athletes may be listed as an alternate for both the 4x100 and 4x200 M Relay but may only participate in one of those relays.</p> <p>Relay teams that place at the sectional meet shall receive five ribbons. Relay teams that place at the state meet will receive five medals.</p>
Proposed	<p>In all interscholastic track and field meets, <u>students are allowed to participate in a maximum of four (4) events.</u> Relay teams may list a maximum of six athletes- four runners and two alternates. Any four of the six runners listed may run at either the sectional or state level of competition. Students may only be listed as a participant in two relays. If a student participates in two relays, one of the relays must be the 4x400. <u>Regardless of the participation grade level, no student may participate in both the 4x100 relay and the 4x200 relay.</u></p> <p>Athletes listed as a relay alternate will not have an event count toward their event total unless they participate in that event. Athletes may be listed as an alternate for both the 4x100 and 4x200 M Relay but may only participate in one of those relays during a meet.</p> <p>Relay teams that place at the sectional meet shall receive six ribbons. Relay teams that place at the state meet will receive six medals.</p>
Rationale	With injuries, illness and quarantining, this gives coaches a little more flexibility in making sure that they have available personnel.
T&F T&C	VI. A.; XVI. C.
IESA By-Law	

Admin Vote

Board Action Died for lack of a motion.

Points of Emphasis

1. Wristbands for state meet.
2. New sectional participant information deadline.
3. Submitting times for the seed meetings.
4. Alternates.
5. Multi-event athlete reporting procedures.
6. Metric measurement.

Discussion Topics

1. Discussed various recommendations about the number of automatic qualifiers. No recommendation. The state series is built on the geographic principle leading to geographic representation at the State Finals. The state series is not intended to necessarily advance the best teams/individuals in the state to the state meet, but advance the best from around the state. We have to be careful in the number of athletes advancing as to not overtax the facility. We have had this happen in the past.
2. Discussed allowing starting heights for pole vault and high jump to be determined by the teams participating at each sectional. No recommendation. The Committee will monitor the starting heights and the success of participating athletes during the 2023 season.
3. Discussed the sectional and state order of events. No recommendation.
4. Discussed the addition of the triple jump. No recommendation. The Committee had concerns regarding the time this would add to the sectional meets, coaching experience and the physical impact on the athletes.
5. Discussed moving the pole vault to a non-scoring status. No recommendation.
6. Discussed several proposed changes to the sectional format and event order. No recommendation.
7. Discussed the sectional roster information deadline. No recommendation.
8. Discussed always running the 100/hurdles at the state meet with a tail wind. No recommendation. This is an issue of visibility and space.
9. Discussed different formats for the state meet. No recommendation.
10. Discussed a warm-up area at the state meet. IESA will work with EastSide Centre for an outside area.
11. Discussed allowing the review of unofficial video. No recommendation.
12. Discussed the difference in participation composition (fewer full teams) between the various classes. No recommendation.

Next Advisory Committee Meeting Date

Wednesday, June 7, 2023 @ 10:00 am