

MINUTES OF THE AD HOC COMMITTEE ON CLASSIFICATION MEETING

February 20, 2018

The IHSA Ad Hoc Committee on Classification met via conference call, on Tuesday, February 20, 2018, beginning at 9:00 a.m. Committee members present were: Nick Browder, Olympia Fields (Rich Central); Tim Chandler, Burbank (St. Laurence); Mike Cooper, Ottawa (Twp.); Alex Fox, Edwardsville (H.S.); Doug Furlow, Williamsville; Jennifer Haertling, Steeleville; Victor Iturralde, Chicago (Solorio Academy); Victoria McDonald, Robinson; Becky Moran, Summit (Argo); Eric Orne, Quincy (Notre Dame); Todd Rogers, Carterville; Chris Rozanski, Rockford (Boylan Catholic); Dan Tully, Niles (Notre Dame); Andy Turner, Park Ridge (Maine South); and Todd Vohland, Decatur (St. Teresa). Also in attendance were Kurt Gibson, IHSA Associate Executive Director; Scott Johnson, IHSA Assistant Executive Director; and Sam Knox, IHSA Assistant Executive Director. Not present was member Dorothy Gaters, Chicago (Marshall).

RECOMMENDATIONS:

None.

ITEMS OF GENERAL DISCUSSION:

1. The committee reviewed the minutes from their January 23rd meeting.
2. The committee discussed at length the current Waiver Policy and Success Factor. In the course of the discussion, committee members reviewed a proposal that would narrow the length of time that would be used for determining whether or not a non-boundary school would be eligible for a waiver. There seemed to be some interest among the committee to continue exploring that idea in future meetings. The committee also discussed the philosophical merits of the Success Factor and its application for all schools and not just a sub-set.
3. The committee also reviewed a document submitted by committee member Todd Rogers that offered a deeper dive into a possible classification model. In the end, the committee recognized that the issues of classification and waiver/success are likely tied together and need to be considered en masse. The committee agreed to send any additional requests for information to IHSA staff prior to their next meeting.
4. The committee set 10:00 a.m. as the starting time for the next meeting on March 20, 2018. The meeting will be held at the IHSA Office.