

MINUTES OF THE 2017-18 BOYS/GIRLS BASKETBALL ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

April 24, 2018

The IHSA Boys' and Girls' Basketball Advisory Committee met at the IHSA Office, Bloomington, Illinois, on Tuesday, April 24, 2018, beginning at 10:00 a.m. Committee members present were: Gary DeCesare, Chicago (St. Rita); Michael Sitter, Elgin (H.S.); Joe Kilbride, Lisle (Benet Academy); Matthew Shoaff, Bethany (Okaw Valley); Megan McCracken, Rock Island (Alleman), Andy Palmer, Carlyle; and Richard Fisher, Sugar Grove. Also in attendance were IHSA Associate Executive Director Kurt Gibson and Assistant Executive Director Beth Sausser.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. Boys and Girls Section VI. B. 1), 2) and 3): Tournament Structure and Time Schedule

Recommendation: Each competing team has an opportunity to stretch on the Regional, Sectional and Super Sectional competition floor for 5 minutes prior to the start of the 15:00-minute pre-game warmup begins.

Rationale: Allows teams to stretch and run on their half of the floor prior to the 15-minute warm-up. No basketballs can be used during the 5-minute stretching period. In some facilities there is not enough room to stretch in the locker room or hallway.

Died for Lack of Motion

THREE POINT SHOWDOWN TERMS AND CONDITIONS RECOMMENDATIONS:

None forwarded

ADMINISTRATIVE RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. State Adoptions

Recommendations: The committee recommends the adoption of the following rules for the 2018-19 season:

- a. **Mercy Rule:** will be used in **all regular season contests and regular season tournament games**. A running clock shall be used in the fourth quarter in which there is at least a 30-point differential score. Once a game reaches this differential and the clock starts running, it will continue running and stop only for one of the following:
 - A team timeout
 - An injury timeout or the removal of a disqualified player
 - The administration of a penalty for a technical foul
 - An officials' timeout
 - Correctable error situation.

Note: The Mercy Rule will not be used during the boys' or girls' state series.

- b. 28' Coaches Box

Rationale: These state adoptions are allowed for in accordance with the NFHS Basketball Rules Book.

Approved

ITEMS OF GENERAL DISCUSSION

1. The committee reviewed the minutes of 2017 Advisory Committee meeting.

2. The committee reviewed the new IHSA By-laws that will go into effect for the 2018-19 school year.
3. The committee discussed the use of the MaxPreps team rankings as a tool for coaches when seeding the tournament.
4. The committee discussed the need to remind state series host schools that they are neutral sites during the state series. Assignment of locker rooms and bench introduction protocol should be consistent for all teams throughout the series. The host site team has an opportunity to play on their home court but should treat all teams as if it is a neutral site.
5. The committee received a report regarding the Classification Ad Hoc Committee. This committee has been reviewing classification cutoffs, multi-year classification assignments, the success factor, socio-economic factors, waivers and the procedure for determining classification in team bracketed sports.
6. The committee discussed potential changes to the State Final tournament structure for boys' and girls' basketball.
7. The committee reviewed the hosting the awards ceremony after the championship game for each class and though the new format was a success at all tournaments.
8. The committee reviewed the 2018-19 NFHS rule proposals. At the time of the meeting the NFHS had not released if the proposals passed. Committee members discussed some current NFHS rules: uniforms, halves vs quarters; shot clock.
9. Committee members discussed a potential NFHS rule proposal for the 2019-20 season: Make all timeouts the same length during a contest. This change takes away any uncertainty coaches, players, officials and the scorekeeper have during a game.
10. The committee discussed the 3-point shot contest. Rack location should not matter if the feet of the shooter are behind the 3pt line when shooting the ball. Video replays shall not be used or reviewed at any time during a contest. Host sites need to have enough balls and racks to conduct the 3-point contest.
11. The committee reviewed the NFHS rule proposals. If the proposal allowing each state to adopt the use of a shot clock passes, the committee asked to reconvene to discuss the next step is surveying the IHSA membership regarding its use.
12. The committee discussed assignment of officials for state series competitions.
13. The committee suggested that all host personnel review the Managers Manual before hosting a state series game. They also suggested that the IHSA produce a host manager video prior to the start of the state series.
14. Committee reviewed By-Law 3.107: A coach may not coach more than two students from their school on a non-school team out of season except for the 25-contact day period.
15. The Committee thanks the following members for their service as their terms are expiring: Richard Fisher, Andy Palmer and Michael Sitter.
16. Next Meeting Date - Tuesday, April 23, 2019