

## **MINUTES OF THE IHSA GIRLS BADMINTON ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING**

May 19, 2010

The IHSA Girls' Badminton Advisory Committee met at the Office of the Illinois High School Association on Wednesday, May 19, 2010, beginning at 10:00 a.m. Committee members present were Theresa McLaughlin, Calumet City (T.F. North); Terri Kimura, Glenview (Glenbrook South); Scott Freischlag, Owsego (H.S); Carl Watschke, Hoffman Estates (Conant); and Kim Collings, Villa Park (Willowbrook). Also in attendance was Susan K. Hinrichsen, Assistant Executive Director of the IHSA and Stacey Lambert, IHSA.

### **TERMS AND CONDITIONS RECOMMENDATIONS**

#### **1. Item VI C. State Final Time Schedule**

**Recommendation:** It is recommended that there are 3 thirty minute practice blocks in the Friday time schedule beginning at 8:15 a.m. and ending at 9:45 a.m.

**Rationale:** Allows for practice to start a little later based on coaches' preference.

#### **2. Item, Code of Conduct**

**Recommendation:** It is recommended that Self Abuse be an offense under the *Profane and Obscene Language or Gestures* category. Self abuse shall be defined as self inflicted abuse with or without a racket which could leave a mark or welt. The first offense shall be a warning. The second offense shall be a 1 game point deduction. The third offense shall be a 3 game point deduction.

**Rationale:** Coaches are concerned about a trend in which players are hitting themselves with their racket during play enough so that there are bruises and welts. Coaches see this as a safety concern and feel that if there are consequences for it that it will raise awareness and be more easily addressed.

#### **3. Item V.H Making the Sectional Draw**

**Recommendation:** It is recommended in the sectional draw to have the top seeds receive the bye.

**Rationale:** The current draw has non-seeded players receiving byes.

### **ADMINISTRATIVE RECOMMENDATIONS:**

1. It is recommended that for the LOP's, coaches shall enter their results in chronological order and that the LOP specifically direct coaches who want consideration for a sectional and/or state final seed to complete the playing schedule. Coaches who have not rank (NR) players will only have to enter the player(s) name. The committee also asked for the IHSA to explore a way in which coaches could enter their LOP's by downloading their excel program instead of reentering all the matches.

2. It is recommended that at the state finals, the name of the player(s) be displayed on the court for fans and coaches.
3. It is recommended that for the first round of the state finals, tournament central not call the round over the PA. Instead players shall go immediately to their court following the opening ceremonies. Since players already know their court assignments there really is no need to call to the first round of play.
4. The committee asked for a stricter enforcement of rules at the state final.
5. The committee reviewed the *State Final Badminton Draw Instructions* which is in the *School Manual* which was rewritten. This will again be included in the school manual next year.
6. A correction was made to the *Code of Conduct*. The *Advice by Multiple Coaches* was removed from the misconduct section and placed in the Unsportsmanlike Acts Section.

#### **DISCUSSION ITEMS:**

1. Online rules meeting topic recommended by the committee are: 1) legal and illegal uniforms, 2) geographic principle, 3) what a receiving player can do relative to rule 9.1.3, 4) replay the serving video replayed, 5) show the differences between IHSA and USAB rules, 6) and for a point of emphasis, cover the 6 foot safety space allowed between side line and fans.
2. The committee reviewed the *Grouping and Seeding Policy*, the role of the sectional complex in assigning schools, and how late withdrawals or late adds impact the number of schools in a complex.
3. The committee discussed the idea of having a space available during the Thursday warm-up for schools and fans to grill burgers and have a picnic. IHSA will get approval from EIU for a place to park cars and grills.
4. The committee discussed the Emerging Sport Policy relative to boys' badminton.
5. The committee recognized Carl Watschke and Kim Collings for their service to the IHSA advisory committee.
6. The committee thanked Kevin Hussey, Nancy Grant, Nackil Sung and Ken Baker for their support and masterful work these past 5 years as hosts and managers. They recommend that IHSA continue the state finals at EIU.