

**MINUTES OF THE IHSA  
ACTIVITIES DIRECTOR ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING  
May 20, 2010**

The Illinois High School Association Activities Director Advisory Committee met at the IHSA Office in Bloomington on Thursday May 20, 2010 beginning at 10:00 a.m. Committee members present were: Jennifer Paul, Activities Director, Libertyville; Brian Prybil, Activities Director, Moline (H.S.); Dana Dale, Athletic Director/Activities Director, Maroa-Forsyth; Tony Kozelichki, Athletic Director/Activities Director, Alexis (United); Ed Jodlowski, Principal, Mason City (Illini Central) and Susie Knoblauch, IHSA. Thomas Witting, Activities Director Burbank (Reavis), Maria Zurliene, Activities Director Breese (Mater Dei); and Sylvia Nelson Jordan representing the CPL were unable to attend.

**I. REVIEW OF ADVISORY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS:**

**A) Chess –**

1. Approved recommendation for online presentation covering rules and procedures. (*Wanted to know if any penalties would be assessed to a school that does not watch the online rules review?*) (5-0)
2. Approved forfeiture of play for cell phone use. (*Wanted to know if there was a standardized IHSA rule, how is the rule communicated to students?, and how is this handled at the invitational level? Suggested that this should be covered in the new online rule presentation*) (5-0)

**B) Scholastic Bowl –**

1. Approved the recommendation to eliminate the specification of sub-category. (*First was tabled for more information – then reviewed later*) (5-0)
2. Rejected the recommendation to eliminate Driver's Education sub category (5-0)
3. Approved the modification of computation math questions (5-0)
4. Approved the modification of sub-category distributions (5-0)
5. Approved the recommendation to not allow cell phones/technology and define seating (5-0)  
(Referred back to a standardized policy for all activities)
6. Approved the recommendation to adjust tournament dates for Casimir Pulaski Day (5-0)
7. Tabled for additional information (*Discussed online seeding possibilities, and penalty for non attendance*) (5-0)

**C) Speech Individual Events –**

1. Approved adding an introduction to Poetry (5-0)
2. Approved adding a required introduction to all interp. events (5-0)
3. Rejected 15%/prohibiting the practice of combining lines to create one character (*Felt that the rule was difficult to monitor and enforce and contradicts each other*) (5-0)

4. Approved not allowing visual aids in all public speaking events (5-0)
5. Approved oral prep in 30 second intervals for Impromptu Speaking (5-0)

**D) Speech Drama/Group Interpretation –**

1. Approved penalty for load in/load out time for Drama (5-0)
2. Approved penalty for load in/load out time for Group Interpretation (5-0)
3. Approved the adjustment in the LOP deadline for Drama/GI (5-0)

**E) Speech Debate –**

No recommendations

**F) Music Solo & Ensemble**

No recommendations

**G) Music Organizational**

- 1 & 2. Rejected allowing students to be allowed to play in more than one organization on different instruments (*Concerns about scheduling conflicts and disparity among size of schools and vocal entries*) (5-0)
3. Approved requiring one “*swing style*” selection for Jazz Choirs (5-0)
4. Approved requiring on “*swing style*” selection for Jazz Combos (5-0)
5. Approved creating two separate adjudication forms for Jazz Choirs and Show Choirs which would not evaluate jazz choirs on choreography (5-0)
6. Approved requiring original scores for all Jazz and Show choirs (5-0)

**H) Journalism**

1. Approved adjusting the dates for the 2011 State Final to avoid Easter weekend (5-0)
2. Approved aligning the category schedule to provide for adequate time for the judges to read all of the submitted work (5-0)
3. Approved the addition of the Broadcasting Category (5-0)

**II. Items of Discussion**

1. The committee heard reviews of the current terms and conditions, tournament information and IHSA initiatives: *Chess (Scott Johnson)*, *Scholastic Bowl (Ron McGraw)*, Speech: Individual Events (Susie Knoblauch), Speech: Drama/Group Interpretation (Susie Knoblauch), Speech: Debate (Susie Knoblauch), Music: Solo and Ensemble (Susie Knoblauch), Music: Organization (Susie Knoblauch), Journalism: (Susie Knoblauch), Sportsmanship/Student Advisory & Leadership Conference (Beth Sauser) and News Media Update (Matt Troha).

2. Susie gave an update on sideline and competitive cheer and dance. Dave gave an overview of the second annual IHSA Bass Fishing State Final. Often times these activities fall into the responsibilities of the high school activities director.

3. Stacy Lambert gave an update and review of the Academic All-State Awards and the Team Academic Achievement Winners. It was suggested to review and update the minimum number of students listed to be eligible for the Team Academic Awards

- a) Some schools expressed concern about variances in second semester dates and Team Academic Awards due dates.
  - b) Recommended to promote Team Academic Awards and Academic All-State Awards in the online rules meetings. This could be an opportunity to promote the programs more and also be an opportunity to recognize the sponsors Caterpillar and Country.
4. The group reviewed the minutes of the Sportsmanship Advisory Committee and the Student Advisory Committee. Suggestions were to promote the programs more at the conference level by member schools. Some schools are in dual conference and are facing some difficulties for consistency among conferences. The group suggested partnering with IADA and referring that group to the website. Susie will incorporate presentation on the sportsmanship programs and awards programs at the fall IADA conference.
5. The committee supported the recommendation from the news media advisory committee regarding adjustments to girls volleyball and boys/girls basketball time changes.
6. Correspondence from Taylorville High School Cheer Coach regarding sideline cheer was presented to Susie. Sideline and competitive cheer were discussed. It was suggested to separate those two categories and not make one a prerequisite of the other during the winter season.
7. Susie reviewed IHSA initiatives: Drug Testing, Strategic Planning, Ad Hoc Dance Committee.
8. A member of the committee asked if the IHSA recognizes long term coaching achievements. Susie referred those types of recognitions back to the coaches association.
9. Tony Kozelichki expressed appreciation regarding the elimination of the entry fees.
10. Concerns were expressed regarding the standardized dates for Music and the conflicts with Easter weekend.
11. The next Meetings for the Activities Director Advisory Committee will be Wednesday October 13, 2010 and Tuesday May 17<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 a.m.

Approved minutes of Advisory Committee