

CIAC BOARD OF CONTROL MEETING MINUTES
April 4, 2019

1.0 ACTION ITEMS

- 1.1 Review and approval of the Board of Control Minutes for February 21, 2019 – After review and discussion the Board voted to approve the minutes as presented.

Motion: To approve minutes – motion approved.

- 1.2 Treasurer's Report – A financial report from February 28, 2019 was presented.

Motion: To approve February 28, 2019 treasurer's report – motion approved.

- 1.3 Self-Report – Out of Season Coaching – [] High School – The Board considered a self-report from [] High School for a violation of out-of-season coaching rules by its boys tennis coach. A coach participated in coaching clinics at the racket club at which he worked, and team members participated in some of the clinics outside of their competition season. The school shared specific steps it had already taken in response to the violation as part of its self-report.

Motion: To fine the school \$750 (\$250 per incident) for the violation and require the coach to take the Connecticut Coaching Education Module on CIAC Rules – motion approved.

- 1.4 Self-Report – Use of Ineligible Player – [] High School – The Board considered a self-report from [] High School for use of an ineligible player by its boys basketball program. An athlete participated in an outside competition and then took part in a CIAC Tournament game. The team lost the game which ended its season so there were no additional violations or need for forfeits.

Motion: To fine the school \$100 for the violation – motion approved.

- 1.5 Self-Report – Use of Ineligible Player – [] High School – The Board considered a self-report from [] High School for use of an ineligible player by its boys basketball program. An athlete was ejected from a boys basketball game for fighting and then competed in the next scheduled game in violation of CIAC rule. The violation was discovered by an official in the game in which the violation occurred.

Motion: To fine the school \$250 for the violation and require the coach to take the Connecticut Coaching Education Module on CIAC Rules – motion approved.

- 1.6 Girls Basketball Tournament Proposal – Five Divisions: -- The Board considered a proposal from the Girls Basketball Committee to move to a five division format for the 2019-20 CIAC Girls Basketball Championships.

Motion: To approve the request for a five division format for the 2019-20 CIAC Girls Basketball Tournaments – motion approved.

2.0 DISCUSSION ITEMS

- 2.1 Legislative Updates – Glenn Lungarini provided updates on issues currently being looked at by the legislature that might impact CAS-CIAC membership. These include concussion protocols, turf fields, and a task force on protections for gender identity and expression.

- 2.2 NFHS Update – Glenn Lungarini provided an update on new from the NFHS. The basketball showcase events are the most discussed topic amongst the Federation, and the organization is also looking at committees for recruiting issues. Gregg Simon will be attending NFHS Legal Issues conference in the coming weeks.
- 2.3 Gender By-Law Review Sub-Committee Update – Glenn Lungarini distributed the final report from the CIAC Gender Subcommittee. The report will subsequently also be shared with the CAS Board of Directors.
- 2.4 Cooperative Team Appeals: Gregg Simon provided the Board members with proposed language per the Board’s request to clarify the appeals process for decisions by the Cooperative Team Committee. The Board suggested some additional modifications to note that the Board of Control will receive regular reports on Cooperative Team Committee decisions.
- 2.5 Out-of-Season Coaching/Season Limitations Request – Gregg Simon shared with the Board members a request from the Southern Connecticut Conference to form a subcommittee to examine CIAC’s rules regarding out-of-season coaching and season limitations. The Board members expressed an understanding that this issue is amongst the most contentious in the world of Connecticut high school sports, and also wanted to insure they were being supportive of its members that submitted the request.

Motion: To approve the formation of a subcommittee to look at the pros-and-cons of stakeholders regarding current out-of-season coaching regulations – motion approved.

3.0 CONSULTANT REPORTS

- 3.1 CAS –
- 3.2 CAPSS – No report
- 3.3 CABE – No report
- 3.4 Sports Medicine – No report
- 3.5 CATA – No report
- 3.6 Unified Sports – No report
- 3.7 CAAD – Matt Perachi reported CAAD recently held its annual conference which was highly successful.
- 3.8 CHSCA – No report
- 3.9 Officials – No report

4.0 COMMITTEE REPORTS

- 4.1 Eligibility – The Eligibility Committee heard four cases; three were denied, one was approved.
- 4.2 Eligibility Review Board –Did not meet.

5.0 FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

6.0 STAFF REPORTS

- 6.1 Matt Fischer reported CIAC will be holding multiple in-person training sessions for school administrators with the new Arbiter system on April 6, 7, and 8.
- 6.2 Bob Ford reported the Girls Volleyball Committee had voted to increase the number of multi-team tournaments permitted during the season.
- 6.3 Joe Tonelli reported the recently completed indoor track & field and ice hockey tournaments both went very well.
- 6.4 Mary Lee Weber reported that sponsorships are doing well.
- 6.5 Joe Velardi reported that a survey will be going out shortly gauging the interest in moving golf to the fall.

- 6.6 Gregg Simon reported the recently completed boys and girls basketball tournaments culminating in the finals at Mohegan Sun went well. Also shared that the CAS-CIAC Hall of Honor Banquet will be taking place on April 11.

Next Meeting: Thursday, May 2.