

CIAC Football Committee

April 22, 2021

Minutes

1. Review and Approval of the Football Committee Minutes 8/25/20, 12/17/20

a. The committee reviewed and approved the minutes from the August and December meetings

2. Financial Report

a. There is no financial report as there was no tournaments for this season.

3. Connecticut High School Football Alliance Update-Al Carbon.

a. Al Carbone reported that the Alliance met in January and developed a proposal for the 5 leagues.

b. The Alliance wants to implement a 'Strength of Competition Factor'. Al reviewed the reasoning for the change which would reward the school for playing a more competitive schedule. Al encouraged the committee to adopt this factor as part of the football rankings.

4. Connecticut High School Football Alliance Proposal

a. The committee discussed the proposal. The document was included in the meeting communication.

b. Matt Fischer spoke to the committee about how the point system would work under the proposal. Matt did a trial with the results from a past season and reported his findings to the committee.

c. The committee requested that the CIAC provide additional information.

d. The committee took no action and will revisit the proposal in May.

5. CHSCA Proposal for Division Increase

a. The committee discussed the CHSCA concept to increase the number of divisions to 6. Tom Dyer spoke to the reasoning for the idea which essentially would increase the number of teams that participate in the tournament.

b. No action was taken. A formal proposal would be needed from CHSCA in order for the committee to take any action in the future. There would be a number of different groups who would have to be consulted on this if it were to become a formal proposal. If a proposal were to be forwarded, a final decision would need to be made by the CIAC Board of Control.

6. CIAC Summer Series Update

a. Mr. Simon gave an overview of the status of the CIAC Summer Series. The details have been made available. An update went out today. A survey went out to coaches today.

7. Establish Size of Each Division

a. Mr. Simon reviewed the numbers of schools in the divisions.

b. A tie in enrollment requires the teams stay in the same division.

c. An odd number of schools would place the extra team in the smaller divisions.

d. There are going to be some changes in divisions based on the coops and some school closings.

8. Update 2021 Football Packet-Success in Tournament Factor

a. Because there was no season last year it is not possible to count last year in the success in tournament factor.

b. The committee agreed that there should be only one year of success factor (2019).

c. The committee directed Mr. Simon to put together divisions and include that on the agenda for the May meeting.

d. The committee agreed that the sites for the tournament must be predetermined. Mr. Simon and Jim Benanto will begin the search for good sites.