

BOYS AND GIRLS INDOOR TRACK COMMITTEE MINUTES  
September 7, 2016

Members present: Bill Baron, Corey Bernier, Brian Collins, Rich Kosta, Betty Remigino-Knapp, Brian LaFontaine, Kurt Ogren, Tammy Schondelmayer, Dave Tetlow, Donn Friedman, Steve Wysowski-Chair, Joe Tonelli-CIAC.

Call to Order – The meeting was called to order by Steve Wysowski at 3:35 p.m.

Update Committee and Contact Information – Changes made and submitted.

Minutes – On a motion by Donn Friedman, the minutes of March 8, 2016 were approved.

Financial Report – Steve and Joe reviewed the financial report that indicated that there was an increase in revenue for 2015-16 as compared to 2014-15. Two reasons for this was the \$2 across the board increase in adult ticket prices and the weather was good.

Correspondence – None since the spring meeting.

Review of 2015-16 state meets – All reports indicate that in spite of the one glitch relative to the three (3) event limit violations, the 2015-16 meets went very well. It was noted that because of budget constraints CIAC has decided not to increase any fees charged to schools for the 2016-17 school year.

Old Business – The following items from the March meeting were discussed and finalized:

1. All has been past practice, all agreed that the girls shot put would always go first without a rotation.
2. All agreed that we would follow the NFHS rules for scratching. However, to get more coaches to scratch their athletes when they know they will not be competing in a particular event, the meet directors will stress this in the pre-meet meeting and it will be announced periodically by the announcer during the meet. Also, we will add a separate table for these scratches to facilitate this process.
3. The same procedure as last year will remain in place relative to the alternates and relay declarations. However, it was suggested and approved that there will be a separate section in the packet for relays, which will include this procedure. The NFHS language (with a 3 event limit) also remains in place, but all agreed that the outdoor packet language clearly explains this rule and will be included in the indoor packet.
4. Steve compiled and distributed an analysis of each event relative to entries and actual meet competitors to be used by the committee to review the qualifying standards when revising the 2016-17 packet.

New Business – New rule changes update was given by Steve in his role on the NFHS rules committee. All new rule changes will be included in the packet. Steve highlighted a few of the changes for the committee.

NFHS Online Rule Interpreters Meeting – January 17, 2016 at 2:00 p.m. Steve invited interested committee members and meet directors to join him at CIAC to participate in the online meeting.

2016-17 Indoor Track Tournament Packet – The remainder of the meeting was used to review the indoor track packet and make the necessary revisions. This included the divisions which were established based upon the data from last year's meet provided by Dave Tetlow. It was noted that due to the Enrico Fermi and Enfield school consolidation, both enrollments were added together, and thereby placing the one school (Enfield) in Class LL for both boys and girls. In addition, the committee reviewed the qualifying standards and made some adjustments that will be reflected in the packet. Specifically, the standards were changed for Class LL and Class L girls in the 300 and for all classes in girls for the 600. The Class state meet schedule was rotated in accordance with past practice, and therefore, the schedule is as follows:

Thursday, February 9 – Class M at 4:00 p.m.; Friday, February 10 – Class LL at 4:00 p.m.; Saturday, February 11 – Class S at 10:00 a.m.; Saturday, February 11 – Class L at 4:30 p.m.; Open Championship – Saturday, February 18 at 12:00 Noon; NE Championships – Sunday, March 4 at the Reggie Lewis Center.

On a motion by Brian LaFontaine, the 2016-17 indoor packet with the agreed upon changes was unanimously approved.

Other Business – Steve reviewed the change to CIAC Sports Committee Rules and the Process that must be followed when ideas are brought to the committee for discussion and review. The steps that must be followed to insure proper vetting before and after an idea can become an official proposal, is outlined on pages 34 and 35 of the CIAC Handbook. The message for all committees is we have to take the time to thoroughly discuss and seek the input from all the appropriate groups before the committee finalizes any proposal and eventually makes a recommended change to the CIAC Board of Control.

With no further business the meeting adjourned at 5:20 p.m. The next meeting of the committee will be Tuesday, March 7, 2017.