

CIAC FOOTBALL COMMITTEE MINUTES

May 23, 2017

1. Accept minutes of February 21 meeting – Damien, Joe G. – Unanimous
2. Check and Finalize Packet – Some additions to the locker room needs were added – Privacy and security of athletes needs to be protected. Cleats must be allowed in the room, access to lav facilities. Add the “running clock” policy and some grammar edits in the rationale for it. Consider a change of date for the semi-final game to Sunday after 12:30 p.m. Motion to approve with changes – Joe, Tom – Unanimous.
3. Results of RIO – Favorable, this year, rates of concussion were below last year’s and below the national statistics. Next year, a new program will be used to eliminate the “cumbersome” RIO system. Matt will be playing a significant role in implementing that new program.
4. Ian’s concerns – Ian could not be present because of an emergency. His “idea” was discussed at length. Some concerns with implementation, enforcement, possible contradictions and the legality of restricting “public school” participants were voiced. The consensus was to leave divisional placement as is.
5. Harry and Mike brought up a possible future “proposal” for extending spring practice for schools that end early and cannot complete the ten days because of exams. The group will consult with Chair Leroy to draft language to be looked at in August for the committee’s consideration. Discussion centered around allowing choice, ending on a specific date with no universal start date in the fall and no extension until the end of June. The committee was appraised of a coaches’ poll that overwhelmingly supported the current choice options.
6. The next meeting – August 8 – 3:30 p.m.
7. Adjourned at 5:10 p.m.

SUBSEQUENT TO THESE MINUTES – THE AUGUST 8 FOOTBALL COMMITTEE MEETING HAS BEEN CANCELLED – A NOTICE WILL BE SENT FOR THE NEXT MEETING.