

CIAC Football Committee
Minutes
2/24/2022

1. Gregg Simon reported that the CIAC is in discussions with using Pratt and Whitney Field.
 - a. The CIAC has been contacted by the state to hold football championships at Pratt and Whitney. There have been meetings at CIAC about the possibility of having championships there.
 - b. We want to investigate the possibility.
 - c. Grass field in December is a concern.
 - d. New field management company has been hired at Pratt and Whitney.
 - e. They can plow the field if it snows.
 - f. They hosted boys lacrosse, 6 games in two days with no damage to the field.
 - g. In the past they top dressed with sand and spray painted the field green which is not acceptable.
 - h. Locker room facilities are a concern.
 - i. Concern with the number of games at one site. Probably three games. We need an alternate site in case of bad weather we can make up all the games.
 - j. CCSU is a possibility.
2. Glenn Lungarini reported:
 - a. We need to discuss finances with them.
 - b. We need to know from this committee if you are Okay with three games at each site.
3. Discussion:
 - a. Need to monitor those times for teams that have to travel.
 - b. We need to be cautious about finances.
 - c. Maybe go 3 1/2 hours between start times.
 - d. We may need to have someone play late at night if we have three games at the same site.
 - e. We can not play three games at Pratt and Whitney and three at a high school site. That will not work.
 - f. It is important for students to have a college site experience as other sports do.
 - g. There was a discussion about 2 sites, 3 games each.
 - h. Concern with field conditions but it sounds like they resolved those.
 - i. Cost is a concern.
 - j. It's such a big venue, a high school crowd gets lost in the venue.
 - k. Some of the college fields are not as good as some of the high school fields we have available.
 - l. Not as big a deal for the fans who would rather play more locally.
 - m. Are other facilities willing to work with us?
4. Divisions will be released in May.
5. VJ reported - The Alliance met this week and matchups will be released.