

CIAC SOCCER COMMITTEE MEETING
April 27, 2023

Agenda

1. Review and Approval – Boys and Girls Soccer Committee Meeting Minutes of 4/4/23
2. Success in Tournament
Continue Review of Success in Tournament
3. Yellow Card Rule Sub-Committee Report
4. Future Agenda Items
2023 CIAC Boys/Girls Soccer Packet
5. Next Meeting Thursday, May 11 2:30

CIAC SOCCER COMMITTEE
MINUTES
4/4/23

I MINUTES - The committee approved the minutes from the Dec 20, 2023 meeting.

II FINANCIAL REPORT - Mr. Simon distributed the financial report from the 2022 season. The net income was down significantly from the year before for the boys' tournament. Bad weather played a part in the semifinals. The girls' tournament was about \$5000 higher than last year. The committee discussed the tournament.

- a. We should explicitly invite administrators to tournaments.

III PROBATION MEETING - Mr. Simon communicated with the schools who were put on probation and explained the consequences if they were in violation of the rules again.

IV SUCCESS IN TOURNAMENT - In other sports the success factor begins at the semi-finals in soccer in other sports it begins at the quarterfinals. Mr. Simon reviewed the fact that we only have two years of data. The question came up about how quickly or slowly a school should recede back down the divisions. He reviewed how basketball moves teams up and down divisions. The committee spent some time discussing the pros and cons.

- a. Would we change formulas for both boys and girls?
- b. This discussion will continue in future meetings.

V COACHING BEHAVIOR PROBLEMS - 11 coaches were ejected last year. Mr. Simon distributed the data on ejections. The committee discussed this issue. There are a lot of soccer coaches behaving inappropriately.

VI SIZE OF DIVISIONS - The committee looked at the number of schools in each division that qualified in each division for the past two years. The committee decided to leave the boys divisions as they were in 2022. The committee decided to rebalance the girls division based on the fact that Class S girls did not qualify as many schools.

VII YELLOW CARD RULE - We are trying to reduce the number of cards that are directly unsportsmanlike. Our current system penalizes teams for other reasons and officials are hesitant to issue penalties for unintentional, or late contact. We should consider if our current system optimizes our objective. We should look specifically at how we track cards and look at cards issued specifically for dissent. The committee will continue to discuss this issue.

The committee chairs will form an ad hoc committee to create a proposal and bring it to the full committee at our next meeting.

VIII TOURNAMENT PACKET - Will be put on the next meeting.

VIX NEXT MEETING - Next meeting will be held on April 27 at 3:00 by zoom

Success in Tournament

Success in Tournament Schools 2021, 2022

East Catholic 2021 Did not make tournament, 2022 State Champion
Notre Dame Fairfield 2021 Lost in semi-final, 2022 lost in championship game

Current Language

1. The Boys and Girls Soccer Committee voted to apply a success in tournament factor when placing schools* that draw students from outside their school district boundaries in tournament divisions. The Committee will first place schools in their divisions by enrollment and then use success in tournament to move schools up in division and then rebalance the divisions. Schools that draw from outside their school district boundaries who have been in the semi-finals or above two of the last three years will move up one division. Schools that have been in the semi-finals three of the last three years will move up two divisions. The most any school could move would be two divisions. Each year the committee will review results from the past three years and make adjustments as appropriate. Schools can move up or down depending on their success in tournament play.

*Charter, magnet, parochial, vocational technical, vocational agricultural and Project Choice schools that have more than 25 each of male/female students from out-of-district.

Current Girls Basketball Language

1. The “success in tournament” factor will then be applied to all schools of choice . **The CIAC Girls Basketball Committee has redesigned the “success in tournament” for this year’s tournament.** Schools of choice will be given points for success in each round of the tournament from the previous three years beginning with the quarter-finals.

- A team reaching the quarter-finals receives 1 point.
- A team reaching the semi-finals receives 2.5 points.
- A team reaching the championship game receives 4.5 points
- A team winning a state championship receives 7 points.

These points will be added together and applied to the scale below for division movement.

2.5 points – 4.5 points – one division

5 points – 8 points – two divisions

Proposed Boys/Girls Success in Tournament Language

- A team reaching the semi-finals receives 3 points
- A team reaching the semi-finals receives 5 points
- A team winning a state championship receives 8 points

These points will be added together and applied to the scale below for division movement

(The scale will have to be recalibrated next year when we have three years of data)

3 points-7 points Move Up One Division

8 points -16 points Move Up Two Divisions

Examples

Team A loses in the semi-final both years--6 points moves up one division.

Team B loses in the semi-final one year and wins a semi-final the second year—8 points moves up two divisions

Team C does not qualify for the tournament one year and wins a state championship the second year—8 points moves up two divisions