CIAC BOYS AND GIRLS SOCCER COMMITTEE MINUTES December 13, 2016

1. Steve explained the two "glitches" that occurred during the tournament. He then reviewed procedure of placement with success factors with committee. He showed the teams that made semis the last three years and highlighted those with two and three appearances. He reviewed the "schools of choice and others eligible for the "success in tournament" placement. There was a question about are the placements necessary, given that the process is complicated? More discussion at the next meeting, possible subcommittee. Go out to coaches statewide.

2. Packet Update:

- a. Handout of "worksheet" for next year's packet.
 - Verification no more coaches selection of officials on a "listing".
 - Do we state that sites are to be determined by staff and directors without consideration of travel distance?
- b. Discussion ensued for next year consider adapting the yellow/red card rule to allow for differences in the number of games played. Right now, a team that plays only 16 regular season games is held to the same standard for probation as a team that plays 16 regular season, 3 league tournament and 5 state tournament games 33% more. This needs to be studied and discussed more. Perhaps an opinion survey.
- c. Question to see if the "power point" ratings (used for the first time this year) can be adapted to reflect differences between beating or tying a LL, L, M or S team. Some coaches would like to see more weight given to beating or tying schools in higher division. This is a technical question that Matt will have to weigh in on.
- 3. Penalty Card Schools Handout of lists 12 schools. Will be contacted and asked for "action plan by January 4 to review on January 25. The committee will break up into four groups to expedite the meetings.
- 4. New Items Look at the idea "Filling the Brackets" idea get a survey out to get coaches and AD's position.

Pros:

- 32 teams in all divisions
- No "byes"
- Equal number of games same potential for injury red card fatigue, etc.
- Opportunity for more teams to participate in the tournament, some that may never get a chance

Cons:

- Some teams with very poor records get in
- A team that deserves a bye gets one
- Schools do not have transportation costs
- Two-year trial
- If the idea becomes a proposal must be vetted before approval of Board of Control
- See tournament participants since 2006

5. Other

6. Adjournment – Next meeting dates – January 4, January 25 (hearings), March 29 – finalize packets and/or hearings (if needed), April 4 (if needed).