IHSAA BOARD OF DIRECTORS – 2021 Annual Meeting
IHSAA Headquarters
Monday, May 3, 2021
PRESIDING – Chad Gilbert, President

AGENDA

A. Roll Call.

Executive Committee Members: Chairman Chris Conley, Vice-Chairman John Steinhilber, Stacy Adams (virtually), Tom Black (Member-Elect), Jim Brown, Martin Brown, Victor Bush, Nathan Dean, Kye Denney (Member-Elect), Jeff Doyle, Brent Duncan, Tom Finicle, Chad Gilbert (virtually), Ed Gilliland, Tim Grove, Matt Martin, Patti McCormack, Brian Strong, Mike Whitten, Rae Ferriell-Woolpy (virtually), Dave Worland.

Executive Staff Members: Commissioner Paul Neidig, Assistant Commissioners Robert Faulkens, Chris Kaufman, Kerrie Schludecker, Sandra Walter; Attorney Bob Baker, Technology Director Luke Morehead, Director of Broadcast Operations Heath Shanahan, Sports Information Director Jason Wille, Foundation President Matt Wolfert.

B. Minutes of the May 4, 2020 meeting.

A motion to approve the minutes of the May 4, 2020 meeting was made by Ed Gilliland; seconded by John Steinhilber; motion approved 19-0.

C. Necrology Service.

Myron C. Knauff

Deedsville High School Graduate (1937)
Franklin College Graduate (1941)
Chili High School (1941-42)
Monroe High School (1947)
Twelve Mile High School (Principal) (1949-54)
Hebron High School (Principal) (1954-68)
Valparaiso High School (Asst. Superintendent) (1968-86)
IHSAA Executive Committee and Board of Directors: 1967-68; 1972-73
Myron C. Knauff, age 101, of Valparaiso, passed away on November 21, 2020.

Myron graduated high school from Deedsville High School in 1937 where he played 4 years of basketball and baseball. Graduated from Franklin College in 1941 where he also played 4 years of basketball and baseball. (Don Reichard, coach of the Fort Wayne South 1958 state champs, was one of his teammates.)

Coached all sports at Chili High School in 1941-42.

Served in the Navy from 1943-46 during WWII. While in the service he was sent to UCLA to study meteorology. At UCLA he played on the conference champion baseball team in 1944.

Coached a sectional champion basketball team at Monroe High School in 1947. Principal at Twelve Mile from 1949-1954. (While at Twelve Mile, one of his students, Richard Brown, won a state championship in the Shot Put and set the state record at that time.) Principal at Hebron High School from 1954-1968 where he began his tenure (1963-73) with the IHSAA Board of Control. Was the Assistant Superintendent with the Valparaiso Community Schools from 1968 until his retirement January 1, 1986.

Myron also served as a starter for many cross country and track meets including at least one Girls’ State track meet. (He may have also started a State Cross Country meet.) By the estimate of his family, he attended more than 10,000 athletic events in Indiana from all levels elementary through high school. He was even in attendance at the Milan Miracle at then Butler Fieldhouse in 1954.

His family said, “Thanks also for all you and what the IHSAA is doing for the kids in Indiana. No state does it better.”

William Breck

Shelbyville High School Graduate (1947)
DePauw University Graduate (1951)
Selma High School
Greenfield High School
Lewisville High School (Principal)
Triton Central High School (Principal)
Franklin Community High School ( Principal) (1967-81)
Plainfield High School (Asst. Superintendent)
Hamilton Southeastern High School (Asst. Superintendent)
IHSAA Executive Committee and Board of Directors: 1972-73; 1977-78; 1978-79

William Breck, age 91, passed away peacefully on November 8, 2020. Born September 28, 1929, Bill was a 1947 graduate of Shelbyville High School. He was a five-sport athlete and member of the 1947 Shelbyville Golden Bears state championship basketball team. He graduated
in 1951 from DePauw University where he was a member of Phi Kappa Psi fraternity. While at DePauw, he met the love of his life, Katie Clark. They were married on October 27, 1951. After graduating from DePauw, Bill pursued a life-long career in education.

Over the years, he held teaching and coaching positions at Selma High School and Greenfield High School before serving as Principal at Lewisville High School, Triton Central High School, and at Franklin Community High School from 1967-81. He also was an Assistant Superintendent in the Plainfield school system and at Hamilton Southeastern where he retired. His passion was high school athletics, and he was active in the IHSAA where he served many years on the Athletic Council and two terms on the Board of Control.

An avid basketball fan, he would attend the high school state basketball tournament every year and faithfully followed his Butler Bulldogs and IU Hoosiers.

Paul “Lanny” Parker

Bainbridge High School Graduate
Eminence High School
Sheridan High School (Assistant Principal/Head Basketball Coach)
Wapahani High School (Principal, Assistant Principal, Athletic Director, Head Basketball Coach)
Whitko High School (Assistant Principal)
Morristown High School (Principal)
IHSAA Executive Committee and Board of Directors: 1986-87; 1987-88; 1989-90

Paul “Lanny” Parker, age 78, passed away on October 26, 2020, following a brief illness. He resided in Muncie, Indiana.

Lanny began at Eminence High School in Eminence, Indiana, then moved to Sheridan High School, where he was the Assistant Principal and Varsity Basketball coach. Lanny spent several years at Wapahani High School as Principal, Assistant Principal, Athletic Director and Varsity Basketball Coach. He later became Assistant Principal at Whitko High School and retired as Principal of Morristown High School.

Lanny was on the Executive Committee/Board of Directors from 1986-1990 and the North Central Principal’s Association. In 2013, he was inducted into the Delaware County Athletic Hall of Fame. He was also a member of Bainbridge Alumni Association and Chairman of its Scholarship Selection Committee.

He enjoyed sports, racing, reading, and especially spending time with his family. Out of all his accomplishments, Lanny was most proud of his family.

He is survived by his wife of 58 years, Janet Parker; three children, Cindy Meyer (Curt), Lori Jones (Phil), and Brian Parker (Lisa); grandchildren, Katie Portolese (Austin), Ryan Meyer, Andrew Meyer, David Jones (Allie); step grandchildren, Curtis Hobbs, Clayton Hobbs, and Collin Hobbs; a sister, Susan Coleman (Mike); and several devoted nieces, nephews and cousins.
Memorial contributions were directed to the Paul L. and Lola Parker Scholarship, in care of Wes-Del Community Schools.

D. Proposals - Submitted by the Commissioner unless otherwise noted, and to become effective immediately, unless otherwise stated:

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1. ARTICLE VI – AMENDMENT

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d. Secretary Authority. The Secretary of the Corporation is authorized, without prior action by the Board of Directors, to (i) draft and publish interpretations of the By-Laws through questions and answers, (ii) draft and publish definitions of terms contained in the By-Laws and (iii) draft and make corrections to punctuation, grammar, spelling and typographical errors in the text of the By-Laws. Such action taken by the Secretary shall have immediate force and effect but shall be subject to prompt ratification by the Board of Directors.

This amendment to the By-Laws was previously adopted as a temporary regulation at the May 4, 2020 Executive Committee meeting.

A motion to approve this proposal was made by Tim Grove, seconded by Mike Whitten, motion approved 19-0.

II. GENERAL ELIGIBILITY RULES

2. RULE 1 – RULE COVERAGE
c. General Application. THE ASSOCIATION RULES APPLY to all Member School athletic teams and to all Member School sports contestants enrolled in grades 9, 10, 11 or 12, participating in any ASSOCIATION-RECOGNIZED-CONTESTS, tourneys and/or meets in a Recognized Sport or in an Emerging Sport—between member Schools, with independent or alumni teams, or member School teams from outside the State of Indiana and who are in good standing with their respective state association.

A motion to approve this proposal was made by Tim Grove, seconded by David Worland, motion approved 19-0.

3. RULE 1 – RULE CREATION & COVERAGE; RECOGNIZED & EMERGING SPORTS

1.2 Recognized Sports


b. Championship Tournament Series. A championship-Tournament Series in a Recognized Sport will be provided at such time as Fifty percent (50%) of the total, full Membership Schools are participating in that Recognized Sport at the same time of the year and it is recommended by the Commissioner.

1-4 Annual Sport Qualification Review
e. **Annual Review.** If a Recognized Sport which no longer qualify under the has less than Twenty-five (25%) of the total, full Membership Schools participating in the Tournament Series in that Sport, that Sport will be reviewed, annually, for purposes of determining if the Sport should continue to have a future Tournament Series in that Sport and to determine if that Sport should continue to be a Recognized Sport.

### 1.3 Recognized Sports Process

**a.** A Sport may become a Recognized Sport provided a member School has, or a group of member Schools has, submitted to the Board of Directors, prior to March 1, a Request that that Sport be designated a Recognized Sport.

**b.** The Board of Directors may designate a Sport as a Recognized Sport, if these requirements are satisfied:

1. One Hundred Fifty (150) or more member Schools, representing a minimum of Forty (40) Schools from each District, have each sponsored a full program in that Sport and have each participated in that Sport for the Two (2) consecutive years prior to the submission of the Request.

2. The Sport has gone through the Emerging Sport Process and an updated Emerging Sport Application is submitted to the Board with the Request for recognition.

3. It is shown that recognition of the Sport as a Recognized Sport will not be an anathema to the purposes or goals of the IHSAA and will not result in a violation of any rule, law, statute or policy; and

4. The Commissioner recommends that the Sport be recognized as a Recognized Sport.

**c.** Provided the prior requirements are satisfied, the Board at its next Annual Meeting may, by a majority vote, recognize the Sport as a Recognized Sport.

### 1.4 Emerging Sport Process

**a.** A Sport may become an Emerging Sport provided a member School has, or a group of member Schools have, submitted to the Board of Directors, prior to March 1, a Request for the Sport be designated an Emerging Sport.

**b.** The Board of Directors may designate a Sport as an Emerging Sport if these requirements are satisfied:

1. Twenty (20) member Schools currently are sponsoring a program in the Sport;

2. There is documentation submitted which demonstrates the Sport’s viability to grow meaningful sport participation opportunities for girls and boys in the Sport, including data regarding injuries and information about health and safety protocols, data of participants in other states and at the collegiate level, data of gender, race and ethnicity participants, data of non-scholastic participation, data
of the geographic participation, letters of support from coaches organizations and other associations or organizations involved in the sport;

(3) Suggested IHSAA sport-specific rules (e.g. playing and practice seasons) for this Sport are submitted; and

(4) Ten (10) letters of commitment are submitted from member Schools that either currently sponsor or intend to sponsor a program in the Sport, which include the following supporting materials: a current/proposed budget with specific line items for a program in the Sport, a roster size and number of full-time and part-time coaches for a program in the Sport, a description of practice and competition facilities needed for a program in the Sport, a listing of local and regional competition opportunities for a program in the Sport, a timeline to varsity status for the Sport, a description of the current relationship with any Sport governing bodies.

c. Provided such requirements have been satisfied, the Board at the next Annual Meeting may, by majority vote, recognize the Sport as an Emerging Sport.

d. After a Sport has been designated an Emerging Sport, it will be listed in the IHSAA General Eligibility Rules and any School sponsoring a program in that Sport shall register its coaches with the IHSAA. The IHSAA will offer limited administrative services to Schools sponsoring a program in that Emerging Sport, such as free rule books, free rules meetings in the Emerging Sport and free participation in the Catastrophic Medical program for the students participating in the Emerging Sport. Participation in the Emerging Sport and all Contests in the Emerging Sport are subject to all the IHSAA rules and policies, including the General Eligibility Rules.

e. The following sports are currently Emerging Sports: None.

A motion to approve this proposal was made by Tim Grove, seconded by David Worland, motion approved 19-0.

4. RULE 2 – CLASSIFICATION OF SCHOOLS

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2-4 Reclassification Cycle in Team Sports
In Team Sports, Schools shall be reclassified on a sport-by-sport basis every Two (2) years (reclassification period); the Commissioner may, however, determine that Schools should be reclassified more often, or less often.

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2-5 Reclassification of Schools in Team Sports Due to Previous Tournament Series Success
In Team Sports, when Schools shall are subject to reclassification, every Two (2) years on a sport-by-sport basis School’s reclassification shall be dependent on the School’s previous tournament series success; the Commissioner may, however, determine that a School’s previous tournament series success should be applied more often, or less often.

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A motion to approve this proposal was made by Brian Strong, seconded by Jim Brown, motion approved 19-0.

5. RULE 3 – ADMINISTRATIVE RESPONSIBILITY

3-10 Completion of Athletic Physical, Consent, Acknowledgement of Risks and Release Form

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b. The fully completed IHSAA Pre-Participation Evaluation and the Consent, Acknowledgement and Release/Hold Harmless Certificate shall be on file in the office of the principal or his/her designee prior to the student’s first Practice. Such certificate may suffice for the entire school year. Unless the fully completed IHSAA Pre-Participation Evaluation and the Consent, Acknowledgement and Release is on file in the office of the principal or his/her designee the student shall be ineligible to participate in a Practice session or any interschool Contests. This section of the rule cannot be waived.

c. The Commissioner, after consultation with medical professionals and others, (i) may change the date when a student must have the medical physical evaluation completed, have the IHSAA Pre-Participation Evaluation form completed and have the Consent,
Acknowledgement and Release/Hold Harmless Certificate form completed, (ii) may lengthen or shorten the frequency a student must have the medical physical evaluation completed, have the IHSAA Pre-Participation Evaluation form completed and have the Consent, Acknowledgement and Release/Hold Harmless Certificate form completed and (iii) may permit an incoming freshman student to utilize such student’s medical physical evaluation from middle/junior high school and such student’s Pre-Participation form from middle/junior high school, to satisfy this rule.

This amendment to the Eligibility Rules was previously adopted as a temporary regulation at the May 4, 2020 Executive Committee meeting.

A motion to approve this proposal was made by Nathan Dean, seconded by John Steinhilber, motion approved 19-0.

6. RULE 6 – AWARDS, PRIZES, GIFTS

6.4 Acceptable College Awards

Students who, with respect to participation in a sport recognized by the Association, may not accept, directly or indirectly, awards, medals, recognitions, gifts or honors from colleges, universities or other institutions of higher learning, or their alumni. A student, however, may accept transportation and expenses paid by a college, university or other institution of higher learning for recruiting purposes during the student’s junior or senior years, if conducted within the limitations of college athletic codes and if approved by the Member School’s principal. Likewise a student may accept a scholarship award to attend a college, university or other institution of higher education-learning after graduation, provided the scholarship is not paid until after the student’s athletic eligibility has expired.

A motion to approve this proposal was made by Victor Bush, seconded by Brent Duncan, motion approved 19-0.
7. RULE 7 – COACHES

7-1.4 Mandatory Coach Accreditation

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a. Coaching Accreditation

(1.) Any paid or volunteer coach who is a member of a Member School Coaching Staff of an IHSAA Recognized Sport must be rostered with the IHSAA and must be Accredited, prior to having Athletic Contact with a student. ‘Athletic Contact’ refers to any interaction involving physical athletic activities or conditioning (physical fitness) activities between a coach and a student who is or will be a participant in an Emerging or Recognized Sport.

(2.) A coach will be deemed Accredited on the date the coach satisfies the Educational Requirements needed for Accreditation, and will automatically renew for one (1) year on June 30, provided the Educational Requirements needed for Accreditation are then current and the Accreditation had not been revoked or suspended.

b. Educational Requirements for Coaching Accreditation. To be Accredited a coach must complete the following specific education courses:

(1.) NFHS Concussion in Sports,
(2.) NFHS Heat Illness Prevention, and
(3.) NFHS Sudden Cardiac Arrest.

(4.) NFHS Protecting Students from Abuse, or an approved equivalent, and
(5.) NFHS Student Mental Health and Suicide Prevention, or an approved equivalent.

To remain Accredited a coach must retake These each courses must be repeated every Two (2) years, unless or when the edition of the course changes, in which event the coach must take the new edition within ninety (90) days of the edition’s release date, unless the edition’s release date occurs during the April 1 through June 1 period, and in that event the new edition must be taken on or before the following June 29th whichever comes first.

c. Compliance with Licensure and Disciplinary Statutes Requirements. An Accredited Coach must remain in compliance with all applicable state licensure and disciplinary statutes.

d.e. Suspension— and Revocation of Accreditation (Ind. Code §20-28-5-8). The Coaching Accreditation of a coach may—will be revoked on the date by the Commissioner if the IHSAA receives notice that the coach was convicted of an offense described in Ind. Code § 20-28-5-8, or of a known comparable offense in another state; provided, however, that the IHSAA may, after holding a hearing on the matter, reinstate the Coaching Accreditation of a coach if the conviction is later reversed, vacated, or set aside on appeal.
e. Revocation or Suspension of Accreditation (Ind. Code §§ 20-28-5-7(1), 20-28-5-7(2)).

(1.) The Coaching Accreditation of a coach, who is or was a licensed teacher, who committed misconduct described in Ind. Code §§ 20-28-5-7(1), 20-28-5-7(2), and whose license was then revoked or suspended, may be suspended or revoked, or if the teacher’s license was suspended, have his/her Accreditation suspended for the same period of time as the license suspension. Such revocation or suspension shall occur on the date by the Commissioner receives notice if it is reported to the IHSAA by the Department of Education that the coach committed misconduct described in Ind. Code §§ 20-28-5-7(1), 20-28-5-7(2) and such misconduct led to the teacher’s license revocation or suspension.

(2.) If the Accreditation of a coach has been revoked under sub-section (e), such Accreditation cannot be reinstated without the coach applying for reinstatement and then only after a Two (2) year period of revocation. Reinstatement of Accreditation is then at the discretion of the Commissioner.

(3.) If the Accreditation of a coach has been suspended for a period of time under sub-section (e), such Accreditation cannot be reinstated until the completion of the period of suspension, and then only if the coach has satisfied the Educational Requirements required for Accreditation.

f. The Revocation and Suspension of Coaching Accreditation: Probation of a Coach.

(1.) The Accreditation of a coach may be suspended or revoked, or placed on probation if it is found by the Commissioner that the coach’s conduct is anathema to the rules, regulations, purposes or goals of the IHSAA.

(2.) If the Accreditation of a coach is revoked under sub-section (f), such Accreditation cannot be reinstated without the coach first applying for reinstatement, and then only after a Two (2) year period of revocation. Reinstatement of Accreditation is then at the discretion of the Commissioner.

(3.) If the Accreditation of a coach is suspended for a period of time under sub-section (f), such Accreditation cannot be reinstated until the completion of the period of suspension, and then only if the coach has satisfied the Educational Requirements required for Accreditation.

(4.) If the Accreditation of a coach is placed on probation under sub-section (f), the coach may continue to coach and remain Accredited; however the coach must immediately file a report with the Commissioner outlining any corrective actions taken or to be taken by the coach. In addition the Commissioner may establish limitations and requirements for the coach to follow during the period of probation. Accreditation probation shall be noted on a coach’s permanent record with the IHSAA.

g. Penalties; fines.
(1.) A member School which permits a non-Accredited coach to have Athletic Contact with a student will be subject to a penalty or fine to be determined by the Commissioner. Any fine assessed may not exceed the amount of One Hundred dollars ($100.00) per incident of Athletic Contact.

(2.) A non-Accredited coach who has Athletic Contact with a student will be subject to a penalty or fine determined by the Commissioner. Any fine assessed may not exceed the amount of One Hundred dollars ($100.00) per incident of Athletic Contact.

A motion to amend this proposal to include “or an approved equivalent” to the two new NFHS courses listed under 7-1.4 (b) was made by Patti McCormack, seconded by Jim Brown, motion approved 17-2 with Jeff Doyle and Chad Gilbert opposed.

A motion to approve this proposal as amended was made by Nathan Dean, seconded by Chris Conley, motion approved 17-2 with Jeff Doyle and Chad Gilbert opposed.

8. RULE 9 – CONTESTS

9-14 Practice Attendance Required to Participate in a Contest

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a. A student-athlete must attend and actively participate in regularly scheduled Practice sessions during a Practice Season, Contest Season or Tournament Series to be eligible for interschool athletic competition in an Emerging or Recognized Sport.

b. If a student fails to attend and actively participate in the regularly scheduled Practice sessions during a Practice Season, Contest Seasons or Tournament Series in an Emerging or Recognized Sport, such student shall be required to complete the following prior to participating in a Contest:

   (1.) a. attend and actively participate in all required Pre-participation Practice sessions, see rules 50 and 101;

   (2.) b. attend and actively participate in Four (4) school-supervised Practice sessions of normal length, which shall occur on Four (4) separate days prior to the day of the Contest, if the student fails to attend and actively participate in more than Four (4) Seven (7) but less than Eleven (11) Fifteen (15) consecutive days of regularly scheduled Practice sessions and Contests;
(3) attendance and actively participation in Six (6) school supervised Practice sessions of normal length, which shall occur on Six (6) separate days prior to the day of the Contest, if the student fails to attend and actively participate in more than Ten (10) Fourteen (14) consecutive days of regularly scheduled Practice sessions and Contests.

When calculating the period of days of missed Practice sessions and Contests, Sundays shall not be included in the count.

c. If during a Practice Season, Contest Seasons or Tournament Series, a School is unable to conduct regularly scheduled Practice sessions for its students in an Emerging or Recognized Sport, and therefore such students are unable to attend and actively participate in Practice sessions, such students shall be required to complete the following prior to participating in a Contest:

(1.) attend and actively participate in Four (4) school-supervised Practice sessions of normal length, which shall occur on Four (4) separate days prior to the day of the Contest, if the students fail to attend and actively participate in more than Seven (7) but less than Fifteen (15) consecutive days of Practice sessions and Contests; or

(2.) attend and actively participate in Six (6) school-supervised Practice sessions of normal length, which shall occur on Six (6) separate days prior to the day of the Contest, if the students fail to attend and actively participate in more than Fourteen (14) consecutive days of Practice sessions Contests.

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A motion to approve this proposal was made by John Steinhilber, seconded by Tim Grove, motion approved 17-2 with Stacy Adams and Jim Brown opposed.

**9. RULE 15 - PARTICIPATION**

15-2.2 Team Sports (Baseball, Basketball, Football, Soccer, Softball and Volleyball)
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a. Students may participate in Team Sport Practice and Contests as members of a Non-School Team provided no more than the following number of students, (i) who have participated in a Contest the previous season as a member of One (1) of their School teams in that sport or (ii) who were incoming freshmen in either the current or in the immediate prior School Year (and who seek to participate on a Non-School Team from Monday of Week 5 until the date of the first authorized Practice in that sport), are rostered on the same Non-School Team, at the same time. Seniors, who have exhausted their eligibility in a particular sport, do not count in the maximum number of students that can participate on a Non-School Team in that sport.

This amendment previously was adopted as a temporary regulation at the August 25, 2020 Executive Committee meeting.

A motion to approve this proposal was made by Brian Strong, seconded by Ed Gilliland, motion approved 18-0.

10. RULE 15 - PARTICIPATION

15-2.5 Team Sports (Baseball, Basketball, Football, Soccer, Softball and Volleyball)

d. Exception: During times when public health requires there be less crowding and more social distancing, the Commissioner is authorized to issue an order modifying the number, length and character of Limited Contact Program Sessions.

This amendment previously was adopted as a temporary regulation through a written resolution by Chairman Chris Conley on September 3, 2020.

A motion to approve this proposal was made by Ed Gilliland, seconded by Jim Brown, motion approved 18-0.
11. RULE 15 - PARTICIPATION

15-3.5 Moratorium

Each member School shall observe a moratorium week starting on Monday of the Corresponding Week which includes July 4th. During this Seven (7) day period, moratorium week there shall be no contact between athletes and coaches, and no athletic activities, including conditioning, conducted. Note: All Corresponding Weeks begin on Monday.

A motion to approve this proposal was made by Patti McCormack, seconded by Dave Worland, motion approved 18-0.


17-4.1 Right to Review Committee

17-4.1 Right to a Review by the Review Committee

Only an Affected Party may seek review of or appeal an adverse decision of the Commissioner or his designee to by the Review Committee for a review and hearing.

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e. A Request for appeal–Review of an adverse ruling or decision must be in writing, must include some explanation of the factual basis for the Request, must cite the IHSAA rules relied upon for the Request and must be received by the IHSAA by written request to the Association within Seven (7) days of the date of mailing of the IHSAA issued the adverse ruling or decision. of the Commissioner or his designee; otherwise, If a Request for Review is not made and received by the IHSAA in accordance with this rule, the ruling or decision shall be final and non-reviewable.
A motion to approve this proposal was made by Brian Strong, seconded by Matt Martin, motion approved 18-0.


17-4.2 Review Committee and Hearing Officer

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c. In the event a matter to be heard considered by the Review Committee directly involves a school or individual having a direct connection with a current member of the Board of Directors, the Commissioner, at the direction of the Chairman, shall empanel a new three-member veteran panel whose members may not include members of the current Board of Directors, and shall designate a new hearing officer who may not be a member of the current Board of Directors to hear the case. These new members and the hearing officer may not be an IHSAA staff member or an Executive Committee member.

A motion to approve this proposal was made by Ed Gilliland, seconded by Chris Conley, motion approved 18-0.


17-4.3 Time of Hearing

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a. If an appeal is requested, the Review Committee will hold a hearing on such appeal. The Commissioner will schedule such appeal hearing on the date of an upcoming regularly scheduled meeting of the Executive Committee. If an appeal is requested in a case where time is a factor, and the shortness of
time is through no fault of the Affected Party, the Commissioner will attempt to schedule an earlier hearing on a date when the Executive Committee does not meet (‘Alternative Date’). Time is a factor when, following the request for an appeal, the affected party will miss a Tournament Series Contest or will miss more than Twenty Five percent (25%) of his/her team’s Season Contests before the next scheduled hearing date.

b. If an appeals hearing is granted on an Alternative Date, the appellant shall remit a Two Hundred Fifty dollars ($250.00) fee payable to the IHSAA prior to the hearing.

A motion to approve this proposal was made by John Steinhilber, seconded by Mike Whitten, motion approved 18-0.


17-4.4 Appeal Statement

The IHSAA and the Affected Party shall present to the Commissioner at the offices of the IHSAA [via mail (P.O. Box 406509150 N. Meridian Street, Indianapolis, Indiana 4626040650), hand delivery (9150 North Meridian Street, Indianapolis, 46260), or email (beoxpeidig@ihsaa.org), or fax (317-575-4244)], a written Appeal Statement which summarizes the party’s position at least Five (5) business days prior to the hearing. This Appeal Statement shall have attached (i) all documents relied upon by a party to the appeal, and (ii) a written Summary Statement under oath, of the testimony to be given by each witness who may testify at the hearing. At the hearing the Hearing Officer, for good cause, may admit parties to an appeal to the Review Committee may submit a previously un-submitted document or Summary Statement, or permit the testimony from an unidentified witness or a witness without a Summary Statement at the Review Committee hearing, for good cause; ‘good cause’ includes proof that the document or testimony was newly discovered evidence, which by due diligence could not have been timely presented with the Appeal Statement and which is directly related to the core issues in the appeal. After receipt, the Appeal Statement, and all attachments shall be sent by the Commissioner to the IHSAA, to all appealing parties to the appeal
and to the Review Committee members, which should be received no later than the day before the hearing.

A motion to approve this proposal was made by Jeff Doyle, seconded by Brent Duncan, motion approved 18-0.


17-4.5 Hearing Procedure of Review Committee

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c. The School principal or designee who conducted the initial investigation and/or made the initial recommendation(s) or decision(s), as well as the Commissioner, Assistant Commissioner, or a designee, should be expected to attend the hearing. Unless there exists extenuating circumstances, all Affected Parties, which includes the student and the parents and/or guardians, shall attend the hearing if they desire; failure of an Affected Party to appear at the hearing without a valid excuse will subject the appeal to dismissal. Each party may be represented by counsel of their choice who may examine and cross-examine witnesses. Counsel for the IHSAA may attend the hearing, assist the hearing officer in the conduct of the hearing, and examine and cross-examine witnesses.

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h. The Review Committee is not bound by the decision of a principal or the Commissioner, and but shall make its decision in the matter based upon the facts and information presented at the hearing. The Review Committee and shall base its findings on information presented to it at the hearing which it determines to be reliable, credible and of probative value. The Review Committee’s decision may be based upon different facts and/or upon different rules from those cited or relied upon by either the School principal or the Commissioner in their prior decisions or rulings. The Review Committee’s findings and decision, along with the rule upon which it is based, shall be promptly mailed to the principal and the affected party or parties.

i. The Review Committee’s findings and decision, along with the rule upon which it is based, shall be promptly mailed to the School principal(s) involved and the Affected Party or Parties. If a decision concerns the application or interpretation
of a rule of the IHSAA to an individual student, then not later than Three (3) business
days after the decision is made, the IHSAA shall send to the student’s parents and the
student’s School, by registered or certified mail, the decision and along with a notice
about the process for appealing the decision to the Panel described in rule 17-10.

j. A record of the proceedings shall be kept and, when so directed by the hearing
officer, a transcript thereof prepared. Such a transcript, when signed and verified by
the hearing officer and the person who prepared the same as being correct, shall be
the best evidence of the proceeding, and prima facie evidence of all facts contained
therein, and shall be the official record of the matter. Any party may obtain a copy
thereof at such party’s expense.

A motion to approve this proposal was made by Mike Whitten, seconded by Brian
Strong, motion approved 18-0.

17. RULE 17 – INVESTIGATIONS – HEARINGS – DECISIONS – APPRAIL –
    PENALTIES - WAIVERS

17-8.5 Limited Eligibility Waiver

C. This rule provides a process wherein a student with Limited Eligibility can obtain a
waiver and Full Eligibility. The process requires that all the principals involved must
be in agreement, that all the principals involved must recommend full eligibility and
that all the principals involved must confirm in writing, through their respective Rule
17-8.5 Verifications, that the transfer is in the best interest of the student and there are
no athletic related motives surrounding the transfer. A signed Rule 17-8.5 Verification
from each principal involved is a condition precedent to obtaining a rule 17-8.5
waiver and Full Eligibility. A principal’s decision to sign or not sign the Rule 17-8.5
Verification is not subject to review by the Commissioner, his designee, the Review
Committee, the Case Review Panel or any other reviewing body.

This amendment previously was adopted as a temporary regulation at the August 25, 2020
Executive Committee meeting.
A motion to approve this proposal was made by Nathan Dean, seconded by Jim Brown, motion approved 16-1 with Dave Worland opposed.

18. RULE 18 - SCHOLARSHIP

18-7 Alternative Courses

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d. Virtual Course: A student may earn course credits by attending a non-traditional Virtual Course provided:

(1.) written request for approval of the Virtual Course is made to the IHSAA, including a detailed description, and is approved by the Commissioner;
(2.) the Virtual Course is approved by the Department of Education;
(3.) the local School Board of Trustees counts the credits earned in a Virtual Course towards graduation;
(4.) Virtual Course classes are taken concurrently with a student’s regular classes;
(5.) total class time of a Virtual Course is equivalent to the student’s regular course, and
(6.) the total number of Virtual Courses enrolled in and attended by a student during a Grading Period may not exceed Thirty percent (30%) of a student’s total course load.

However, upon application from a member School, and for good cause, the Commissioner may alter the percentage a student’s total course enrollment may be Virtual Courses during a Grading Period, provided that under all circumstances the student must be enrolled in and must attend the School for a minimum of One (1) full credit, non-Virtual Course during the Grading Period.

This amendment previously was adopted as a temporary regulation at the June 25, 2020 Executive Committee meeting.

A motion to approve this proposal was made by Mike Whitten, seconded by Matt Martin, motion approved 18-0.
19. RULE 19 – ELIGIBILITY AND TRANSFER

19-5 Eligibility When Transfer With Change Of Residence By Parent(s)/Guardian(s) Page 91

A student who transfers with a corresponding change of residence to a New District or Territory by the student’s custodial parent(s)/guardian(s):

a. will have full eligibility at the new School if the change of residence was a Bona Fide change of residence,

b. will have limited eligibility at the new School if the change of residence was not Bona Fide, and

c. will have no eligibility at the new School if the request for a transfer was for primarily athletic reasons or the result of undue influence, and provided the transfer itself is not for primarily athletic reasons or the result of undue influence.

A motion to approve this proposal was made by Dave Worland, seconded by Chris Conley, motion approved 18-0.

20. RULE 19 – ELIGIBILITY AND TRANSFER

19-5.1 Transfer Options When Transfer With Change Of Residence by Parent(s)/Guardian(s) Page 91

When a student’s parent(s)/Guardian(s) make a Bona Fide change of residence to a New District or Territory, the student has the following options:

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c. The student may transfer and attempt to obtain full eligibility at any Public, Private or Charter School which is located within a Twenty (20) mile radius of the new residence of the parent(s)/Guardian(s) when the Bona Fide change of residence involved a move of more than Seventy-Five (75) miles; or
A motion to approve this proposal was made by Tim Grove, seconded by Dave Worland, motion failed 9-9 with Stacy Adams, Martin Brown, Victor Bush, Brent Duncan, Ed Gilliland, Matt Martin, Patti McCormack, John Steinhilber, and Mike Whitten each opposed.

21. RULE 19 – ELIGIBILITY AND TRANSFER

19-7.1 Requirements to be a Qualified Foreign Exchange Student Page 93

A foreign student is a qualified foreign exchange student if he/she meets the following criteria:

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d. No member of the school’s athletic administration staff or the coaching staff, paid or voluntary, of any sport or athletic activity sponsored by the Receiving School, is a member of shall serve as the student’s host family;

A motion to approve this proposal was made by Chris Conley, seconded by Ed Gilliland, motion approved 16-1 with Brian Strong opposed.

22. RULE 20 – UNDUE INFLUENCE

20-2 Past Link Page 101

20-2 Past Link

a. A transfer student who has a Past Link with a Receiving School to which the student transfers shall be ineligible at that Receiving School for Three Hundred Sixty-Five (365) days following the student’s enrollment at the Receiving School.

b. A Past Link means that during the Twelve (12) months period prior to enrolling at the Receiving School, any of the following occurred:

1.) The transfer student attended a Practice session, a Limited Contact session or a Summer Open Facility session at the Receiving School during the Twelve (12) months period prior to the student’s Enrollment at the Receiving School.
A motion to approve this proposal was made by Tim Grove, seconded by Ed Gilliland, motion approved 17-0.

III. BOYS INTERSCHOOL SPORTS RULES

23. RULE 50 – BOYS SPORTS SEASONS

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KEY: D – Dual meet
DD – Double Dual

Due to the amendment to Proposal 26 (Rule 60 – Wrestling) below, this proposal was not acted upon.

24. RULE 50 – BOYS SPORTS SEASONS

Rule 50–2 Page 107
50-2 **Authorized Season Contests.** Scheduling, timing, length and character of any Authorized Season Contest in a sport is established by these Interschool Sports Rules and by the playing rules of that sport. Any Authorized Season Contest in a sport shall be completed prior to the beginning—first day of the IHSAA Tournament Series in that sport.

50-2.1 **Modification by the Commissioner.**

a. The Commissioner shall have authority to modify the scheduling, number, timing, length and character of any Authorized Season Contest when there is a public health issue or when there is some other unusual or compelling situation which necessitates such modification.

b. With respect to the required completion of an Authorized Season Contest in a sport during the Contest Season in that sport, the Commissioner shall have authority, upon application, to modify such completion date due to unavoidable circumstances occurring during the Contest Season, such as inclement weather, limited facilities, in-season rescheduling of unplayed conference Contests, etc.

This amendment previously was adopted as a temporary regulation at the November 6, 2020 Executive Committee meeting.

A motion to approve this proposal was made by Brian Strong, seconded by Jeff Doyle, motion approved 17-0.

25. **RULE 54 – FOOTBALL**

54-6 Special Pre-Season Events

A School may schedule one football Controlled Scrimmage with another IHSAA member School. A football Controlled Scrimmage between IHSAA member Schools shall be permitted on Friday or Saturday, Week 6. A football Controlled Scrimmage does not count as a Practice or as an interschool Contest. A football Controlled Scrimmage may not be scouted by anyone not affiliated with a team participating in the football Controlled Scrimmage.

a. During the pre-season a School:

   (1.) may participate in One (1) Varsity football Controlled Scrimmage or in Two (2) quarters of One (1) Varsity football Jamboree, and

   (2.) may participate in One (1) Sub-Varsity Controlled Scrimmage
b. Controlled Scrimmages.

(1.) Varsity: A School’s Varsity football Controlled Scrimmage can be played no earlier than the day following the fifth (5th) day of Practice and no later than the second (2nd) calendar day prior to the first (1st) scheduled Season Contest.

(2.) Sub-Varsity: A School’s Sub-Varsity football Controlled Scrimmage can be played no earlier than the day following the fifth (5th) day of Practice and no later than the second (2nd) calendar day prior to the first (1st) scheduled Season Contest. A student can participate in no more than One (1) of the following: a Varsity Controlled Scrimmage, a Sub-Varsity Controlled Scrimmage or a Jamboree. The number of plays in which a School can participate in a Sub-Varsity football Controlled Scrimmage is limited.

c. Jamboree. A School’s Varsity football Jamboree can be played on Saturday of Week 6. Each School shall be limited to playing no more than Two (2) quarters. The number of plays in which a School can participate in a Jamboree is limited.

54-7
A School may schedule one football Jamboree between Three (3) or more IHSAA member Schools. A football Jamboree does not count as a Practice, but does count as an interschool Contest. Only students who have full athletic eligibility may participate in a football Jamboree. A football Jamboree may not be scouted by anyone not affiliated with a team participating in the football Jamboree.

54-8
During a school year a School may participate in either a) a football Controlled Scrimmage between Two (2) member Schools or b) Two (2) quarters in one Varsity football Jamboree.

54-9
The last date for ninth grade and reserve football is Thursday, Week 16.

This amendments previously were adopted as a temporary regulation at the June 25, 2020 Executive Committee meeting.

A motion to approve this proposal was made by Brent Duncan, seconded by Matt Martin, motion approved 18-0.

26. RULE 60 – WRESTLING
60-2 **Maximum Season Contest**
The maximum number of season wrestling **Contests** in which any team or student may participate, **which may include dual meets, triangular meets (double dual) and season tournaments, but which** exclude the IHSAA Tournament Series, shall be Eighteen (18). A team or student may participate in a season tournament (an interschool wrestling meet which involved Three (3) or more schools is a tournament) up to a maximum of Six (6) **per season**, provided each **season** tournament counts as Two (2) of the Eighteen (18) **season wrestling Contests, and may participate in a** triangular meet (double dual) **provided each triangular meet (double dual) counts as Two (2) of the Eighteen (18)** **season wrestling Contests**. Each weigh-in for any **season** tournament shall count as only One (1) weigh-in toward the minimum requirements for IHSAA Tournament Series qualification.

*Patti McCormack offered an amendment to Rule 60-2 above. A motion to amend this proposal was made by Martin Brown, seconded by John Steinhilber, motion approved 18-0.*

*A motion to approve this proposal as amended was made by Jim Brown, seconded by Jeff Doyle, motion approved 18-0.*

IV. **GIRLS INTERSCHOOL SPORTS RULES**

27. **RULE 101 – GIRLS SPORTS SEASONS**

**Rule 101–2**

101-2, **Authorized Season Contests.** Scheduling, timing, length and character of any Authorized Season Contest **in a sport is established by these Interschool Sports Rules and by the playing rules of that sport.** Any Authorized Season Contest **in a sport shall must be completed-played during the Contest Season (prior to the beginning–first day of the IHSAA Tournament Series) in that sport.**

101-2.1 **Modification by the Commissioner.**
a. The Commissioner shall have authority to modify the scheduling, number, timing, length and character of any Authorized Season Contest when there is a public health issue or when there is some other unusual or compelling situation which necessitates such modification.

b. With respect to the required completion of an Authorized Season Contest in a sport during the Contest Season in that sport, the Commissioner shall have authority, upon application, to modify such completion date may act on request/s for extension of time due to unavoidable circumstances occurring during the Contest Season, such as inclement weather, limited facilities, in-season rescheduling of unplayed conference Contests, etc.

This amendment previously was adopted as a temporary regulation at the November 6, 2020 Executive Committee meeting.

A motion to approve this proposal was made by Brian Strong, seconded by Chris Conley, motion approved 18-0.

28. RULE 101 – GIRLS SPORTS SEASONS

Rule 101–4 Minimum Season Participation for Tournament Eligibility  Page 125

101–4 Minimum Season Participation for Tournament Eligibility

a. In order for a student to qualify for participation in the IHSAA tournament series in an Individual Sport (cross country, golf, gymnastics, tennis, swimming & diving, track & field and wrestling) the student must have participated, during the preceding regular season in a minimum of (i) Seventy-five percent (75%) of the Season Contests in which the student’s school participated, and (ii) Twenty-five percent (25%) of the maximum number of authorized Season Contests in that sport.

A motion to approve this proposal was made by Ed Gilliland, seconded by Chris Conley, motion approved 18-0.
E. **Conforming Resolution.**

RESOLVED: That the Articles of Incorporation, the By-Laws, the General Eligibility Rules, the Sports Rules, the Unified Sports Rules, the Junior High School Rules, as well as the interpretations, questions and answers and definitions contained in and as stated by the 2020-21 printed booklet of the Indiana High School Athletic Association, Inc., entitled “By-Laws and Articles of Incorporation” be and the same are hereby approved and declared to be the complete and official Indiana High School Athletic Association, Inc. Articles of Incorporation, By-Laws, General Eligibility Rules, Sports Rules, Unified Sports Rules and Junior High School Rules, except as herein amended and as hereafter amended by the Board of Directors.

*A motion to approve this resolution was made by Chris Conley, seconded by Jim Brown, motion approved 18-0.*

F. **Board of Directors Election.**

Elect President and Vice President [Article IV, Section 3(l) (1)] of the Board of Directors for the 2021-2022 year from the class of 2023.

*Class of 2023: Tom Finicle, Nathan Dean, Matt Martin, Jim Brown, Jeff Doyle, Mike Whitten.*

*John Steinhilber nominated Jeff Doyle to serve as President of the 2021-22 IHSAA Board of Directors. A motion to approve this nomination was made by Chris Conley; seconded by Tom Finicle. Motion approved 18-0. Jeff Doyle was elected as President of the 2021-22 IHSAA Board of Directors.*

*Brian Strong nominated Jim Brown to serve as Vice President of the 2021-22 IHSAA Board of Directors. Stacy Adams nominated Matt Martin. After two rounds of balloting resulted in ties, Jim Brown won by coin flip. A motion to approve was made by Matt Martin, seconded by John Steinhilber. Motion approved 18-0. Jim Brown was elected as Vice President of the 2021-22 IHSAA Board of Directors.*

G. **Executive Committee Election.**

Elect Chairman and Vice Chairman [Article IV, Section 3(l) (2)] of the Executive Committee for the 2021-2022 year from the class of 2022.
Class of 2022: Patti McCormack, Stacy Adams, Brian Strong, Rae Woolpy, Victor Bush, Chad Gilbert, Dave Worland

Jeff Doyle nominated Victor Bush to serve as Chairman of the 2021-22 IHSAA Executive Committee. Dave Worland nominated Patti McCormack. Victor Bush won after a round of balloting. A motion to approve this election was made by Chris Conley; seconded by Brent Duncan. Motion approved 18-0. Victor Bush was elected as Chairman of the 2021-22 IHSAA Executive Committee.

Brent Duncan nominated Stacy Adams to serve as Vice Chairman of the 2021-22 IHSAA Executive Committee. Brian Strong nominated Dave Worland. Following a round of balloting which resulted in a tie, Stacy Adams won by coin flip. A motion to approve was made by Ed Gilliland; seconded by Martin Brown. Motion approved 18-0. Stacy Adams was elected as Vice Chairman of the 2021-22 IHSAA Executive Committee.

H. Adjournment.

A motion to adjourn the annual meeting of the 2020-21 IHSAA Board of Directors was made by Chris Conley; seconded by Tim Grove; motion approved 18-0.