



**MIAA**  
**Board of Directors**  
**Tuesday, August 7, 2018**  
**MIAA Office**  
**MINUTES**

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1. President Marilyn Slattery called the meeting to order at 12:09pm.
2. Marilyn welcomed new Board members, Naomi Martin, Athletic Director at Lexington High School and Tom Arria, Athletic Director at Cambridge Rindge & Latin.
3. Attendance: Members present: Jim Antonella, Tom Arria, Tim Brillo, Ray Cosenza, Keith Crowley, Jeff Granatino, Naomi Martin, Wes Paul, Stephanie Sibley, Marilyn Slattery, Lindsey von Holtz and Gordon Smith.  
Members excused: Jeff Caron, Charles Flaine, Thom Holdgate, Dave King, Brian McCann, Jim Pignato, Steven Trask, Dan Shine, Mark Sullivan and John Vanbrugh.
4. Bill reviewed housekeeping items – All members received the Governance Document via items page as well as the 2018-2019 Board Roster and the 2018-2019 Board Calendar. Board members received at their places a Conflict of Interest Statement for execution as well as a 2018-2019 MIAA Tournament pass.
5. Executive Director Bill Gaine introduced 2 members of the Volleyball Committee – Ted Wilcox (representing State Volleyball Officials) and Sean McDonald (representing State Volleyball Coaches) who spoke regarding the NFHS rules. Both representatives expressed to the Board of Directors, on behalf of the Officials Association and Coaches Association, that their respective Boards do not approve the change for volleyball from NCAA to NFHS rules.
6. Minutes of May 23, 2018 were emailed to members – voted to approve.
7. The MIAA Finance and Personnel Committee did not meet this morning due to a lack of quorum. Once the meeting is rescheduled, a report on the financials will take place.
8. Old business – MIAA Constitutional Change – the original proposal was voted for by the Assembly – a petition by District E to the Board gave consideration to delay implementation until 2019. Since then, District C has protested the vote of the Board stating the Board did not have jurisdiction to delay implementation. Recently District E and District C representatives met at the office to discuss the implementation and issues of delaying the change. Board members were invited to revisit their action of May 23<sup>rd</sup> should the sentiment be “jurisdiction” was violated. No action was forthcoming. District E representatives Ray Cosenza reported a meeting took place with District C Chair Thom Holdgate and District E representatives. It was reported via message from Thom Holdgate that a redistricting proposal would be presented at all District Workshops with an aim to bring forth a redistricting proposal as a Constitutional change.
9. Jim O’Leary, Tournament Management Committee member reported on the NFHS Rules proposal from the TMC which was tabled at the June meeting (see attached list of rationale). Motion to support the change put forward by the Tournament Management Committee for all MIAA sports to

follow NFHS rules – voted 10-1-1 to approve.

10. Executive Director Bill Gaine spoke on recent Educational Athletics initiatives provided by the Association. Members were provided, at their places, an Awards Banquet program, Officials Banquet program and Golf Endowment program as well as the recent Legends Program. The information packet provided copies of the NESLC and NFHS Leadership Conference. August 7 and 8 Peter Smith and Rachel Moo will be conducting interviews for the 2018-2019 Student Advisory Committee.
  11. Executive Director Bill Gaine and President Marilyn Slattery spoke on the NFHS Summer Meeting that they attended in June in Chicago. Richard Neal was inducted in the NFHS Hall of Fame (4<sup>th</sup> person in MIAA history).
  12. Jeff Granatino reported on the M.A.S.S. Summer session which was held at the M.A.S.S. conference on the Cape July 13.
  13. Assistant Director Dick Baker reported on the litigation sub-committee. The subcommittee is looking for Board support on 3 recommendations:
    - a. All groups now doing waivers must turn in all denial results to MIAA liaison dealing with waivers when results are sent.
    - b. If the group doing waivers denies a waiver on the second step, school may now appeal to the MIAC via the MIAA liaison dealing with waivers. This would then be the same process done by MIAA in dealing with waivers.
    - c. MIAA schedule a meeting in August for all leagues/districts of MIAA doing waivers to review the process. This should be completed on an as needed basis.
- Motion to approve all 3 recommendations – voted unanimously to approve. Dick Baker will contact the groups effected.
14. Members received a new member packet from Paulo Freire Social Justice Charter School– motion to approve new member school – approved unanimously.
  15. District Workshops dates were provided to members – locations will be announced once confirmed. The DAC will discuss agenda items at their meeting on August 16, 2018.
  16. Westboro Girls basketball tournament is looking for approval for the 16<sup>th</sup> annual tournament — voted unanimously to approve. Executive Director Bill Gaine asked the Board to consider Westborough Tournament waiver request not be requested to go to the Board each year and in the future be evaluated by Executive Staff – voted to approve.

Respectfully submitted,



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Executive Director