## MIAA BASEBALL COMMITTEE MEETING

Wednesday, January 6, 2021 @ 10:00 A.M

MIAA OFFICE, 33 FORGE PARKWAY, FRANKLIN, MA

## **MINUTES**

- 1. Call to Order
- 2. Welcome & Introductions
  - Attendance
- 3. Minutes of Previous Meeting October 29, 2020
  - Minutes were unanimously approved (14-0)
- 4. Pitch Count Tracking
  - Drew Tripp Change Up

Pitch count tracking was revisited by the Baseball Committee as Drew Tripp, cofounder of Change Up, presented technological advances and updates to their system. As voted on previously, the 2021 season will witness a paper tracking solution for all contest, while the concept of an online database and in-game tracking is being explored for future seasons.

5. 2021 Baseball Format – Update (as needed)

The Baseball Committee reviewed and discussed updates to the 2021 baseball format. A Baseball sub-committee was established to review the format further, including an end of season tournament proposal. The sub-committee will work on rule modifications for the 2021 season based on current EEA and CDC guidelines.

- 6. Spring Season Modifications
  - Sub-Committee
  - Meeting Dates
- 7. NFHS Rules 2020-21 Discussion
  - Rules PowerPoint
  - Highlights

An update regarding ongoing plans to support the integration of NFHS baseball rules for the 2021 season was provided. An NFHS Rules PowerPoint has been posted to the MIAA Baseball Rules webpage.

**NOCSAE standards:** A reminder on NOCSAE standards was provided as NFHS rules state specific information and safety guidelines for catcher's equipment and game balls. (NFHS Rule 1-3-1 and Rule

1-5-4). Please carefully consider these rules as current equipment needs to meet these NFHS standards for the upcoming season.

- 8. Officials Topics
- 9. Coaches Topics
- 10. Sportsmanship
  - Team Sportsmanship Award Nomination Form
  - 2020-21 MIAA Game Official of the Year Nomination Form
  - 2020-21 MIAA Coach of the Year Nomination Form

An update was provided on Educational Athletic offerings including Coaches Education virtual courses, leadership opportunities, upcoming webinars and award programs.

- 11. Other
- 12. Adjournment

Next Meeting: **April 7, 2021** @ 10:00 am