# MIAA Tournament Management Committee Meeting Minutes –Virtual

April 10, 2025

## 1. Call to Order – 10:05 AM by Shaun Hart

**Attendance** –J. Brown, S. Burndrett, E. Dawley, M. Denise, M. Devoll, D. Early, S. Hart, E. Maguire, C. Mastrangelo, J. Newhall, S. Paine, T. Tarpey, S. Bryant (TMC liaison), J. Clark (MIAA) and members of the media

### 2. Approval of Minutes March 19, 2025

Motion to Approve (J. Brown, J. Newhall) Approved 10-0-0

## 3. FY26 Formats for approval

Motion to Approve FY26 Formats for Alpine Ski, Nordic Ski, and Basketball (revised language for uniforms) (J. Newhall, S. Paine) Approved 10-0-0

#### 4. Board of Directors Initiatives

Each initiative was reviewed with committee members and given opportunities to hear district/league feedback or additional commentary for each item below:

- **A.** Standardized Annual Calendar for Interscholastic Athletics John Brown had feedback regarding how/why there is a need for a consistent calendar and offered to speak with anyone who has questions.
- **B.** An Objective Process to Adopt/Remove Sports Shaun discussed having a standard in place will be great. No other TMC members had feedback to offer.
- C. Power Ranked Sports / Hybrid Sports Shaun indicated that Wrestling is meeting in May to discuss some changes for Statewide model; that Steve Burndrett is on Golf Committee and should continue discussions and follow up with details. Sherry mentioned that Swim Committee began discussing Statewide at the most recent meeting. No other TMC members had feedback to offer.
- **D.** Standards for Number of Championship Divisions sport committees are already having these conversations and goes hand in hand with how we align divisions. Statewide model and power ranking gets us in the "right direction".
- **E. Establish Division 1A Component of Statewide Tournament** –Lacrosse, Ice Hockey and Baseball are having conversations regarding Div 1A Statewide Tournaments. Scott Paine shared the Girls Ice Hockey coaches' reps feedback that they are concerned about pulling out the top teams for a Div1A tournament, it will greatly affect the integrity of the remaining teams in the two divisional tournaments.

#### 5. Alignments

Every two years, there is an alignment cycle with a multitude of appeals. Previously we worked on rationale on why/how schools can move.

Looking at the above item (4.D. Standards for Number of Championship Divisions) we can take out any subjectivity by standardizing the appeals based on data. Appeals should become non-existent if we come up with a formula with factors that allow for movement. This puts us in a position to use an automated system for the divisional numbers and eliminate appeals. This item will remain on agendas going forward for further discussion.

## 6. Hybrid Sports

Looking at a Statewide Tournament format for Hybrid Sports which may need to be done in steps. There have been ongoing conversations with executive liaisons and sport committee representatives. TMC members willing to participate in meetings when these conversations are being had would be valuable. If interested, please reach out to Shaun or Sherry to participate in these sport committee meetings.

#### 7. Other

- A. Discussion regarding MOV relative to overtime was brought forward. It was noted that different sports have different overtime formats/rules. Shaun asked for suggestions or feedback and the committee could vet.
- B. The MOV Girls Basketball chart provided at the last meeting in support of the discussion regarding Sportsmanship Committee's MOV concerns has been corrected and emailed to the committee.

Next Meeting Dates May 21, 2025 - In-Person June 12, 2025 - Virtual

Meeting Adjourned 10:48 AM