

MIAA BOYS LACROSSE COMMITTEE MEETING

Wednesday, January 21, 2026 @ 10:00 A.M

Virtual Meeting

Minutes

- 1) Approval of Minutes - October 14, 2025
 - Moved and Approved (L. Hanson, W. Puglisi) 11-0-0
- 2) Tournament Update – Spring 2026
 - D. Brothers gives update; MMA is not available; viewed plan of game rounds
 - Reached out to Merrimack College to possible finalize.
 - Have reached out to several schools for hosts - trying to have a decision in February
 - Mass Maritime was great - parking great, location great

Tournament Dates (Subject to change)

 - May 25th cut off
 - May 27th bracket release
 - Round of 32 - May 30-June 1
 - Round of 16 - June 2-4
 - Round of 8 - June 5-7
 - Semi-Finals - June 9-10
 - Championships – June 13
- 3) Format 2027 – Approval (*attached*)
 - Discussed the cutoff dates proposed in draft format
 - Late Memorial Day (31st) - Cut off
 - June 2nd Bracket release
 - Tourney begins June 4
 - June 17-19 State Finals
 - Moved and Approved (W. Pugliesi, J. Carboneau) 13-0-0

Dan O - sat in TMC to discuss differences of the dates between girls and boys cut offs, TMC may recommend changes to match the girls' dates

 - Feedback will come after February meeting
 - Logistically it can help get ready and focus on each individually rather than have them both at the same time
- 4) Coaches' Report
 - Coaches asked about pre-game meeting design; help with bad sportsmanship play during the game; skeleton of a meeting in person prior to game - coaches association working on this
 - Discussion about possible 1A consideration; Will the girls be open to have a Super 8?
 - Boys are interested and will be working on a format
 - Baseball, hockey and FB are looking at this possibility
 - Power ranked, equal path like the current tournament, venues need to be consistent with current state tourney

- Possibly a 2027 proposal - does need to go to TMC
 - R. Pearson - recommend to form a subcommittee to discuss super 8 – volunteers, J. Domingos, W. Pugliesi, C. Schatz, J. Carboneau) set a date
- 5) Officials' Report
- Annual meeting March 1 will prepare for the season
 - Subtle variations with MIAA rules and NFHS
 - New rule “interrupted games, after third period,” a game can be terminated and considered a full game, up to the 2 schools and must be agreed upon (reiterate rule)
 - Overtime's, running time (reiterate)
- 6) Other
- Preseason notice, “Commitment to sportsmanship”
 - Christian Schatz, rule updates for coaches
 - Important dates, from format (working to try to pay attention to windows for rounds)
 - Items for May 5, 1A report, tournament update
 - If any rule changes - have them to the May 5th meeting to be ready for June 1

Adjourned (C. Schatz, W. Pugliesi) 13-0-0

Next meeting: May 5, 2026, 12:00 p.m. *In-Person*