

Tennis Advisory Committee Meeting
October 1, 2010 – AIA Board Room

- I. Purpose:
Through consensus, the advisory committee will provide advisory counsel to the AIA Executive Board related to the sport specific issue of the tennis advisory committee
- II. Call to Order: Ron Halbach
- III. Roll Call:
Ron Halbach (AIA)
Toni Corona – (1A)
John Blabe– (2A)
Donna Stossel (2A)
Al O’Campo – (3A)
Rhonda Sears (3A)
John Park – (3A)
Barb Saunders – (5A)
Steve Harris (5A)
Corey Newland (5A)
- IV. New Business
- A. **Rationale and Criteria:**
Ron Halbach educated the committee members on the AIA Executive Board’s objective(s) and clarified the role of the Advisories committee(s) in the process. He informed committee members of current AIA bylaws/ procedures which led the development of the each sports-specific advisory committee.
1. October 1st – Enrollment counts will determine placement of schools by Conference and Division.
 - a. Schools will be placed into a “Division” and a “Section”
 2. All schools will use Power-rankings and schedules will be determined by “Computerized Scheduling”
 - a. AIA Exec. Board will determine the “minimum” number of games to be scheduled.
 - b. Schools will be responsible for scheduling any games above and beyond the assigned schedule.

B. **Voting**

Vote: Appeal DOWN

Toni Corona – (1A) - No

John Blabe– (2A) – “No” – “Yes” if travel will be increased for schools after the divisions and sections are determined.

Donna Stossel (2A) – Case by case

Al O’Campo – (3A) –Case by case

Vote: Appeal DOWN continued...

Rhonda Sears (3A) – Case by case
John Park – (3A) – Travel a big issue – wants to see the divisions/sections first
Barb Saunders – (5A) – Case by case
Steve Harris – (5A) - “No”: Metro schools – “Yes”: Understands reasoning if “travel” or “money” is an issue for the 1A-2A.
Corey Newland (5A) – No: Divisions/Sections based on enrollment – criteria stands – stay put

Vote: Appeal UP

Toni Corona – (1A) - Yes
John Blabe– (2A) - Yes
Donna Stossel (2A) - Yes
Al O’Campo – (3A) - Yes
Rhonda Sears (3A) - Yes
John Park – (3A) – No – not based on competition
Barb Saunders – (5A) - Yes
Steve Harris (5A) - Yes
Corey Newland (5A) - Yes

Vote: By Sport or by School?

Toni Corona – (1A) – By Sport
John Blabe– (2A) – By Sport
Donna Stossel (2A) – By Sport (must be both boys and girls)
Al O’Campo – (3A) – By Sport
Rhonda Sears (3A) – By Sport
John Park – (3A) – By Sport
Barb Saunders – (5A) – By sport – move to appropriate level of competition
Steve Harris (5A) – By Sport
Corey Newland (5A) – By Sport

C. Appeals:

1. October 18th – All appeals must be submitted
2. October 25th
 - a. Tennis Advisory Committee (TAC) will “hear” the appeal “By sport”
 - i. No special meeting for this – it will be a teleconference
 - ii. TAC will provide feedback and advice (TAC does not make the determination – All “opposition” will be reported to the Exec. Board as well.)

D. Division and State Tournament Reconfiguration

- Ron Halbach provided handouts outlining the AIA Ex. Board procedures, justifying the Executive Board’s decision to reconfigure the state tournament, realignment to Div/Sections, and power rankings.
1. Decision based on Financial concerns
 - i. Increased costs to conduct State tournaments
 - ii. Decreased attendance = loss of revenue at state tournaments

2. Each school will send 2 singles and 2 doubles teams entries to their respective division state tournament
 - i. Individual = (128 slot bracket)
 - i. Only 8 players will be seeded
 - (1.) Controversy over using the USTA criteria as the sole determinate for seeding
 - (2.) TAC would like to establish additional criteria regulating seeding
 - ii. All others will be “Blind Draw”
 - (1.) Players from the same school will be placed on opposite sides of the bracket
 - ii. Team = Brackets will remain the same as in previous years
3. Ron will provide more information regarding the brackets when we meet next time
 - a. Ron will need feedback – Determining the seeded players
4. There is no appeal up or down for this year’s “individual” tournament
5. Ron will meet with the 1A to determine Criteria for the 1A ‘teams’ to go to 2011 state tournament”

V. Unfinished Business:

- A. Power rankings
- B. TAC team will need to determine “Specifics” for Individual and Team Tournaments.
- C. TAC team needs to review their “Constitution and Bylaws” – Tennis Section before the next meeting to provide feedback
- D. Next meeting TBD – (sometime late Nov – early Dec.)

VI. Adjournment:

- A. Rhonda Sears (3A) – moved to “Adjourn”
- B. Barb Saunders (5A) – “Seconded”