Track & Field Advisory Committee

Minutes

May 29, 2012

Call to order: 9:08 a.m.

Roll Call:

Members Present:

1A - Bruce Wilkison

2A – Linda Lamb

- 4A Jennifer Burks, John Prather, Bill White, Fred Claire
- 5A Cassandra Cline-McKenzie, Mary Wimmer, Dave Shapiro

Members Absent:

- 1A Jacinta McMohon
- 2A Matt Allen, Adam Estrada
- 3A Paul Demuth, Lori Showers, Scott Patton, Eureka Hall
- 5A Wendy Truvillon

Discussion:

2012 State Meet

Wednesday weather caused several issues that had to be worked out. However, under those forced conditions, the meet ran very smooth and efficiently. The long jump and high jump experienced some slowness and those issues will be addressed by the meet administration. The bull pen was much more effective than in years past. Randy Collyer and the clerks did a tremendous job of getting all the athletes to their heats and lanes without issue.

Communication will continue to be a priority for the sport of Track & Field.

- There was discussion regarding the lack of time at the end of the year to complete qualifying meets and get the meet results posted, entries, verification and produce a qualifying list in a timely manner.
- David Hines talked about discussions with Max Preps as a way to report results, compile performance lists and enter athletes through Max Preps/AIA school login page. We will keep you inform on that progress.
- There was discussion about qualifying meet directors that did not submit correct information, were slow in reporting, did not include wind gauge readings, etc. Recommendation to follow below.
- 2013 State Track & Field Qualifying Standards were provided and reviewed. (Attached)

Advisory Recommendations:

- The committee will put together an email list from the coach pass list to have additional communication ability. Please advise athletic directors that all head coach information be correctly updated yearly.
- The committee has recommended that all qualifying meets be completed by the Wednesday prior to the State Track Meet. This date will be May 1, 2013 for this next school year.
- The committee recommended that the close of entries will be 6:00 p.m., Friday, May 3, 2013
- The committee recommends that we modify the State Qualifying Meet Application packet to include, where results are to be sent and what format, State Meet entry information, that can be placed in invitational packets, wind reading verification and sign off and a meet follow-up sheet that includes the head officials of the meet and that results were turned in.
- The committee asked that we develop a protocol for emergencies in conjunction with MCC that could provide where to go, when and where coaches will meet to be updated on the situation and where information would be posted on the AIA website. Mr. Hines will work on and send out to the committee for review.
- The committee recommended that all field events start at the same time. Teams come together, we might as well start competing.
- The committee requested that the Executive Board know that even though we do not want to see kids miss out on opportunities, however, it is the coaches responsibility to enter their athletes, report correct results, and meet directors are required to submit correct results. The term "tough love" was used to describe the importance that coaches are required to follow all procedural requirements.

Additional Recommendations from around the table:

- Could use an additional worker or two at the hip tag/check-in table.
- Availability of hard copy results results

- Request that we add a long jump coaches area
- Could use an additional official to monitor coaches and athletes at the events that do not belong there.

To be placed on the next meeting agenda:

• Discussion on adding Javelin, Hammer throw and the Hepthalon/Decathlon

Meeting adjourned at 12:35 p.m.