



AIA Track and Field Advisory Minutes

May 13th 2015

1. Present:

Jenny Burke, James Smith, Lori Larsen, Bob London, Paul Demuth, James Golden, Eric Bolus, Mary Wimmer, Dave Shapiro, Dean Visser

On Phone: Mike Elder

2. Issues

- a. Not all schools have all meets sanctioned during the season. Is this due to the high turnover rate of coaches and ADs, if so do we send a questionnaire asking if schools are going to re-host State Qualifying meets? Are there too many SQ meets?
- b. Suggested timeline is needed for this process.
- c. Possible leniency of one year if there are mistakes, after that any additional mistake would result in no State Qualifying meet sanctioning the following year.
- d. Needed:
 - i. List of contacts for questions from coaches/Ads
 - ii. Expand on information currently on AIA page

3. Length of Season

- a. Due to moving the State Meet a week earlier for JC Nationals we lost a week of competition/season. Mike Elder made a motion to start competition for track and field to the 34th week. Paul Demuth seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

4. Discussion

- a. Last Chance Meets - Is a proposal required to limit the Last Chance meets to truly make them a "Last Chance" for state qualification? Currently 10-14 meets, some are all-comers.
- b. AIA Officials – We need to increase the number of certified officials and get an accurate list
 - i. Social media?
 - ii. Officials Clinic tied to AIA Meetings for coaches with Hytek session
 - iii. State Qualifying Meet Certification held at coaches clinic
 - iv. Need to resurrect the rhythm of the old AIA Officials clinics specific to track officials
- c. Timeline needed for important dates for season
 - i. Enter teams on www.athletic.net
 - ii. Include www.maxpreps.com on timeline and add links to both
- d. Is there an option to still have JV/Frosh meets after the deadline for State Qualifying Meets? Dave Shapiro will research.
- e. MaxPreps/Athletic.net



- i. Recurring complaints need to be resolved in order to use only one site for registration.
- f. State Meet Entries
 - i. Entries v. Declarations
 1. 4 only
 2. Honest effort rule
 - ii. Performance List sent out with Declarations returned by Monday 6pm
 - iii. Top 32 or top qualifiers/provisional returned to coaches when completed.
 - iv. Committee suggests coaches declare four (4) events only to allow lanes to be full. This includes field events and relays, athlete is scratched from events over four in event order.
- g. State Meet 2016
 - i. LJ/TJ competition – move three to Saturday
 - ii. Rotate High Jump so that three are on Saturday
 - iii. Suggested to move starting height to provisional height versus opening height being that of the last entry, also can drop to the odd inch (5'11", 6'1")
 - iv. Increase high jump by 1" at some point rather than 2"
 - v. Have unengraved medals in case of ties
 - vi. Starting blocks are provided, no need to bring other blocks
 - vii. All implements need to be returned to racks during competitions so that they are available for all athletes to use.
 - viii. Javelin
 1. Which javelin should be used?
 - a. Flinn Flyer
 - b. Bring options in fall
- h. Schedules

11:19am moved by James Smith, seconded by Jennifer Burks to adjourn meeting to work on schedules.