



AIA Badminton Committee Meeting Minutes

11/22/16

Call to Order: Lerina Johnson

Roll Call: Dean Visser, Karen Jacobson, Guy Chadwick, Terri Cass, Lisa Cass, Sarah Schlesinger, Lerina Johnson, Laura Duncan, Jim Dean

Approval of minutes: Sarah Schlesinger

Discussion Items:

- Unified Sports:

-Laura Duncan-Goal to bring badminton into unified sports which allow students with disabilities a true athletic experience combining disabled athletes with unified partners. Badminton discussion included the following topics:

-Trying to get a unified program up and running for next year, looking at the more than 20 schools on a list that already have incorporated unified sports into their schools and have coaches

-Minimum requirement is practice once a week for one hour, competition would be against other unified teams and would not be a full schedule. They would like to look down the road at holding a state championship as well incorporated into the regular state championship for doubles only.

-All play would be doubles only with exhibition players as the unified partners with the athlete. They would have their own unified coaches. These coaches could assist during unified practices. There would be no minimum number of athletes on the roster.

-Gym time and space was a concern, but could practice could be done in adaptive PE class if there are regular students in the class who could participate as partners.

- Dysart Schools adopting a badminton program

-Jim Dean-Goal to bring badminton to Dysart in the next year or so as to not interrupt the current cycle. Interrupting the cycle was not a concern for committee, but Dysart needs time to prepare facilities and equipment for proper competition. They have 4 schools 1-6A, 2-5A, and 1-4A. Possibly add all initially at Division 2 as a start-up program. Guy can help do a facilities plan as well as equipment and coach/athlete training.

- Coaches Certification:

-Important due to no officials

-Could be presented by Guy, very basic due to rule changes and new coaches, all need to know the rules and how to proceed in dual matches, beneficial for new coaches, done at low to no cost, should be in badminton facility for demonstrating purposes



-All coaches present to cover topics and rules, could be required if set by the board, will wait to see if mandated by the board, possible 2 offerings in August

-Beneficial to create coach comradery and an understanding of how to proceed when discrepancies arise

- Enforcement of play by ladders (electronic) Possible Ideas...

-Possibly put ladders online and results online

-Varsity only put rosters online before play, must be in by 9/1 and again by 10/1 and before state with changes updated throughout

-Ladder order must be played, if not contact with administration will be made and enforced

-Dean will work with IT on getting the results posted on line including players and scores of matches, this will be the first step-thumbs up or down to agree with results

-Coaches need score sheets, how can we get them out to them, Guy will get original to Dean in order to supply to coaches

- Individual State-Additional Round on Friday-36 player bracket

-We will go ahead with an additional round on Friday

-Top 4 teams will get an additional team for state, we will fill accordingly from there to have no byes, most likely this will be all who get additional teams as for now they are all pigtail matches

- Dates and Locations for next year's state tournament

-Individual State, both divisions at Independence again 10/20 & 21

-Team State 10/23, 25 & 26 at host school then Desert Vista & Sunnyslope for semis and Sunnyslope for both finals

- Review of State tournaments

-Went well

-Create placards for individual players to take to courts displaying school

-Get a hot dog vendor in between gyms for the day to provide snacks-Remind Sarah to do this!

- Rally Scoring

-Pros: More time for exhibition, Easy to teach

-Cons: Less exciting points, serving rules are different, more incentive to cheat

-Lerina will do a google doc to get opinions and comments

- Recognition

-For this year, do not strip recognition, award co winners



- Need section reps for the future to determine recognition, the system is not currently working
- Section reps can hold meeting in person or via email to nominate and vote on recipients for singles, doubles and coaches
- Division winners will be state champs and coaches will come through the section voting and will be held by AIA
 - Pigtail game for state playoffs
- Need to keep all regions involved, it is sport wide
- Dean will look into seeing if we can do a play in or use power rankings

Action Items:

- By laws changes

-None

Next Meeting: TBD

Adjourn: Lisa Cass