

Track and Field Sports Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes

August 16, 2024

1A			Gerald Brown	ASDB
2A	Matt Hull	PCDS	Greg Hull	Phoenix Country Day School
3A	Stephen Young	Monument Valley	David Melhorn	Valley Christian
4A			Bob Mika	Estrella Foothills
5A	Wendy Truvillion	Alhambra	Ariban Justin	North Canyon
6A	Dave Klecka	Mesa	Eric Bolus	Sandra Day O'Connor
At Large	Dave Shapiro	Unattached	Mike Smith	Ironwood Ridge
			Sue Hysong	Westview

Meeting called to order 10:06AM

1. Members Present:

- a. ADs – Matt Hull, Dave Klecka, Dave Shapiro, Wendy Truvillion, Stephen Young
- b. Coaches – Eric Bolus, Gerald Brown, Greg Hull, Sue Hysong, Ariban Justin, David Melhorn, Bob Mika, Mike Smith
- c. AIA – Erin Coy, Jim Dean, David Hines, Mary Wimmer
- d. Guests – Brent Krieg, James Smith

2. Complete conflict of interest form, introductions

3. Results/Feedback from Division and State Meets

- a. SAC Coach members will survey Conferences to learn who would like 1-2 days off between competition. We need a Y/N response from each school.
- b. All members received feedback Mary received from Wendy Truvillion and Brent Krieg. The following were discussed from that feedback
 - i. DV – ProEm Security should not have locked gates, site AD is responsible for those decisions
 - ii. HJ – develop a set time for measuring steps to not interfere with warm ups
 - iii. When issues arise with specific schools/programs – bring it to the attention of the AD/Principal
 - iv. Watches were removed at athlete check-in because athletes were talking on them (it then is a phone not a watch), all were removed from that point on
 - v. Add in Tournament Guide – discretion of officials and starters
 - vi. HJ/PV – bar raises should be consistent across the board since qualify for another event from this meet (NCAA has same concerns), is there a formula based progression that can be used similar to diving? Mary will check with Erin
 - vii. Wind readings – should they count, there is a scientific advantage in wind aided marks, can't change mother nature
 - viii. Remember – we are trying to fine tune a really great meet!
 - ix. Division Meets are still a qualifier for State Championships

4. Officials – we need more!

- a. We began testing for AIA Officials last year, Mary and James will work together to increase the number of certified officials throughout the state.
- b. Have people email Mary directly to become a certified official
- c. Schedule will be posted and emailed to all officials (current and past) for training

5. Division Sites
 - a. Proposals for new sites - discussed
 - b. Check in deadline requested – good for alternates. If the originally seeded athlete is there prior to the event start, as long as it is possible, the alternates will compete.
6. MaxPreps – it is our Division and State championship declaration/entry platform.
 - i. MaxPreps, get rosters on early
 - ii. There will be a tutorial explaining “how to” posted at aiaonline.org
7. Scheduling – needs to reflect accurate schedules (F, JV, Varsity), number of meets must be within the limits on AZPreps365 schedule.
 - a. Coaches need to work closely with ADs to ensure all schedules are accurate
 - b. Once schedule is on AZPreps365, it is an AIAAA two year contract, there are financial repercussions for breaking this contract if not agreed upon by all ADs involved
8. Qualifying process review
 - a. Timing companies not following procedures (no official results on paper, happening nationwide). NFHS Rule 3-10 for finish line and field events.
 - b. NFHS response – meets don’t count, not sanctioned, be strict
 - c. Mary spoke with several companies (CA, WI, AZ), all acknowledge that they provide a service to their customer and follow their requests. Timing companies should not be changing the rules.
 - d. If meet directors and timing companies refuse to use paper and do not have a first place hand time and first place finisher for events and hand written field event results, their meet will not count as an AIA State Qualifying meet. Results will not count as qualifying times/marks.**
 - e. RunMeet does not replace HyTek Meet Manager.
 - f. One of the two people on timing/scoring system is now required to be an AIA Certified Official for the meet to count as an AIA State Qualifying meet.
9. From 2023 - In the future do we penalize/fine athletes who DNS due to anything other than an injury/eligibility for the final weekend of State Championships? They qualified, were entered, and ...? Last year we decided that schools would be put on probation in the following school year and fined for failure to show up at the competition.
 - a. Solution – increase number of alternates to three/event
10. Dates for 2025 quick glance calendar:
 - a. Division May 8-10 Deer Valley and Red Mountain
 - b. State May 16-17 Mesa Community College
11. Good of the Order
12. Adjourn – 12:15pm

Membership – please contact your AD and inform them of your interest in maintaining your seat on the committee. I will be notified of any/all changes after the AIAAA conference in September. Remember, as a representative, it is your responsibility to poll your conference membership for their opinions on all matters and bring those results to the committee. Luckily, we no longer must use fax machines, make phone calls and send letters to survey Coaches. If you are a guest at a meeting, your opinion is important, but you cannot vote on these matters. All changes at this point must

go through Conference Leadership and the Executive Board as they voted to implement the format used in 2024. Thank you for your understanding.