



MIAA Field Hockey Committee
Meeting Minutes
October 20, 2020

1. Meeting called to order at 10:05 pm by Chairman Mary Ryan

Welcome and Introductions

Committee Members (District # or board position)

Present: Mary Lou Thimas (Member-At-Large), Annette DiMascio (South and State TD), Sherry Bryant (MIAA FH Liaison), Patti Provost (2), Mary Ryan (North TD), Patti Rowe (Officials' rep), David Uminski (3), Katherine Hennessey (MASC), Ryan Murphy (4), Susan Charochak (MASS), Robert Marchewka (1), Jennifer Gouvin (1), John Parisi (5), Steve Martin (4), Gary Brown (7), Kathleen Burke (9), Diane Lussier (West TD), Anne Palumbo (3)

Regrets: John O'Neill (Coaches' Rep)

Not present: John Doldoorian (Central TD), Grace Cunningham (6), Kelley St Coeur (7), Elizabeth York (2), Jenn Hammel (8), Scott Palladino (8)

Guests: Brendan Chase (Boston Globe), Dave Broussard (former FH committee member), Tom Fargo, Jan Martin (MIAA FH Admin Support), Pete Lantaigne (Intern – Belchertown HS)

Governance and Role of Committee: Document available on MIAA Website

Conflict of Interest Statement: Sign and send to Sherry or Jan

2. Minutes of May 29 and June 15, 2020

Approval - ML Thimas, 2nd Jenn G – unanimous

3. Election of Officers.

Chair: Mary Ryan,

Vice Chair: Mary Lou Thimas

Secretary: Patti Rowe.

Mary R, 2nd Dave U - unanimous

4. Rule Change Proposals

RULE #	TOTAL VOTES			RULE #	TOTAL VOTES		
	Yes	No	Abstentions		Yes	No	Abstentions
1	6	8	0	18	4	9	1
2	13	1	0	19	8	6	0
3	10	3	1	20	13	1	0
4	2	12	0	21	2	12	0
5	14	0	0	22	1	13	0
6	5	9	0	23	12	2	0
7	1	12	1	24	6	8	0
8	12	2	0	25 thru 37			
9	3	11	0	38	12	1	0
10	12	2	0	39	12	1	0
11	8	6	0	40	10	3	0
12	5	9	0	41	13	0	0
13	0	14	0	42	13	0	0
14	1	13	0	43	5	8	0
15	0	14	0	44	1	12	0
16	0	14	0	45	3	10	0
17	0	12	2	46	1	12	0

5. **TMC/Alignments**
 - 2 year cycle was to be out by Sept 1 moved to late Oct.
 - Winter Proposed alignments out around Nov 1.
 - The method is approved (framework)
 - Working on an on line application to request to apply for realignment.
 - Hoping to eliminate meeting with sports committees
 - TMC meeting 10/21/2020 for Winter start and end dates now 11/30 -2/2. Waiting for guidelines from EEA, CDC
6. **COVID 19 Task Force:** The EEA will update Covid-19 each season
7. **NFHS/USA Advocacy:** Conference Nov 2 promoting our sport and some plans going forward. Sherry and Jenn H
8. **Blue Ribbon Committee Update:** FH - not looking to hand down decisions
9. **Informational Links**
 - [COVID-19 Task Force Web Page](#)
 - [National Federation Field Hockey Season Modifications Map](#)
 - [National Federal Field Hockey Information](#)
 - [2019-2020 Participation Survey Data](#)
10. **OTHER MIAA modifications:** if there is a 5 or more goal differential after half-time, the clock will run on everything but an injury. Questions about the timing procedure - If the 5 goal differential (running clock) happens during the 3rd quarter - At the end of the 3rd quarter the clock will be set for the 2 minute intermission. As soon as the intermission is over, set the clock for 15 minutes and start clock and 4th quarter immediately.
 - Question on process for modifying MIAA goggle rule. Proposal would go through the same process and any other rule change
 - NFHS accepting rule change proposals for 2021
11. **Next meeting:** December 17, 2020
12. **Adjournment:** 12:15 pm - Motion P Rowe, 2nd P Provost, unanimous

Respectfully submitted,

Patti Rowe

FH Committee Secretary