

MIAA Football Committee

Minutes – March 1, 2023

1. Minutes of Jan. 19, 2023, meeting
(B. Fonseca, D. Pignone) 16-0-0
2. Coaches Assoc. Proposal – Discussion/Feedback
Comments from committee members:
 - Possible subcommittee: consider moving forward, tweaking get info out and forward, through/intro to sections.
 - Difficulty educating all constituents; challenge and opportunity to bring all to understand playoffs, when and not impact so many; possible remove the mid-season bye.
 - Western MA coaches and AD's not interested as presented; bye and crunch many games in a short period of time (tough on athletes);
 - Central ma going two weeks into the winter season may be a problem; collaborate with other committees to gain traction.
 - Timeline for work - fall meeting document to FB comm (fall 2023)
 - There are a lot of no's out there; can we get everything, go for what we can get; subcommittee has work to do.
 - Can the FC adopt a working document for 2025 that they can push out and discuss?
 - Need to make sure everyone knows what is out there, appears they may not be informed.
 - Should we get a proposal to the TMC; could we propose a joint committee, SMC, TMC, FB
 - Motion to week of June 13, 10:00 AM in person meeting to finalize proposal detail; Moved and approved, 16-0-0
3. Football Format 2023 – Approval
 - Team Player Limits
Moved and approved (J. Gamache, B. Callaghan) 16-0-0
4. Fall 2023, Planning – Discussion
 - Require 5- man mechanics going forward, Tom A Sept.
5. NFHS Rules 2023 – Update
-Tom A spoke to new rules
6. Officials Topics
 - 5-man manual, mechanics will be used what is developed to use
 - Next date June 13
 - Fall 2023 TBD