

MIAA Tennis Committee Meeting Highlights – Oct. 18, 2022

The Tennis met at the Franklin office on Oct. 18, 2022 with 9 committee members in attendance.

After approval of the minutes (N. Schlierf, J. Linders) 8-0-0, the committee elected leadership positions:

Chair: Dave Bouchard (N. Schlierf, K. Mahoney) 8-0-0

Vice Chair: Scott Hoffman (D. Bouchard, N. Schlierf) 8-0-0

Secretary: Kevin Mahoney (D. Bouchard, G. Doulette) 8-0-0

Tournament Review Spring 2022: The committee noted and thanked Carolyn Bohmiller for her excellent work throughout the years as well as her time and commitment for tennis students and school. Tournament Director Ron Ford reviewed the 2022 tournament:

- Tournament personnel executed well, in all regions
- Great relationship with the officials
- Pre-tournament challenges with complete and clear records/schedules
- Communication and detailed plans were and are important
- Successful State finals location at MIT; showcased tennis
- Recommendations to include, cutoff dates and bracket release, and continued use a showcase venue such as MIT for finals; coaches access during state finals to be attentive
- Ticket sales for finals

Tournament Format, Spring 2023: The format was presented to the committee with updates and any changes if necessary. Discussion on specific dates for cutoff, bracket release and stat of preliminary rounds. Format was accepted and voted unanimously. (N. Schlierf, J. Pelkey) 9-0-0,

Alignment Cycle 2023-25: R. Pearson discussed the current development of alignments for all spring sports to be published later this fall, early winter.

R. Pearson showed the committee how the new Competitive Equity Modifier will be applied to all member schools. The committee asked questions and discussed the alignment process.

The committee voted on **MIAA 2023-2025 Rule changes**.

Individual Tennis Tournament: The committee the individual tennis tournament and how best can the tennis committee dialogue for support? The committee discussed three committee members dialoging with TMC - J. Pelkey, N. Schlierf and D. Bouchard were asked to setup time with TMC. Other members, J. Cutler and S. Gauthier volunteered to support any other subcommittee discussion on this topic.

Next committee meeting schedule for February 14, 2023, location TBD.