



MIAA CROSS COUNTRY & TRACK COMMITTEE MEETING

Wednesday, September 20, 2023 @ 10:00 A.M MIAA OFFICE, 33 FORGE PARKWAY, FRANKLIN, MA

MINUTES

- 1. Call to Order
- 2. Welcome & Attendance
 - **Conflict of Interest Form**
 - **Governance Document**
- 3. Election of Officers

Motion: Nominate Jim Quatromoni as chair of the cross-country/track committee (Liz H/Lauren H) APPROVED 10-0-1

Motion: Nominate Mike Glennon vice-chair of the cross-country/track committee (Matt C./Ben B.) APPROVED 10-0-1

Motion: Nominate Chris Woods as secretary of the cross-country/track committee (Mike G./Matt C.) APPROVED 10-0-1

Statement from the audience - Scott Ouellette, AD of Lowell HS, was present to discuss the cross country statewide format. Scott voiced concerns that improvements are needed and requested a sub-committee be reactivated to review the format for the future. A sub-committee will be set up but no changes can be made to alignments until the 2025 fall season.

- 4. Minutes of Previous Meeting all approved
 - March 7, 2023 •
 - May 10, 2023 •
 - July 12, 2023 Sub-Committee

Motion: Accept all three sets of minutes (Mike G./Matt C.) APPROVED 11-0-0

- 5. 2023 Cross Country Tournament
 - Format ٠
 - Class Waves Review/Approval
 - i. <u>Boys</u> / <u>Girls</u> ii. <u>Summary</u>

Wave imbalances were reviewed, mainly on the girls side. John Monz explained the handout provided to the committee. The challenge is to balance the waves while keeping teams in the same division.

Motion: Accept wave proposal for the 2023 cross country tournament (Mike G./Matt C.) APPROVED 11-0-0.

Discussion: Bussing – wait time. Downtime, etc...

Next year, release waves once add/drops are final. Numbers will be continued to be reviewed on an annual basis, but sentiment from committee is to keep the waves balanced.

New England discussion for XC – would result in having to change the season by 2 weeks in order to accommodate new England meet.

Discussion on committee make up - does the committee want to break up by sport - concern about attendance, would be same people - more meetings is better than committee break up.

Frank Mooney – where does the \$ go by sport – is it public, why doesn't the committee receive a copy – need to get an answer from Sherry.

Trophy naming - Champion, Runner Up - Division 1A champion; Division 1 State Champion

Selections of Reps (Coaches, Officials) discussed - Western MA officials?

Discussion on the Wild Card – Mike G. – should we look at add 1 or 2 more wild card teams

- 6. Electronic Entries
 - Direct Athletics
 - Athletic.net

DA merged with Mile Split Athletic.net for live results more than anything. Some leagues are moving to DA. MSTCA using Athletic.net Revisit in October

- 7. 2023-24 Indoor Track
 - <u>Format</u>
 - Schedule & Qualifying Marks

Courtesy scratches – discussion on filling the field – leave as is for now. Entry Rules – relay cards not needed NE Meet – entry on DA Top 6 by 6:00pm Sunday the day after the meet.

5-1-2-3-4 Rotation this year

Weight Throw for MOC – top 15 in both genders

8. 2024 Outdoor Track - Hockomock League Proposal

Tabled til October

9. Officials Topics

Official numbers are growing a bit – Clinic in Western MA on 11/15 at West Springfield HS. Concern on individually taping fingers.

- 10. Coaches Topics
- 11. Other

Upcoming Meeting Dates

- Wednesday, October 18, 2023 @ 10:00am (virtual)
- Wednesday, January 17, 2024 @10:00am
- Wednesday, March 7, 2024 @ 10:00am (virtual)
- Wednesday, May 15, 2024 @ 10:00am

