

**MIAA BASEBALL COMMITTEE MEETING
TUESDAY OCTOBER 17, 2017 @ 10:00 A.M**

AGENDA

1. Call to Order
Meeting began at 10:11 am

2. Welcome & Introductions
 - New Members and Attendance
Bob McNamara, Don Fredericks, Dan McGarry, Craig Najarian, Gerald O'Connell, Patrick Driscoll, Keith Brouillard, Scott Ashworth, Thomas O'Brien, James Abel, Henry Duval, Marc Talbot, William Beando, Craig Genuardo, Frank Carey, Joe Cacciatore, Donald Irzyk, Richard Pearson, Michael Denise

Spalding presentation as the new baseball for MIAA.

3. Housekeeping
 - Conflict of Interest Statements
 - Governance Document

TMC renewed interest with consistency amongst tournaments

4. Election of Officers
Unanimous 15-0 for Don Irzyk as Chair
Unanimous 15-0 for Jay Costa as Chair
Unanimous 15-0 for Mike Denise as Secretary

5. Previous Meeting - [Minutes of March 15, 2017](#)

Motion to approve 10-0-1

6. 2017 Baseball Tournament Review
 - Championship Breakfast
Excitement of Championship Games to Come Celebrate 1A and Division 2 Champions
Guest Speaker
 - Tournament Financials
Net Income was down
Question of night games vs. day games
Participation and Tournament Structure Review - document provided

North - Attendance drop; Not using Alumni Stadium (distance too far for fans to travel)

Danvers vs. Gloucester - Social Media Issue/Prom Issue with Gloucester
(additional security, but no fans)
Lalachuer Park is a great experience but expensive and only 3 vs. 4 games
due to SAT's

South - New Sites (Franklin, Plymouth South and Plymouth North)
Not as many games at Rox

State - Down in expenses; not as large profit
Teams that were playing and fan base was small

Central - \$ 2,000.00 deficit due to increase of \$ 1,800.00 from Holy Cross
Softball conflicts – attendance may have been impacted due to schedule
conflicts (Bob Mcnamara)

West - Dave King not present

1A - Play at Brockton Rox (dates set for next year)
Problems are selection of teams (some have issues of team selection) and
Travel of Teams
Rox have not gone up on price
Gate admission/attendance down

Question if MIAA 1A games would ever be at other sites in state - Still
discussing; Rox give us great flexibility (11 dates and 11 rain dates).

7. [Alignment Baseball Appeals for 2018-2021 Season](#)

Schools from each of the regions presented appeals to the committee.
Each school was provided 5 minutes for their presentation.

Subcommittee votes were voted for acceptance 12-0

Votes from executive session for 2018-2021 alignments: (see below for request)

Advanced Math & Science Academy	Denied
Grafton	Denied
Monty Tech	Denied
Tantasqua	Denied
East Boston	Denied
Greater Lawrence	Denied
Greater Lowell Technical	Denied
Lynn Vocational	Approved
O'Bryant	Denied
Shawsheen Tech	Denied
Blue Hills	Denied Approved (Edits R.L.P. 013118)
Diman	Approved to D3

Plymouth South
Silver Lake

(did not attend)
Denied

8. Baseball Rules-MLB/NCAA/NFHS

- Update – Planning
Subcommittee met - good discussion
How to proceed forward
Tom O'Brien is working on extensive chart on three rules differences - will ask coaches and umpires for Feedback
"Crosswalk" - chart that compares the three

9. Sportsmanship

- Annual Suspension Data Review
Coach Suspensions 1 last year - previous year 11
- Recognition Programs
Coach of the Year and Official of the Year
Student-Athlete of the Month
Team Achievement

10. Other

Pitch Count Data - Sports Committee will meet (Is it necessary for MA?)
Legion is changing numbers (not significantly); Emphasis is on days rest.

Meeting was adjourned at 1:46 pm.

Next Meeting: **January 23, 2017 @ 10:00 am**

MIAA BASEBALL COMMITTEE MEETING ALIGNMENT APPEAL SCHEDULE

Time	Appealing School	Section	From	To
10:15 am - 10:30 am				
	Advanced Math & Science Academy	C	Div. 3	Div. 4
	Grafton	C	Div. 1	Div. 3
	Monty Tech	C	Div. 3	Div. 4
	Tantasqua	C	Div. 1	Div. 3
10:30 am - 11:20 am				
	East Boston	N	Div. 2	Div. 3
	Greater Lawrence	N	Div. 2	Div. 3
	Greater Lowell Technical	N	Div. 2	Div. 3
	Lynn Vocational	N	Div. 3	Div. 4

O'Bryant	N	Div. 3	Div. 4
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Shawsheen Tech	N	Div. 2	Div. 3
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11:20 am - 11:40 am

Blue Hills	S	Div. 3	Div. 4
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Diman	S	Div. 2	Div. 4
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Plymouth South	S	Div. 2	Div. 3
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Silver Lake	S	Div. 1	Div. 2
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