



MIAA Tournament Management Committee Meeting October 21, 2020

The Tournament Management Committee (TMC) met virtually on October 21, 2020 with approximately 35 people on the call including TMC members, Member School Athletic Directors, MIAA staff and members of the media.

Alignment:

Swim and Dive: Jim Davis, Belmont HS Athletic Director and Committee Chair presented a historical perspective of the sport including its inception in 1947, the growth and expansion into two seasons (fall and winter) and the challenges in finding venues to host the number of participating schools.

Pete Foley, Tournament Director, provided insight into the proposed alignment structure. Discussion on alignment process ensued.

Motion: To accept the co-op proposal within the swim alignment structure. (J. Newhall/M. Ryan) **APPROVED 16-0**

Motion: To approve the three proposed swim alignments as presented by the Committee. (J. Newhall/M. Ryan) **APPROVED 14-1-1**

MIAA Winter Tournament Structure:

TMC members were previously charged to gather thoughts from their respective constituents around sponsorship of winter tournaments. Feedback from each district was provided by committee members. Feedback varied including staying with the current fall structure of pods/league to waiting for updated guidelines from MA EEA before a decision is made.

Motion: To recommend to the Board of Directors to cancel the winter MIAA State Tournament including sectional tournaments. Furthermore, we will encourage local districts, leagues and regions to run local end of year local tournaments as they see fit. (J. Shannon/M. Ryan) **APPROVED 15-0**

COVID-19 Task Force members participating on the TMC call indicated the Task Force will weigh in on this recommendation as well. The recommendation will be forwarded to the BOD for the October 29, 2020 agenda.

Rules Change Proposal: Voting on the 2021-2023 Rules Change Proposal was tabled.

Next Meeting: Nov. 3, 2020

