



MIAA Tournament Management Committee Meeting Highlights – July 28, 2020

The Tournament Management Committee (TMC) met virtually on July 28, 2020 with approximately 25 people on the call including TMC members, MIAA staff and members of the media. This is the first TMC meeting for the 2020-21 school year.

Welcome to new TMC members:

Dave Reid, Athletic Director Monty Tech – D2
Todd Bazydlo, Principal Shrewsbury – D3
Dick Newton, Athletic Director Lynn English – D5
Paul Funk, Principal Dennis-Yarmouth – D9
Scott Paine, Athletic Director Hull – D9

Election of 2020-21 Officers:

Chair – Jim O’Leary, St. John’s Prep
Vice Chair – Mary Ryan, Rockport HS
Secretary – Pam Gould, Sandwich Public Schools

Motion: Continue with the current slate of officers for 2020-21 for continuity purposes. (J. DiCarlo/S. Rizzo) **APPROVED 12-0-1**

Alignments: For more detailed information regarding the alignment process please see the TMC alignment process [HERE](#).

Click [HERE](#) for alignment links to Wrestling and Football proposals to the TMC at the July 28, 2020 meeting.

Wrestling: MIAA Wrestling Liaison Phil Napolitano and Brendan Kent, Wakefield HS Athletic Director and Alignment Committee Chair presented MIAA Wrestling Alignment proposal to TMC. Wrestling will not use a statewide tournament format initially and will remain with sectional tournament to qualify for states. This format will be reviewed in the future.

Motion: Approve the MIAA Wrestling alignment proposal as submitted by the Wrestling Committee with the caveat that the Wrestling Committee may make regional moves of school placements as needed. (S. Hart/D. Newton) **APPROVED 10-2-1**

Football: MIAA Football Liaison Richard Pearson along with football committee members, Jim Pignataro (Grafton), Dave Pigone (Stoneham) and Joe Gamache (Franklin Tech), Steve Dembowski (Coaches Rep) presented to TMC the updated MIAA Football Alignments. Updates from initial proposal include general application of factors to all schools including vocational schools moving down three divisions, private

schools moving up one division, and a modification to coop schools to not be applied in football.

Motion: Approve the MIAA Football alignment updated proposal as submitted by the Football Committee. (D. Vega/K. Sheridan) **DEFEATED 4-8-2**

Motion: Approve MIAA Football alignment with TMC factor for vocational schools adjusted to three divisions down instead of two and private schools and co-op factors applied as prescribed by TMC.

(J. Brown/D. Newton) **APPROVED 8-5-1**

****The updated Football alignment will be available at a future date**

Fall 2020 Sports Season: Response to the Board vote to amend the start of 2020 Fall sports season to September 14, 2020 resulted in discussion around the following three areas:

- Rule 35.4 Initial date for competition – consideration for amendment similar to Spring 2020 votes
- Season limitations – number of game/competitions per week
- Post Season Play

This discussion was tabled for a future meeting to allow for more data and information on the status of re-opening schools and athletic “risk factors” to become available.

Next meeting: Tuesday, August 18, 2020 at 10:00am (virtual)

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