



MIAA Cross Country/Track Meeting Highlights October 21, 2020

The MIAA Cross Country/Track Committee meeting was conducted virtually on Wednesday, October 21, 2020. The meeting was attended by 17 voting committee members, tournament directors, MIAA staff and media members.

Welcome/Opening

The Cross Country & Track Committee was welcomed and introduced at the start of the meeting. The MIAA Conflict of Interest Form and MIAA Governance Structure were reviewed with the committee.

2020-2021 Cross Country/Track Committee Officers

The following officers were elected for the 2020-21 school year:

- Chair: Peter Rittenburg, Brookline High School, Athletic Director
- Vice Chair: Joseph Lemar, Durfee High School, Coach
- Secretary: Rick Kates, Notre Dame Hingham, MSTCA

Statements from the Audience

Mike Miller and Mike Glennon addressed the Cross Country & Track Committee with concerns about the upcoming winter indoor track season. Mike Miller presented a rationale to move the current indoor track season to Fall II while Mike Glennon echoed the rationale and provided insight into indoor track guidelines currently set forth by the USTAF and IAAF.

Motion: The MIAA Cross Country & Track committee supports recommendation to the COVID Task Force and Board of Directors to move Indoor TF to Fall II season, if health metrics are safe, competition takes place indoors, or the option to move outside for competition. **APPROVED: 16-0-1** (Jim H./Jim Q.)

2021-23 Alignment Update

Peter Rittenburg provided an update about the cross country, indoor and outdoor alignment process. Both the cross country and indoor alignments have been submitted and discussed with the Tournament Management Committee, while the outdoor track alignments have been approved for submission by the Cross Country & Track Committee.

Winter Season Discussion & Subcommittee Update

Peter Rittenburg provided an update about the upcoming winter season and the timeline needed for potential modifications. A subcommittee was established to meet weekly and develop indoor track modifications for the upcoming winter season. More information regarding winter sport guidelines is expected from the Executive Office of Energy and Environment Affairs (EEA) in early November. The subcommittee work will continue as the updated EEA guidance is available.

MIAA Handbook Rule Change Proposals for 2021-2023

MIAA Handbook rule change proposals were reviewed and voted on. Result tallies have been submitted to MIAA Assistant Executive Director Phil Napolitano. These votes are the first step in the rule change proposal process and will be posted in the Rule Change packet document on the MIAA website.

Educational Athletics Programs

An update was provided on Educational Athletic offerings including virtual Coaches Education courses and upcoming Wellness programs in the month of October. Student Athlete of the Month nominations were also solicited as well as Coach and Official of the Year nominations.



