



MIAA Volleyball Meeting Highlights September 30, 2020

The MIAA Volleyball Committee meeting met virtually on September 30, 2020. Approximately 22 people were on the call including committee members, MIAA staff and members of the media.

Welcome/Opening: MIAA Liaison Kathleen McSweeney welcomed everyone to the meeting. She acknowledged and thanked members of the Modifications Sub-Committee for their work in preparing and presenting Fall Volleyball modifications to the Sports Medicine Committee. Acknowledgement was also given for the work with the MIAA Blue Ribbon Committee on the topic of specific NFHS proposed rule changes. Sub-Committee Members: Carole Burke, State Rules Interpreter, Jane Bergin, Boys' Coaches Rep., Tom Turco, Girls' Coaches Rep., Peter Boucher, AD at Milford High School, Ted Wilcox, Coach, Kelsey Kincade, AD at Rising Tide Charter School (joined later on in the process)

The MIAA Conflict of Interest Form was reviewed, signed and submitted. The Governance Structure of the MIAA was reviewed. Please return the Conflict of Interest form to Nate Bonneau.

2020-2021 Volleyball Committee Officers:

- Chair: Brian McCann, Joseph Case High School, Principal
- Vice Chair: Christine Page, West Bridgewater High School, Principal
- Secretary: Stephanie Ridolfi, Hopedale Jr/Sr High School, Athletic Director

MIAA Rules Change Proposals for 2021-2023: Rule change proposals were reviewed and voted on. Result tallies have been submitted to MIAA Assistant Executive Director Phil Napolitano. This is the first step in the rule change proposal process.

Educational Athletics:

Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Committee update given by Kathy McSweeney informing folks about the website, upcoming newsletter, monthly podcast, NFHS grant status, and MAHPERD presentation

Sportsmanship always recognize it! MSSADA and DEI Committees working together to change the Sportsmanship/Taunting Policy, end result was moved forward to BOD for approval. Important to celebrate and promote sportsmanship – let us help you!

Fall I Season:

Only one school (Lexington) playing amongst the committee members present at this meeting. Issues for why schools are not playing include no space, being used for teaching locations. The kids are ecstatic to be there - intermittent contact and the new COVID line is difficult to judge.

Fall II Season:

Schools in the west will be okay to play. The EEA will updated guidelines after review of four weeks of school data. There may be changes to current guidelines based on the analysis by EEA. There will be no Fall II tournament for volleyball as this sport is proposed as a Fall I Season sport and it was a local decision to move it to the Fall II Season.

Next meeting: February 2, 2021



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