



MIAA Tennis Committee Meeting Minutes
Virtual Meeting 10:00am
Tuesday, February 15, 2022

Attendance: Carolyn Bohmiller, Dave Bouchard, Joan Cutter, Glenn Doulette, Stephen Fogarty, Ron Ford, Patricia Gardner, Sue Gauthier, Donna Harrington, Brendan Kurie, Kevin Mahoney, Chris McGrath, Jessica Michalski, Gary Pina, Nicholas Schlierf, Geoff Swett

- The meeting was called to order at 10:03am by MIAA Tennis Liaison Carolyn Bohmiller
- Call to Order/Welcome/New Members/Attendance
- Committee members were asked to complete the Conflict of Interest Statement.
- The minutes from the 9-30-21 committee meeting were reviewed and approved.
- Joan Cutter, Boys Sharon HS, and Geoff Swett, Girls Wareham HS, were recognized as the 2021-2022 MIAA Tennis Coaches of the Year.
- TMC recently approved the Team Format. A new tournament criterion is that host schools must have a minimum of four courts. Courts must be in good playable condition, with proper nets and without cracks or weeds.
- Ron Ford, long-time South Boys and Girls Team Tournament Director, has been named the State Tournament Director for this spring. Regional coordinators will be named soon. Committee members were asked to serve on the seeding committee.
- The Individual Tournament has been put on pause for this spring. A sub-committee of the tennis committee and TMC members will discuss the potential future of this event.
- Phase one of the alignment appeals process is in progress and moving to phase two shortly.
- Due to COVID and shipping delays, there is a national shortage of tennis balls. Schools are being encouraged to secure tennis balls as soon as possible. The brand doesn't matter, as long as for the tournament, they are USTA-approved "Extra Duty" optic yellow balls.
- Schools should register their teams as "Boys Tennis-Team" or "Girls Tennis-Team" in Arbiter, not "Boys Tennis" or "Girls Tennis".
- A survey will be sent to all tennis schools to gauge their ability to serve as a tennis tournament site this spring.
- The handshake rule was reinstated on February 1, 2022.
- The next Tennis Committee meeting will be held in Fall 2022.

Adjournment at 10:47am

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