

MIAA Tournament Management Committee
Meeting Minutes – In-Person
December 13, 2023

1. Call to Order – 10:03 AM by Shaun Hart

Attendance – T. Bazydlo, J. Brown, E. Dawley, M. Denise, M. Devoll, D. Early, J. Forrest, J. Gouvin, S. Hart, A. Linkenhoker, E. Maguire, H. Matthews, R. Newton, M. Ryan, K. Sheridan, T. Tarpey, D. Vega, S. Bryant (liaison), J. Clark (MIAA staff), members of media.

2. Approval of Minutes November 30, 2023

Motion to Approve (D. Newton/T. Tarpey) **Approved 15-0-0**

3. Power Rankings – Follow up to November discussion

Last month Jim Clark presented Power Ranking models to show how proposed changes may affect rankings, such as a Win/Loss component, and adjusting for Forfeits, etc. The presentation was mailed to all TMC members. Each committee member was given the opportunity to share feedback from their Districts.

During the conversation, Shaun Hart clarified for voting purposes, that a vote for “In Favor” – means approving a Win/Loss component being added into the ranking formula. This does not change the MOV (Margin of Victory) component.

Sherry Bryant added that the percentage of teams during regular season play were winning by nearly the same margins of victory number before and after new Statewide Tournament model.

Motion to Approve Win/Loss Component for all Statewide Sports (J. Gouvin/D. Newton)
Denied 5-11-0

Second Motion to Approve a Pilot for Win/Loss Component for Football for 2 Years
(D. Newton / M. Ryan) Denied 4-12-0

Jim Clark will run some additional calculations and send out to TMC Committee members for review. In January 2024, a special committee date will be set up to address this one item.

4. Board of Directors Charge to TMC

- A. Endowment Games**
- B. Exclusion Games**
- C. Season Limitations**
- D. Cutoff Dates**

Sherry briefed the committee on the above items and indicated the Board of Directors has tasked MIAA staff with reviewing items A & B. The TMC does not have to decide on these items, but feedback is welcomed.

Items C & D - TMC should have conversations regarding consistency and work with their districts and sports committees so they may weigh in. TMC members should bring back any recommendations and feedback to the next meeting.

5. A. Email regarding Fall start times of Voc-school games

Mike Denise has a written statement and will forward to committee to be discussed at next meeting.

B. Football Committee – Proposed 2025-2026 modifications Sub-Committee

The Football Committee presented their proposal for modifications to the football format at the November TMC meeting. Modification requests included changes to the season dates, addressing the interruption to the regular season during statewide tournaments, and working on more equitable/balanced divisions.

Shaun Hart requested that interested TMC members should email him and a sub-committee will be created with representation from different sections of the state, private, public and other sectors to begin working on gathering information and feedback from constituents in members' districts.

Any changes to Football based on the proposed modifications would ideally be communicated by Fall 2024 to begin implementation for the 2025-2026 year.

Other Items –

Hybrid Sports - for the February Agenda, a Hybrid Sports item will be added. Creating a sub-committee to work on this needs to be a priority.

Alignments – next meeting this will be discussed

6. Next Meeting Dates:

January 25, 2024 – Virtual
February 29, 2024 – In-Person

Meeting Adjourned @11:16 AM