



2016 Baseball Advisory Committee Meeting

May 23, 2016, 10 a.m.

FHSAA Office
1801 NW 80th Boulevard
Gainesville, FL 32606

Attendance:

Robbie Lindeman, FHSAA
Richard Steed, Chiles High School
Gil Morales, Trinity Christian Academy
Dale Hall, North Marion High School
Erik Entrekin, Lake Brantley High School
Orlando Landy Faedo, Alonso High School
Tom Woodley, Mariner High School
Bruce Aven, American Heritage School
Wayne Yancey, FACA Representative
Mike Paphides, FHSAA Umpire

Looking for a section 4 committee representative

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| 1. <u>Welcome and procedures</u> | Lindeman |
| - Travel Vouchers | |
| - NFHS (email thoughts) | |
| 2. <u>Selection of Chairperson</u> | Committee |
| - Nominations for chairperson: Bruce Aven (First – Second 5-0) | |
| 3. <u>Adoption of Agenda</u> | Committee |
| Motion to adopt the agenda: unanimous | |
| 4. <u>Review of 2015 Baseball Advisory Committee Minutes</u> | Committee |
| - The minutes were reviewed by everyone | |

5. Review of 2016 State Championships

Lindeman

- Over 12,000 people attend the championships. Most in 3 years.
- Next year's championships will take place in Ft. Myers at Hammond Stadium
- January 30th first practice date
- Everything was pushed back two weeks to help with overlap
- Tournament dates:

District tournament – May 1st- May 5th

State Tournament – May 24th – 27th

6. FACA Recommendations

Yancey

- 25 games and 2 tournaments
- Time limit on Friday and not on Saturday
- 1 game a week in the playoffs
- Best 2 out of 3 in regionals
 - Travel expenses and weather can be an issue
 - Not enough rest for pitchers
 - Number 2-3 pitchers might not be getting enough innings. Can affect your team.
- Carter caps delivery system (Pitching)
- Regular season champion automatically qualifies for district final

7. Compliance Update

Compliance Staff

- Update on house bill 729
- 2017-18, open enrollment rule will start
 - Seats must be available in order to take kid(s) in.
 - Military families will have priority
- Starting July 1st, if the student is attending school and meet all the eligibility requirements, then the student can participate.
- If student participated in a sport(s), then they will not be eligible to participate in sports in another school during the school year
 - There are exceptions: military families, families moved, death of guardians
- Penalties in place for any possible recruiting

- Salary deductions
- Fines

- No camps during the school year

- Must be ran by a third-party organization and have no affiliation to the school

- Social media

- No recruiting through social media
- No endorsements of parent(s) recruiting posts
- No posts that can potentially entice students to attend certain school(s)

- Stay in touch with your ADs with everything you're doing with your team

8. Old Business

Committee

- Coaches ejection/limit in dugout (Restricting to the dugout)

- Official warning before ejecting coaches. Denied 13-0. NFHS rule about warnings, adopted in Florida.

- Addition to the mercy rule

- 13-0 approved in committee and endorsed by ADs.
- 10 runs after 5 innings
- Motion to vote, 15 runs after 4 innings.
- Motion to vote by (First, Bruce Aven: Second by Dale Hall; 6-0 will now be brought up to ADs.

- Ending procedures for games

- Game can be called after 5 complete innings due to weather.
- Coaches want playoff games to be played to completions, regardless of weather and score.
 - Motion to vote by Bruce Aven: First by Gil Morales Second by Tom Woodley; Vote approved 6-0

9. New Business

- Pitching Stance

- Called different by different associations (misinterpretations)
- Should follow college rules (hybrid stance)
- Motion to vote by First Landy Faedo; Second Bruce Aven: 6-0

-Use of low seam baseballs

- Use of the same balls all the way through the playoffs (Wilson low seam)
- Use of any ball for regular season
- Motion to vote by Dale Hall Second Tom Woodley; Vote 6-0

- Eliminating JV 2 hour time rule

- Players work all week and deserve to play the full game
- If there is no varsity game to follow, game should be played until completion
- Vote to modify to 2.5 hours to a standalone game instead of 2
- Motion to vote; First by Erik Entrekin Second Bruce Aven; Vote 6-0

- Eliminating coin flip to determine district seeding

- This is a policy and the toe committee did not vote on the item.

- Pre-game stretching

- Teams should be stretching on their side of the field, by the foul line
- Motion to vote by Tom Woodley and second by Bruce Aven: 6-0

- Baseball regional playoff qualifiers

- The committee decided not to vote on the item

- 10 hitters for JV games

- It will help with the development of players
- Most coaches do not have a problem
- Motion to vote by Gil Morales and second by Eric Entrekin: 6-0

- Addition to mercy rule

- 15 runs after 4 innings
- Was discussed at the beginning of the meeting. See old business
- Motion to vote by Erik Entrekin and second by Tom Woodley: 6-0

- Live balk rule

- Penalize the defense, not the offense
- Motion to vote by Bruce Aven and Second by Bruce Aven: 6-0

- Discussion items:

- Protested games
 - 10 inning pitch rule
- 25 games and 2 tournaments
 - Tournaments would not count towards the 25 game limit
 - Teams missing out on games due to tournament games counting
 - Spring break tournaments
 - Action item for next year

10. Open Agenda (discussion only)

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- Roundtable Discussion

- No items to discuss

-USA Baseball

- PitchSmart course on NFHS website
 - Coaches should take the course and review guidelines
 - Nfhslearn.com
 - Pitchsmart.org
 - Pitch count and rest guidelines for different age groups
 - Hosted by John Shmoltz
 - Benefits of playing multi-sports

11. Adjournment

Committee

Adjourned at 12:48 p.m.