



AGENDA

Florida High School Athletic Association Baseball Advisory Committee Meeting

10:00 AM June 5, 2017

Florida High School Athletic Association
1801 NW 80th Boulevard
Gainesville, Florida 32606

1. Welcome and procedures Lindeman
 - New FHSAA Executive Director Mr. George Tomy addresses the committee
 - Kyle Niblett Public Relations information from social media
2. Selection of Chairperson Committee
 - Nominations for chairperson: Bruce Aven (First – Second 5-0)
3. Adoption of Agenda Committee
 - Motion to adopt the agenda: unanimous
4. Review of 2016 Baseball Advisory Committee Minutes Committee
 - Dugout restrictions/ejections discussed
 - Run rule (15 runs after 4)
 - Wilson ball to remain
 - Minutes accepted
5. Review of 2017 State Championships Committee
 - Smooth 2 weeks overall
 - 2 weather delays, 1 each weekend, lightning
 - Trying to put both semifinal games in same day when weather problems happen
 - Avoid a championship game with only 1 team that has played two games in a day
 - Will return to Hammond next year
6. FACA Recommendations Yancey
 - Player safety issues addressed
 - Pitchers/pitch count main concern
 - Playoff format regionals
 - 3 games total at the host site
 - Best of 3 game series
 - Coaches unhappy with current system



- More accountability for umpires
 - Recruiting umpires
 - Rating of umpires
- Proactive in pitch count accountability
 - Putting ineligible pitchers on lineup card before games
 - Punishment for violators

7. Compliance Update

Compliance Staff

- Mr. Colby addresses committee
- Controlled open enrolment policy, as of July 1, 2017
 - County compliance polices discussion
 - Students can attend any school in FL and participate in athletics as long as not overcapacity
 - Students zoned for that school are guaranteed seat
 - Student can remain at school until graduation once they attend
 - School board will set numbers and publish them

8. Old Business

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- 1) Game Ending Procedures
- Will be voted on by board June 12-13
- Leadership will look at it as well and recommend to board

9. New Business

Lindeman

- 1) Pitch Count Policy Update
- Violation results in a forfeit, a few issues in districts
 - Use of an ineligible player is a forfeit
 - Rewording policy for clarification, just a working document for now
- Best way to count pitches
 - Pitch count app, Max Preps
 - Scorekeepers discuss pitch count between innings and disputes
 - Extra umpire discussion for pitch count
- Schools police themselves is ultimate goal however schools want governance and integrity
- Gamechanger
- Not much from social media on pitch count
- USA baseball used as guidelines for numbers

10. Open Agenda (discussion only)

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- Game is turning too much into who has best pitcher
 - Best team should advance not best pitcher
 - Other southern states have best of 3 system
 - Money and travel are concerns
 - Tues. Fri. Tues.
 - Long season already in Florida
 - Giving other players opportunity on mound
 - Rain, graduation, travel
 - Getting all the games in
- Scheduling for playoffs with the best 2 of 3



- Just 2 of 3 for regional final
- Not possible for state finals
- Best 2 out of 3 for first three rounds of regionals playoffs decided
- Motioned Bruce Aven, seconded, 5-0
- 2019 earliest could be applied
- National anthem standoff
 - Umpires recognize this and deal with it accordingly

11. Adjournment

Adjourned at 12:35 p.m.

Committee