



**2017 BOWLING ADVISORY MEETING  
Minutes and Recommendations  
May 1, 2017**

**The following members were present for this meeting:**

Leslie Alappattu (IESA Assistant Executive Director), Jeff Bailey (Tournament Host), Tom Doud (Minooka JHS Coach), John Kreeger (Freeport MS and Freeport Carl Sandburg Coach), Kirk Martin (Cahokia Wirth Coach), Kelly Nimtz (Loves Park Harlem Coach), Al Nordman (Tournament Manager and Mt. Morris Rahn Coach), Greg Paul (Minooka JHS Coach), and Bob Stubler (Tournament Manager)

**The IESA Bowling Advisory Committee, in its meeting on May 1, 2017, makes the following recommendations to the IESA Board of Directors for their June 16, 2017 meeting:**

**IESA BOWLING TERMS AND CONDITIONS CHANGES**

**Recommendation #1**

Current	Coops in IESA Bowling are not permitted.
Proposed	Allow schools to form coops for IESA Bowling
Rationale	Would allow smaller schools or schools with lower numbers to be able to draw students from other schools to form a team
Bowling T&C	None - add to III.A if approved
IESA Handbook	By-Law 2.140 and 4.173

**APPROVED**

**Recommendation #2**

Current	A school may enter up to four (4) bowlers and one alternate to represent them as a team in the boys' and/or girls' division(s).
Proposed	A school registering a team may list up to 6 students on the online roster with the understanding that only 4 students will bowl at any given time in the boys' and/or girls' division(s).
Rationale	Schools' teams are growing and it is getting more difficult to determine only one extra student, gives coaches more flexibility, remove the idea of "alternate" but rather that a school has a lineup and the two extra spots serve as the option for substitutes during a game.
Bowling T&C	III.A, IV.A.4a
IESA Handbook	By-Law 4.173

**APPROVED**

**Recommendation #3**

Current	Once a school has replaced a roster position, no further substitutions may be made until the start of the next game.
Proposed	A school may make up two (2) substitutions in any one game. A bowler that has been replaced in a game is not permitted to re-enter that same game.
Rationale	If schools are permitted to have 6 students on the online roster, it is preferable to allow the opportunity for both substitutes to be able to be entered into the game if so desired. If Recommendation #2 is not approved, this change is not necessary.
Bowling T&C	IV.A.4d
IESA Handbook	None

**APPROVED**

#### **Recommendation #4**

Adopt Sectional Qualifier information into IESA Bowling Terms and Conditions as presented.

**APPROVED**

#### **Recommendation #5**

Current	None
Proposed	Include a wheel chair division for the state finals (no sectional qualifier for this division) <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Bowl 3 games only during Saturday's Round 3 of state finals</li><li>- A student with physical disabilities wishing to participate in the wheel chair division must have a statement of disability on file with appropriate personnel responsible for student health issues at the student's school</li><li>- Students who use a wheelchair for mobility or sports are eligible to participate (an athlete who does not ordinarily participate in sports using a wheelchair will not be allowed to use one if he/she is injured and unable to participate in his/her usual manner)</li><li>- Medallions are given to the top 3 individuals (no team component)</li><li>- All students entered in the wheel chair division will compete in a wheelchair of any variety; it is the responsibility of the student-athlete and his/her family to provide the wheel chair and any other equipment which the athlete will use for competition</li></ul>
Rationale	Allows for a more inclusive and similar environment for students with physical disabilities, allows students to compete in a division with peers, while students are already permitted to compete in a wheel chair compete is already allowed, it is cumbersome and can interrupt the pace of play to make the accommodations needed to install/remove ramp for each frame bowled
Bowling T&C	I, III.B.1
IESA Handbook	By-Law 4.171

**NOT APPROVED – However, as a result of this recommendation, the IESA Board of Directors made a motion for the IESA to form an ad hoc committee to begin discussions regarding programs specific to athletes with disabilities/adaptive sports and to consider a partnership with Special Olympics Unified Sports.**

#### **DISCUSSION TOPICS**

1. Date change made for sectionals and state finals for 2019-20 due to Easter holiday.
2. Added coach check-in prior to the start of Round 2 on Saturday - coaches will confirm teams/individuals are present, obtain replacement wristbands, Saturday scoresheets will be distributed, confirm lane assignments
3. Increase Saturday numbers to advance 12 teams and 40 individuals from Friday - no recommendation
4. The coach of a school needs to communicate to the tournament official(s) during a tiebreaker if the team/student(s) wants a clean rack for the first ball.
5. Limit the number of balls for each bowler - no recommendation
6. Do not permit standing of other bowlers behind current bowler - no recommendation
7. Limit excessive cheering - no recommendation, committee agrees that profanity, taunting and derogatory cheers should not be tolerated and a tournament officials should be notified if a coach has a concern re: another school's behavior
8. IESA Bowling administrator will reiterate to schools/coaches/students the attire/face paint policy.

The IESA Bowling advisory committee recognized and thanked Tom Doud, John Kreeger, Kirk Martin and Greg Paul for their service to the committee over the years.

The IESA Bowling Advisory Committee's next meeting date is set for Monday, April 30, 2018.