



# IESA BASEBALL

## ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES & RECOMMENDATIONS

October 29, 2012

The following members were present for the meeting: John Hickman, Clinton; Jerry McDowell, Coal City; Alex Razo, Chillicothe; Trevor Stoecklin, Greenville; Darren Loschen, Potomac; and Umpire Steve Vorhies, Dallas City. Introductions were made and a review of the advisory committee's role took place.

The baseball advisory committee in its meeting on October 29, 2012, makes the following recommendation to the Board of Directors for their January 19, 2013 meeting:

1. To change the game times at the finals to the following: Class 1A: 9:30, 11:30, 2:00, 4:00; Class 2A: 10:00, 12 noon, 2:30, 4:30; Class 3A: 10:30, 12:30, 3:00, 5:00. **Rationale: The staggered starts for each class should allow for a smoother start to the tournament and may help alleviate some of the long concession lines. Board Action: Approved**

There were several items discussed without any recommendations from the committee. The committee requests that the regional host hire umpires for all regional games and not just the semifinal and championship games. Discussion was held concerning batters being allowed to use the opponents on deck circle which is a clear violation of NFHS rule 1-2-3. A point of emphasis will be sent to IESA approved umpires reminding them that this is not to be allowed. Another point of emphasis for the 2013 school year is that coaches, as required by NFHS rule, must remain in the dugout including all state final games at EastSide. Coaches will not be allowed to stand outside the dugout. Teams that advance to the IESA finals must use the line-up cards that are provided by the host school and the IESA. Homemade versions or some other version of a line-up card will not be allowed. The possibility of allowing steel cleats was discussed but no recommendation was made.

The committee is concerned about the concession lines at the state final. Comments were received that some people stood in line for up to 45 minutes. Mr. Endsley indicated that he will discuss the concession situation with the appropriate people.

The committee again discussed the pitching inning limitations. A request was received from a member school asking that discussion be held concerning limiting the innings that a pitcher can throw during the regional week. As different ideas were discussed concerning changing the limitations, it seemed like a change of some type could have an unintended consequence because of a potential change. After the discussion, no recommendation for changes to the current limitations was made.

Pairings were drawn for the 2013 state finals as follows:

	<u>GAME 1</u>	<u>GAME 2</u>	<u>GAME 3</u>	<u>GAME 4</u>
<b>CLASS 1A --</b>	C vs. H	A vs. F	B vs. D	E vs. G
<b>CLASS 2A--</b>	F vs. G	C vs. E	A vs. B	D vs. H
<b>CLASS 3A--</b>	C vs. F	A vs. B	G vs. H	D vs. E

John Hickman and Jerry McDowell were recognized for their service to the committee.

The next meeting is scheduled for November 4, 2013