



**CHEERLEADING
ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING**

February 12, 2015

Minutes and Recommendations

The following members were present for the meeting: Coaches: Lindsay Payne, Yorkville; Lisa Carlson, Frankfort Summit Hill; Lynn Krumlinde, Lockport Kelvin Grove; Tricia Long, Dunlap Valley MS; Valerie Dees, Mahomet Seymour; Official: Shaunda Brown; Cheer Consultant: Carley Redman, UCA.

Introductions were made and a review of the role of the advisory committee took place. The IESA Cheer Advisory Committee, in its meeting of February 12, makes the following recommendations to the IESA Board of Directors for its April 10, 2015 meeting.

Recommendation #1: *To clarify in the Cheer Terms and Conditions the starting position information to read as follows:*

Participants must start on the mat in the competition area with at least one foot on the ground.

Rationale: Clarification only. This procedure is what is already being followed. (Board Action--Passed)

Recommendation #2: *To change the date that schools can switch divisions from Monday of Week 28 in the standardized calendar to Wednesday of Week 27.*

Rationale: Allows more time to prepare the performance schedule which ultimately gives the schools earlier notification of when they will be performing. (Board Action--Passed)

Committee Discussion:

1. It was decided to allow the performances to be judged in tenths of a point rather than ½ points. Currently, judges in a given category rate at either a full point or .5 points (Judge A may give 4 points for a given category while Judge B may give 4.5) If approved, Judge A may give 4.1 for the category and Judge B may give 4.3. According to the committee, all other competitions are scored in tenths of a point.
2. The committee once again discussed the announcement of teams during the awards ceremony. It was decided that schools finishing in the bottom half of the standings will be announced randomly and the schools in the top half will be announced in their exact order of finish.
3. If possible, the results pick-up will be moved to the post competition area. Teams will have 15 minutes to pick up their result packets.
4. IESA to work on cheer video to be placed on the IESA website to help publicize the event as well as send a cheer specific email to schools informing member schools of the competition. Also, discussed the possibility of getting email addresses of the cheer coaches from Carly Redman.
5. There will be no seating allowed in front of the competition area.

6. Committee inquired about the possibility of the t-shirt supplier selling merchandise on Friday prior to the Saturday competition and a separate line on Saturday for only those who want a heat transfer of some type. IESA to contact CubbyHole to discuss the feasibility of these two items.
7. Committee requests that the tables behind the bleachers are arranged so that as cheerleaders exit the post competition area there is a clear path.

Given the change in IESA administrators for the activity, all committee members will remain on the committee to help with the transition.

Date of the next meeting: February 11, 2016.