PRESENT

Chairperson Nancy Alspaugh, Mike Broughton, Victor Bush, Steve Cox, Nathan Dean, Phil Ford, Don Gandy, Tim Grove, Jimmy Howell, Ken Howell, Jed Jerrels, Director Elect - Patti McCormack, Paul Neidig, Geoff Penrod, Janis Qualizza, Debb Stevens, Deborah Watson, Mike Whitten, Dave Worland, Commissioner Bobby Cox, Assistant Commissioners Robert Faulkens, Phil Gardner, Chris Kaufman, Sandy Searcy, Sandra Walter, Technology Director Ed Sullivan, Sports Information Director Jason Wille, and Attorney Bob Baker.

MINUTES

The revised minutes of the February 15, 2013 meeting were recommended for approval. A motion for approval was made by Tim Grove; seconded by Nathan Dean; motion passed 18-0.

APPROVAL OF GIRLS BASKETBALL STATE CHAMPIONSHIP VENUE

Commissioner Cox presented information pertaining to the 2014 Girls Basketball State Championships host site. The Commissioner recommended that the IHSAA return to Terre Haute and the Hulman Center. A motion for approval was made by Geoff Penrod; seconded by Debb Stevens; motion passed 18-0.

GYMNASTICS COACHES PROPOSALS

Linnea Fulkerson, Fort Wayne Snider High School, of the Indiana Coaches of Girls Sports Association Gymnastics Committee presented the following proposals:

- 1. Change inquiry process to allow two inquiries per event without penalty and to allow no penalty for the first inquiry afterwards that does not result in a score change. Any subsequent inquiries that do not result in changes will each be assessed a .5 penalty for the team score.
- 2. Ties for individual advancement in the tournament series shall remain; all individuals who receive the last qualifying score will advance.

Action will be taken at the April Executive Committee meeting.

WRESTLING COACHES PROPOSALS

JD Minch, Executive Director, and Trent McCormick, President, IHSWCA presented the following discussion items:

- 1. The IHSWCA discussed allowing schools the option to participate in "triangular meets" (3 teams/2 dual meets) that would count as two points toward a team's four mandatory dual meets.
- 2. The IHSWCA discussed allowing schools who earn a berth into the Team State Duals event one weigh-in exemption every two years.

GOLF AND TENNIS DISCUSSION ITEMS

Assistant Commissioner Kaufman presented discussion items from the tennis coaches association. For several years, the IHSAA permitted eight teams advancing to the state championships but not the final round, to purchase participatory medals. The coach's association would like the IHSAA to consider the classing of tennis. The consolation rounds for the state championships will be discontinued following the 2012-13 season and the coaches association wished to express their concern. The golf coaches will be permitted to participate in a match play format in 2013-14. Members of the golf coaches association were also concerned with the waiver process during the regular season.

IHSAA C EUGENE CATO SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

Commissioner Cox reported on the Brady Awards Banquet to be held at the Indiana Roof Ballroom on April 11th in conjunction with the Methodist Sports Medicine awards ceremony. Scholarship recipients and their parents will be guests of the IHSAA at this event.

TRANSFERS

Assistant Commissioner Gardner reported on transfers that have been ruled upon during the 2012-13 school year. This report included the following actions as of February 28, 2013:

Full eligibility 3,177 83.7% Limited eligibility 255 6.7%

Temporarily ineligible	328	8.7%
Ineligible	<u>34</u>	.9%
Total transfers	3.794	

SPORTSMANSHIP

Assistant Commissioner Walter reviewed the slight increase of unsportsmanlike conduct reports that have been received by the Association. The list of exemplary reports was provided as well.

GARY COMMUNITY SCHOOL CORPORATION REPORT

Commissioner Cox presented the Improvement and Accountability Plan to the Gary Wallace administration.

FINANCIAL REPORTS

- 1. Assistant Commissioner Searcy presented a financial report for the girls and boys swimming & diving tournament series'. Overall, both tournaments show an decrease in total attendance, which is reflected in the overall net revenue.
- 2. Assistant Commissioner Faulkens reported on the financial status of the wrestling tournament series. The IHSAA net increased approximately 3% from last year's figures.
- 3. Commissioner Cox submitted a Budget Analysis by Sport, the 2012-13 Paid Attendance Analysis, and the 2012-13 Master Financial Report.

LITIGATION

Attorney Robert Baker updated the Executive Committee on the current status of pending litigation against the Association.

PENALTIES ASSESSED

The following penalties were assessed for various violations of the IHSAA By-Laws:

Cascade High School - Commissioner Cox reported the following action as a result of a violation of Rule 3-10 (Boys' track athlete participated in practice without an approved pre-participation physical and consent form on file)

- 1. The Cascade High School boys' track and field program is issued a warning.
- 2. This is a health and safety issue and it is absolutely mandatory that the "IHSAA Pre-Participation Physical and Consent Form" be on file at the school for every student athlete prior to any practice let alone an interscholastic competition.

Chesterton High School - Commissioner Cox reported the following action as a result of a violation of Rules 15-2.2a (Six softball players were rostered simultaneously on the same non-school sponsored team)

- 1. The Chesterton High School softball program is issued a warning.
- 2. Any player involved in the violation shall be suspended for one Chesterton High School softball game during the 2012-13 season. These suspensions may be spread out over the first six regular season contests. A replacement penalty in lieu of suspending players may be the suspension of Head Coach Lou Ann Hopson for the first two Chesterton High School varsity softball games. Chesterton High School is requested to inform the IHSAA as to which penalty they will choose to invoke.

Evansville Memorial High School - Commissioner Cox reported the following action as a result of a violation of Rules 15-2.2a (*Five volleyball players were rostered simultaneously on the same non-school sponsored team*)

- 1. The Evansville Memorial High School volleyball program is issued a warning.
- 2. The players involved in the violation shall be suspended for two Evansville Memorial High School volleyball games during the 2013-14 season. These suspensions may be spread out over the first four regular season contests.
- 3. Head Coach Kim Bell is reprimanded for allowing this violation to occur. The head coach holds the responsibility for the adherence of all IHSAA by-laws by players and coaches.

Evansville Memorial High School - Commissioner Cox reported the following action as a result of a violation of Rules 15-2.2d (Assistant Coach provided instruction during a non-school sponsored out of season competition - PROBATION)

- 1. The Evansville Memorial High School volleyball program is placed on probation. This probation is a severe type of warning. It is official notice that serious violations have occurred, are a matter of record and future, similar incidents will not be tolerated. This probation shall last throughout the 2013-14 volleyball season.
- 2. Coach William Lock is reprimanded for committing this violation. Coaches shall not instruct students during the school year out of season. (See Rule 15-2.2 d)
- 3. Coach William Lock is suspended for the first two regular season volleyball contests on the 2013-14 Evansville Memorial volleyball schedule.
- 4. Head Coach Kim Bell is reprimanded for allowing this violation to occur. The head coach holds the responsibility for the adherence of all IHSAA by-laws by players and coaches.

Gary Lighthouse High School - Commissioner Cox reported the following action as a result of a violation of Rule 19-3 (Girls' basketball player participated in multiple contests without an approved transfer report on file).

- 1. The Gary Lighthouse High School girls' basketball program is issued a warning.
- 2. It is absolutely mandatory that the "IHSAA Transfer Report" be submitted and acted upon by the Association prior to a student being allowed to participate in any interscholastic event.
- 3. As per Rule 3-9 of the IHSAA by-laws, the games in which the ineligible athlete participated in shall be forfeited if Gary Lighthouse was victorious and the opposing schools notified of this violation.

Hamilton Heights High School - Commissioner Cox reported the following action as a result of a violation of Rule 3-10 (*Girls' basketball player was permitted to participate without an approved pre-participation physical and consent form on file*).

- 1. The Hamilton Heights High School girls' basketball program is issued a warning.
- 2. This is a health and safety issue and it is absolutely mandatory that the "IHSAA Pre-Participation Physical and Consent Form" be on file at the school for every student athlete prior to any practice let alone an interscholastic competition.
- 3. The contests in which the ineligible athlete participated shall be forfeited and all opposing schools shall be notified of this violation.

Portage High School - Commissioner Cox reported the following action as a result of a violation of Rule 19-3 (Student participated in a gymnastics meet without an approved foreign exchange student eligibility request on file)

- 1. The Portage High School gymnastics program is issued a warning.
- 2. It is absolutely mandatory that the "IHSAA Foreign Exchange Report" be submitted and acted upon by the Association prior to a student being allowed to participate in any interscholastic event.
- 3. As per Rule 3-9 of the IHSAA by-laws, the meet in which the ineligible athlete participated in shall be re-scored to remove any points earned by the ineligible athlete and the opposing schools notified of this violation.

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

- 1. IHSAA Board of Directors Agenda
- 2. For the Good of the Order
 - a. NFHS 94th Annual Summer Meeting, Denver, CO
- 3. Adaptive Athletics Committee Bobby Cox
- 4. Realignment Committee Plans Bobby Cox
- 5. Communications:
 - To Dr. Carole Schmidt, Superintendent, South Bend Community Schools
 - Chuck Weisenbach, Principal, Roncalli High School
- 6. Congratulations: Chuck Koeppen, Retired Track and Cross Country Coach, Carmel High School Inductee to the National High School Hall of Fame, Class of 2013

A motion to adjourn the March meeting of the IHSAA Executive Committee was made by Tim Grove; seconded by Phil Ford; motion passed 18-0. The next meeting of the Executive Committee will be at IHSAA headquarters on April 29, 2013 (also annual meeting of Board of Directors).

	Chairman
Nancy Alspaugh	
	Commissioner
Bobby Cox	