

NEW JERSEY STATE INTERSCHOLASTIC ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION
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GIRLS LACROSSE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
June 16, 2011

Members: Cindy Beradino, Tournament Director, Sue Paige, State Rules Interpreter, Marty Flynn(unable to attend), Executive Committee, Kathleen DeBonis(unable to attend), Marguerite Dempsey, and Kathleen Burke Esposito. Also Kim DeGraw-Cole, Assistant Director.

Correspondence: None Received

Discussion:

The Committee discussed the tournament which ran very smoothly. A change in the boys tournament bumped a site – Ridge- however Hunterdon Central came through and hosted the Group I and IV games. Cindy Beradino did a tremendous job as the Tournament Director.

Configuration of Tournament:

The Committee decided to maintain the Corresponding date schedule as listed on Page 2. The only adjustment is that the Finals will not be at Rutgers University but rather at Kean University at 5:00 as part of an evening double header with the Boys Lax Finals at 7:30! Attendance opportunities and cost are the major factors as well as featuring the event.

The Committee discussed the possibility of Classifications as Boys Lax, however it was unanimously decided to maintain the 4 groups and the North-South divide to continue Sectional Championships! Kim DeGraw-Cole will send out a Classification to the Committee for review and a vote. By having a classification in advance schools will know in advance what section and group they are in prior to the season. This will be determined ASAP.

Officials:

The officials were very professional and did a good job throughout the tournament. There is some concern with the availability in the Shore area of qualified, able officials in the 3 person system utilized in the state tournament. (The shore chapter needs to be rated and trained; to grow and develop as qualified officials).

We also need to develop some clear guidelines for the Table Umpire – responsibilities. There will be some adjustments in the Regulations for 2012 regarding those responsibilities and the team/adult or student manager requirements throughout the tournament. The Table/Umpire does not run the clock and is only needed at neutral sites. The home team must provide an adult scorer/timer for all preliminary games up to and including the sectional finals. At the Group Finals and Tournament of Champions games each team shall provide a student manager/clock operator to work at the table.

Rule Modifications:

Double Yellow-Proposal: The player may be allowed to be present at the game. Waiting for final approval.

There was a reduction in sticks to the head and body.

2013 Uniform Change-side panel-Coaches should be sure to review before purchasing new uniforms.

2012 Tournament Dates:

Cut-off Date: Mon. May 7, 2012

Seeding: Wed. May 9, 2012

1st Round: Mon. May 14 Groups II & IV
Tues. May 15 Groups I & III

2nd Round: Thurs. May 17 Groups II & IV
Fri. May 18 Groups I & III

Sectional Semifinals: Tues. May 22

Sectional Finals: Thurs. May 24

Group Finals Thurs. May 31

T of C Semifinals Tuesday, June 5

Finals *Saturday, June 9 at Kean University 5:00 PM please not change!*

(rain dates – next day)

Note: changes were made to avoid conflict with the Memorial Day weekend.