

Hockey Advisory Meeting, 4/18/12

Members present: Pat Johnson, Matt Strinden, David Hoff and Tony Bina

Boys and Girls Recommendations

1. Point structure for region games – 3 points for regulation win, 2 points for overtime or shootout win, 1 point for overtime or shootout loss, 0 points for a regulation loss
2. Edit region standings tiebreaker (boys) and state standings tiebreaker (girls) to the following:
If teams are tied at the end of regular season play, their seeding shall be determined by:
 - A. Most points earned in head-to-head competition (double points earned if teams only play once) If still tied,
 - B. Most goals scored head-to-head competition (double goals scored if teams only play once) If still tied,
 - C. Most regulation wins in region competition (double each regulation win if teams only play once) If still tied,
 - D. Most points earned against highest ranked team in the region (next team below if teams are tied for first place. Double points earned if teams only play once) If still tied,
 - E. Most points earned against next highest ranked team in the region (double points earned if teams only play once) If still tied, continue down the standings until the tie can be broken. If still tied,
 - F. Greatest goal differential in all region games, with a maximum of a six goal differential per game (double each goal differential if teams only play once) If still tied,
 - G. Coin flip by a NDHSAA representative
3. Video replay – see attachment
4. Playoff Roster - Request to have 3 players added to the post season roster for a total of 23 players instead of 20.
 - i. In a majority of games, 17-19 of the 20 rostered players participate in the game.
 1. Two years ago Central had 21 players participate due to injuries, yet only 20 were recognized after the championship games.
 2. This is different from basketball and football participation
 - ii. All 23 players would be in the program.
 - iii. There would be no extra cost
5. Increase the number of allowable games to 25. Model what the MSHSL has done to make their product more appealing to offset other organizations, such as AAA Midgets and Junior teams.
6. Eliminate hockey from the out-of-season coaching restrictions (from end of season until Sept. 1)
 - a. No ice in June and July
 - b. Team camps for hockey are primarily in August
7. Grant each afternoon session team a 30 minute skate around the day before the state tournament begins. East teams would start no earlier than 4:00 pm and West teams could schedule later to avoid loss of school time. Evening session teams could skate the morning of the tournament.

Discussion

1. Checking from behind, boarding, and contact to the head rules
2. NFHS hockey rule change proposals
3. Concern over AAA Midget Hockey – going to continue to encourage discussion with NDAHA. Advisory will send an informational letter out to all parties later this spring.
4. Future state tournament schedule and sites
5. Post-season officials – liked being balloted in January and thought the selection process is going well.
6. Scholarship Fund – application process and one boy and one girl