



Spring Track Post Season Meeting Agenda June 11, 2024 @ 10:00am

1. Welcome and introductions
 - Present- **Dave Pfeiffer, Chris Callihan, Victor Wu, Frank Calaise, Sean Dowd, John MacGillivray, John Tenero, Karen O'Neil, Bill Milone, Ryan Miller,**
 - NV – non – voting member- **Brian Gould, Joe Figliolino**
2. Review of 2023 Post Season Minutes
 - See attached document. **Motion to accept – Frank Calaise, second Victor Wu- all were in favor.**
3. Review of the regular season (Positive / Negative)
 - **Complaints about the late practice dates. Explained that this committee could not change the start of practice and start of competition dates.**
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4. Review of the post-season (Positive / Negative)
 - Review of sites- issues.-**Generally positive review of all sites. Some issues about officials applying the regulation about block holders- some allowed holders to use feet to brace pedals others said could only use feet to brace the main stem of the blocks. NFHS allows the pedals to be braced- we follow NFHS rules.**
 - Use of Wind Gauges at Sectionals. Recommended vs. Mandatory- **will be addressed under new business.**
 - Clarification of late entries – what is allowed and what is not allowed.- **Late entry – entries received after the due date with a fine assessed. Changes – allowing coach to add names (on the day of the meet) to events that were entered by the deadline.**
5. Review of dates for next season (See Handout)- If Approved by Executive Committee:
 - Sectional – May 16 and 17, 2025 – Public -
 - Group Meets – May 30 and 31, 2025- Public and Non-Public-
 - MOC- June 4, 2025
 - **The above dates are approved.**
 - **Practice begins on March 10, 2025**
 - **Competition start date – March 17, 2025**
 - **End of Season – June 15, 2025**
6. Review of current regulations and any proposed changes for next season.
 - Will be updated after season dates are set by Executive Committee.
 - Dates will be clarified in the Tournament Regulations-**need to clarify which dates need to be listed in the Regulations and which can be on the track calendar**

reference page. Dates are listed in too many places – leads to confusion and not reading the regulations.

- MileSplit Directions will be updated.-**Will be clarified and condensed – all dates will be removed from instructions. Coaches will need to read the regulations for the due dates.**

7. New Business/ Correspondence

- **Mandatory use of Wind Gauge at Sectional Level on to MOC-All timers will be mandated to supply wind gauges on the track and at the long and triple jumps. Officials will need to be trained in their use.**
- **If earlier dates are approved should verified results from winter track be allowed? Committee approved a 2 year trial period to use FAT results from the NJSIAA Winter track championships and other winter VERIFIED times from other verified winter track meets involving at least 5 teams or more.**
- **NFHS Rule – High Jump- Breaking Ties – Rule 6-3-2b and notes.-Committee approved adopting the NFHS new rules about tie-breakers in the horizontal jumps.**
- **New NFHS Rules- respecting officials.-NFHS rules now allow officials to penalize athletes and coaches for not following their instructions and/or criticizing officials.**
- **Recruitment of new officials.- Official Chapters are making efforts to increase the number of new officials. Coaches will be encouraged to speak with their former athletes about becoming an official. Colleges will be contacted about encouraging the students to become officials.**
- Correspondence- Attached
- **Clifton HS Coach- order of events for Sectionals and Groups should revert back to what it was 4 years ago.- Committee discussed this issue and decided to keep the order of events as it is now. Feels it is a good balance between the distance and sprint races.**
- **AD – Eastern Christian School – want a separate Sectional Meet for Non- Publics bought back.- The Committee discussed this topic. Much effort was given this year to obtain a separate site for the NP Group Meet. Very difficult to add 2 sectional meets due to lack of officials and lack of NP sites. Suggestion to move the NP back with the Public Sectional meets was not met with much enthusiasm due to making those meets much longer days for both the NP and Publics. Moving the NP to week days would require athletes and coaches to miss the major part of 2 school days and require the host sites to have 2 school days that their facilities would be in use and disrupting their school campus.**
- **Audubon Coach- NFHS Uniform rules – girls bare midriff should be allowed.- The NJSIAA follows the NFHS uniform rules as the NJSIAA is a 100% NFHS compliant state. To make the change, the NFHS would need to change their uniform rules.**
- **Elizabeth Coaches – Change of championship meet set up.- Committee reviewed the proposal but did not take any action on it.**
- **Dayton Coach- Wildcards for MOC- Asked that WC be based on the best performances regardless of the place they finished in their group finals. Committee feels the current system in which an athlete must be in the event finals to be considered for a WC position ensures that the WC will not be weighted towards the Group 4 and NP A athletes. It allows Group 1, 2, 3 and NP B athletes to receive a WC. This is for the field events and the 100m and 110/100 M high Hurdles.**
- **Cherry Hill Coach- Order of events 4 x 800 and 1600m – Sectionals and Group Meet- Committee discussed and believes that the current order of events is best for these meets.**
- **Other late arrivals:**

- **Move sectional meets to 1 day meets for each group – for example Group 1 on Friday and Group 4 on Saturday. – Committee feels that coaches and athletes would not like a 1 day meet set up – athletes might be limited to events they could do on 1 day- for example – 800m , 1600m and 3200m would be difficult for an athlete on one day.**
- **Midweek Public Sectional meets- Committee feels that missing 2 school days and host site having their site tied up on 2 midweek school days would not be favorably greeted by the host site.**

8. **Old Business**

- **Use of illegal spikes for running and starting blocks- use of spikes in excess of what the host schools allow will result in the offender being assessed a fine and having the equipment confiscated for the event.**
- **Conflict with athletes involved with high jump and LJ/TJ conflicts – Committee will have the HJ begin at least 30 minutes after the start of the meet. For example – meet starts at 2:30 pm – high jump will begin at 3:00 pm. This should help alleviate any conflicts.**

9. **Good of the order.**