



After Action Meeting Minutes April 26, 2006

Attendees: Jim & Adam Bischoff – Hoosier, Mark Schoch, Steve Kunkel, George Webb, Charley Sasse – Mid Indiana, Tim Fye & Paul Stone – Michiana West, Corky Koch – Indy North, Ray Jenson – Indy South, Christina Oschman & Father – Tri County, Scott Devers – Wabash Valley, Larry Secrist - Fort Wayne, Chuck Wilson – Michiana Central, Sarah Brown, Misty Brewer.

League Play

- Conference Coordinators
 - A. Should they be paid? – some are paid, but the overall group thoughts were that it wouldn't matter either way. Some voiced that their coaches are paid by the center.
 - B. Communication – there should be more conference calls with coordinators before the season starts and there should be overall more communication from the coordinators to the coaches and vice versa.
 - C. A job description might be good.
 - D. It's a good idea to have help – assistant coordinator, secretary, board, etc.
- Rules
 - A. Stop focusing so much on IHSAA – IBCA Board decision
 - 1. Advantages of IHSAA – recognition of the sport & for the kids
 - B. Make rules easier to understand – in black & white, less examples
 - C. Have a rules committee
 - D. Follow our rules then USBC then IHSAA? – we need a direction first, before deciding which rules to follow. We can only change from USBC when their rules say ***unless otherwise provided by league rule***.
 - E. Add USBC Rule 400 to our rules? – Yes
 - F. Smoking rule – add tobacco products, not just smoking
 - G. The present bye rule is OK. Steve volunteered to help draw up schedules to eliminate byes.
 - H. Do we need a rule on artificial noisemakers?
 - I. Look at "Free Rule" – allow centers more flexibility.
 - J. **SET A SPORTSMANSHIP RULE AND BE TOUGH ON ENFORCEMENT!**
- Start Date
 - A. Have a specific start date or leave flexible? – Yes, have a specific start date. The Advisory Board will decide on the date at the next meeting.
 - B. Everyone have the same number of games during the season? – not feasible with the different numbered conferences

- Uniforms/Jewelry
 - A. Allow mock turtlenecks next year? Yes.
 - B. Classic Products issues – Advisory Board/IBCA Board will research further
- Coach Rules
 - A. Make sure coaches see their team and/or individual all the way to the end. In the tournament, the kid can't bowl without his/her coach. There cannot just be someone nominated to be a coach for the tournament competition. The coach should be designated at the start of season.
 - B. Would be nice to have everyone certified. ***Maybe offer free classes for conferences or even in regions***. There should be a designated coach in center. The coach needs to be in uniform to be in bowlers' area. Centers should appoint a coach regardless whether school does or not.
- Miscellaneous Items
 - A. Keep Co-Champions for Conference – no roll-offs – conference can make a rule regarding duplication of awards.
 - B. Keep point system as is – Keep standings by matches not points
 - C. 50/50's – can be done, must be called something else
 - D. Charge admission and/or sell programs to obtain extra money for your conference

Tournament

- Dictate a Tournament Shot? – this had varied opinions: Majority thought it would be tough to do.
 - A. A Tournament Shot will really show who the better bowlers are
 - B. It can't be done consistently throughout each tournament site
 - C. They would bowl all year on something completely different
- Allowing schools to bowl side by side – this had varied opinions: Majority favored present format.
 - A. This would allow a coach to coach both a boys & girls team
 - B. Would make the kids feel more comfortable in competition to be bowling with people they know
 - C. Too hard to do at every level and with both teams and individuals
 - D. Bowlers will be more competitive when not surrounded by people they know throughout the competition
- Allow 10 bowlers to bowl in singles? – No
- Are the tournament advancement ratios and routing Steve used last year ok?- Yes
- Steve presented the idea of drawing 8/10 team sectionals and getting away from conference sectionals. This would make the advancing ratios the same.

All State Selections

Needs some adjustment. Lower bonus points for high scores. Keep the teams at 5 not 7.