



## Wisconsin Interscholastic Athletic Association



2015-16

# Annual Meeting



**Membership**  
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**Leadership**  
∞  
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# 2015-16

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## REGISTRATION & COFFEE

8 – 9 a.m. – Commons

### ANNUAL MEETING

**Expo 3A, 3B and 4 – 9 a.m.**

**Board of Control President – Corey Baumgartner Presiding**

- I. Opening Remarks
- II. Minutes of 2015 Meeting
- III. Treasurer's Report – Steve Knecht
- IV. Elections Status  
(Board of Control & Advisory Council)
- V. Attorney General Brad D. Schimel – Dose of Reality
- VI. Open Forum
- VII. Vote on Amendments
- VIII. Director's Report
  - a. Old Business
  - b. New Business
- IX. Announcements
- X. Adjournment

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# 2015-16 Presidents Report

Greetings, everyone!

It is my absolute honor and pleasure to welcome each of you to the 2016 Annual Meeting of the Wisconsin Interscholastic Athletic Association.

As I reflected upon my 14 years as a member of this association, I realized that I have always found this meeting to be a very important time for the entire membership. I feel that it is a vitally important meeting for it is an opportunity to come together as a collective membership of 511 schools to discuss the current state of co-curricular activities across our great state of Wisconsin.



Although the WIAA has the longest history as a state athletic association within the nation, it does not mean that we should simply rest on our laurels as well as our past work. Today is an opportunity for you as a member to be heard. I strongly encourage you to become engaged with today's meeting, withdraw from potential distractions outside of the room, and put your focus into the work that lies in front of us for these endeavors affect each of our respective schools and communities.

If history is any indicator, the topics and discussion will revolve around very passionate topics such as conference realignment, fiscal constraints that many schools are facing, and the concerns around competitive equity.

Through your voices, thoughts, and input I believe that we become stronger as an association, even though we are already recognized as one of the leaders across the country.

While I have sincerely asked for you to bring forth topics that are pertinent to your community, I also request that you pause for a moment to reflect upon what is possible through education-based athletics because of your continuous efforts and dedication.

Through your diligent work and continuous support our student-athletes are able to be provided the wide-array of opportunities and the vast amount of benefits that they experience through participation within co-curricular activities. For that, I would like to sincerely thank each and every one of you for what you do to support our student-athletes and communities throughout the state.

In closing, I would like to thank you once again for being in attendance and an active participant within **OUR** membership.

Sportingly,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Corey Baumgartner". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Corey Baumgartner, President, WIAA Board of Control  
Kiel High School



# Mission

## The purpose of this Association is threefold:

- A. To organize, develop, direct, and control an interscholastic athletic program which will promote the ideals of its membership and opportunities for member schools' participation.
- B. To emphasize interscholastic athletics as a partner with other school activities in the total educational process, and formulate and maintain policies which will cultivate high ideals of good citizenship and sportsmanship.
- C. To promote uniformity of standards in interscholastic athletic competition, and prevent exploitation by special interest groups of the school program and the individual's ability.

Note: The WIAA membership-sponsored tournaments are the collective property of the Association and not of any individual member. The Association reserves the right to promote and advance the membership's interests with publication information; exclusive arrangements to create recognition and exposure for school-sponsored activities; restrictive policies prohibiting exploitation and commercialization of membership-sponsored tournaments; appropriate proprietary interests; and the use of images or transmissions identifying students, administrative personnel and member school marks.

## History

The WIAA takes pride in proclaiming that it is the first high school athletic association organized in the country.

The history of the WIAA goes back to late 1895 and early 1896 when meetings were held involving people interested in promoting (but not necessarily regulating) athletic competition among Wisconsin high schools.

The meetings came about as a result of a state track & field meet conducted in May of 1895 by the University of Wisconsin in Madison. This meet was one of the first such ventures undertaken in the United States.

The first formal effort by school administrators to become involved in high school athletics came in December of 1896 at a meeting of "City Superintendents and High School Section" of the State Teachers Association.

The WIAA goes back to that meeting for its year of origination, thus the 2015-16 school year marks the 120th for the WIAA. The centennial year of the WIAA was celebrated in 1995-96.

A committee was appointed at that meeting in 1896 to develop rules to govern athletic contests. A year later, there was another meeting to discuss rules and violators. S.A. Hooper of Milwaukee South was elected chairman and J.E. Rioardan of Sheboygan was elected secretary at that meeting.

## Serving The Membership

One of the major changes in the WIAA structure came in 1949 with the institution of an Advisory Council. While Board of Control members come from geographical areas of the state, the Council is made up of members according to school size - five from large schools, five from medium schools and five from small schools. Beginning in 1985-86, a gender at-large representative became the 16th member of the Council. In 1993, an ethnic minority at-large representative was added to both the Board of Control and Advisory Council as was a nonpublic school representative in 2000. Council members are also administrators (district administrators, high school principals or assistants at either position).

The WIAA prides itself in a strong communication program. The WIAA BULLETIN is printed four times yearly. The communication process also includes a comprehensive website and a network of committees. There is a Sports Advisory Committee (athletic administrators - male and female), and there are separate committees of coaches for each sport sponsored by member schools. There are also special committees providing input on junior high matters, on officials' registration, concerns on medical matters, and a sportsmanship advisory group.

A major function of the WIAA operation, outside of conducting tournament programs and enforcing eligibility rules, is the licensing program for over 9,500 officials and series of rules interpretation meetings covering almost all sports. Junior high/middle level athletics is also a WIAA responsibility, although only about one-quarter of the nearly 400 school districts in the state affiliate their programs. A significant new dimension was added to the WIAA in the 1980s with the concept of cooperative teams, whereby one or more individual schools join their programs in one or more sports where participation doesn't allow a satisfactory program at a single school.

## CHANGES FROM 2015 ANNUAL MEETING

Constitution, Article IX, Section 1, A, 4—This change designates a date in which amendments may be brought to the membership via petition to allow discussion and committee review prior to the Annual Meeting.

Bylaws, Article VIII, Section 5, A—This change requires all coaches at all levels to complete and maintain certification in First Aid, CPR and AED.

Rules of Eligibility, Article VI, Section 1, A—This change allows students to participate in skills contests during the season in the same sport.

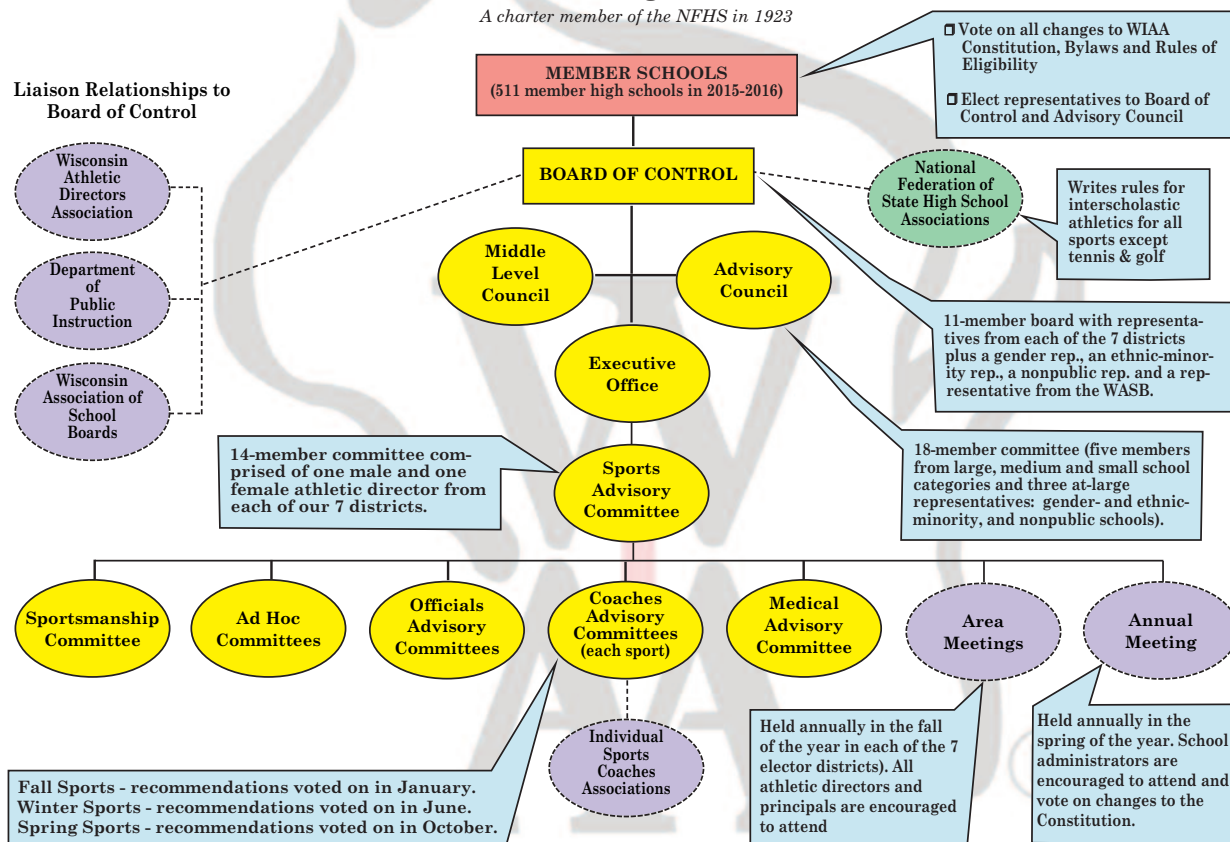
Rules of Eligibility, Article VI, Section 2, 2) b—This change opens unlimited non-school coaching contact to all sports except football for the period between the last day of school to the first day of school.

# Committee Organization

## WISCONSIN INTERSCHOLASTIC ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION

### Committee Organization

A charter member of the NFHS in 1923



## 2016 WIAA Annual Meeting Procedural Rules

**Business Procedure:** Robert's Rules of Order shall govern if not inconsistent with the WIAA Constitution.

**Authority:** The WIAA Constitution empowers the Board of Control to designate a time and place for an Annual Meeting for the purpose of conducting the business of this Association. Written notice of the Annual Meeting shall be provided member high schools at least 30 days prior to the date of the Annual Meeting. Each member high school (Grades 9-12) shall be entitled to one vote at the Annual Meeting, and this vote must be cast by the district administrator, chief executive officer, principal or other person designated by the local Board of Education or recognized governing body. The Constitution states the President of the Board of Control will chair the meeting.

**Motions:** All motions shall be in the affirmative. If the motion is seconded, the membership may debate or move directly to a vote.

**Recognition by the Chair:** A delegate may speak by going to a microphone, being recognized by the chair, give his or her full name and the name of the member school represented.

**Debate on the Floor:** The chair has the authority to establish time limits on individual presentations so that all representative positions can be stated.

**Resolutions:** The Constitution of the WIAA provides that "a proposed amendment to the Constitution, Bylaws or Rules of Eligibility of this Association may originate (1) at the Annual Meeting of this Association, (2) in the Board of Control, (3) in the Advisory Council or (4) by petition in

writing by the district administrator or high school principal of at least 10 % of the member high schools."

The Constitution instructs Executive Director Dave Anderson to "distribute to member high schools of this Association an informational bulletin detailing the wording of proposed amendments and a brief description of their meaning, intent and the effect of passage."

All member schools received such an informational bulletin earlier and the same material was printed in the BULLETIN. It also is part of the Annual Meeting handouts.

The Constitution further specifies that "member school representatives at the ensuing Annual Meeting (or a special emergency meeting) of this Association shall vote on the proposed amendment(s). If the majority of schools vote in favor of the proposed amendment(s), it shall become effective no later than the next following issue of the BULLETIN, the official publication of this Association."

If a proposed amendment develops at the Annual Meeting by a majority vote of schools represented, action to add it to the Constitution, Bylaws and Rules of Eligibility cannot be taken until the next Annual Meeting or, if the membership decrees, at a special emergency Annual Meeting. This procedure protects the rights of non-represented schools which would not have had prior knowledge of such a proposal.

**Voting:** All votes will be by written ballot. Color-coded ballots are included in each delegate's packet. Voting delegates have been appointed to serve as tellers, and they, with the help of the WIAA staff, will conduct the vote count.

# Proposed Amendments to the Constitution, Bylaws and Rules of Eligibility

*Effective 2016-17*

## CONSTITUTION

### **NUMBER 1 – MEMBERSHIP**

*This change would require a member school to always maintain administrative control and oversight of at least one independently sponsored interscholastic athletic program or co-op athletic program throughout the duration of membership.*

#### **Article III – Membership – p. 14-15**

##### **Section 2 – Admission**

- A. Application for membership shall be considered by the Board of Control of this Association upon receipt of the form provided for such purpose of evidence that the school:
- 1) Minutes of school's governing board action authorizing application to the WIAA.
  - 2) The school's Board-approved extracurricular code of conduct.
  - 3) Department of Public Instruction school identification number.
  - 4) Indication of at least one independently sponsored interscholastic athletic program.
  - 5) For continued membership, schools must have administrative oversight of at least one independently sponsored interscholastic athletic program or co-op athletic program that is maintained throughout duration of membership.
  - 6) Completed WIAA membership application form . . .

	Advance to Annual Meeting	Support
Sports Advisory Committee	<u>14-0</u>	<u>14-0</u>
Advisory Council	<u>15-0</u>	<u>15-0</u>
Board of Control	<u>10-0</u>	<u>10-0</u>

- X   Support adoption  
      Don't support adoption  
      No position

Rationale: In order to continue to have an informed membership, school administration must have a hands-on and fundamental understanding of WIAA Constitution, Bylaws and Rules of Eligibility.

Constitution - Continued

NUMBER 2 – CLASSIFICATION

*This change would add a success factor to member schools’ classification for placement in WIAA tournament competition in addition to the third Friday of September enrollment figure. This recommendation was advanced by the WIAA Ad Hoc Committee which studied competitive equity in 2014.*

Article III – Membership

Section 3 – Classification – p. 15

- A. Each senior high school shall be classified for purposes of membership, representation, and competition (including tournaments where necessary) on the basis of previous year’s enrollment on the third Friday in September with exceptions as noted below.
- 1) Beginning with the 2017-18 school year, for competition (including tournaments where necessary), a success factor will be calculated to determine division placements for the sports of soccer, volleyball, basketball, softball and baseball. Placement in divisions will first utilize the success factor. The success factor will be defined in the Season Regulations for Tournament Assignment and will be utilized where appropriate in advance of enrollment placement considerations.
  - 2) Schools with only Grades 10-12 students shall add, for purposes of classification and competition:
    - a. The total enrollment figure of the Grade 9 students, if there is only one school with Grades 10-12 students in the district.
    - b. One-third of the enrollment of Grades 10-12, if there is more than one school with Grades 10-12 students in the district.
  - 3) The Board of Control shall have authority to adjust enrollment figures in unusual situations (such as consolidation, formation of new school, gain or loss of district, etc.), provided such information is made known before September 15 of each year.
  - 4) The enrollment of schools consisting of students of only one sex shall be doubled to determine its classification.  
Note: When two or more school districts consolidate, the third Friday enrollment count of the previous year will be used for all WIAA tournaments.
  - 5) In a multiple high school district, charter school enrollment will be identified by the district according to student residence. The students will be assigned and counted by the school of residence for participation, enrollment and divisional classification.

See example on next page

	Advance to Annual Meeting	Support
Sports Advisory Committee	<u>13-1</u>	<u>--</u>
Advisory Council	<u>14-1</u>	<u>--</u>
Board of Control	<u>8-2</u>	<u>--</u>

- ☐ Support adoption
- ☐ Don’t support adoption
- ☒ No position

Rationale: This amendment comes from the work of the Ad Hoc Competitive Equity Committee. The amendment was brought forward at the 2014 Annual Meeting but was replaced at the 2015 Annual Meeting with an amendment, and as a result was not voted on. Administrators requested a vote on the original amendment.



**BASEBALL (BOYS)  
TOURNAMENT PROCEDURE**

**1. ASSIGNMENT OF SCHOOLS WILL BE ON A GEOGRAPHICAL BASIS IN FOUR DIVISIONS IN THE SPRING PROGRAM (1-2-3-4) AND IN ONE DIVISION IN THE SUMMER PROGRAM.**

**Spring**

- a. Schools will be evaluated by the success factor after each season:
  - 1) The success factor will be a three-year cumulative total of no less than six points in all divisions of the previous three years.
  - 2) Teams promoted using the success factor will be promoted to the next division from the previous year. No team will be moved more than one division per year.
  - 3) Promotion will only be in the sport where the school has achieved the six points.
  - 4) All teams promoted using the success factor will be locked into the promoted division and the remaining schools will be placed based on enrollment.
  - 5) After being promoted, points from a lower division will not be considered in future promotion.
  - 6) If success factor points over the previous three years are less than six points in all divisions, promoted teams will leave the division
  - 7) Co-ops
    - a) When a co-op forms, the co-op will be a point total equal with the combined total of both schools.
    - b) When a co-op dissolves, the schools will retain the points of the co-op.
  - 8) Calculating the success factor:
    - a) Points will be cumulative for a three-year period.
    - b) Points will be awarded based upon the finish of the team in the tournament series. Points do not accumulate during the tournament series.
      - (1) 4 points for winning a state title
      - (2) 3 points for advancing to the championship game
      - (3) 2 points for advancing to the state semifinal (final 4)
      - (4) 1 point for advancing to the state quarterfinal (final 8).
- b. After application of the success factor, the largest 96 schools sponsoring spring baseball are in Division 1, with the remaining schools divided equally between Divisions 2, 3 and 4.
  - 1) No team can be moved down a division due to another team's promotion if they have earned success factor points in that division during the previous three years.
  - 2) The next smallest school without success factor points during the previous three years will be moved down.
  - 3) Any tie will be addressed consistent with current season regulations.
- c. Schools may be allowed to play up one division in any sport (except football) from where its enrollment would otherwise place it if an application is submitted prior to June 1. This will not cause other schools to be displaced.

## Constitution - Continued

### **NUMBER 3 – BOARD OF CONTROL ORGANIZATION**

*This change would provide that a Board of Control member could be employed in a full-time or in a part-time position in one of the eligible positions at a member school. Currently, a member of the Board of Control must be a full-time employee.*

#### **Article V – Board of Control Organization**

##### **Section 1 – Membership – p. 15**

A. Executive and administrative powers of this Association shall be vested in a committee of eleven members, to be known as the Board of Control.

- 1) Ten of the members shall be administrators, assistant administrators, high school principals, or assistant high school principals. Six of the ten members shall each represent one of the districts comprised of the high schools listed hereafter. One of the ten members shall be an at-large representative of whichever gender has fewer memberships at the election announcement date for this position. One of the ten members shall be an at-large representative of ethnic minority origin as defined in the following note.

Note: A person having origins in black racial groups of Africa; Mexican, Puerto Rican, Cuban, Central or South American or other Spanish culture or origin, regardless of race; Asian; Pacific Islander; American Indian; or Alaskan Native.

One of ten members shall be an at-large eligible administrator of a member nonpublic school.

Note: Candidates must have (1) Department of Public Instruction licensure allowing placement in the eligible set, (2) must be employed **full-time or part-time** in a qualifying position and (3) cannot be members of the teachers' bargaining unit.

- 2) One member shall represent the Wisconsin Association of School Boards, and that organization shall determine the procedure **for** selecting its representative.

	Advance to Annual Meeting	Support
Sports Advisory Committee	<u>14-0</u>	<u>5-9</u>
Advisory Council	<u>15-0</u>	<u>13-2</u>
Board of Control	<u>10-0</u>	<u>2-8</u>

       Support adoption  
  X   Don't support adoption  
       No position

Rationale: Brought forward by a member school at the 2015 Annual Meeting.

## Constitution - Continued

### **NUMBER 4 – ADVISORY COUNCIL ORGANIZATION**

*This change would provide that an Advisory Council member could be employed in a full-time or in a part-time position in one the eligible positions at a member school. Currently, a member of the Advisory Council must be a full-time employee.*

#### **Article VII – Advisory Council Organization**

##### **Section 1 – Membership – p. 20-21**

- A. A committee of 18 members to be known as the Advisory Council shall be established to represent member schools as follows:
- 1) Five members to represent the large size schools.
  - 2) Five members to represent the middle size schools.
  - 3) Five members to represent the small size schools.
  - 4) One member shall be an at-large representative of whichever gender has fewer memberships at the election announcement date for this position.
  - 5) One member shall be an at-large representative of an ethnic minority as defined in the following note:

Note: A person having origins in black racial groups of Africa; Mexican, Puerto Rican, Cuban, Central or South American or other Spanish culture or origin, regardless of race; Asian; Pacific Islander; American Indian; or Alaskan Native.

- 6) One member shall be an eligible administrator of a member nonpublic school..

Note: Candidates must have (1) Department of Public Instruction licensure allowing placement in the eligible set, (2) must be employed full-time or part-time in a qualifying position and (3) cannot be members of the teachers' bargaining unit.

- B. Membership on the Advisory Council is open to administrators, assistant administrators, high school principals, or assistant high school principals of member senior high schools of this Association.

	Advance to Annual Meeting	Support
Sports Advisory Committee	<u>14-0</u>	<u>7-7</u>
Advisory Council	<u>15-0</u>	<u>13-2</u>
Board of Control	<u>10-0</u>	<u>2-8</u>

_____ Support adoption	Rationale: Brought forward by a member school at the 2015 Annual Meeting.
<u>  X  </u> Don't support adoption	
_____ No position	

## RULES OF ELIGIBILITY

### **NUMBER 5 – TRANSFER RULE**

*This change would provide opportunity for non-varsity eligibility to students transferring before or during their 5th or 6th semester following entry into 9th grade.*

#### **Article II – Residence and Transfer**

##### **Section 3 – Transfers – p. 33**

- A. A full time student may be afforded up to eight consecutive semesters of interscholastic eligibility upon entry into Grade 9. Transferring schools at any time may result in restrictions being imposed on eligibility, or in some cases a denial of eligibility. For the purpose of this rule, attendance at one day of school and/or attendance at one athletic practice shall determine ‘beginning of school year.’ These additional provisions relate to transfer cases:
- 1) A student who transfers from any school into a member school after the ~~fourth~~ **sixth** consecutive semester following entry into Grade 9 shall be ineligible for competition at any level for one calendar year, but may practice, unless the transfer is made necessary by a total change in residence by parent(s). The calendar year (365 days) will be determined from a student’s first day of attendance at the new school.
  - 2) Open enrolled and/or tuition paying students entering 9th and/or 10th grade at the beginning of the school year and who are within the first four consecutive semesters of high school will be afforded unrestricted eligibility provided all other rules governing student eligibility are met.
  - 3) Open enrolled and/or tuition paying students entering 11th grade are restricted to non-varsity for one calendar year.
  - 4) Open enrolled and/or tuition paying students entering ~~11th and/or 12th grade~~ as transfer students are ineligible to compete at any level for one calendar year, but may practice.
  - 5) 9th grade students who transfer after the beginning of the school year and with written consent from both schools directly involved shall be restricted to non-varsity opportunities for the remainder of the school year. Restrictions are removed upon entering 10th grade.
  - 6) 10th ~~or 11th~~ grade students who transfer after the beginning of the school year and with written consent from both schools directly involved shall be restricted to non-varsity opportunities for one calendar year (365 days beginning with first day of attendance at the new school).
  - 7) In the event of divorce or legal separation, whether pending or final, residence at the beginning of the school year shall determine eligibility for students entering 9th and/or 10th grade. In situations involving transfer after the ~~fourth~~ **sixth** consecutive semester following entry into grade 9 the student is ineligible to compete at any level for one calendar year, but may practice.
  - 8) District policies with respect to intra-district transfer do not supersede WIAA transfer rules in situations involving post-~~4th~~ **sixth** semester transfers. Intra-district transfers occurring after the ~~fourth~~ **sixth** consecutive semester following entry into grade 9 result in the student being ineligible for competition at any level for one calendar year (365 days beginning with first day of attendance at the new school), but may practice.
  - 9) Unless transfer, including an accompanying change of parents residence, is effective at the outset of a semester, a student cannot establish eligibility at his/her new school until the fifth calendar day of such transfer.
  - 10) If within the first four consecutive semesters following entry into grade 9, a student who transfers more than once in any given school year shall be ineligible for all interscholastic competition for the remainder of that current school year and will be eligible for non-varsity opportunities only for the balance of one calendar year. In situations involving transfer after the ~~fourth~~ **sixth** consecutive semester following entry into grade 9 the student is ineligible to compete at any level for one calendar year, but may practice.

## Number 5 – Transfers – Continued

- 11) A student may not have eligibility in more than one member school at the same time. A parent or parents who move from a primary residence within one school's attendance boundaries, to a secondary residence within another school's attendance boundaries, may be required by the Board of Control to provide evidence of a total move.
- 12) A student who transfers from any school, whether or not a member school, with a status of ineligibility for disciplinary reasons, academic reasons and/or as a result of another State Association's regulation or sanction, retains such status at his/her new school for the same period as decreed by the former school.
- 13) No eligibility will be granted for a student whose residence within a school's attendance boundaries, with or without parents, or whose attendance at a school has been the result of undue influence (special consideration due to athletic ability or potential) on the part of any person, whether or not connected with the school.

	Advance to Annual Meeting	Support
Sports Advisory Committee	<u>14-0</u>	<u>12-2</u>
Advisory Council	<u>15-0</u>	<u>13-2</u>
Board of Control	<u>10-0</u>	<u>8-2</u>

<u>  X  </u>	Support adoption	Rationale: This provides some eligibility for competition to transfers before or during 11th grade.
<u>      </u>	Don't support adoption	
<u>      </u>	No position	



## RULES OF ELIGIBILITY – Continued

### **NUMBER 6 – NONSCHOOL PARTICIPATION DURING THE SEASON**

*This change would allow any individual athlete to participate in up to two nonschool contests during the regular school sport season in the same sport with school approval. It will NOT count against the athlete's individual participation limit. This change neither affects nor alters the exceptional athlete provision.*

#### **Article VI – Nonschool Participation**

##### **Section 1 – In-Season – p. 37**

- A. It is the philosophy of this Association that a student owes loyalty and allegiance to the school and team of which he/she is a member during the season of a given sport. Athletes may compete in not more than two nonschool competitions with school approval during each regular sport season. The contest(s) will not count against the individual maximum for the athlete in that sport. Nonschool competition will not be allowed during the respective WIAA tournament series in a sport. A student becomes ineligible in a sport for the remainder of the season for competing in more than two nonschool games, meets, or contests in the same sport during the season of practice and competition established by the school. The penalty may be reduced upon request of a school on the basis of documented extenuating circumstances.

Note: With the approval of school administration, a student may be allowed to participate as an individual (not part of a team) in contests which isolate separate sport skills outside the traditional competition setting, e.g., shooting, passing, kicking contests. Such skill contests/events may not include physical contact with another participant or contain similar risks for serious injury or extreme fatigue as the actual sport competition. There can be no school coach involvement. The approval of the school may be granted on the basis that such participation will not impair or alter the student's eligibility (ie: amateur status) or other membership rules.

- 1) Nonschool games, meets, or contests shall be interpreted ...
- 2) A student who was a member of a school team ...
- 3) A student who is cut from the squad, ...
- 4) This rule (prohibiting students from competing in nonschool programs during the school season in the same sport) may be waived on behalf of an exceptional athlete provided:
  - a. The competition has international ramifications, ...
  - b. The school requests an exemption ....
  - c. The athlete:
    - (1) Achieved one of the first five places (in an individual sport) ...
    - (2) Was prevented by illness, injury, or unusual circumstances ...
    - (3) Defeated in subsequent competition ...
    - (4) Qualified for Special Olympics, or for international competition ....

	Advance to Annual Meeting	Support
Sports Advisory Committee	<u>11-3</u>	<u>--</u>
Advisory Council	<u>15-0</u>	<u>7-8</u>
Board of Control	<u>10-0</u>	<u>10-0</u>

- X   Support adoption  
      Don't support adoption  
      No position

Rationale: The requests from members for nonschool competition waivers continue to rise and therefore to diminish the exceptional athlete provisions. This amendment comes as a result of member schools' frequent and persisting request for relief from this rule. At present, WIAA is the only State Association among Section 4 states that does not allow relief of this kind. This change will bring WIAA in line with Michigan, Minnesota, Illinois, Iowa, Indiana and other mid-west states.

## RULES OF ELIGIBILITY – Continued

### NUMBER 7 – NONSCHOOL PARTICIPATION DURING THE SEASON

*This change would update the exceptional athlete provision to reflect the National Governing Bodies (NGB) and Olympic Development Programs (ODP). It also would allow the exceptional athlete to participate in NGB or ODP competitions during the WIAA tournaments.*

#### Article VI – Nonschool Participation

##### Section 1 – In-Season – p. 37

- A. It is the philosophy of this Association that a student owes loyalty and allegiance to the school and team of which he/she is a member during the season of a given sport. A student becomes ineligible in a sport for the remainder of the season for competing in a nonschool game, meet, or contest in the same sport during the season of practice and competition established by the school. The penalty may be reduced upon request of a school on the basis of documented extenuating circumstances.

Note: With the approval of school administration, ...

- 1) Nonschool games, meets, or contests shall be interpreted to include ...
- 2) A student who was a member of a school team in a given sport ...
- 3) A student who is cut from the squad, during the regular season ...
- 4) ~~This rule (prohibiting students from competing in nonschool programs during the school season in the same sport) may be waived on behalf of an exceptional athlete provided:~~
  - a. ~~The competition has international ramifications, i.e., there are countries outside the United States (50 states) involved, and~~
  - b. ~~The school requests an exemption on the basis that such participation will not impair the student's loyalty and allegiance to school and team, and~~
  - e. ~~The athlete:~~
    - (1) ~~Achieved one of the first five places (in an individual sport) in the previous WIAA state meet, or~~
    - (2) ~~Was prevented by illness, injury, or unusual circumstances from achieving one of the first five places in the previous WIAA state meet and it is documented that he/she might have made such an achievement, or~~
    - (3) ~~Defeated in subsequent competition (or surpassed the accomplishment of) a person who achieved one of the first five places in the previous WIAA state meet,\* or~~
    - (4) ~~Qualified for Special Olympics, or for international competition in a National Federation recognized and/or sanctioned event such as the Olympics, Pan American Games, Davis Cup, Walker Cup, e.g., including dual and invitational meets with countries outside the United States (50 states).~~

~~Note 1:\* Subsequent performance times, scores, e.g., must be at or near State Tournament performance.~~

~~Note 2: No waiver shall be provided for non-school competition which occurs during the respective WIAA tournament series in a sport.~~

#### B. National Teams and Olympic Development Programs for Team and Individual Sport Athletes

- 1) During the school year, students who participate for their school in a sport may participate through training, tryout or competition on a National Team or in a United States Olympic Development Program provided the student receives an individual invitation from either the United States National Governing Body (NGB) on the national level for that sport or from the United States Olympic Committee:
  - a. **National Team Definition:** A national team is a team selected by the National Governing Body (NGB) of the sport on a national qualification basis either through a defined selective process or actual tryouts for the purpose of international competition which requires the entries to officially represent the respective nations, although it is not necessary there be team scoring by nation. Participation by high school students on bona fide national teams that represent the United States may be permitted.

## Number 7 – Nonschool Participation – Continued

- b. **Olympic Development Program Definition:** An Olympic Development Program (ODP) is defined as a training program or competition that is conducted or sponsored by the United States Olympic Committee, or directly funded and conducted by the United States Olympic committee member National Governing Body (NGB) on the national level, or specifically authorized by a national governing body involving only athletes previously identified by the NGB as having potential for future participation at the regional national, or international competition in that sport.

Official National Governing Bodies

Baseball	USA Baseball	Soccer	U.S. Soccer Federation
Basketball	USA Basketball	Softball	Amateur Softball Association
Diving	USA Diving	Swimming	USA Swimming
Football	USA Football	Tennis	U.S. Tennis Association
Golf	U.S. Golf Association	Track and Field	USA Track & Field
Gymnastics	USA Gymnastics	Volleyball	USA Volleyball
Ice Hockey	USA Hockey	Wrestling	USA Wrestling

- c. **Special Olympic Definition:** Special Olympics provide year-round sports training and athletic competition in a variety of Olympic-type sports for children and adults with intellectual disabilities.
- d. Waivers may be provided:
- (1) The national team or development program meets the above definition.
  - (2) The student makes application to the high school principal or designee.
  - (3) The member school requests a waiver.

	Advance to Annual Meeting	Support
Sports Advisory Committee	<u>14-0</u>	<u>14-0</u>
Advisory Council	<u>15-0</u>	<u>15-0</u>
Board of Control	<u>10-0</u>	<u>10-0</u>

- ☒ Support adoption      Rationale: Bring exceptional athlete provision into line with other state associations.
- ☐ Don't support adoption
- ☐ No position

## EDITORIAL CHANGES

*Editorial changes are attempts to clarify existing rules without making any change in the interpretation of the rule. In some instances, the change may be merely a word(s) or the addition or deletion of a sentence, while in other cases the change may reflect Board of Control interpretation of membership wishes.*

## RULES OF ELIGIBILITY

*This change would allow students who meet eligibility by state law (home-based private education) to participate.*

### Article I – General

#### Section 3 – Who may Participate – p. 31

- A. A school may use on its interscholastic teams only its full-time students enrolled in grades affiliated with WIAA membership.

Note 1: No eligibility will be granted for a student whose residence within a school's attendance boundaries, with or without parents, or whose attendance at a school has been the result of undue influence (special consideration due to athletic ability or potential) on the part of any person, whether or not connected with the school.

Note 2: When state law allows eligibility, those students meeting the stated requirements of the law are eligible at the stated member schools on the same basis and to the same extent of WIAA rules.

Board of Control	Advance to Annual Meeting	Support
	<u>10-0</u>	<u>10-0</u>
<u>  X  </u>	Support adoption	
<u>     </u>	Don't support adoption	
<u>     </u>	No position	

# WIAA ANNUAL MEETING – APRIL 20, 2016

## Treasurer’s Report – WIAA Athletic Administration

### Steve Knecht, Treasurer – Board of Control

#### Results

The official statement of the financial condition of the Wisconsin Interscholastic Athletic Association for the fiscal year ending July 31, 2015 is reported in the 2014-15 edition of the WIAA Yearbook. It was certified as being correct by the audit firm of Grant Thornton.

Listed below is the Statement of Activities of the WIAA General Account for the last three years with statements of operations.

	2013	2014	2015
Revenue			
Membership dues .....	\$ 419,800	\$ 420,775	\$ 424,200
Tournaments .....	6,873,490	7,208,135	7,292,203
Registration of officials .....	330,832	488,252	474,735
Miscellaneous .....	<u>364,710</u>	<u>535,417</u>	<u>526,667</u>
Total revenue .....	7,988,832	8,652,579	8,717,805
Operating expense			
Tournaments .....	4,391,571	4,748,029	4,861,112
Administrative and general .....	2,578,785	2,800,164	3,047,413
Special services			
Committees and rule helpers .....	23,771	28,696	40,904
Clinics and conferences .....	31,169	30,163	3,189
Rule books .....	180,290	191,347	166,790
Audio visual .....	500	550	550
Depreciation of property and equipment .....	87,720	90,894	107,565
Publications printing .....	<u>30,786</u>	<u>28,103</u>	<u>27,802</u>
Total operating expense .....	<u>7,324,592</u>	<u>7,917,946</u>	<u>8,255,325</u>
Increase in unrestricted net assets from operations .....	664,240	734,633	462,480
Other revenue (expense)			
Investment gain (loss) net of related expenses .....	110,931	87,858	33,843
Gain on sale of property and equipment .....	--	2,700	5,500
Miscellaneous .....	<u>941</u>	<u>1,677</u>	<u>2,689</u>
Total other revenues (losses) .....	<u>111,872</u>	<u>92,235</u>	<u>42,032</u>
Increase in unrestricted net assets .....	776,112	826,868	504,512
Unrestricted net assets at beginning of year .....	<u>3,040,782</u>	<u>3,816,894</u>	<u>4,643,762</u>
Unrestricted net assets at end of year .....	<u>\$ 3,816,894</u>	<u>\$ 4,643,762</u>	<u>\$ 5,148,274</u>

#### 2015-16 Projections

At the present time our budget outlook for the 2015-16 school year is:

Income budgeted .....	8,314,535
Income projected .....	8,211,700
Projected amount of income over (under) budgeted figure .....	(102,835)
Operating expense budgeted .....	8,314,535
Operating expense projected .....	8,255,300
Amount of expense over (under) budget .....	(59,235)
	Net (43,600)

*These figures are based on as yet incomplete winter tournament financials and spring tournaments meeting budgeted figures.*

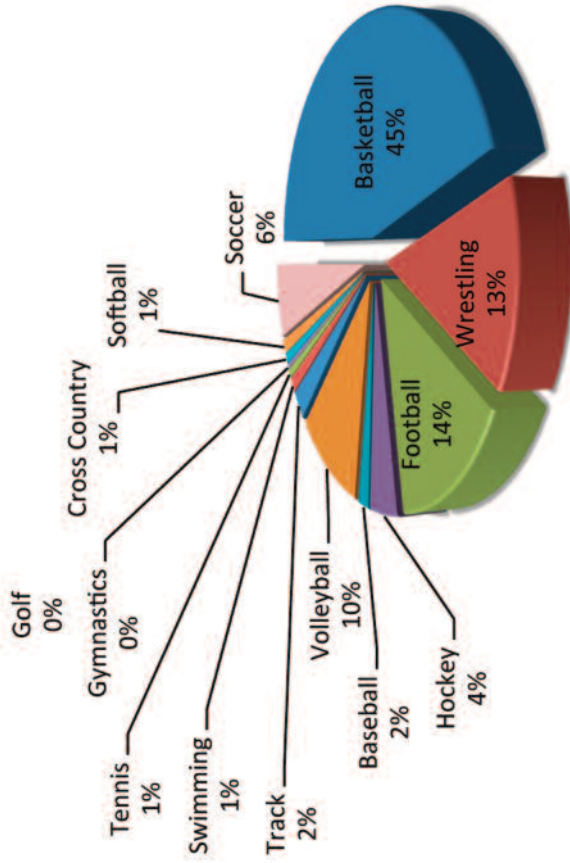
The budget approved for the 2015-16 fiscal year was based on an expectation of balanced receipts and expenditures. It was created using all available data as well as trends from recent years of operations. This budget was planned with the ability to accommodate the loss of revenue from membership dues/fees and the increased expense of continuing to provide members with complimentary rule books. This update must now reflect the unanticipated expenses associated with the past year’s legislative session and developing a membership survey to address competition and sport season placement.

#### 2016-17 Outlook

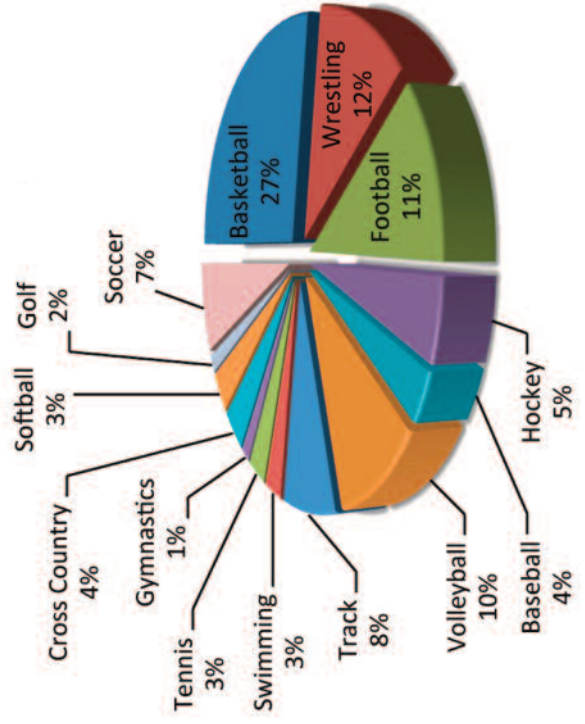
The coming year’s budget will again be driven by projected tournament gate receipts. Each year roughly 85% of the WIAA’s budget is based on this primary revenue source. Subsequently, we will continue to be primarily reliant on weather and match-ups; which spur attendance. Once again, there will be no membership dues and fees assessed. No ticket price increases are planned at this time. The WIAA will continue to seek new revenue streams through partnerships and relationships with businesses that are a good fit with the philosophy and aims of our Association. All available indicators will again be applied to the development of the 2016-17 budget, along with on-going internal cost containment measures. Subsequently, a reasonable budget projection for 2016-17 would at this time suggest strong similarities to the current year’s budget.



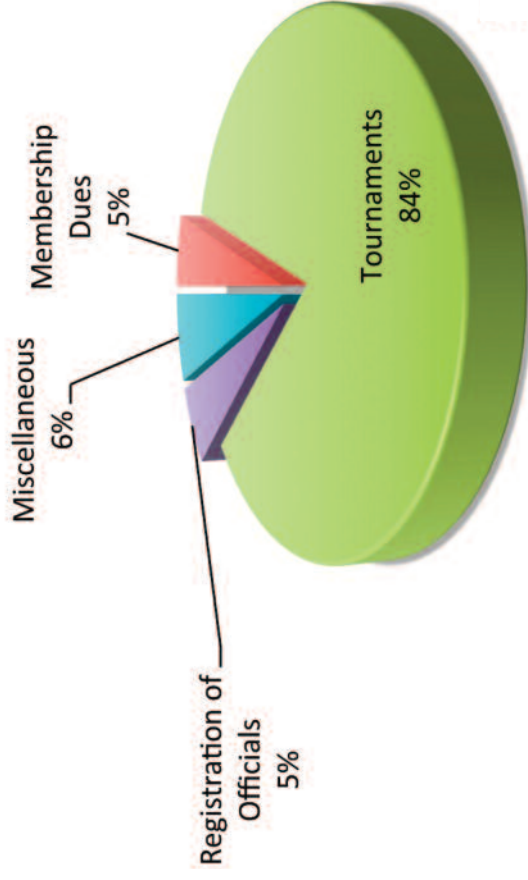
## 2014-15 Tournament Revenue



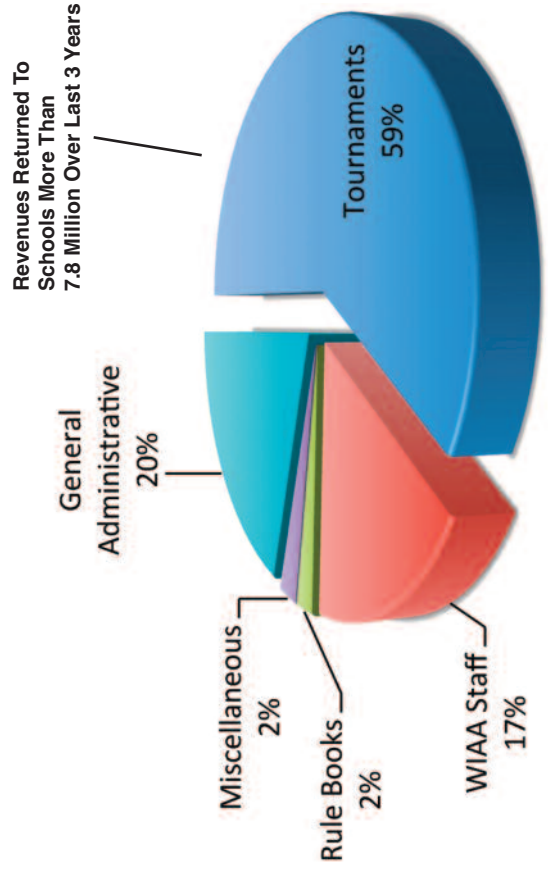
## 2014-15 Tournament Expense



## 2014-15 Operating Revenue



## 2014-15 Operating Expense



# Tournaments

## TOURNAMENT REVENUE, EXPENSE AND EXCESS (DEFICIT)

	2014-15			2013-2014		
	Revenue	Expense	Excess (deficit)	Revenue	Expense	Excess (deficit)
Basketball . . . . .	\$3,276,055	\$1,328,726	\$1,947,329	\$3,208,605	1,275,720	\$1,932,885
Wrestling . . . . .	939,557	577,831	361,726	877,759	519,139	358,620
Football . . . . .	1,019,378	556,286	463,092	1,166,242	588,357	577,885
Hockey . . . . .	292,501	254,923	37,578	275,055	250,761	24,294
Baseball . . . . .	118,212	173,850	(55,638)	118,644	168,360	(49,716)
Volleyball . . . . .	724,943	503,958	220,985	671,343	484,729	186,614
Track . . . . .	171,723	375,978	(204,255)	149,127	371,423	(222,296)
Swimming . . . . .	82,958	123,000	(40,042)	82,798	122,627	(39,829)
Tennis . . . . .	55,538	135,482	(79,944)	55,218	134,633	(79,415)
Gymnastics . . . . .	27,821	64,805	(36,984)	27,422	62,728	(35,306)
Cross Country . . . . .	64,941	174,766	(109,825)	67,251	172,815	(105,564)
Softball . . . . .	76,816	162,114	(85,298)	78,337	169,460	(91,123)
Golf . . . . .	—	72,136	(72,136)	—	68,377	(68,377)
Soccer . . . . .	441,760	357,257	84,503	430,334	358,900	71,434
	<u>\$7,292,203</u>	<u>\$4,861,112</u>	<u>\$2,431,091</u>	<u>\$7,208,135</u>	<u>\$4,748,029</u>	<u>\$2,460,106</u>

## 2016 AREA MEETINGS

### 9 A.M.

Wednesday, September 7 – Mount Horeb High School  
Thursday, September 8 – Oconomowoc High School

Monday, September 12 – Antigo High School  
Tuesday, September 13 – Greenfield High School  
Wednesday, September 14 – Mauston High School

Monday, September 19 – Rice Lake High School  
Tuesday, September 20 – Fox Valley Lutheran High School, Appleton

## 2016-17 SCHEDULE & SITE LIST

### FALL STATE TOURNAMENT

	DATE	SITE
Girls Golf	October 10-11	University Ridge – Madison
Girls Individual Tennis	October 13-14-15	UW-Madison – Nielsen Stadium – Madison
Girls Team Tennis	October 21-22	UW-Madison – Nielsen Stadium – Madison
Cross Country	October 29	Ridges Country Club – Wisconsin Rapids
Boys Soccer	November 3-4-5	KOHLER Engines Stadium at Uihlein Soccer Park – Milwaukee
Girls Volleyball	November 3-4-5	Resch Center – Green Bay
Boys Volleyball	November 11-12	Wisconsin Lutheran College – Milwaukee
Girls Swimming & Diving	November 11-12	UW-Madison – Natatorium – Madison
Football	November 17-18	UW-Madison – Camp Randall Stadium – Madison

### WINTER STATE TOURNAMENT

	DATE	SITE
Boys Swimming & Diving	February 17-18	UW-Madison – Natatorium – Madison
Individual Wrestling	February 23-24-25	UW-Madison – Kohl Center – Madison
Boys Hockey	March 2-3-4	Veterans Memorial Coliseum at the Alliant Energy Center – Madison
Girls Hockey	March 3-4	Veterans Memorial Coliseum at the Alliant Energy Center – Madison
Girls Gymnastics	March 3-4	Lincoln High School – Wisconsin Rapids
Team Wrestling	March 3-4	UW-Madison – Field House – Madison
Girls Basketball	March 9-10-11	Resch Center – Green Bay
Boys Basketball	March 16-17-18	UW-Madison – Kohl Center – Madison

### SPRING STATE TOURNAMENT

	DATE	SITE
Boys Individual Tennis	June 1-2-3	UW-Madison – Nielsen Stadium – Madison
Track & Field	June 2-3	UW-La Crosse – Veterans Memorial Field Sports Complex – La Crosse
Boys Golf	June 5-6	University Ridge – Madison
Softball	June 8-9-10	UW-Madison – Goodman Diamond – Madison
Boys Team Tennis	June 9-10	UW-Madison – Nielsen Stadium – Madison
Spring Baseball	June 13-14-15	Neuroscience Group Field at Fox Cities Stadium – Grand Chute
Girls Soccer	June 15-16-17	KOHLER Engines Stadium at Uihlein Soccer Park – Milwaukee
Summer Baseball	July 21	Concordia University – Kapco Park – Mequon