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2018-19 ANNUAL MEETING



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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 – Eric Coleman Presiding

- I. Opening Remarks
- II. Minutes of 2018 Meeting
- III. Treasurer's Report – Eric Russell
- IV. Elections Status
(Board of Control & Advisory Council)
- V. Open Forum
- VI. Vote on Amendments
- VII. Director's Report
 - a. Old Business
 - b. New Business
- VIII. Announcements
- IX. Adjournment

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2018-19 Presidents Report

Welcome to the 124th Annual Meeting of the Wisconsin Interscholastic Athletic Association. I want to thank all of you for the time and dedication to students and education-based athletics in schools and districts across the state. The WIAA is a membership directed organization and *WE* are the WIAA and *WE* do what is best for the membership. It is the love for kids and for education-based athletics that has brought us all here today.



I believe in the benefits of school-based athletics. It not only encourages an active life style but also increases physical fitness, while demonstrating the valuable lessons of hard work, teamwork, and sportsmanship. The character building, leadership skills and life lessons available through participation carryover into all aspects of life.

In 2017, we suspended membership dues and fees. I am proud of the fact that we are able to continue providing opportunities and serving members at a time when funding and resources for schools and athletics have been decreasing, while costs continue to increase. I am proud of the fact that the WIAA is the only Association serving schools in Wisconsin that not only charges no membership fees, but also is the only association that shares revenues with its members and returns over \$2 million dollars each year back to schools.

As an organization, we continue to be a national leader and example for other state associations. We have led by our work to address concussion, acclimatization, transgender athletes and transfer students. It has been seven months since Area Meetings were held across the state. The main topics addressed included football-only conference realignment, a uniform code of conduct response to felonies and the modification of the transfer rule to take into account pre-existing athletic relationships. All of these continue in the leading-edge traditions of our WIAA.

For me personally, the highlight of the year has been the development and work of the Conference Realignment Taskforce. This group has worked to create a conference realignment template and blueprint that will provide great leadership and service to this membership in the coming years.

To date, we have completed 18 State Tournament Championships, with seven more to go this spring. It has been an honor for me to serve as the Board of Control President this past year.

In closing, I would like to thank you again for your service, dedication and the work you do on behalf of student athletes and the WIAA membership.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Eric C. Coleman", followed by a long, sweeping horizontal line that extends to the right.

Eric C. Coleman, President, WIAA Board of Control
Milwaukee Public Schools

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 2018-19 school year marks the 124th 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. Riordan 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 2018 Annual Meeting

Constitution, Article III, Section 2 A, B, C, D and E – This change updated the requirements for new member schools. It added expectations for all new members and members that discontinued their membership in the association and seek to rejoin. The regulation requires applicants to sponsor and have administrative oversight of at least one boys and one girls sport in each of the three sports seasons. In addition, the amendment expands the probationary period for any new applicants to three years and replaces the one-year probationary status of the former language. Schools applying for membership are now required to have representation at an Area Meeting and at the Annual Meeting during each year of their three-year probationary status. Failure to comply with the requirements at any time during the probationary period will require a reset of the application and probationary period.

Constitution, Article VI, Section 10, A, 5) – This change allows schools who miss the deadline for varsity co-ops to form co-ops for regular season only.

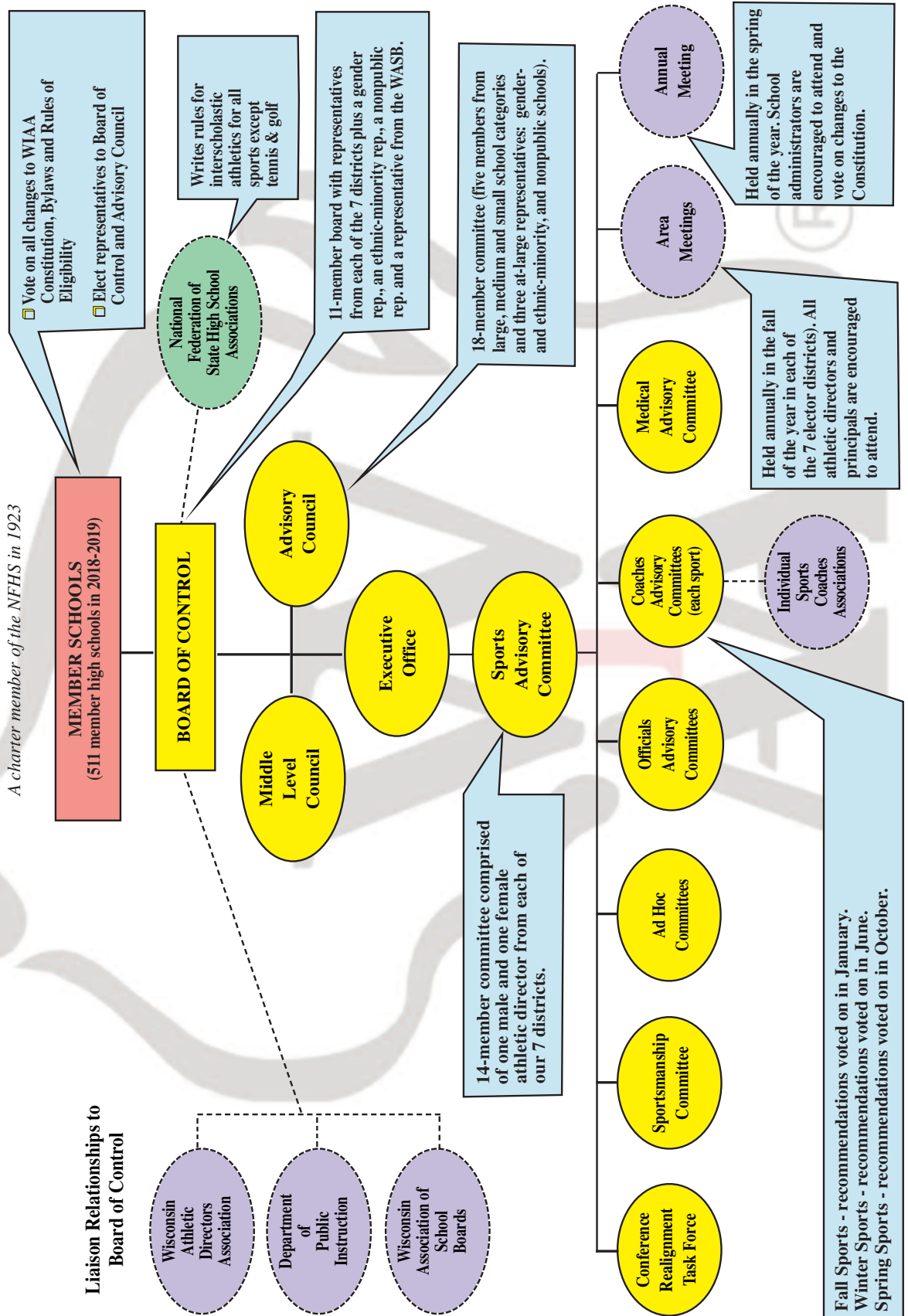
Rules of Eligibility, Article II, Section 1 B. and Article II, Section 2, A 5) and B – This change brought the residency rule into line with the transfer rule involving transfers after the sixth consecutive semester.

Rules of Eligibility, Article VI, Section 1, A) – This change clarifies that a student reporting late to be the school team due to non-school competition forfeits the opportunity to utilize the two school approved non-school opportunities.

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Committee Organization

A charter member of the NFHS in 1923



2019 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.

Amendment Changes: For convenience of readers, potential new words are highlighted (shaded areas) and potential removed words stricken (line through).

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. The same material was printed in the BULLETIN and placed on the WIAA website at www.wiaawi.org. 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 2019-20

CONSTITUTION

NUMBER 1 – MEMBERSHIP

This change would reflect the fact that the tournament entry is only available to WIAA members who are in good standing.

Article III – Membership

Section 1 – Eligibility – p. 14

- A. Membership in this Association is open to:
- 1) Public high schools on a Grades 9-12 basis, and public middle level schools on a Grades 6-8 or any combination thereof, basis.
 - 2) State supported institutional schools offering instruction in any or all of Grades 6-12.
 - 3) Nonpublic schools enrolling Grades 9-12 that qualify for Section 501(c) (3) status under the declaration of the Internal Revenue Code.
 - 4) Nonpublic schools enrolling Grades 6-8 that qualify for Section 501(c)(3) status under the declaration of the Internal Revenue Code.
 - 5) Charter schools enrolling students in grades 9-12, whose chartering authority has approved membership for at least one other stand-alone member in good standing.
- Note: A charter school's status shall be as an Associate member. Associate membership does not include voting or cooperative team privileges.
- B. Membership is not available to schools belonging to another Wisconsin state-wide interscholastic athletic association.
Note: WIAA assigned conferences are excepted.

Corresponding changes to the Bylaws:

Article I – Sports Program

Section 5 – Tournament Entry – p. 25

- A. A member school must have an officially-adopted program in a sport in order to enter a team and/or individuals in the WIAA tournament series of that sport. WIAA Tournament participation is only available to WIAA member schools who only belong to the WIAA.

Article II – School Competition and Practice Requirements – p. 26

Section 5 – A School shall not Participate in:

- A. Post-season contests (other than Association tournament games).
- B. Contests on Sunday, unless ...
Note: With respect to Sunday competition ...
- C. Contests with nonmember schools. No contest shall be held or scheduled with a school that is eligible for membership in this association, but is not a WIAA member in good standing.
- D. Contests held in conjunction with professional, semiprofessional and other ...
- E.
etc.

	Advance to Annual Meeting	Support
Sports Advisory Committee	<u>13-0</u>	<u>13-0</u>
Advisory Council	<u>15-0</u>	<u>15-0</u>
Board of Control	<u>11-0</u>	<u>11-0</u>
<u> X </u> Support adoption		
<u> </u> Don't support adoption		
<u> </u> No position		

Rationale: A school that is not a member school is not eligible WIAA member tournaments.

Constitution - Continued

NUMBER 2 – TOURNAMENT HOSTING

This change would clarify that the Board of Control may remove opportunities to host WIAA tournament contests from member schools if deemed necessary.

Article VI – Powers and Duties of the Board of Control

Section 3 – Penalties – p. 19

- A. Any of the following penalties may be imposed upon member schools, which violate Association rules and regulations, if such action is regarded as necessary for maintenance of discipline:
- 1) Suspension of membership for not more than one year.
 - 2) Probation for not more than one year.
 - 3) Denial of participation in Association tournament program.
 - 4) Denial of any area of Association services and benefits.
 - 5) Monetary fine equal to Association expense incurred in any investigation and actual reimbursement of costs resulting from the violation.
 - 6) Forfeiture (team sports) of contests won by school or (individual sports) of points/places won by individuals.
 - 7) Loss of opportunity to host Association tournament events for not more than one year.
 - 8) Loss of conference affiliation.

Note: All parties concerned may be convened after 48 hours of notice to consider charges filed against a member school.

	Advance to Annual Meeting	Support
Sports Advisory Committee	<u>13-0</u>	<u>13-0</u>
Advisory Council	<u>15-0</u>	<u>15-0</u>
Board of Control	<u>11-0</u>	<u>11-0</u>

 X Support adoption
 Don't support adoption
 No position

Rationale: The loss of hosting is an intermediate step between probation and removal from state tournaments.

Constitution - Continued

NUMBER 3 – COOPERATIVE TEAM DEADLINES

This change would clarify that co-ops for football shall meet a December 1 deadline for Football-Only Conference realignment.

Article VI – Powers and Duties of the Board of Control

Section 11 – Cooperative Teams – p. 20

A. The Board of Control has authority to approve cooperative team sponsorship (one team in a given sport involving two or more member schools) under the following conditions:

- 1) The schools involved must be in the same geographical area.
- 2) The agreement for a cooperative team must specify two school years, but that agreement may be terminated by the Board of Control for documented extenuating circumstances.
- 3) Applications for initial approval, or renewal of approval of a cooperative team, must include a completed and signed Cooperative Team Request Form, reflecting.
 - a. Approval of involved schools.
 - b. Approval of involved Board(s) of Education or Governing Bodies.
 - c. Approval of conference in which the cooperative team will participate.
 - d. The program will adhere to a ‘no-cut’ policy.

Note: Board of Control and conference approval is not required for nonvarsity cooperative teams.

- 4) Total enrollment of schools involved in cooperative team will determine classification of competition in WIAA tournament series.
- 5) Requests for approval and to add a cooperative team into WIAA tournament competition must be received in the WIAA office by the following deadline dates to be included in the subsequent year’s tournament program:

Fall Sports – February 1

Winter Sports – April 1

Spring Sports – June 1
and Summer Baseball

Note: Football Co-op deadline is December 1

- 6) If a cooperative team is discontinued, each school must reapply for tournament entry as a stand-alone program by the deadline dates. (See Bylaws, I-5-B)

	Advance to Annual Meeting	Support
Sports Advisory Committee	<u>13-0</u>	<u>13-0</u>
Advisory Council	<u>15-0</u>	<u>15-0</u>
Board of Control	<u>11-0</u>	<u>11-0</u>

 X Support adoption
 Don’t support adoption
 No position

Rationale: Knowledge of Co-op changes will be important when football only realignment takes place beginning at December 1 with the task force.

BYLAWS

NUMBER 4 – TOURNAMENT ENTRY

This change would clarify that football (both 11 and 8-player) declarations shall meet a December 1 deadline for Football-Only Conference realignment.

Article I – Sports Program

Section 5 – WIAA Tournament Entry – p. 25

- A. A member school must have an officially-adopted program in a sport in order to enter a team and/or individuals in the WIAA tournament series of that sport.
- B. Requests to add a team into WIAA tournament competition must be received in the WIAA office by the following deadline dates to be included in the subsequent year's tournament program:

Fall Sports – February 1

Winter Sports – April 1

Spring Sports – June 1

Note: Football (both 11 and 8-player) deadline is December 1

and Summer Baseball

Note: The WIAA membership-sponsored tournaments are the collective property of the Association ...

- C. When a member school withdraws from a tournament ...

	Advance to Annual Meeting	Support
Sports Advisory Committee	<u>13-0</u>	<u>13-0</u>
Advisory Council	<u>15-0</u>	<u>15-0</u>
Board of Control	<u>11-0</u>	<u>11-0</u>

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

Rationale: Knowledge of participation in 11 player or 8 player changes will be important when football only realignment takes place beginning at December 1 with the task force.

RULES OF ELIGIBILITY

NUMBER 5 – RESIDENCE ELIGIBILITY

This change would provide unrestricted eligibility for transfer students who did not participate in athletics.

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 into a member school without ever participating in a try-out, practice, scrimmage, or contest on a team sponsored by a school or a club in a WIAA recognized sport while attending classes at any school in grades 9-12 is unrestricted.
- 2) A student who transfers from any school into a member school after the 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.

etc.

	Advance to Annual Meeting	Support
Sports Advisory Committee	<u>13-0</u>	<u>13-0</u>
Advisory Council	<u>15-0</u>	<u>15-0</u>
Board of Control	<u>11-0</u>	<u>11-0</u>

 X Support adoption
 Don’t support adoption
 No position

Rationale: Providing eligibility to an athlete who has not participated in school or club sports is recognized as not related to athletic reasons.

Rules of Eligibility - Continued

NUMBER 6 – RESIDENCE ELIGIBILITY

This change would restrict students who transfer with a pre-existing athletic relationship with anyone in the school the student is transferring into. The pre-existing relationship will include athletes on the same non-school team, school coaches working with the non-school team, school coaches from a previous school, summer contact whether school or non-school, personal training, etc.

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- 1) A student who transfers into a member school whether by a total and complete change of residence by the student and/or parent(s) or by any other means but has a pre-existing athletic relationship in a WIAA recognized sport to anyone associated with the new school shall be ineligible for competition at any level for one calendar year, but may practice. A pre-existing athletic relationship includes, but is not limited to: a) the student was involved in a nonschool or school activity that was coached or directed by a coach, administrator or parent at the new school; b) the student received private skill instruction by a coach, administrator or parent at the new school; c) attended a summer contact session at the new school; and/or d) is involved in summer athletic activities with a coach, administrator, parent, and/or athlete of the new school before attending that school.
- 2) A student who transfers from any school into a member school after the 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.

etc.

	Advance to Annual Meeting	Support
Sports Advisory Committee	<u>13-0</u>	<u>13-0</u>
Advisory Council	<u>15-0</u>	<u>8-7</u>
Board of Control	<u>11-0</u>	<u>11-0</u>

- X Support adoption
 Don’t support adoption
 No position

Rationale: Pre-existing relationships has become more common creating super teams without regard to the existing student-athletes and school community.

Rules of Eligibility - Continued

NUMBER 7 – CODE OF CONDUCT

This change would prevent a student who has been charged and/or convicted of a felony from competing until the student has satisfied all of the requirements of the court.

Article VII – Health and Behavior/Compliance

Section 3 – Code of Conduct – p. 39

- A. A school shall have a code of conduct ...
- B. The WIAA is against the use of anabolic-androgenic steroids ...
- C. A student is required to follow the school's code of conduct on a year-round (12 month) basis.
 - 1) In-season violations of the school code will result in immediate suspension of the student from inter-scholastic competition for no less than one day of competition (but not less than one complete game or meet) for acts involving (a) possession and/or use of alcohol, (b) possession and/or use of tobacco, including chewing tobacco and/or (c) use, possession, buying, or selling of controlled substances, street drugs and performance enhancing substances (PES).
 - Note 1: When the suspension results in a fraction of a game, the number shall be rounded up to the next whole number of games (i.e. 2.1 or 2.8 games equals 3 games).
 - Note 2: This is a minimum penalty and may not be reduced by any other provision of the school code.
 - Note 3: Any portion of the suspension not completed during the current season will carry over to the next sport or sport season.
 - Note 4: Victims of sexual assault and bystanders who report a sexual assault, request emergency assistance, cooperate with and assist law enforcement, and stay on the scene or who encounter law enforcement at a medical facility at which the victim is being treated cannot be issued a code of conduct violation. The victim or bystanders must meet the State Amnesty Law Requirements. The victim may not falsely claim amnesty knowing that the situation that he or she reports does not exist.
 - 2) The member school will determine minimum penalties for violation of any other provisions of its code of conduct, including all out-of-season offenses.
 - 3) The member school will determine minimum penalties for any other unacceptable conduct contrary to the ideals, principles, and standards of the school and this Association, including but not limited to criminal behavior.
 - 4) Any student charged and/or convicted of a felony shall, upon the filing of felony charges, become ineligible for all further participation until the student has paid his/her debt to society and the courts consider the sentence served (including probation, community service, etc.).

Note: Except for conduct violations under paragraph (4) felony charges, the school must provide an opportunity for the student to be heard prior to any penalty being enforced. If a student appeals a suspension, according to the school's appeal procedure, the student is ineligible during the appeal process.

	Advance to Annual Meeting	Support
Sports Advisory Committee	<u>13-0</u>	<u>13-0</u>
Advisory Council	<u>15-0</u>	<u>9-6</u>
Board of Control	<u>11-0</u>	<u>10-1</u>

 X Support adoption
 Don't support adoption
 No position

Rationale: The amendment provides a common rule state-wide, protects the membership's tournaments, and allows for adjustments should charges be dropped or amended to a misdemeanor.

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.

This change would clarify the intent of conference realignment and places a flow chart into the information in Appendix B.

Article VI – Powers and Duties of the Board of Control

Section 10 – Conference Alignment – p. 20

- A. The Board of Control has the authority to take action to bring about reasonable conference affiliation and relationship for member high schools. Reasonable conference affiliation and relationship with member high schools may include total movement of member schools, sport specific relief, and/or scheduling assistance.
Note: While it is not generally the intent to make wholesale changes in existing conference lines; it should be understood, however, that there could be shake-ups in areas where conference affiliation problems are particularly acute. and It should also be understood that it may not be realistic to find a solution for every member school.
- B. For inclusion in a conference, any member high school, either through co-op application or by singular sponsorship, must offer one sport for boys and one sport for girls in the fall, winter, and spring. Schools that are not coeducational must adhere to a similar single-gender requirement.
- C. Member schools that voluntarily withdraw ...
- D. When football-only conference realignment is utilized
- E. Member schools that voluntarily withdraw ...

Corresponding changes also made to Appendix B on p. 42-43:

Conference Alignment

(Board of Control Guidelines and Philosophy)

~~Note: Effective for the 2018-19 school year there shall be a temporary moratorium on conference realignment, except in those instances where there is unanimous agreement among all impacted schools. This time shall be used by Board, staff and members to review and update the conference realignment process and guidelines below.~~

The Board of Control's authority in conference alignment is outlined in the Constitution of the WIAA under Article VI-Powers and Duties of the Board of Control, Section 10, as follows:

The Board of Control has the authority to take action to bring about a reasonable conference affiliation and relationship for member high schools. Reasonable conference affiliation and relationship with member high schools may include total movement of member schools, sport specific relief and/or scheduling assistance.

Note: While it is not generally the intent to make wholesale changes in existing conference lines; it should be understood, however, that there could be shake-ups in areas where conference affiliation problems are particularly acute. and It should also be understood that it may not be realistic to find a solution for every member school.

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Position on Alignment

~~The Board of Control at its February, 1978, meeting adopted the following statement (editorially updated since that time) as its position on conference alignment:~~

~~WHEREAS, the WIAA has been delegated the authority to establish conference alignment within its member schools, and~~

~~WHEREAS, conference alignment creates an emotional issue with citizens, school boards and school personnel, and total agreement of those schools involved seems largely unattainable, and~~

~~WHEREAS, the Board of Control desires to establish a procedure to accomplish realignment where necessary and yet provide for input from those directly involved, afford due process to the affected school and provide for final determination of issues.~~

EDITORIAL CHANGES – Continued

Appendix B – Conference Alignment – continued

~~NOW, THEREFORE, the Board of Control establishes this procedure to be followed in realignment matters:~~

- ~~1. The Executive Director, or a delegate, is responsible for identifying conference alignments that merit consideration for adjustment. This identification will be determined following a petition from a conference or conferences, a request by a designee of a Board of Education or Governing Body of member school, or by declaration of the WIAA staff annually at the Area Meetings.~~
- ~~2. Working meeting(s) may be made available when requested with administrators and/or Board of Education/Governing Body members of any of the schools potentially affected by changes in conference affiliation. Member schools are expected to send representatives with full knowledge of the impact of conference realignment and with the full authority to respond on the school's behalf. Discussions will include, but not be limited to enrollments, travel and programs. After completing the working meetings, a preliminary recommendation will be formulated.~~
- ~~3. The preliminary recommendation(s) shall be made known to the affected schools and conferences before the Board of Control's first consideration. The Board retains the right to alter the preliminary recommendation after first consideration. If the preliminary recommendation is altered, first consideration action will be delayed until the next scheduled Board of Control meeting.~~
- ~~4. Following Board of Control first consideration and resultant action on the preliminary recommendation, all affected schools and conferences shall be notified of the action. Any affected school or conference may petition for a hearing. The petition must be made within 40 days of the Board of Control action following first consideration. The hearing shall be held no later than the first regular Board of Control meeting after the 40-day petition deadline has expired.~~
- ~~5. All affected schools and conferences will be notified of the hearing date, time and location. The Board shall reserve the right to establish time limits on appearances by each school or conference. Testimony may be in written or verbal form. The Board of Control can accept or reject the initial action. Final Board of Control action will be taken no later than the regular meeting in the month following the hearing.~~

~~BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Control of the WIAA adopts the following criteria to be applied in considering realignment proposals, listed in descending order of importance with the recognition that they are guidelines only, not each will be followed in every case:~~

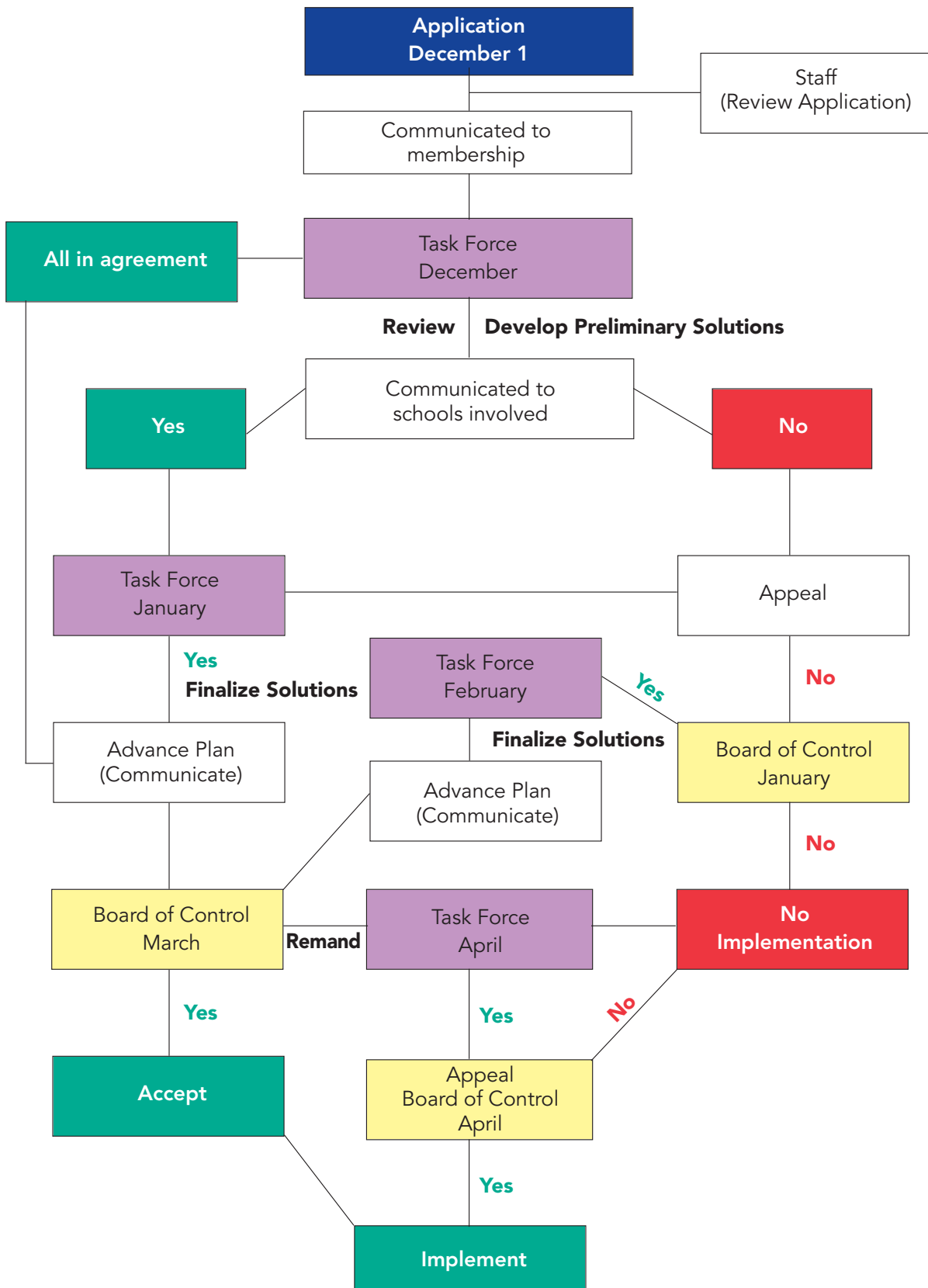
- ~~1. There is no fixed number of schools required in a conference; the number may vary depending on many factors relating to others of these guidelines and availability of schools.~~
- ~~2. Distances to be traveled by competing schools shall be kept reasonable, and it is recognized greater distances may be required.~~
- ~~3. Size of enrollment of schools shall be considered and guidelines previously established by the Board of Control shall be used but shall not be absolute in any situations.~~
- ~~4. Comparability of athletic participation first, then comparability of other school sponsored activities shall be considered.~~
- ~~5. Traditional rivalries shall be considered.~~

~~The Board of Control at its February, 1988, meeting made these provisions (editorially updated since that time) part of the official position on conference alignment:~~

- ~~1. WIAA schools must assume an "ownership" of conference alignment problems if solutions are to be found.~~
- ~~2. The Board of Control will play the role of an appeals body in all future alignment transactions.~~
- ~~3. Alignment changes will be reviewed as necessary at the request of member schools. The annual area meetings will serve as a way for schools to voice their concerns.~~
- ~~4. Inasmuch as schools desire tournament competition on a divisional basis, membership in a conference will attempt to follow the same idea. Efforts will be made to eliminate situations in which a conference contains schools from more than two divisions.~~
- ~~5. Odd-numbered conferences are workable as long as there are other odd-numbered conferences in the immediate area to take care of bye dates, particularly in football.~~

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Conference Realignment Flow Chart



EDITORIAL CHANGES – Continued

These changes would remove summer baseball from references in the Constitution, Bylaws, and Rules of Eligibility.

CONSTITUTION

Article VI – Powers and Duties of the Board of Control

Section 11 – Cooperative Teams – p. 20

- A. The Board of Control has authority to approve cooperative team sponsorship (one team in a given sport involving two or more member schools) under the following conditions:
- 1) The schools involved must be in the same geographical area.
 - 2) The agreement for a cooperative team ...
 - 3) Applications for initial approval, or ...
 - a. Approval of involved schools.
 - b. Approval of involved Board(s) of Education or Governing Bodies.
 - c. Approval of conference in which the cooperative team will participate.
 - d. The program will adhere to a ‘no-cut’ policy.Note: Board of Control and conference ...
 - 4) Total enrollment of schools ...
 - 5) Requests for approval and to add a cooperative team into WIAA tournament competition must be received in the WIAA office by the following deadline dates to be included in the subsequent year’s tournament program:

Fall Sports – February 1	Winter Sports – April 1	Spring Sports – June 1
		and Summer Baseball
 - 6) If a cooperative team is discontinued, each school must reapply for tournament entry as a stand-alone program by the deadline dates. (See Bylaws, I-5-B)

BYLAWS

Article I – Sports Program

Section 5 – WIAA Tournament Entry – p. 25

- A. A member school must have an officially-adopted program in a sport in order to enter a team and/or individuals in the WIAA tournament series of that sport.
- B. Requests to add a team into WIAA tournament competition must be received in the WIAA office by the following deadline dates to be included in the subsequent year’s tournament program:

Fall Sports – February 1	Winter Sports – April 1	Spring Sports – June 1
		and Summer Baseball

Article II – School Competition and Practice Requirements

Section 1 – WIAA Tournament Entry – p. 26

- A. A school is required to follow season regulations, playing rules, and tournament procedures as annually revised and published by the Board of Control. These regulations, rules, and procedures are found in the publications entitled SEASON REGULATIONS.

SEASON REGULATIONS are published in three separate editions. The first edition covers fall sports (cross country, football, girls golf, boys soccer, girls swimming & diving, girls tennis, and volleyball). The second edition covers winter sports (basketball, gymnastics, hockey, boys swimming & diving, and wrestling). The third edition covers spring sports (baseball, boys golf, girls soccer, softball, boys tennis, and track & field) ~~and summer baseball~~.

EDITORIAL CHANGES – Continued

RULES OF ELIGIBILITY

Article V – Attendance and Scholarship

Section 2 – Academic Eligibility – p. 36

- A. A student must meet school and DPI requirements defining a full-time student and have received no more than one failing grade (including incompletes) in the most recent (school issued) grade-reporting period.

A senior who has acquired all necessary credits toward graduation is not exempt from this rule.

- 1) A student who becomes academically ineligible may regain eligibility ...
- 2) A student regains eligibility immediately if incompletes ...
- 3) A student may erase ineligibility status related to the last grade-reporting period of the school year through summer school courses (including correspondence courses) at the same or some other school, provided:
 - a. The student successfully completes not less than the same number of courses which caused ineligibility.

~~Note: This section does not apply to summer baseball participants who are governed under 7) b below.~~

- 4) A student who is ineligible for a minimum of 15 scheduled school days, ...
- 5) A student who is enrolled in some courses in a university/college ...
- 6) A student who is enrolled in any state-approved EEN program ...
- 7) The ineligibility status described in the introduction to this Section (A) will be adjusted as follows for students in fall sports in which the date of earliest allowed competition is before the first day students are in class ~~and for students in summer baseball:~~
 - a. Fall Sports – The minimum ineligibility period shall be the lesser of (1) 21 consecutive calendar days beginning with the date of earliest allowed competition in a sport or (2) one-third of the maximum number of games/meets allowed in a sport (rounded up if one-third results in a fraction).
 - ~~b. Summer Baseball – The ineligibility period shall be a minimum of three weeks (21 consecutive calendar days) as of the end of the second semester.~~

Article VI – Nonschool Participation

Section 3 – All-Star Activities – p. 38

- A. It is the philosophy of this Association that all-star games ...
- B. A student becomes ineligible in a sport for a maximum of one year from date of last offense for participating in an all-star game or similar activity.
- 1) An all-star team consists of students chosen on the basis ...
 - 2) Activities within the confines of each member school ...
 - 3) Activities during the summertime within the confines of an established league...
 - 4) A senior who violates this rule forfeits all remaining high school eligibility in the same specific sport as the all-star event, with the following exception:
 - ~~a. Summer baseball players after the spring baseball tournament series, are exempt from all provisions of this Section as it pertains to the official coaches all-star competition, provided such all-star competition lasts no more than two consecutive calendar days.~~

EDITORIAL CHANGES – Continued

RULES OF ELIGIBILITY

This change removes the terms “open enrolled and/or tuition paying” to reflect the general application of the rule.

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 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 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 ...
etc.

This change clarifies that a student competing in non-school competition without school approval will result in the student becoming ineligible.

Article VI – Nonschool Participation

Section 1 – In-Season – p. 36-37

- 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 ~~not receiving school approval beforehand and/or~~ 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, with the forfeiture of the two nonschool opportunities, upon request of a school on the basis of documented extenuating circumstances.

This change clarifies that a student ejected from a contest must serve the suspension at the same level of competition as the disqualification.

Article VII – Health & Behavior

Section 4 – Flagrant or Unsportsmanlike Conduct and/or Assault on an Official – p. 39

- A. A student, disqualified from a contest for flagrant or unsportsmanlike conduct, is suspended from interscholastic competition for no less than the next competitive event (but not less than one complete game or meet), at the same level of competition as the disqualification.

	Advance to Annual Meeting	Support
Board of Control	<u>11-0</u>	<u>11-0</u>
<u> X </u>	Support adoption	
<u> </u>	Don’t support adoption	
<u> </u>	No position	

WIAA ANNUAL MEETING – APRIL 17, 2019

Treasurer's Report – WIAA Athletic Administration

Eric Russell, 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, 2018 is reported in the 2017-18 edition of the WIAA Yearbook. It was certified as being correct by the audit firm of Smith & Gesteland.

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

	2016	2017	2018
Revenue			
Membership dues	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
Tournaments	7,324,730	7,628,567	7,935,842
Registration of officials	483,037	472,337	495,088
Royalties	542,923	566,786	594,142
Miscellaneous	27,524	26,582	24,072
Total revenue	8,378,214	8,694,272	9,049,144
Operating expense			
Tournaments	4,935,486	4,989,118	5,166,381
Administrative and general	2,836,851	3,093,595	3,445,108
Special services			
Committees and rule helpers	26,979	28,746	29,242
Clinics and conferences	2,148	5,199	2,780
Rule books	187,799	168,396	176,118
Audio visual	500	300	700
Depreciation of property and equipment	125,778	121,778	102,312
Publications printing	29,254	27,911	35,244
Total operating expenses	8,144,795	8,435,043	8,957,885
Operating income	233,419	259,299	91,259
Other revenue (expense)			
Investment gain (loss) net of related expenses	(10,647)	122,887	88,149
Gain on sale of property and equipment	15,000	(64)	--
Miscellaneous	54,404	3,389	2,985
Total other income	58,757	126,212	91,134
Change in net assets	292,176	385,441	182,393
Net assets at beginning of year	5,148,274	5,440,450	5,825,891
Net assets at end of year	\$ 5,440,450	\$ 5,825,891	\$ 6,008,284
Total dollars reimbursed to schools	2,698,608	2,717,491	2,863,751

2018-19 Projections

At the present time our budget outlook for the 2018-19 school year is:

Income budgeted	9,119,185
Income projected	8,719,185
Projected amount of income over (under) budgeted figure	(400,000)
Operating expense budgeted	9,119,185
Operating expense projected	8,835,164
Amount of expense over (under) budget	(284,021)
Net	(115,979)

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

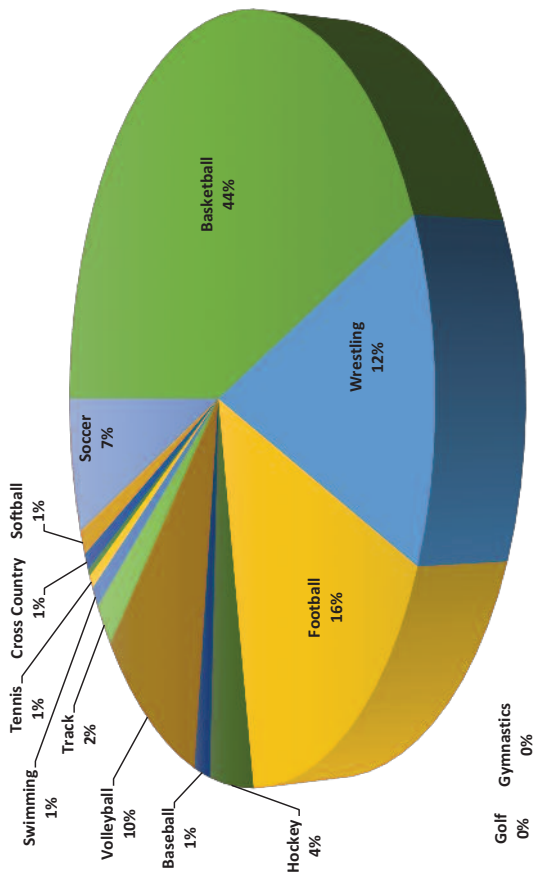
The budget approved for the 2018-19 fiscal year was zero based and was created using all available data and trends from recent years of operations. While the year's expenses have been in line with planning and projections, the current year income has been negatively impacted by diminished attendance throughout the fall and winter and by the loss of several corporate sponsorships.

2019-20 Outlook

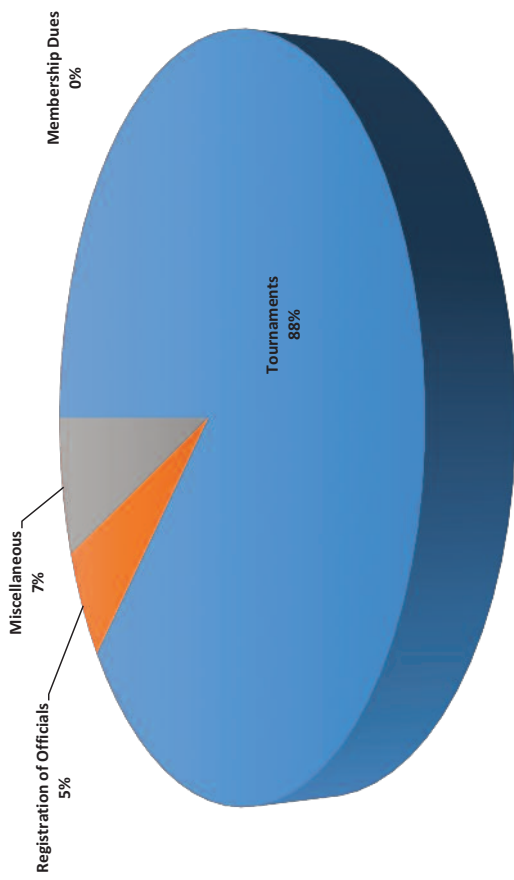
The coming year's budget will again be based primarily on projected tournament gate receipts which traditionally generate approximately 85% of the Association's annual revenue. "Weather and Match-Ups" will continue to influence the fiscal wellbeing of the WIAA.

In the coming year we are hopeful of reconnecting with several strong corporate partners. We are also recommending a ticket price increase at sectionals as well as many state championships. While many of our admission rates haven't increased in 8-10 or 20 years, the same cannot be said about our operating expenses. The ticket increase will be used to increase travel reimbursement to member schools, increase officials game fees and mileage reimbursement. A modest increase for some tournament workers and event managers is also being considered. Combined, these measures will allow the WIAA to continue operations and provide membership benefits and services consistent with recent years.

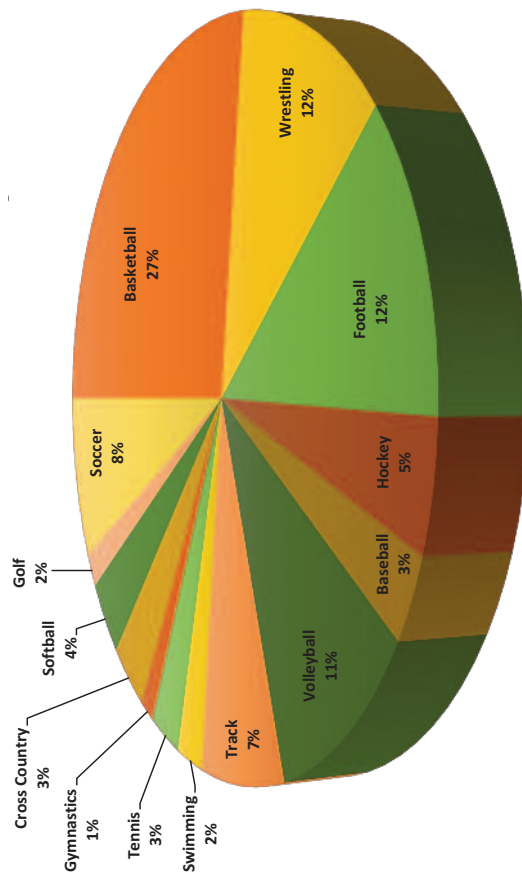
2017-18 Tournament Revenue



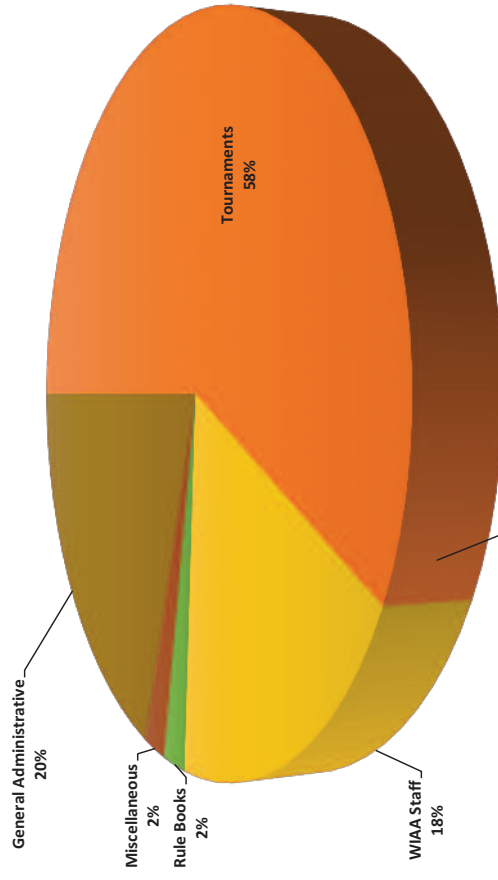
2017-18 Operating Revenue



2017-18 Tournament Expense



2017-18 Operating Expense



Revenues Returned To Schools
More Than 8.3 Million Over Last 3 Years

Tournament

TOURNAMENT REVENUE, EXPENSE AND EXCESS (DEFICIT)

	2017-18			2016-17		
	Revenue	Expense	Excess (deficit)	Revenue	Expense	Excess (deficit)
Basketball	\$3,450,506	\$1,392,298	\$2,058,208	\$3,308,965	\$1,326,695	\$1,982,270
Wrestling	985,493	598,281	387,212	966,566	586,936	379,630
Football	1,270,886	624,907	645,979	1,223,942	619,558	604,384
Hockey	306,465	254,786	51,679	304,779	250,965	53,814
Baseball	114,631	178,630	(63,999)	123,812	177,750	(53,938)
Volleyball	786,894	544,989	241,905	702,987	501,624	201,363
Track	174,265	374,311	(200,046)	174,182	373,410	(199,228)
Swimming	80,175	121,493	(41,318)	79,861	118,817	(38,956)
Tennis	51,563	143,322	(91,759)	53,304	139,827	(86,523)
Gymnastics	25,709	65,176	(39,467)	28,244	66,444	(38,200)
Cross Country	65,866	181,473	(115,607)	63,272	175,255	(111,983)
Softball	96,039	192,681	(96,642)	94,075	192,554	(98,479)
Golf	--	84,781	(84,781)	--	78,708	(78,708)
Soccer	527,350	409,253	118,097	504,578	380,575	124,003
	<u>\$7,935,842</u>	<u>\$5,166,381</u>	<u>\$2,769,461</u>	<u>\$7,628,567</u>	<u>\$4,989,118</u>	<u>\$2,639,449</u>



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2019-20 Schedule & Site List

Fall State Tournament

	Date	Site
Girls Golf	October 14-15	University Ridge – Madison
Girls Individual Tennis	October 17-18-19	UW-Madison – Nielsen Stadium – Madison
Girls Team Tennis	October 25-26	UW-Madison – Nielsen Stadium – Madison
Cross Country	November 2	Ridges Country Club – Wisconsin Rapids
Boys Soccer	November 7-8-9	KOHLER Engines Stadium at Uihlein Soccer Park – Milwaukee
Girls Volleyball	November 7-8-9	Resch Center – Green Bay
Boys Volleyball	November 7-8-9	Resch Center – Green Bay
Girls Swimming & Diving	November 15-16	UW-Madison – Natatorium – Madison
Football	November 21-22	UW-Madison – Camp Randall Stadium – Madison

Winter State Tournament

	Date	Site
Boys Swimming & Diving	February 21-22	UW-Madison – Natatorium – Madison
Individual Wrestling	February 27-28-29	UW-Madison – Kohl Center – Madison
Boys Hockey	March 5-6-7	Veterans Memorial Coliseum at the Alliant Energy Center – Madison
Girls Hockey	March 6-7	Veterans Memorial Coliseum at the Alliant Energy Center – Madison
Girls Gymnastics	March 6-7	Lincoln High School – Wisconsin Rapids
Team Wrestling	March 6-7	UW-Madison – Field House – Madison
Girls Basketball	March 12-13-14	Resch Center – Green Bay
Boys Basketball	March 19-20-21	UW-Madison – Kohl Center – Madison

Spring State Tournament

	Date	Site
Boys Individual Tennis	June 4-5-6	UW-Madison – Nielsen Stadium – Madison
Track & Field	June 5-6	UW-La Crosse – Veterans Memorial Field Sports Complex – La Crosse
Boys Golf	June 8-9	University Ridge – Madison
Softball	June 11-12-13	UW-Madison – Goodman Diamond – Madison
Boys Team Tennis	June 12-13	UW-Madison – Nielsen Stadium – Madison
Baseball	June 16-17-18	Neuroscience Group Field at Fox Cities Stadium – Grand Chute
Girls Soccer	June 18-19-20	KOHLER Engines Stadium at Uihlein Soccer Park – Milwaukee



2019 Area Meetings

9 A.M.

Monday, September 9	Fox Valley Lutheran High School, Appleton
Tuesday, September 10	Greenfield High School
Wednesday, September 11	Mauston High School
Monday, September 16	Oconomowoc High School
Tuesday, September 17	Rice Lake High School
Wednesday, September 18	Antigo High School
Monday, September 23	Mount Horeb High School