

# WVC/BRC FOOTBALL BYLAWS

## **A. Administrative Structure**

- a. Name: The name of this conference shall be the WVC/BRC Football Conference, which is divided into WVC/BRC West and WVC/BRC East.
- b. Membership The WVC/BRC Conference will be comprised of 14 high schools in two separate divisions:
  - i. West: Chippewa Falls, Hudson, Menomonie, New Richmond, Rice Lake, River Falls, Superior
    - 1. Host AD: Hudson
  - ii. East: DC Everest, Eau Claire Memorial, Eau Claire North, Marshfield, Stevens Point, Wisconsin Rapids Lincoln, Wausau
    - 1. Host AD: Wausau

**B. Commissioners/Duties:** The Commissioners of the WVC/BRC Conference will serve in the leadership role. Duties will consist of but not limited to the following:

- a. Creating Varsity and JV football schedules
  - i. WVC/BRC West - BRC Commissioner
  - ii. WVC/BRC East - WVC Commissioner
- b. Assigning officials for Varsity games at their respective conference sites.

## **C. Financial**

- a. All expenses incurred by the WVC/BRC will be paid by the Commissioner/Treasurer as identified below:
  - i. WVC/BRC West - BRC Commissioner
  - ii. WVC/BRC East - WVC Commissioner
- b. Officials, once assigned by the Commissioner, will not be changed without a request from the athletic directors involved.
- c. Officials will be paid \$120.00 per game.

**D. Voting:** Each member school of the WVC/BRC is entitled to one vote on any matters brought forward for voting purposes. A simple majority is needed to pass any matter of WVC/BRC business. Athletic Directors have the authority to act on issues in any part of the WVC/BRC Sport Code.

**E. Amendments:** Football Coaches or Athletic Directors may propose any amendments to any part of the WVC/BRC Football Bylaws. All Athletic Directors will act on those proposals when they meet at the conclusion of the football season, if possible, to review the previous season and the recommendations from the Coaches end of year meeting.

## **F. Regulations**

- a. Schedules/Times

- i. Each school will play each divisional school once and one crossover (east vs west) school to total seven conference games. Home sites will be switched each year of the two year rotation. New crossover pairings will be drawn every 2 years with enrollment as a consideration.
- ii. Games will be played on Friday evenings with a starting time of 7:00 PM, unless field situations dictate otherwise. Game dates may be altered if the home school facility is not available on Friday night. The starting time may be changed by mutual agreement of the two competing schools.
- iii. For varsity games the field clock will be the official clock for the start of the game. At 6:30 PM the clock will be set at 25 and run down to zero. At 6:55 PM the National Anthem shall be played immediately followed by team introductions and the kick-off.

**b. General Football Guidelines**

- i. The home teams shall wear dark colored jerseys and the visiting teams shall wear white jerseys.
- ii. The ball used by the WIAA in tournament play shall be the official football. Teams will provide their own footballs.
- iii. An information sheet with players' correct names, jersey numbers, grade in school, height, weight, and position shall be sent to all member schools athletic directors five days prior to the first conference game. If two sets of jerseys are used, both sets of numbers shall be included. Any changes made to the original roster must be sent to all remaining opponents two days prior to the next conference game.
- iv. Each team will have equal space in the press box for communication and filming.
- v. Half time may be extended for special events with prior notification to the opponent.

**c. Lower Level Regulations**

- i. All lower level games will be twelve minute quarters unless one school makes a request through their respective Athletic Director for a reduction to ten minutes.
- ii. Games
  - 1. JV2/Freshmen Games will be played on Thursdays prior to Varsity games with a default starting time no earlier than 4:45 PM unless field situations dictate otherwise.
  - 2. JV games will be played on Monday nights with a default starting time no earlier than 4:45 PM unless field situations dictate otherwise.
  - 3. A change in the starting time of games may be mutually agreed upon by the AD's of the two schools. Seniors shall not be allowed to play on the junior varsity unless there are extenuating circumstances.

- iii. It is recommended by the WIAA and expressly stated that a student be a member of two different level teams within the same calendar week. In such cases, it is the responsibility of the coach to be particularly concerned about overexposing students to the point of adversely affecting their health and safety.
- d. **Hudl** All coaches will use the BRC Hudl Pool to share film. To open the pool, coaches must enter their film from the most recent game. Access to the pool will close at 7pm on Fridays and will re-open at 9pm for the next week.
  - i. Film exchange will include both sideline and end zone film in the pool. Must be intercut/checkerboard before it goes into the pool.
- e. **Facilities**
  - i. Locker room facilities are to be provided by the host schools. Visiting coaches are held responsible for conduct of participants and the condition of the facilities upon leaving the dressing room and the school.

#### **G. Admissions**

- a. WVC/BRC schools will charge admission where applicable at all varsity conference football games at the host school's admission prices.
- b. The WVC/BRC will honor two types of conference passes (BRC and WVC) to be distributed to staff members and one guest for admission.

#### **H. Conference Championship**

- a. The WVC/BRC will have a separate champion for East and West based on conference record (weeks 3-9).
- b. Play-off determination is based on the following criteria:
  - i. head to head competition
  - ii. first half points allowed within the division
  - iii. coin flip

#### **I. Coaches Meeting**

- a. The WVC/BRC football meeting and the all-conference selections will be held at the following sites on Monday following the first WIAA playoff game provided it is before all-regional selections. Time and date can be adjusted by mutual agreement.
  - i. WVC/BRC West - Stout Ale House, Menomonie, WI
  - ii. WVC/BRC East - Stevens Point High School

#### **J. All-Conference Selections**

- a. Awards
  - i. Trophies and awards will be selected by the Athletic Directors. Number of awards shall be consistent with the WIAA. No awards shall be ordered by coaches. All trophies, medals, and certificates will be purchased by the

respective commissioners identified below and presented at the end of year coaches meetings.

1. WVC/BRC West - BRC Commissioner
  2. WVC/BRC East - WVC Commissioner
- ii. In case of ties, duplicate awards will be presented.
- b. Offensive Player of the Year
- c. Defensive player of the year
- d. Coach of the year
- e. There will be a 26 member first team all-conference
  - i. 12 Offense (includes one Tight End)
  - ii. 11 defense, one kicker, one punter, one specialist.
    1. Voting will be done by position. Coaches will determine the makeup of the offensive and defensive teams using the following numbers (ie. 5-3-3 versus a 4-4-3 defensive alignment)
- f. There will be a 26 member second team all-conference
  - i. 12 Offense (includes one Tight End)
  - ii. 11 defense, one kicker, one punter, one specialist.
    1. Voting will be done by position. Coaches will determine the makeup of the offensive and defensive teams using the following numbers (ie. 5-3-3 versus a 4-4-3 defensive alignment)
- g. Any player receiving two rankings (not points) will be considered Honorable Mention.
- h. Voting:
  - i. Nominations will be sent to the AD in charge of the meeting by the Friday before, tabulated and then sent back to the coaches.
  - ii. Voting will be done position by position. At each position, coaches will discuss their players and then a vote will be taken.
  - iii. If there are five players on the first team for that position, each coach will list their top 5 choices for that team with top choice receiving 5 points. This will be done for each position with corresponding points according to how many players make first team. If only one player is on first team, then coaches will designate 2 points for the top choice and 1 for the second.
  - iv. The top number of players will represent the first team while the second number of players will represent the second team at each position.
- i. Awards:
  - i. Medals will be awarded to First Team all-conference selections.
  - ii. Certificates will be awarded to First Team, Second Team, and Honorable Mention.
- j. Other:
  - i. All-conference selections are final at the conclusion of the coaches meetings with the exception of clerical errors and deletions.
  - ii. Results will be sent out by the presiding AD upon an agreed date by the coaches.

- iii. If a tie occurs in total points, the player with the highest single point ranking from a coach will be chosen. For example, receiving a 5 from a coach would outweigh another nominee's 4.
- iv. Any player is considered unanimous if all of his rankings were for 1st team recognition.

#### **K. Conference Website/Statistics**

- a. The website address for WVC/BRC general purposes – schedules (all levels) and by-laws – is as follows:
  - i. WVC/BRC East - <https://www.wisconsinvalleyconference.org>. The website address for statistics is <http://www.valleystats.org/football/>.
  - ii. WVC/BRC West - <https://www.bigriversconference.org>. The website address for statistics is <http://www.brcathletics.com>.
- b. Statistics will use the Wisconsin Sports Net stat format for official stat reporting from the 7 WVC/BRC games only.
- c. Statistics must be submitted to the Statistician by 5:00 p.m. on Monday for all WVC/BRC contests completed the previous week.
- d. Only varsity statistics and standings will be posted on the website.
- e. The statistics for all team and individual categories will be password protected for coaches and media until all WVC/BRC teams have completed their WIAA tournament series. Statistics for the general public will contain only standings, schedule/results and individual leaders, as per the coaches' request.