Hockey Advisory Meeting Notes April 2, 2020

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Recommendations Boys and Girls

- 1. Move first allowable practice to Wednesday prior to current Monday start date
- 2. Add one regular season game to maximum 22 for boys; 24 for girls
- 3. Require officials to apply to work postseason and have coaches vote after January 1
- 4. Require officials to give coaches cards prior to each game
- 5. Change point value for regular season overtime games:
 - a. Winning team in overtime earns two points and losing team one point
 - b. Eight-minute overtime would remain 5 on 5

Girls

- 6. Move the entire girls season one week later. Season would begin and end one week later than boys.
 - a. Would eliminate one week of the overlap between fall sports and girls hockey
 - b. Would eliminate girls having to play on Olympic sized rink at state tournament in 2021

Discussion Items

- 7. Require officials to leave ice right after game like other sports NFHS Playing Rule
- 8. Recommend using four-person officiating system during regular season games.