



MARYLAND STATE COMMITTEE

of the

DIVISION OF GIRLS AND WOMEN'S SPORTS

Early start

The Division of Girls and Women's Sports is a division of the American Association for Health, Physical Education, and Recreation which functions as a service organization at the state level through the Maryland State Committee. It is a non-profit educational organization that is desirous of serving the needs and interests of teachers, leaders, and participants in girls and women's sports.

The DGWS also provides service through the Boards of Women Officials in the state of which there are three: Baltimore, Eastern Shore, and Frederick County. These Boards provide clinics in officiating, give ratings, and provide officials for a fee.

The State Committee through the various Chairmen of Sports provides clinics in teaching sports; programs concerning sports; materials on principles and standards; and other services requested by an area. The Maryland Girls' Sports Association is an example of a project formulated and organized by the State Committee in cooperation with high schools which now provide the leadership.

THE PURPOSES OF DGWS

AS STATED BY THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION ARE:

1. To promote healthful and desirable sports programs for girls and women of all ages...."A sport for every girl and every girl in a sport"
2. To provide leadership for sports and recreation programs and to promote such programs
3. To formulate and publicize guiding principles and standards for administrators, leaders, officials, and players
4. To provide materials and disseminate information for leaders, players, and officials
5. To provide "on call" service when, where, and as requested
6. To stimulate and evaluate research in girls and women's sports

According to the Operating Code, the State Committee meets three times a year, -- fall, winter, and spring. The personnel follows but anyone interested in sports for girls and women is invited to the meetings.

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