Good morning!

We have all had it...white is down late in the game and *wants* to foul. White reaches in and we pass on the foul...then the next foul white commits is a more severe foul to make sure we see it and call it.

Take a look at a play like this situation <u>HERE</u>.

Red has the ball after a made goal and throw-in by white. White is down and needs/wants to foul to send red to the free throw line. Two white players reach in and the potential fouls are passed on. The next white runs into the red ball handler like a linebacker. The C gets this call and ultimately it is upgraded to an intentional foul. This is correctly ruled intentional, BUT what could have prevented this intentional foul being called? If we had called the reach by one of the two white players who tried to get a foul, we never get to the linebacker play.

The philosophy here is to be aware of the game situation and, in this case, give the foul to white as soon as possible so we do not get in an intentional situation on the next foul. This is another pregame conference topic...or a reminder at a timeout/between the third and fourth quarters...something as simple as 'white wants to foul, let's give them the foul as soon as we can.'

Wednesday extra: A situation came up Monday night where a player received 2 unsporting intentional fouls. In talking with Dave Wright, any player who receives 2 unsporting technical fouls requires filing the paperwork with the PIAA since they will be suspended for at least one additional game (depending on a supplemental DQ or not). Dave confirmed that BOTH technical must be unsporting. So, for example, if the first T was reaching through the plane on a throw-in and hitting the ball and the second was a non-flagrant unsporting foul, this would not require paperwork to be completed with the PIAA).

Never ends...we see new, crazy stuff every night!

Have a great game tonight!

Tim