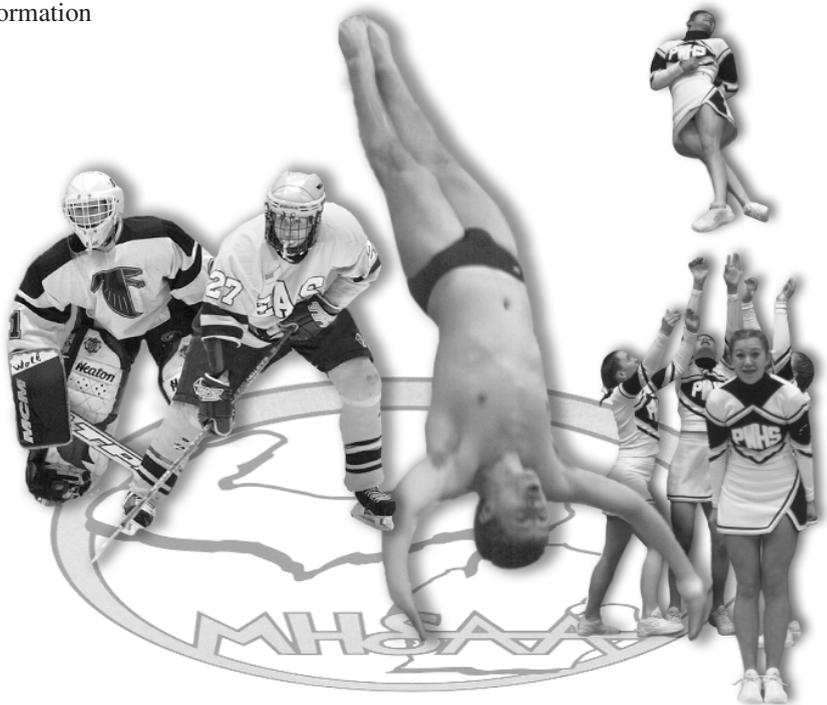




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NAME GAME

Beginning this Spring, MHSAA coaches and officials will once again receive a printed version of the former Mentor and Stripes publications, which went to an online-only format in the fall of 2002. However, there is a new wrinkle – the newsletters will be combined into one publication featuring topics of interest for both parties in a continuing effort to maintain and improve the coach-official relationship.

The MHSAA is seeking input on possible names for this publication. You may e-mail name suggestions to: programs@mhsaa.com (please type "Publication Name" in the subject line of the e-mail.

ON THE COVER

Among the winter MHSAA Finals are the Girls Competitive Cheer Finals, Swimming and Diving Finals, and the Boys Ice Hockey Finals. The UP Swimming and Diving Finals for boys and girls take place on Feb. 21 at Marquette High School, while the Lower Peninsula boys teams hit the pool on March 12-13 in Ann Arbor and Ypsilanti. The Cheer Finals are slated for the DeltaPlex in Grand Rapids on March 13, while the Ice Hockey Finals are March 11-13 in Plymouth.

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Not all the facts presented to the Executive Committee and Representative Council as part of requests to waive eligibility regulations are included in the reports of those meetings, either because of the volume of material reviewed or the confidentiality requested by schools for their students, parents or faculty.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING East Lansing, January 21, 2004

Members Present:

Paul Ellinger, Cheboygan
Keith Eldred, Williamston
William Newkirk, Meridian
Dan Flynn, Escanaba
Vic Michaels, Detroit

Staff Member Present:

Tom Rashid
Jack Roberts (Recorder)

Executive Committee Authority and Responsibility - The Executive Committee reviewed its authority under Article VII of the MHSAA Constitution and specifically its responsibility to consider each application for waiver of an eligibility requirement on its individual merits, determining if the regulation serves the purpose for which it was intended in each case or if the regulation works an undue hardship on any student who is the subject of a request for waiver. (These underlying criteria may not be restated for every subject of these minutes.)

The Executive Committee was reminded that it was the responsibility of each member school involved to provide sufficient factual information about the specific request for the Executive Committee to reach a decision without further investigation. If information is incomplete, contradictory or otherwise unclear or has been received too late to be studied completely, the Executive Committee may deny the request for waiver or delay action. Such requests may be resubmitted to the Executive Committee with additional information at a subsequent meeting or appealed to the full Representative Council.

It is possible that some of the information presented as facts to the Executive Committee by school personnel and others may be inaccurate. However, to avoid constant repetition in these minutes of phrases such as "it was alleged" or "it was reported," no attempt is made in the introduction of each waiver request to distinguish between truth, allegation, hearsay, opinion, summary or conclusion.

A determination of undue hardship is a matter addressed to the discretion of the

Executive Committee within the educational philosophy and secondary role of voluntary extracurricular competitive athletics in the academic environment. The Executive Committee was cautioned to avoid making exceptions that would create precedent that effectively changes a rule without Representative Council action or local board of education adoption, which would exceed Executive Committee authority.

Students for whom waiver of a particular regulation is granted must be eligible in all respects under all other sections and interpretations of the regulations prior to their participation. Adoption of these regulations is a choice schools make locally when they consider their option of MHSAA membership. Consistent with rulings of the Attorney General and Michigan Supreme Court, schools are not bound by the decisions of the Executive Committee, but the association may limit participation in the post-season tournaments it sponsors to those schools which choose to apply rules and penalties as promulgated by the MHSAA and adopted by each member school's board of education. The MHSAA exercises no independent authority over schools or students.

Taylor-Truman High School (Regulation I, Section 1) - Request to waive the enrollment regulation was made on behalf of a 9th-grade student who wishes to participate on the swim team of the same school district at Taylor-Kennedy High School. Truman High School cancelled its swim program due to lack of participation.

Noting long precedent for not waiving the enrollment regulation when schools have dropped one or more sports, the Executive

Committee denied the request for waiver.

Ypsilanti-Lincoln High School (Regulation I, Sections 4 & 5) - Request to waive the maximum semesters sections of the eligibility regulation was made on behalf of a 12th-grade student who began 9th grade in the 1999-00 school year in Indiana as a ward of the court at the Hillcrest Youth Center. In November of 1999, he was moved from a foster home in Evansville to his aunt and uncle in Indianapolis. He attended Reitz and Decatur High Schools. Late in the second semester of that school year, the student relocated with his aunt and uncle to an apartment in Ann Arbor and shortly thereafter to a home in Ypsilanti. The student reenrolled in the 9th grade at Ypsilanti-Lincoln High School in the fall of 2000 and has been in attendance there since then. His transcript shows 1.5 credits for 9th-grade work prior to the fall of 2000, and also that he was at Lincoln High School for two semesters of 9th grade in 2000-01, one semester of 10th grade in the fall of 2001, two semesters of 11th grade in the spring of 2002 and fall of 2002, and one semester of 12th grade in the spring of 2003.

The Executive Committee noted that prior to the start of the 2003-04 school year, the student had been in attendance since first enrolling in 9th grade in seven semesters according to the academic records or eight semesters according to the narrative provided and, in either case, had exhausted his eligibility for the second semester of the 2003-04 school year. It was also noted that the student may have contributed to circumstances that disrupted his earliest years of high school education. The request for waiver was denied.

Regulation I, Section 8 - As part of the ongoing review of rules and regulations, the Executive Committee was asked to focus on *Handbook* Interpretation No. 46, first to consider the different ways students become enrolled in non-traditional programs (e.g., they choose it, their IEPT may call for it, a court may order it, or school administration/board of education may determine it); and second, to discuss if it matters where the student's transcript is maintained or where the student will graduate in considering eligibility at the base school. Ideas were suggested for *Handbook* language and future Representative Council Meeting discussions.

Allegan High School (Regulation I, Section 9) - Request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of a 9th-grade student who attended the Allegan Schools since the 2nd grade and started the school year at Allegan High School before enrolling at Newaygo High School on Dec. 8, 2003. The student had moved from Allegan to Newaygo with his mother and two siblings to care for a terminally ill grandmother, while his stepfather remained in Allegan. The student attended Newaygo High School for six days through Dec. 20, 2004 and wrestled in varsity competition on Dec. 18, 2004, before returning to Allegan with his mother and siblings. Newaygo forfeited the Dec. 18 contest.

The Executive Committee granted the request for waiver, effective with the first day that classes are actually conducted at Allegan High School in the second semester of the 2003-04 school year.

Allen Park-Cabrini High School (Regulation I Section 9) - Request was made to waive the transfer regulation and specifically Interpretation No. 79, which limits eligibility for a foreign exchange student to the first two consecutive semesters of his/her enrollment. This request was to permit additional eligibility after one semester of ineligibility for a former foreign exchange student, currently in the 11th grade and in the United States on an F-1 visa. During 2002-03, the student attended school in Missouri as a foreign exchange student on a J-1 visa through a CSIET-listed program and participated in two consecutive semesters (basketball and track). The student returned to her home country after her 10th-grade year and intends to return home next summer to be with her family. Cultural Homestay placed the student in both Missouri and Michigan.

The Executive Committee noted the intent of the rule - to provide foreign exchange students athletic eligibility without delay but in only their first two semesters of enrollment in United States schools - and noted that the purpose was accomplished in this case without waiver. The request for waiver was denied.

Bangor High School (Regulation I, Section 9[B]) - Request was made to waive the transfer regulation to permit eligibility at the subvarsity level only for the remainder of the 2003-04 school year on behalf of a 9th-

grade student who transferred from Niles High School on Oct. 29, 2003 when parental rights were transferred to an aunt and uncle in Bangor. The student did not participate in sports at Niles or Bangor.

The Executive Committee granted the request for waiver at the subvarsity level only for the remainder of the 2003-04 school year.

Beverly Hills-Detroit Country Day High School (Regulation I, Section 9) - Request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of a 10th-grade student who started high school while living with her mother in Colorado. She moved to Troy with her father and attended Troy High School from Nov. 4-7, 2004 before enrolling on Nov. 11, 2004 at Detroit Country Day, which is the closest nonpublic school to the home of the student's aunt where the student currently resides. The student, who participated in volleyball in Colorado, preferred the smaller school.

The Executive Committee denied the request for waiver.

Burton-Atherton High School (Regulation I, Section 9[B]) - Request was made to waive the transfer regulation at the subvarsity level only for the remainder of the 2003-04 school year on behalf of a 10th-grade student who transferred from Corunna and enrolled at Atherton on Nov. 12, 2003. The student did not participate in any MHSAA tournament sport.

The Executive Committee granted the request for waiver at the subvarsity level only for the remainder of the 2003-04 school year.

Center Line-St. Clement High School (Regulation I, Section 9[B & D]) - Request was made to waive the transfer regulation to permit eligibility at the subvarsity level only on behalf a 9th-grader who attended Warren-De La Salle Collegiate, enrolling at St. Clement on Oct. 13, 2003. The school also requested full eligibility on the 91st school day of enrollment. The student did not participate in athletics while at De La Salle.

The Executive Committee granted the request for waiver at the subvarsity level only until the student's 91st school day of enrollment at St. Clement High School, at which time he becomes eligible at any level.

Detroit-Benedictine High School (Regulation I, Section 9[B]) - Request was made to waive the transfer regulation to per-

mit eligibility at the subvarsity level only for the remainder of the 2003-04 school year on behalf of a 10th-grade student who transferred from Oak Park High School on Oct. 2, 2003 and did not participate in interscholastic athletics.

The Executive Committee granted the request for waiver at the subvarsity level only for the remainder of the 2003-04 school year.

Detroit-Benedictine High School (Regulation I, Section 9[D]) - Request was made to permit eligibility on the 91st school day of enrollment on behalf of an 11th-grade student who transferred from Henry Ford High School on Oct. 10, 2003.

The Executive Committee granted the request for waiver, effective with the student's 91st school day of enrollment at Benedictine High School.

Grand Rapids-Catholic Central High School (Regulation I, Section 9[B]) - Request was made to waive the transfer regulation to permit eligibility at the subvarsity level only for the remainder of the 2003-04 school year on behalf of a 9th-grade student who did not participate in any sport while enrolled at Rockford High School. The student enrolled at Catholic Central on Dec. 3, 2003.

The Executive Committee granted the request for waiver at the subvarsity level only for the remainder of the 2003-04 school year.

Traverse City-St. Francis High School (Regulation I, Section 9[C]) - Request was made to permit eligibility on the alpine ski cooperative program between St. Francis and Traverse City Christian High Schools for a 10th-grade student who transferred from Traverse City Christian, enrolling at St. Francis on the first day of school in August 2003. Support from Traverse City Christian was received as well as a statement of the reason for the transfer.

The Executive Committee granted the request for waiver for alpine skiing only until the first day that classes are conducted at St. Francis High School in the second semester of the 2003-04 school year, at which time the student is eligible for all sports at St. Francis.

Union City High School (Regulation I, Section 9) - Request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of a 12th-grade student who enrolled on Oct. 15, 2003 from Bronson High School. An Educational

Transfer Form was signed by both schools but not processed when it was learned that the student's mother was accompanying him to the new residence, thereby nullifying the requirements of exception 12 (18-year-old student moving without being accompanied by a parent). Union City indicated it would not enroll the student unless he was living with a parent in Union City. The school asked if the student would be eligible if the mother returns to live in Bronson and the student is living without either parent in Union City.

The Executive Committee noted that the requirement of exception 12 of the transfer regulation is that a student change residence from one public school district to another without either parent, and that the student's mother continued to reside with the student three months after his relocation. It was also noted that the student contributed to the circumstances that led to the change of school. The request for waiver was denied.

Regulation I, Section 12 - Request was made on behalf of a 16-year-old 10th-grade student to waive the stipulation in Interpretation No. 130 that a Legacy official must be an 11th-grader who is 16 years of age. This student's grandfather is a veteran official who would mentor her in the Legacy program as a volleyball official. The student's late November birth date resulted in her waiting to start school until September 1993. It was intended that the student would work junior high/middle school contests only.

The Executive Committee granted the request for the student to officiate with her mentor in junior high/middle school volleyball only.

Grand Rapids-Kenowa Hills High School (Regulation II, Section 15) - Request was made to permit a 10th-grade student to participate in Division II of the MHSAA Gymnastics Meet in 2004. (Division I is for gymnasts who at any time have competed in a non-school event at USAG Level 9 or above or who have competed in USAG Gymnastics Optionals [Level 7 Optional or Level 8] since Jan. 1, 2002; and Division II is for all other gymnasts.) This student broke her foot at a high school gymnastics meet on Jan. 25, 2003. She participated in USAG Level 9 once in December 2002. At its Dec. 4, 2003 meeting, the Executive Committee denied the

request for waiver. The matter was resubmitted with additional information.

The Executive Committee reviewed the purpose of the exception, which is to provide an accommodation to students who have had a permanent change in their physical condition that dramatically alters their performance. It is not intended to give relief to those who have a temporary condition or who have been unable to practice fully or reach prior performance levels during recovery from injury or illness. The exception is not intended to guarantee success.

The Executive Committee noted that the latest information from medical authorities reported a successful operation and cleared the student to return to athletic activities. No information was provided to contradict that report or to demonstrate that the student's routines and scores in current competition would keep her from participating, even if they wouldn't assure her high placements in meets at this time. The request for waiver was denied.

Ellsworth Middle School (Regulation III, Section 1) - Request to waive the enrollment regulation and specifically Interpretation No. 228 was made to permit 6th-graders to participate with and against 7th and 8th-graders in track and field. Ellsworth has a total of 17 8th-graders (8 girls and 9 boys), 20 7th-graders (9 girls and 11 boys) and 17 6th-graders (8 girls and 9 boys). The high school enrollment is 83 students.

The Executive Committee granted the request for the 2003-04 school year only.

Fairview Middle School (Regulation III, Section 1) - Request to waive the enrollment regulation and specifically Interpretation No. 228 was made to permit 6th-graders to participate with and against 7th-graders in boys basketball games so that opponents who play two separate 7th-and 8th-grade games will continue to schedule Fairview this year. The high school enrollment is 152. There are 31 7th-graders (18 boys) and 30 8th-graders (10 boys).

The Executive Committee granted the request for the 2003-04 school year only.

Republic-Michigamme Schools (Regulation III, Section 1) - Request to waive the enrollment regulation and specifically Interpretation No. 228 was made to permit 6th-graders to participate with and against

7th and 8th-graders in track and field and basketball. The high school enrollment is 59 students and the middle school enrollment, grades 6-8, is 52 students.

The Executive Committee granted the request for the 2003-04 school year only.

Three Oaks-River Valley Middle School and Sawyer-Trinity Lutheran School (Regulation III, Section I [F]) - The Executive Committee approved the addition of the sports of boys wrestling, girls volleyball and boys basketball to a cooperative program which already exists between these two schools in football, girls basketball and boys and girls track & field. River Valley is the primary school.

Charlevoix High School (Regulation V, Section 4) - On Jan. 14, 2004, it was discovered that an ineligible transfer student from Indian River-Inland Lakes High School enrolled at Charlevoix on Sept. 9, 2003 and participated in two basketball games on Dec. 16 and 19, 2003 without the school's completion of an Educational Transfer Form. The student has reenrolled at Inland Lakes High School where he remains ineligible. Charlevoix appealed the requirement of forfeiture for these violations.

The Executive Committee denied the appeal.

Lansing-Walter French Academy (Regulation V, Section 4) - The school appealed the decision of the executive director to suspend Walter French Academy from MHSAA tournaments in all sports for not less than 12 months for failure to apply MHSAA rules and to respond to the MHSAA's request to investigate the involvement of ineligible students in interscholastic contests. The Jan. 14, 2004 letter of appeal referred to a two-week delay in MHSAA processing of a transfer, but MHSAA records show the Educational Transfer Form, signed by the former school on Aug. 19, was faxed by the MHSAA to Walter French Academy on Aug. 25, noting that a separation was not acceptable under Exception No. 8. In its appeal, the school produced a copy of a letter dated Nov. 28, 2003 which the MHSAA did not receive but which admitted that the school knowingly played ineligible students during the girls basketball season. After the MHSAA's letter of Nov. 18 requesting the

school's inquiry and response, no further communication from the school on any topic was evident until a telephone call Jan. 7, 2004 objecting to the suspension letter from the MHSAA to Walter French Academy. MHSAA records also show the school failed to have its boys soccer coach attend a rules meeting or complete the rules examination in spite of three requests (Oct 7., Oct. 23 and Dec 2, 2003).

Noting the school's lack of institutional control and its admitted action to knowingly play ineligible students in girls basketball, the Executive Committee denied the school's appeal and upheld the suspension from all MHSAA post-season tournaments through at least Dec. 15, 2004.

New Member Schools - Pursuant to the MHSAA Constitution adopted by member schools and according to procedures for MHSAA membership approved by the Representative Council on March 27, 1997, the Executive Committee approved membership for:

Battle Creek-Calhoun Christian School at the high school level. The school opened Sept. 3, 2003 and has a grade 9-12 enrollment of 35 students. They conduct volleyball, basketball and soccer programs in the K-12 school. Its 2003-04 Membership Resolution was received June 30, 2003. If the 2004-05 Membership Resolution is received by Oct. 1, 2004, and the school is in good standing in all other respects, the school will be eligible for MHSAA tournaments in 2004-05.

Detroit - Pentecostal Christian Academy at the high school level. The school has been in operation 12 years and has an enrollment of 40 students in grades 9-12. Its main interest is to sponsor boys basketball. Its 2003-04 Membership Resolution was received Nov. 3, 2003. If the 2004-05 and 2005-06 Membership Resolutions are received by Oct. 1, 2004 and Sept. 30, 2005, respectively, and the school is in good standing in all other respects, the school will be eligible for MHSAA tournaments in 2005-06.

Detroit-Marvin L. Winans Academy of Performing Arts at the junior high/middle and senior high school levels. This is a K-11 public school academy chartered by Saginaw Valley State University. It has 240 students

in grades 9-11 and intends to add a 12th grade in 2004-05. It is currently sponsoring boys and girls basketball. Its 2003-04 Membership Resolution was received June 30, 2003. If the 2004-05 Membership Resolution is received by Oct. 1, 2004, and the school is in good standing in all other respects, the school will be eligible for MHSAA tournaments in 2004-05.

Alpine Skiing - In May 2003, the Representative Council adopted the policy that requires a student to participate in at least four meets involving MHSAA member school teams in order to be eligible for the MHSAA Regionals and Finals. The Executive Committee approved the following waiver procedure, if necessary, for the 2004 tournament, and asked that the Representative Council review it at its May 2004 meeting:

**WAIVER PROCEDURE FOR
SUBSTITUTES IN
MHSAA ALPINE SKI MEETS**

If one or more of a team's qualified skiers (i.e., a skier with at least four starts) is unable to participate in the MHSAA tournament because of illness, injury or family tragedy (not ineligibility under MHSAA rules or school action for academic or disciplinary reasons), and there are no other members of the team with four starts, an administrator of that school may make a written request to the MHSAA to permit a substitute(s) who has been a member of the team for the entire season. The request must describe the proposed substitute's involvement with the team and the reasons he/she does not have four starts. The substitute's name must have been included previously on the Master Eligibility List.

A "start" is defined as actually skiing under the clock and attempting to score in one or both of the disciplines (slalom or GS) in a bona fide high school meet. If the slalom and GS of a meet are conducted on separate days and a student participates in both, it counts as one start only.

If the MHSAA administrator in charge of

alpine ski and the executive director or his designee concur that this is a reasonable request, the school may allow the substitute to participate in the MHSAA tournament.

Trophies and Medals - Staff reported on developments for trophies for bowling and lacrosse, and the decision to extend contracts for another year with current vendors for both trophies and medals with no increase in costs and without RFPs and a committee meeting.

Officials Background Checks - Staff reported that planning continues for the 2004-05 registration year to include expanded background checks for officials.

Flexible Benefit Plan - The Executive Committee adopted a resolution to amend and restate the MHSAA's Flexible Benefit Plan and to authorize the executive director to execute the plan and any other documents necessary.

Next Meetings - The next meeting of the Executive Committee are scheduled for Wednesday, Feb. 25, at 8:30 a.m. in East Lansing (followed by Finance Committee Meeting); Thursday, March 25, at 8:30 a.m. in East Lansing (followed by Representative Council Meeting March 26); Wednesday, April 21, at 8:30 a.m. in East Lansing (followed by Finance Committee Meeting); Saturday, May 1, at 6 p.m. in Thompsonville (followed by Representative Council Meetings May 2-4); and Wednesday, June 9, at 8:30 a.m. in East Lansing.

Fall Meetings - The revised fall schedule for Executive Committee Meetings is as follows: Thursday, Aug. 5, at 9 a.m. in East Lansing; Friday, Aug. 20, at 9 a.m. in East Lansing; Wednesday, Sept. 8, at 9 a.m. in East Lansing; Monday, Sept. 27, at 9 a.m. in Traverse City (following Annual Business Meeting/Update Meeting breakfast); Thursday, Oct. 21, at 9 a.m. in East Lansing; Wednesday, Nov. 10, at 9 a.m. in East Lansing; and Thursday, Dec. 2, at 8:30 a.m. in East Lansing (Representative Council Meeting is Dec. 3). ■

UPPER PENINSULA ATHLETIC COMMITTEE MEETING

Escanaba, January 16, 2004

Members Present:

Russ Bailey, Ewen
James Derocher, Negaunee
Don Edens, Kingsford
Dan Flynn, Escanaba
Bruce Horsch, Houghton
DeeJay Paquette, Munising

Paul Polfus, Carney
Joe Reddinger, Felch

Staff Member Present:

Nate Hampton (Recorder)

BOYS BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT OFFICIALS SELECTION

The committee selected officials who are to receive invitations at District and Regional sites involving Upper Peninsula schools in the 2004 MHSAA Boys Basketball Tournament. In addition, Ken Marchetti of Iron Mountain was selected to a MHSAA Final game in East Lansing; Robert Lee of St. Ignace was chosen to officiate a Semi-Final game; James St. Onge of Marquette was selected for a first round game and John Vaara of Hancock was selected to be the first round alternate.

BOYS BASKETBALL REGIONAL TOURNAMENTS AT MTU

The schedule for the 2004 Boys Regional Tournaments at Michigan Technological University in Houghton is as follows:

Thursday, March 18 - Class D (6 & 8 p.m.)

Friday, March 19 - Class C (6 & 8 p.m.)

Saturday, March 20 -Class D (Noon)
-Class C (4 p.m.)

Bruce Horsch of Houghton will present Regional trophies.

A motion was made to allow District managers to assist the MHSAA staff in filling officials' assignments when previously selected officials decline an invitation.

Motion passed unanimously.

FUTURE REGIONAL BASKETBALL TOURNAMENTS

The committee discussed the preferences of Class C and D schools of the Upper Peninsula for the format and location of the Class C and D boys and girls Regional basketball tournaments. The committee will present format and site options to the Upper Peninsula athletic directors at their April 30, 2004, meeting and will provide a final deci-

sion at the UP Committee meeting which follows the athletic directors meeting.

The recommendation submitted by the Upper Peninsula and Lower Peninsula schools assigned to District 12 for formats and location of hosting schools in 2004-05 girls and boys basketball will be discussed at the April meeting following discussions with involved athletic directors and coaches.

TRACK AND FIELD

Regional meet assignments were assigned as follows (all meets to be held May 19-22, 2004)

Division 1-Gladstone and Houghton

Division 2-Hancock and Ishpeming
Westwood

Division 3-Pickford, Rapid River, Ewen-
Trout Creek and North Dickinson

Kingsford High School will host the Upper Peninsula Finals.

The committee was reminded that all hosting sites must use pole vault equipment that at least meet the National Federation published minimum standards.

Chosen to serve as referees for the Finals were Ed Dwyer of Escanaba and John Meyer of Iron Mountain. Chosen to serve as starters for the Finals were Richard Olds of Iron Mountain and Ed O'Brien of Ishpeming. Sean Jacques of Calumet will serve as alternate official.

ICE HOCKEY

The Division 3 Regional will be hosted by Houghton High School at Michigan Technological University. The Division 1 Regional will be hosted by Marquette High School.

Regional winners will advance to Quarter-Finals on Tuesday/Wednesday, March 9-10, 2004. Division 1 will be played

at Bay City Central, Division 3 at Sault Ste. Marie.

Final tournament will be played at Compuware Arena in Canton on March 12-13, 2004.

Regional managers will select officials to receive invitations to work with Bruce Horsch of Houghton High School coordinating the selection process.

VOLLEYBALL

Officials were selected for the 2004 MHSAA Regional Volleyball tournaments at Munising and Rapid River. Sandra Raymond of Escanaba was selected to officiate the Class C Quarter-Finals at Mancelona High School. Renee Alexandroni of Escanaba was selected to officiate the Class D Quarter-Finals at Hillman High School

Sandra Raymond of Escanaba was selected to officiate the Finals Tournament and Christine Carlson and Bill Raymond were selected to serve as Finals alternates as other Upper Peninsula officials were invited to do last year.

WRESTLING

Officials selected to work the MHSAA Upper Peninsula Individual Wrestling Finals are: Adam Borgman of Ishpeming, Hans Wienke of Iron Mountain, George Pond of

Iron Mountain, Dave Gagnon of Gladstone and Michael Caster of Marquette (Friday only).

FUTURE TOURNAMENTS

The following schools were invited to host 2004-05 MHSAA tournaments.

Girls Tennis-October 1, 2004-Marquette and Iron Mountain

Cross Country-October 23, 2004-Stephenson
Wrestling-Feb. 18-19, 2005-Menominee

COMPETITIVE CHEER

Competitive Cheerleading as an Upper Peninsula sport will be discussed in greater detail at the April meeting, following a general discussion with Upper Peninsula athletic directors.

BOWLING

The committee discussions centered on school finances and thought that greater discussion may be warranted when it is determined if more Upper Peninsula schools will sponsor bowling.

NEXT MEETINGS

The next meeting of the Upper Peninsula Athletic Committee will be in Escanaba on Friday, April 30, 2004, following the UP Athletic Directors meeting. ■

ANALYSIS OF MHSAA MEMBERSHIP

January 1, 2004

762 Total High Schools

646 (84.8%) Total Public Schools

•34 (4.5%) Charter (Public School Academies)

•612 (80.3%) Traditional Schools

122 (16%) Total Nonpublic Schools

•112 (14.7%) Religious

•10 (1.3%) Non-Secular

372 Total Junior High/Middle Schools

348 (93.5%) Total Public Schools

•9 (2.4%) Charter (Public School Academies)

•339 (91.1%) Traditional Schools

24 (6.5%) Total Nonpublic Schools

•24 (6.5%) Religious

•0 Non-Secular

REPRESENTATIVE COUNCIL & UPPER PENINSULA ATHLETIC COMMITTEE NOMINATION PROCEDURES FOR 2004-05

The Representative Council has established procedures for indicating the intention to run for elected positions on the MHSAA Representative Council.

1. Any individual who is a representative of a member school (administrator, faculty member or board of education member) may submit his or her name to the MHSAA office by **March 15**.

A. Candidates must have superintendent or principal approval in writing.

B. It is essential that candidates be qualified for the position they seek.

1) If the position is for a representative of a certain area of the state, they must represent a school of the appropriate class (A and B or C and D) in that geographic area.

2) If they seek the position of a statewide at large representative, they must be a faculty or board of education member of an MHSAA member school. This includes administrators but not non-faculty coaches.

3) If they seek the position of statewide representative of junior high/middle schools or

private and parochial high schools, they must be faculty (teacher or administrator) or board members for such schools.

2. Names submitted will be published in the May *Bulletin* and typed on the ballot mailed to member schools in September.

Elections will be held in the fall for the following positions:

Class A and B Schools—3 openings

Northern Lower Peninsula

Southwestern Section

Southeastern Section

Class C and D Schools—2 openings

Upper Peninsula

Northern Lower Peninsula

Statewide At-Large—1 opening

Jr. High/Middle Schools—1 opening

Private and Parochial—1 opening

The procedures established for indicating the intention to run for elected positions are the same for the Upper Peninsula Athletic Committee as those stated above for the Representative Council.

Elections will be held in the fall for the following:

Class D U.P. School—1 opening

Athletic Coach—1 opening ■

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2004-05 MHSAA COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP NOMINATIONS

A procedure has been adopted by the Representative Council to select MHSAA committee members. In the early spring of 2004, all superintendents, principals, athletic directors, coaches and board of education members who desire to serve on MHSAA committees may submit their names for nomination. This is a summary of the make-up and responsibilities of MHSAA standing committees:

DESCRIPTION OF MHSAA COMMITTEES

SPORT COMMITTEES

Baseball/Softball, Basketball, Bowling, Competitive Cheer, Cross Country/Track & Field, Football, Golf, Gymnastics, Ice Hockey, Lacrosse, Skiing, Soccer, Swimming & Diving, Tennis, Volleyball, Wrestling

1. Consist of a balance of administrators and varsity coaches in the particular sport, plus the president of the coaches association for that sport.
2. Responsible for:
 - (a) recommending to the Representative Council changes regarding MHSAA regulations relative to the sport.
 - (b) recommending to the staff procedures, sites, and assignments for the MHSAA tournament in that sport.

TOURNAMENT COMMITTEES

Girls & Boys Basketball (meets twice), Cross Country/Track & Field Site Selection, Track & Field Standards, Volleyball

1. Consist of administrators.
2. Responsible for selecting sites and assigning teams for all levels of MHSAA tournaments in the particular sport.

SEEDING COMMITTEES

Girls Tennis Area Seeding Directors, Boys Tennis Area Seeding Directors

1. Consist of tournament managers and varsity coaches.
2. Responsible for determining seeded players and their positions in each flight and for assisting the tournament managers in conducting the tournament draw.

OFFICIAL SELECTION COMMITTEES

Baseball, Boys Basketball, Girls Basketball, Competitive Cheer, Football, Gymnastics, Ice Hockey, Boys Lacrosse, Girls Lacrosse, Boys Soccer, Girls Soccer, Softball, Volleyball, and Wrestling

1. Consist of tournament managers, athletic directors and coaches.
2. Responsible for selecting officials for most levels of tournaments in most sports.

OTHER STANDING COMMITTEES (Established and appointed by the Representative Council for specific purposes)

1. **Athletic Equity Committee** - Committee is to meet once a year to recommend to the Representative Council annual objectives designed to encourage participation by more women and minorities in interscholastic coaching, officiating and administrative positions.
2. **Awards Committee** - This committee meets once as a group and corresponds throughout the year to establish policies and procedures and screen candidates for four MHSAA awards: Forsythe, Bush, Norris, and Women in Sports Leadership.

3. **Classification Committee** - The committee meets annually to study and make recommendations to staff and Council regarding policies and procedures of classifying schools for tournaments and elections. It consists of two representatives each from MASB, MASA, MASSP, and MIAAA, plus other appointees to assume adequate representation of all sizes and types of schools.
4. **Board of Canvassers** - Comprised of a superintendent, two high school principals, one junior high/middle school principal, and one athletic director. Members are responsible for counting the ballots for the election of Representative Council members and members of the Upper Peninsula Athletic Committee. Generally, the committee meets only once, but in the event of ties or runoffs, the entire committee or a portion of the committee returns for the purpose of counting runoff ballots.
5. **Junior High/Middle School Committee** - This committee is comprised of junior high/middle school principals and athletic directors to review rules and regulations as they pertain to junior high/middle schools.
6. **Officials Review Committee** - This committee meets for the purpose of reviewing issues and concerns related to all officials in order to put forth recommendations to the MHSAA Representative Council which may guide the evolution and development of officials services and programs.
7. **Scholar-Athlete Committee** - Established to administer the MHSAA Scholar-Athlete program, this committee consists of approximately 80 people to review award applications.
8. **Trophy & Medal Committee** - This committee of two superintendents, two principals and one coach meets to recommend to the Council trophies and medals to be distributed at MHSAA postseason tournaments. ■

CRITERIA FOR NOMINATION AND SELECTION OF MHSAA COMMITTEE MEMBERS

There are several criteria to consider before completing the Nomination Form:

1. Coaches must be on the school faculty and able to obtain release time from school.
2. The nominee should have at least two years of experience in the position currently holding.
3. Most committees require only a one meeting date commitment at the MHSAA building in East Lansing. Committee meetings are held during the work week.

Appointments to committees are based on the following criteria:

1. Committees should have male, female, and minority membership which reflects the total pool of available personnel.
2. Committees should maintain geographic and class size representation.
3. Some administrators will be appointed to sport committees.
4. The coaches association president/secretary of each sport is appointed to that sport committee, if the person is a school employee. If the President/Secretary is not a school employee, the Association must send a designee who is an administrator, faculty member or board of education member of an MHSAA member school.

Names of nominees will be submitted to the Representative Council for selection.

Over 750 people will be selected from the list of nominees submitted to serve on 44 MHSAA committees.

— USE THE FORM ON THE NEXT PAGE —

MHSAA COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP NOMINATION FORM

Member school superintendents, principals, athletic directors and coaches are eligible to be a member of any one of the following MHSAA committees for the 2004-05 school year. If you desire to place yourself as a nominee complete this form and mail it to the MHSAA office by March 15, 2004. **THE PRINCIPAL MUST sign this form for it to be considered a valid nomination for athletic directors and coaches.**

Schools may choose to use this form for more than one nomination. The following form lists the committee and the month in which the meeting will be held. Please print the nominee's name and title (**specify boys or girls if a coach**) on the appropriate line.

Committee	Meeting Month	Nominee's Name / Title
Girls/Boys Basketball Tourn.	Sept. & May	Ms/Mr
Gymnastics	September	Ms/Mr
Volleyball Site Selection	September	Ms/Mr
Board of Canvassers	September	Ms/Mr
Ice Hockey	October	Ms/Mr
Girls Tennis Seeding	October	Ms/Mr
Athletic Equity	October	Ms/Mr
Awards	October	Ms/Mr
Ski	October	Ms/Mr
Lacrosse	Nov. & Jan.	Ms/Mr
Volleyball Rules	November	Ms/Mr
Golf	December	Ms/Mr
Track & Field Standards	December	Ms/Mr
Baseball/Softball Site Selection	December	Ms/Mr
Basketball Rules	December	Ms/Mr
Tennis	January	Ms/Mr
Baseball/Softball Rules	January	Ms/Mr
Classification	January	Ms/Mr
X- Country/Track & Field	January	Ms/Mr
X-Country/T & F Site Selection	January	Ms/Mr
Football	January	Ms/Mr
Junior High/Middle School	January	Ms/Mr
Scholar-Athlete	January	Ms/Mr
Soccer	February	Ms/Mr
Wrestling	February	Ms/Mr
Bowling	March	Ms/Mr
Competitive Cheer	March	Ms/Mr
Swimming & Diving	March	Ms/Mr
Trophy & Medal	April	Ms/Mr
Boys Tennis Seeding	May	Ms/Mr

City/School _____ Principal _____

RETURN TO MHSAA NO LATER THAN MARCH 15, 2004

(Signature)

FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

GREAT EXPECTATIONS

My first year of college football wasn't what I expected. And that made all the difference.

I expected to play. In fact, I expected to start. What I did **not** expect was to never get in a game.

There were 144 candidates for the Dartmouth College freshman football team in 1966. Forty-five had been captains of their high school teams. I wasn't big or fast or carrying a lot of high school accolades. While I never missed a minute of practice, I never played a down in a game.

But because I had expected to play, I believed I should have played, believed the coaches were wrong in not playing me, believed I was a better player than some who did play. I believed it so strongly that I returned for my sophomore year.

And by mid-season – because a lot of the original 144 on the freshman team did not return for the varsity program, and one veteran was switched to another position, and the starter was injured – I became a starter at defensive back.

More than any other reason, this happened because I expected to play college football. I didn't allow the events of my freshman year to define my college football career; my expectations defined my career.

It is this spirit that has guided me in adulthood. Since arriving at the MHSAA, we have had great expectations for educational athletics in this state. For example:

- We have expected that student-athletes would be students first and athletes second.
- We have expected that the environment surrounding interscholastic athletic events would be compatible with the goals and objectives of the sponsoring organizations: educational institutions.

- We have expected that administrators, coaches and officials would seek and could obtain regular in-service training to assure they are aware of the "best practices" for their vocation/avocation.
- We have expected a relatively non-commercial program that focuses on regular season contests at the local level, that emphasizes team values more than individual stars, that provides practical learning experiences in leadership and sportsmanship, hard work and teamwork, discipline and dedication, sacrifice and fair play.

Sometimes we have had to sit on the bench, unable to force people to do what we think would more effectively achieve our high expectations. After all, this is a voluntary association of schools which requires local decision-making and control; so we don't get to call all the plays. But eventually, it seems, if we're patient and come back out the next year and the next, we're provided the opportunity to get in the game and to influence the outcome.

On every level of school sports in Michigan, great expectations can and will prevail if we stay on the team. If we expect the best, if we expect improvement, we are far more likely to get it than if we take ourselves off the team and ultimately out of the game.

One of my sons tried five times to make a travel soccer team. Four times he failed, and through the tears at home, we told him to try again the next year. "Make them cut you again, don't cut yourself," we told him.

Eventually he made that travel team, and then his high school soccer team. He did so because he had extraordinary courage, and great expectations. ■

IT'S ABOUT TEAM!

THE RIPPLE EFFECT

(Editor's Note: The 2003-04 MHSAA Bulletins will include articles illustrating defining moments and/or the value and purpose of high school sports. Please submit articles or contributions to: Rob Kaminski, MHSAA-Bulletins, 1661 Ramblewood Dr., East Lansing, MI 48823, or e-mail to programs@mhsaa.com

Recently the Board of Education adopted a goal simply stating, "Focus on sportsmanship at sporting events." While it will be difficult to measure our success, the beauty of this goal is that it places a high value on good sportsmanship. It makes one think about our current student athletes and how our actions as adults go a long way toward shaping the attitudes of this very capable generation of young people.

For 10 years or so, I have wanted to tell this story, and it is inspired by the subject of "sportsmanship." I offer it in hopes that it will encourage others to tell their stories so that chapter by chapter we can weave together an attitude in our community that promotes good sportsmanship. This is a father son story that has its origin in Little League baseball. As a 10-12-year-old my son played in a league that organized, as little leagues do, an all star team at years end. Tradition had it that the coaches would recommend several players from their team to participate in the tryouts for the league all-star team. Approximately 25-30 players would be recommended for the tryout, from which a team of 12-14 would be selected. The selected team would practice together for a week or two and then would begin play in the national Little League tournament. At the end of the practice period a starting lineup would be announced and play would begin. Was there excitement in the air? One would think so, but I remember more angst than excitement.

Picture tossing a pebble into a quiet pond of water; you probably envision ripples appearing and the formation of concentric circles around the pebble's splash. The dads of the little leaguers (yes, I was very much one of them) began to show their disappointment as soon as the first decision was made to recom-

mend players for the tryout. Why wasn't my son sent to the tryout (splash)? Then, why didn't my son make the team (ripple)? Next, why didn't my son make the starting lineup (ripple)? Why didn't my son bat in the top of the batting order (ripple)? And, finally, why didn't my son pitch or play shortstop (ripple)? When the regular season started there were many happy, satisfied dads but by the time the first pitch was thrown in the all-star tournament the number had dwindled to a select few. The "ripples" got to all of the others, including me. It's too bad, because this experience was ripe with opportunities for rich father-son conversations. We missed opportunities to promote team play, to discuss the difficulties that leaders face, to emphasize the importance of role players, to keep one's eye on his goals, to name just a few.

So now my son is a 22-year-old college senior ready to embark on a life of his own. I muse as I reflect on those Little League days and the dads that I shared those moments with. If the sons didn't want to compete, didn't want to excel at a high level, then the lessons could not be taught. However, it is apparent that the lessons regarding team play, leadership, role playing and goal setting will serve my son far better in the future than his ability to hit a baseball or field a ground ball. It is much easier to see the pebble and the ripples now, but it wasn't so easy 10 years ago.

I simply encourage all who are working with young people in athletic endeavors – varsity level coaches, youth league coaches, and parents alike – to find a moment or two in the near future to share with your team or your son or daughter a personal anecdote supporting good sportsmanship. Let it be an anecdote that by its very existence underscores the value that we place on good sportsmanship in our community. It's when the "veterans" take time to pass on their personal experiences to the "rookies" that teams succeed. Let that successful team be our community.

— David Chapin, Superintendent
Bullock Creek School District



WESTDORP NAMED 2004 WISL AWARD WINNER

Kathy Vrugink Westdorp, principal at Grand Rapids Forest Hills Central High School, has been named the recipient of the 2004 Women In Sports Leadership Award by the Representative Council of the Michigan High School Athletic Association.

Each year the Representative Council considers the achievements of women coaches, officials and athletic administrators affiliated with the MHSAA who show exemplary leadership capabilities and positive contributions to athletics. The award was presented during a banquet at the 2004 WISL Conference on Feb. 1 in Lansing.

Westdorp was recently named to an assistant director's position on the MHSAA staff, where she will be phasing into those duties over the course of the 2003-04 school year.

"It is through an entirely different process that Kathy was selected for this award after being named to serve schools as a member of the MHSAA staff, demonstrating how widespread the respect is for her in Michigan," said John E. "Jack" Roberts, executive director of the Association. "The award recognizes her past service, while her hiring recognizes her potential for future service."

As a teacher, coach, game official, athletic administrator and principal, Westdorp has long been active in advancing females in high school sports. She encouraged student-athletes to pursue coaching and officiating following high school, and has been active in recruiting and promoting female officials as a member of the West Michigan Volleyball Officials Association.

A West Michigan native, Westdorp is a 1976 graduate of Central Michigan University, where she participated in field hockey. Her educational career then started in the Grand Rapids Public Schools as a coach in girls volleyball at Central High, where she also served as an English and Physical Education teacher; and a girls track and basketball coach at Creston High. After eight years, she was named director of health and wellness programs for Grand Rapids Public Schools, where she had staff supervision and training duties, and authored grants and curriculum for the district.

In 1987, Westdorp returned to Creston as an assistant principal and director of athletics, where she administered the athletics and activities program until 1995, when she moved into an administrative position at Grand Rapids Forest Hills Central High School.

Westdorp first served as an assistant principal at Forest Hills Central, where she directed several academic departments, and supervised a variety of student extra-curricular activities. In 1999, she was named principal at the school, and implemented a number of new programs. While principal, Forest Hills Central was named a Governor's Cup recipient from the State of Michigan for achieving academic excellence.

As a game official, Westdorp has worked softball at the high school level and girls volleyball at the high school and collegiate levels.

Westdorp also holds a Master's Degree in Secondary Education from Michigan State University, and has served as an adjunct professor in graduate studies at Grand Valley State University.

Westdorp is the 15th recipient of the WISL Award. Past recipients are:

1990 - Carol Seavoy, L'Anse
1991 - Diane Laffey, Harper Woods
1992 - Patricia Ashby, Scotts
1993 - Jo Lake, Grosse Pointe
1994 - Brenda Gatlin, Detroit
1995 - Jane Bennett, Ann Arbor
1996 - Cheryl Amos-Helmicki,
Huntington Woods

1997 - Delores L. Elswick, Detroit
1998 - Karen S. Leinaar, Delton
1999 - Kathy McGee, Flint
2000 - Pat Richardson, Grass Lake
2001 - Suzanne Martin, Perry
2002 - Sue Barthold, Kentwood
2003 - Nancy Clark, Flint ■



Fall Tournament Good Sports Are Winners! Recipients Announced; MEEMIC Insurance To Present Awards To Finals Award Winners

The recipients of the top Michigan High School Athletic Association's Good Sports Are Winners! Awards for the recently-completed 2003 fall sports season have been named, with each school to receive commemorative banners and crystal trophies from MEEMIC Insurance, the Association's corporate partner in sportsmanship efforts.

Saline in boys soccer, **Beal City** and **Rochester Adams** in football, and **Flint Northern** in girls basketball, were selected by the tournament management at their respective Finals for displaying the most exemplary sportsmanship by their coaches, student-athletes and spectators. Presentation dates at all four schools will be announced at a future date.

Saline was the runner-up in the Division 1 boys soccer tournament; Beal City was the runner-up in the Division 8 football playoffs, while Rochester Adams was the champion in the Division 2 tournament; and Flint Northern was a finalist in the Class A girls basketball tournament.

In addition to receiving the finals award, Beal City and Flint Northern were honored at the District level in their respective tournaments. For Beal City and Rochester Adams, this is the second time each school has received the Good Sports Are Winners! Award at the Finals level of MHSAA tournament play. Beal City was the 1993 recipient in baseball, and Rochester Adams won the award in 1992 in girls soccer.

The Good Sports Are Winners! Award made its return in 2002-03 with the corporate underwriting of MEEMIC Insurance. The program had previously been offered from 1989 to 1996, and again during 2000-01.

At the District and Regional level of MHSAA tournaments, all schools which meet a set of sportsmanlike standards will be recognized. There will continue to be standards in the program which would automatically disqualify a school from consideration from the award. Any team which is disqualified for the Good Sports Are Winners! Award at the District or Regional level of a tournament becomes ineligible for the award at higher levels of that same tournament.

In all, 157 teams in girls basketball, football and boys soccer are being recognized for their outstanding sportsmanship at Fall tournaments. Those teams will be recognized through the publication of their names in the MHSAA Bulletin, the MHSAA Finals program series, and on the MHSAA Web site. During the course of the school year, over 1,000 teams will be recognized in 11 activities for their sportsmanship efforts during MHSAA tournaments.

The MHSAA is a private, not-for-profit corporation of voluntary membership by over 1,200 public and private senior high schools and junior high/middle schools which exists to develop common rules for athletic eligibility and competition. No government funds or tax dollars support the MHSAA, which was the first such association nationally to not accept membership dues or tournament entry fees from schools. Member schools which enforce these rules are permitted to participate in MHSAA tournaments, which attract approximately 1.6 million spectators each year.

MEEMIC Insurance Company, with headquarters in Auburn Hills, writes full coverage private passenger automobile protection and homeowners insurance for educational employees and their immediate families in the state of Michigan. MEEMIC was founded by teachers for teachers in 1950. Most representatives of the company are or were teachers themselves. MEEMIC's history of competitive pricing and a commitment to superior service has cultivated a tradition of teachers serving teachers and their families, our "MEEMIC Club."

A complete list of Good Sports Are Winners! Award recipients at pre-Finals levels of the tournaments as submitted by tournament managers for the recently completed Fall sports season appears on the next two pages. ■

2003 Fall Award Recipients

Based on reports received at the MHSAA offices as of 1/22/04.

NOTE: There can be more than one winner at each site, and not all site managers responded.

Boys Soccer

District Awards

Division 1
Sterling Heights
Division 2
No Managers Reports Received
Division 3
Frankenmuth
Goodrich
Lake Fenton
Division 4
Glen Arbor The Leelanau School
Leland
Maple City Glen Lake
Northport
Traverse City Christian

Regional Awards

Division 1
Royal Oak Kimball
Division 2
Fruitport
Grand Rapids Christian
Holland Christian
Petoskey
Division 3
Frankenmuth
Richmond
Saginaw Nouvel
Division 4
Adrian Lenawee Christian
Kalamazoo Heritage Christian
Marcellus

Semifinal Awards

Division 1
No Managers Reports Received
Division 2
No Managers Reports Received
Division 3
No Managers Reports Received
Division 4
Lutheran Westland

Football

Pre-District Awards

Division 1
Detroit Catholic Central
East Kentwood
Jackson
Division 2
Adrian

Farmington
Muskegon
Taylor Kennedy
Division 3
Chelsea
Division 4
DeWitt
Linden
Paw Paw
Three Rivers
Division 5
Frankenmuth
Saginaw Swan Valley
Division 6
Fennville
Kingsley
Quincy
Schoolcraft
Suttons Bay
Vermontville Maple Valley
Division 7
Ann Arbor Gabriel Richard
Burton Bendle
Manchester
Merrill
Newberry
Reading
Sand Creek
St. Ignace
Union City
Division 8
AuGres Sims
Bay City All Saints
Mendon
Vestaburg

District Awards

Division 1
Clinton Township Chippewa
Valley
East Kentwood
Holland West Ottawa
Division 2
Adrian
Bay City Western
Hudsonville
Midland
Division 3
Battle Creek Lakeview
Charlotte
Fowlerville
Gaylord
St. Johns

Division 4
Grand Rapids South Christian
Division 5
Benzie Central
Capac
Central Montcalm
Essexville Garber
Frankenmuth
Goodrich
Grayling
Division 6
No Managers Reports Received
Division 7
East Jordan
Manchester
Mio AuSable
Sand Creek
Division 8
Baraga
Beal City
Carsonville Port Sanilac

Regional Awards

Division 1
No Managers Reports Received
Division 2
Detroit Mackenzie
Hudsonville
Lowell
Division 3
Charlotte
Farmington Hills Harrison
Stevensville Lakeshore
Division 4
Bay City John Glenn
Mt. Morris
Division 5
No Managers Reports Received
Division 6
No Managers Reports Received
Division 7
No Managers Reports Received
Division 8
Frankfort

Semifinal Awards

Division 1
No Managers Reports Received
Division 2
Hudsonville
Division 3
No Managers Reports Received

Division 4
 Big Rapids
 DeWitt
 Richmond
 Division 5
 No Managers Reports Received
 Division 6
 No Managers Reports Received
 Division 7
 No Managers Reports Received
 Division 8
 No Managers Reports Received

Girls Basketball

District Awards

Class A
 Allen Park
 Benton Harbor
 Clio
 Davison
 Dearborn Heights Crestwood
 East Detroit
 Flint Central
 Flint Kearsley
 Flint Northern
 Holland West Ottawa
 Hudsonville
 Lansing Sexton
 Lansing Waverly
 Lapeer West
 St. Johns
 Warren Cousino
 Zeeland

Class B
 Bay City John Glenn
 Beaverton
 Cheboygan
 Essexville Garber
 Farwell
 Gladwin
 Midland Bullock Creek
 Ogemaw Heights
 Pinconning
 Saginaw Nouvel
 Tawas Area
 Class C
 Brethren
 Brown City
 Cass City
 Deckerville
 Ithaca
 Kent City
 Lake City
 Leroy Pine River
 Manton
 Marlette
 Mayville
 Montague
 Muskegon Catholic Central
 Muskegon Western Michigan
 Christian
 Ravenna
 Class D
 Allen Park Cabrini
 Allen Park Inter-City Baptist
 Camden Frontier
 Freesoil
 Hillsdale Academy

Jackson Christian
 Kimball New Life Christian
 Academy
 Newport Lutheran South
 North Adams Jerome
 Taylor Baptist Park
 Taylor Light & Life
 Wyandotte Mt. Caramel

Regional Awards

Class A
 No Managers Reports Received
 Class B
 DeWitt
 Hemlock
 Saginaw Nouvel
 Vassar
 Class C
 Lincoln-Alcona
 Traverse City St. Francis
 Class D
 No Managers Reports Received

Quarterfinal Awards

Class A
 No Managers Reports Received
 Class B
 Flint Beecher
 Freeland
 Class C
 Rapid River
 Republic-Michigamme
 Class D
 No Managers Reports Received

HELP WANTED: SPORTSMANSHIP SEEKERS

The Good Sports Are Winners! Award program underwritten by MHSAA corporate sponsor MEEMIC Insurance is a vital tool in recognizing and rewarding the ultimate victory in high school athletics – sportsmanship.

While the MHSAA proudly salutes all schools which exhibited the highest standards of sportsmanship throughout the fall tournaments, there were far too many tournament sites which did not take the time to participate in this important program and report to this office the achievements of those schools.

It is the responsibility of tournament management at all levels to download and complete the Good Sports Are Winners! form from the MHSAA Web site at: <http://www.mhsaa.com/services/gsawforms.pdf> A link to the forms also appears on tournament scoreboard pages once select tournaments are underway. Following that level of the tournament, schools must download, complete and fax the report to the MHSAA.

We realize and appreciate the amount of work required of administrators to run a successful and enjoyable tournament. Managers may wish to delegate the sportsmanship judging to members of the school community who can complete the task in an impartial, professional manner, such as teachers, coaches, booster club members or event students who are interested in athletic administration.

Remember, multiple schools can be chosen from a single site if, in the discretion of the judges, the standards of good sportsmanship are met.

But, no school can be recognized if the MHSAA does not receive forms from your site. Please help to promote sportsmanship by participating at your site.■

SCHOLAR-ATHLETE AWARD FINALISTS ANNOUNCED

The finalists for the Michigan High School Athletic Association's Scholar-Athlete Award for the 2003-04 school year have been announced.

The program, which has been recognizing student-athletes since the 1989-90 school year, honors 26 individuals, one in each sport in which the Association sponsors a postseason tournament. Farm Bureau Insurance underwrites the Scholar-Athlete Award, and presents a \$1,000 scholarship in each sport. This year, 2,525 applications were received from 428 schools.

Every MHSAA member high school is allowed to select one student-athlete to represent it in each sport, and an individual may be nominated and be a finalist in more than one sport. Seventeen schools had two or more finalists this year. Marquette, St. Johns and Bloomfield Hills Lahser lead the way with three finalists; and Bath, Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook-Kingswood, Grand Rapids Northview, Holt, Ishpeming Westwood, Kingsford, Monroe Jefferson, Muskegon Catholic Central, New Lothrop, Northville, Orchard Lake St. Mary's, Riverview and Rockford each have two.

The applications were judged by a 70-member committee of school coaches, counselors, faculty members, administrators and board members from MHSAA member schools, from which the 120 finalists and 26 scholarship recipients were selected. Fall sports scholarship recipients were announced on February 3; winter sports recipients on February 10; and spring sports winners on February 17. To honor the 26 Scholar-Athlete Award recipients, a ceremony will take place during halftime of the Class C Boys Basketball Finals at the Breslin Student Events Center in East Lansing on March 27.

To be eligible for the award, students must have a cumulative grade point average of 3.50 (on a 4.0 scale), and have previously won a varsity letter in the sport in which they are applying. Students were also asked to show involvement in other school and community activities, submit two letters of recommendation and a 500-word essay on the importance of sportsmanship in educational athletics.

A complete list of finalists and applicants can be found on the MHSAA Web site, mhsaa.com ■

SUBMIT YOUR FINALS PORGRAM INFORMATION ELECTRONICALLY

Schools advancing past the Regional round of the MHSAA Team Wrestling, Girls Competitive Cheer, Ice Hockey, Girls Volleyball and Boys Basketball tournaments must submit their program information kits to the MHSAA office ASAP following the Regional Final. Winning schools should download the forms from the MHSAA Web site, mhsaa.com, or use the forms on the CD-ROM supplied to schools last fall. The form is available in Microsoft Word format, and should be e-mailed back to the MHSAA at this address: programs@mhsaa.com. Instructions for submitting the document and team photo accompany the file. Call Rob Kaminski at 517-332-5046 with questions.

2004 BOYS BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT GENERAL INFORMATION

The Representative Council again has attempted to set up schedules of division of proceeds and allowances for team expenses of schools participating in the 2004 Basketball Tournaments which will be as adequate as possible in view of probable receipts. It should be kept in mind by schools that participating in MHSAA tournaments is voluntary and that expenses of teams competing in tournaments are not guaranteed, although the MHSAA in the past generally has reimbursed competing and entertaining schools where local receipts did not meet the allowed expenses. The cooperation of all schools competing in the 2004 tournaments is asked in order that there may be an equitable return both to entertaining and competing schools, and to the MHSAA so that its services to schools and the broad program of meets and tournaments in sports other than basketball may be continued.

ADMINISTRATION OF TOURNAMENTS

The Representative Council formulates the general plans for MHSAA tournaments each year and is assisted by two committees – the Upper Peninsula Athletic Committee and the Lower Peninsula Basketball Tournament Committee. These committees arrange the details of tournament administration, select District, Regional and Quarterfinal Centers, and assign competing schools to the various tournament centers. A special committee is appointed to assign officials in the Lower Peninsula. It has long been the policy of the MHSAA to have a large number of school people participate each year in the planning and execution of the tournaments to insure the best possible results and meet the needs and desires of schools.

Tournament Centers

128 District Centers

32 Regional Centers

Final-round games will be held at 16 Quarterfinal sites, with Semifinals and Finals at the Jack Breslin Student Events Center at Michigan State University in East Lansing.

Dates of Tournaments

District Tournaments – Monday through Saturday, March 8-13, 2004

Regional Tournaments – Tuesday through Saturday, March 16-20, 2004

Quarterfinals – Tuesday, March 23

Semifinals – Thursday, March 25 and Friday, March 26

Finals – Saturday, March 27, 2004

FINANCIAL PLAN

Transportation Expenses of Competing Teams at District, Regional and Final Tournaments

1. At all tournament levels, competing teams will absorb their own travel expenses where the distance to the tournament site is 50 miles or less from the competing school.

2. Beginning with the 51st mile one way, a competing team at District, Regional or Final Tournament level will be reimbursed at the following rate per mile from the home city to the Tournament Center City for each trip:

51 to 100 miles -- \$1 per mile
101 to 150 miles -- \$1.50 per mile
151 to 250 miles -- \$2 per mile
251 to 350 miles - \$2.50 per mile
351 miles and over -- \$3 per mile

3. Those schools which travel 100 or more miles (one way) to a tournament center are allowed \$200 for hotel expenses (receipts required). A school cannot receive both hotel and additional travel allowances if games are played on successive days. This applies to travel in both District and Regional Tournaments.

Other expenses Of Teams Competing at the Final Tournament

1. **Meal Allowance** -- The maximum allowance for meals is three dollars (\$3) for breakfast, four dollars (\$4) for lunch and six dollars (\$6) for dinner, per person for a maximum of 15 individuals.

2. **Lodging** -- The maximum allowance

is the current hotel rate secured for a maximum of 15 individuals. Allowance for expenses of competing schools at the Final Tournament will continue 24 hours after the time of the elimination, provided they remain at the Tournament Center City. Schools which are defeated in Quarterfinal games (Tuesday, March 23) will not receive expense allowances for coming to the Final Tournament Center to attend Final games. **(Overnight lodging will not be arranged or reimbursed for schools within 50 miles of the tournament site unless competition begins before 10 a.m. the next day.)**

3. Additional Per Diem School Allowance – In addition to the above allowances, schools competing in the Final Tournament are to be paid \$100 for each day their team plays in Quarterfinal, Semifinal and Final games. Any of the four Upper Peninsula schools which win their Quarterfinal games on Tuesday, March 23, will be paid the additional \$100 above allowed expenses for Wednesday, March 24, if they cannot return home Tuesday night.

Division of District and Regional Tournament Proceeds

1. Before any division of proceeds is made, the following are to be deducted from the admission gross receipts: cost of officials, the amount paid to scorers and time keepers (payment to each of the above \$20 for a single game on one date; \$10 for each of the above officials for each additional game scored or timed on the same date). All other administration costs not specified above must be deducted from the school's share of the proceeds.

2. The balance is to be divided as follows:

30% to the entertaining school, (includes management, liability insurance, rentals, heat, lights, janitor, honorarium, etc.)

70% to the MHSAA, (includes allowed expenses for competing schools).

or

25% to the entertaining college or university, (includes management, liability

insurance, rentals, heat, lights, janitor, honorarium, etc.)

75% to the MHSAA, (includes allowed expenses for competing schools)

Division of Final Tournament Proceeds

High schools and others entertaining a Quarterfinal game of the Final Tournament will receive 10% of the gross receipts plus \$450 for administration expenses and security.

The cost of administration of the entire Final Tournament (officials, trophies, medals, management, etc.) will be deducted from the total of the balances from Quarterfinal games plus the proceeds from the Semifinal and Final games. The balance will be divided among the competing schools to the amount of allowed expenses as indicated above.

Admission Prices for Tournament Games

The Representative Council at its March, 2003 meeting set the following prices for all tournament game tickets: District, Regional and Quarterfinal - \$5, Semifinal - \$6, Final - \$7 (parking not included).

District, Regional and Quarterfinal Managers are authorized to conduct a pregame ticket sale, but all ticket prices are standardized for students and adults regardless of pregame sale.

OFFICIALS

Assignment and Fees

Officials for tournaments will be announced following assignments made by the Upper and Lower Peninsula Tournament Officials Committees. Tournament managers and officials selected will be notified.

Officials for this year's tournaments were chosen from the people on the Approved List. **Per Representative Council action May 2003, for a one-year experimental period, District managers may assign officials to specific District Tournament contests after the draw has been completed.** The number of teams entered and the days of duration of the tournament determines the number of officials assigned to each center. Agreements are entered into with officials as independent contractors and notification made to tournament managers of the officials assigned. **In 2003-04 three (3) officials will**

be assigned to each basketball tournament beginning at the Regional level and continuing through the Final level. Fees were set as indicated below.

District and Regional Tournaments

Fee for officials working one game per day in District Tournaments will be \$45 plus the round trip allowance of 15¢ per mile (minimum allowance \$8) from home city of the official to District Tournament Center City for each day they officiate.

Fee for officials working one game per day in Regional Tournaments will be \$50 plus the round trip allowance of 15¢ per mile (minimum allowance \$8) from home city of the official to Regional Tournament Center City for each day they officiate.

Quarterfinals, Semifinals, Finals

Fees for officials working in Quarterfinal, Semifinal and Final Tournaments will be \$55 per day and expenses, the latter being limited to one round trip allowance at 15¢ per mile (minimum allowance \$8) from home city of the official to Tournament Center City (official highway map mileage). Semifinal and Final officials will receive single occupancy lodging at the current hotel rate, and an allowance of \$14 per day for meals. Officials assigned to Semifinal games only will receive lodging and meal allowance if their home city is 70 miles or more from the tournament site (map mileage).

DRAWING AT DISTRICT TOURNAMENTS

Drawings at both Upper and Lower Peninsula District Tournaments will be by lot with the names of all teams placed in the hat on an even basis. **Any school which has played four or more games on a District Tournament floor during the 2003-04 season is not to draw a first round bye at that District Tournament.**

Drawings may take place three Mondays prior to the start of the tournament (February 16, 2004), but not later than the Monday preceding the tournament (March 1, 2004), and should be made in the presence of as many representatives of the competing schools as desire to attend. **Principals and athletic directors are encouraged to attend draw meetings to**

obtain specific information concerning administration of the tournament.

Notification should be sent to all competing schools as to the time and place of drawing. Attendance of school representatives is optional.

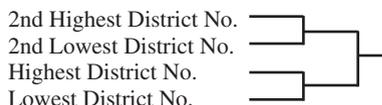
The best method of drawing so that no confusion will result is to place the names of the teams on individual slips of paper, fold and staple each of them or place them in capsules. Place these names in a hat or container so that they may be drawn one at a time. Have some neutral party draw one capsule, read it aloud, display it to the group and place the name of the team drawn on the first numbered line. Repeat the procedure placing each name in its bracket as drawn. If this method is followed, there can be no confusion or mistake.

Whenever the home or any other team that is participating in a District Tournament on a floor (one which it has played four or more games during the 2003-04 season) and there are byes involved, do not place the name of such team or teams in the hat until after the byes are drawn. Home teams (or those having played four or more games in tournament or regular scheduled play on the floor during the current season) are not entitled to byes on such floors in District Tournaments. This assures an open draw to all contestants and eliminates any chance of such a team drawing a bye.

ADVANCE MASTER DRAWING FOR 2004 REGIONAL TOURNAMENTS

Advance drawings of 2004 District Tournament qualifiers to Regionals again were authorized by the Representative Council. These advance master drawings apply to all 2004 Regional Tournaments. Separate drawings were made at the Sept. 22, 2003 meeting of the Basketball Tournament Committee for four-team Regional Tournaments.

For a four-team Regional Tournament, District teams qualifying into the Regionals were placed in a container and designated as follows:



REGIONAL WINNERS

It is the responsibility of winning schools to obtain Quarterfinal, Semifinal and Final Tournament information packets from the Regional Manager.

FINAL TOURNAMENT PAIRINGS

Sites and pairings for Quarterfinal and Semifinal games were established by the Representative Council and the Tournament Committee in both the Upper and Lower Peninsulas. The pre-determined Quarterfinal and Semifinal sites will enable competing schools to make housing, travel and ticket arrangements well in advance. **NOTE: The MHSAA reserves the right to relocate a Quarterfinal Basketball site if a qualifying Regional Winner will be playing its Quarterfinal game on its home floor or if travel is inordinate for both teams.** Complete brackets including times, dates and locations are included in this *Bulletin*.

POINT DIFFERENTIAL RULE

By state association adoption, the Point Differential Rule is to be used at all tournament levels. In all levels of competition during the regular season and the MHSAA tournaments after the first half when one team has a lead of 40 points a running clock will be established. The clock will revert to regular time schemes should the score be reduced to a 30-point lead. During any running clock mode the clock will be stopped as normal for **all** timeouts and between quarters; **and for free throws during the last two (2) minutes remaining in the game.**

BASKETBALLS

Balls that meet National Federation rules code standards that are of top grade, catalog numbered, leather covered or composite cover, molded, orange-tan color will be used in all tournaments. Each tournament manager will provide a ball of the above description for use in that tournament, including balls that have the NFHS authenticating mark. The MHSAA Semifinal and Final ball will be the Rawlings COMPMICH.

TEAM ENTRY AND ELIGIBILITY

District-Regional-Final entry blanks will be sent by individual schools to the assigned District Manager not later than **Wednesday,**

Feb. 11, 2004. The tournament manager will contact you later relative to drawings and other details. Notify the manager immediately if your school is not planning to enter the tournament.

The Entry Blank, Team Roster Form and the Master Eligibility List (Form 1) will constitute a complete entry for the District, Regional and Final Tournaments or until eliminated.

After the District drawings are completed there can be no changes or additions made to the Master Eligibility List (Form 1).

Late Entries: If the Entry Blank, Team Roster Form and Master Eligibility List are received after the deadline date, but before the drawings are made, it may be accepted with the payment of a \$50 late fee which will be retained by the host school.

TOURNAMENT WITHDRAWAL POLICY

Tournament management is to contact the MHSAA office if a school withdraws or fails to show for scheduled competition after the draw is completed for team sports or the pairings, heat assignments or flights are determined for individual sports of the first level of the MHSAA tournament in that sport. The MHSAA staff person responsible for the sport will request from the school principal a written explanation for the no-show/withdrawal. If the reason is determined to be unacceptable by MHSAA staff, the MHSAA Executive Director will place the school on probation for the next two school years. A second offense within the two-year probationary period will cause the school to be prohibited from tournament play in that sport for the two years following the second offense.

CONTESTANTS AND CHEERLEADERS TICKETS

The Representative Council again instructed that tournament managers and competing schools be advised that the limit for the number of contestants tickets is 20. Exception: the only allowed exception will be for those teams that have carried more than 15 **players** all season. Twelve tickets for cheerleaders also are to be made available to each competing school provided there are

that number dressed for participation.

CHAPERON TICKETS

Host managers will arrange for student chaperons from visiting schools to enter free of charge.

ADVANCE PURCHASE BY SCHOOLS OF TICKETS FOR DISTRICTS AND REGIONALS

Schools are urged to contact District or Regional Tournament Managers in advance if they plan to bring groups of students or adults to tournament games. Usually tickets for such spectators should be purchased in advance to assure seating accommodations.

BANDS & HALFTIME PERFORMANCES

By action of the Representative Council, bands or musical instruments are not to be allowed at District, Regional or Quarterfinal Tournament sites. This regulation was adopted to conserve space, lessen expense to schools and to avoid unnecessary confusion. **By action of the Representative Council in May, 1998, pep bands are allowed to perform before the game and during timeouts and breaks during the Semifinals and Finals only of the MHSAA Boys Basketball Tournament.**

Also by Council action, half time performances shall not be permitted. This would apply to such activities as demonstrations for dance, trampoline and any other similar performances.

LOTTERIES AT TOURNAMENTS

Schools should not conduct lotteries or drawings for distributing money or merchandise either before, during or after any tournament basketball contests. Non-players are not to shoot baskets at half time. The distribution of miniature balls is prohibited. The sale of merchandise such as t-shirts, hats, belts, etc. is not permitted at MHSAA sponsored events, except selected early rounds and at the Final Tournament when coordinated with the MHSAA staff.

Concession stands, whether operated by school or non-school groups, must confine sales to non-alcoholic beverages and edible items. Sale of non-edible products other than school spirit items (such as pom pons) is pro-

hibited at MHSAA tournament sites without the approval of MHSAA staff.

VIDEOTAPING OR FILMING AT MHSAA SPONSORED MEETS AND TOURNAMENTS

The Representative Council at its May, 1996, meeting voted to eliminate *MHSAA HANDBOOK* Regulation II, Section 14(A), that prohibits schools from videotaping or filming contests in which they are not participating without permission of competing teams. Previous Council action in 1995 had eliminated the Regulation for football only, but in 1996 the Regulation was eliminated in all sports. Leagues and conferences may continue to enforce third party (scouting) limitations for league games and league teams, however, non-conference opponents will not be subject to such prohibitions and will be allowed to videotape events without advance permission. It is to be understood that videotape scouting does not include press box or preferred seating status without prior consent of the host school.

Media Taping/Filming - The filming/taping of MHSAA events must be cleared through the Michigan High School Athletic Association. Members of the media may, without paying a fee, arrange with the local tournament manager to take clips of MHSAA events for public showing. Under no conditions may an MHSAA event be filmed or taped for showing in its entirety without advance clearance through the MHSAA.

Spectator Videotaping/Filming - Spectators must receive permission from the tournament manager for any live action taken of athletic events other than snapshots. If permission is granted for spectators to film the entire event or take clips, it is to be with the understanding the tape/film may not be sold, leased, borrowed, rented for commercial purposes or shown on cable television. The tournament manager should not permit spectators to interfere with the view of other spectators or news media personnel covering the activity; is not required to provide electrical hook-ups; or tripod space; may require spectator videotaping from a designated location(s); and if there is any question as to the purposes of filming or taping, the request should be denied by the local tournament

management.

Live Television Coverage - Radio Coverage - No radio or television origination is permitted at any site until application has been made through the MHSAA, fee paid and authorization given by the MHSAA through the tournament manager.

Delayed Television - Arrangements for tape-delayed broadcasts must be made through the MHSAA office and only one origination will be allowed at a tournament center. A fee is required for each boys basketball game at each site. Tape-delayed telecasts of events for which live television is contracted, will not be permitted. MHSAA Finals in all sports are *not* available on a delayed television basis.

2004 FINAL BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT INFORMATION

Location of Games

Quarterfinal Games in the Final Tournament will be played Tuesday, March 23, at 16 locations selected by the Basketball Tournament Committee. Locations of games are published in this issue of the *Bulletin*.

Semifinal Games will be played Thursday, March 25, and Friday, March 26, at the Jack Breslin Student Event Center at Michigan State University in East Lansing.

SESSION 1 - Two Class C games -

(1 and 2:50 p.m.) Thursday

SESSION 2 - Two Class D games -

(6 and 7:50 p.m.) Thursday

SESSION 3 - Two Class A games -

(1 and 2:50 p.m.) Friday

SESSION 4 - Two Class B games -

(6 and 7:50 p.m.) Friday

Each of the sessions will require separate admission tickets.

FINAL (CHAMPIONSHIP) GAMES in all classes (A-B-C-D) will be played at the Jack Breslin Student Events Center on Saturday, March 27. There will be separate morning, afternoon and evening sessions as follows:

Saturday Morning -- 10 a.m. -- Classes D/C

Saturday Afternoon -- 4 p.m. -- Class A

Saturday Evening -- 8 p.m. -- Class B

TOURNAMENT MANAGEMENT

General management of the Final Tournament will be under the direction of Nate Hampton, Assistant Director, MHSAA. Final Tournament Headquarters will be at the Jack Breslin Student Events Center of Michigan State University for the four Final games.

ADMISSION PRICES

The following admission prices for the 2004 Final Basketball Tournament games were adopted by the Representative Council:

Quarterfinal Games (March 23) - General admission, \$5. **Semifinal Games** (March 25 and 26) - Reserved seats only, \$6 (parking not included). **Championship Games** (March 27) - Reserved seats are \$7 (parking not included). There will be approximately 15,000 reserved seats. No general admission tickets will be available for the Semifinal or Final sessions.

TICKET DISTRIBUTION FOR QUARTERFINAL GAMES FOR ALL CLASSES — MARCH 23

All Quarterfinal tickets will be sold at the site of the host facility. Competing teams will have access to approximately half the house for its game. Tickets remaining after the advance sale to competing schools will be sold to the public by the host facility manager.

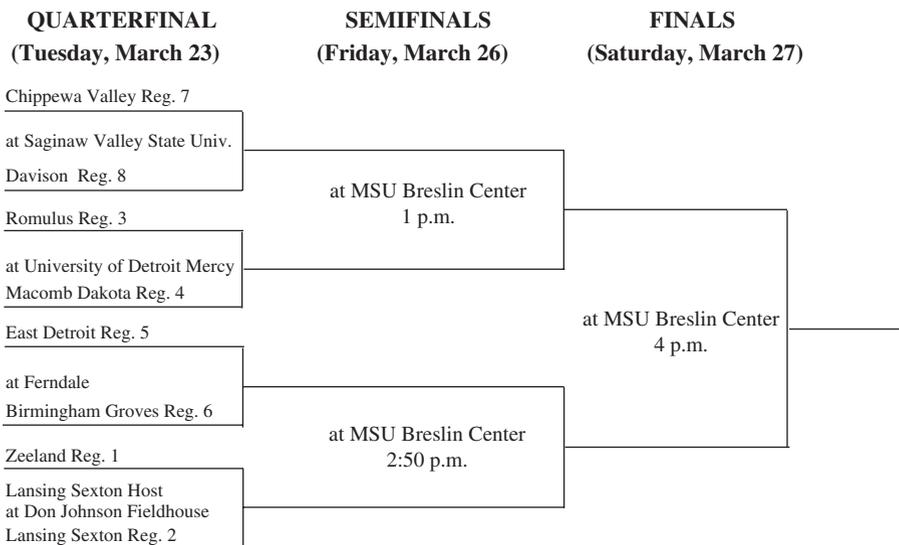
DISTRIBUTION OF SEMIFINAL RESERVED SEAT TICKETS FOR ALL CLASSES -- MARCH 25-26

Competing schools in all classes will be able to purchase 1,200 tickets for advance sale of Semifinal tickets for the session in which their teams are competing, plus a prorated portion of the allotment as requested by other schools participating in the session. Approved basketball officials and schools of all classes through-out the state may order in advance (not later than Feb. 12), reserved seat tickets at \$6 in accordance with the quota established for the purchase of reserved seat tickets for Semifinal games to the limit of the supply available.

If there are reserved seat tickets remaining after the above advance sale to officials and schools both general and competing, those tickets will be placed on sale at MSU on Monday, March 1, 2004. ■

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QUARTERFINAL — SEMIFINAL— FINAL PAIRINGS
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CLASS A



CLASS B



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CLASS C

QUARTERFINAL
(Tuesday, March 23)

SEMIFINALS
(Thursday, March 25)

FINALS
(Saturday, March 27)



CLASS D

QUARTERFINAL
(Tuesday, March 23)

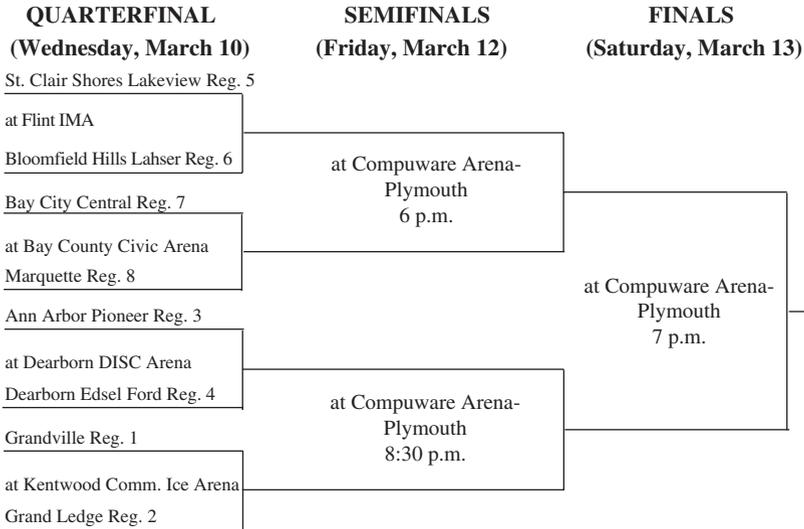
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FINALS
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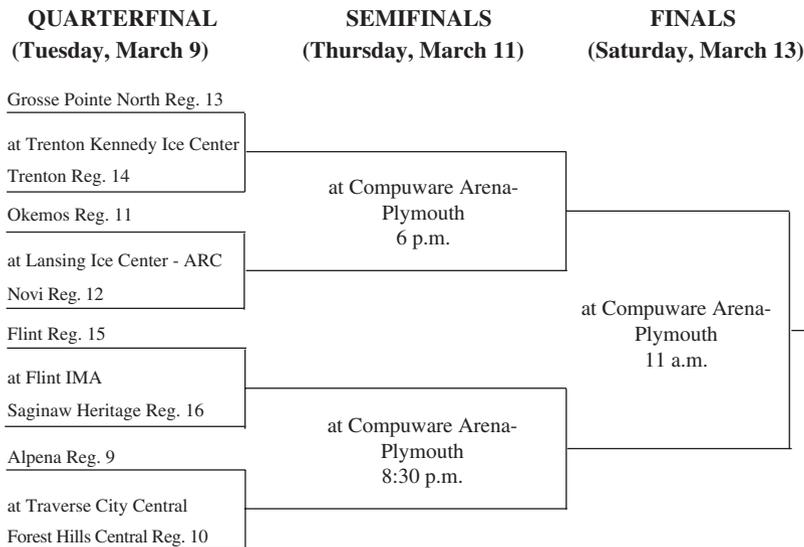


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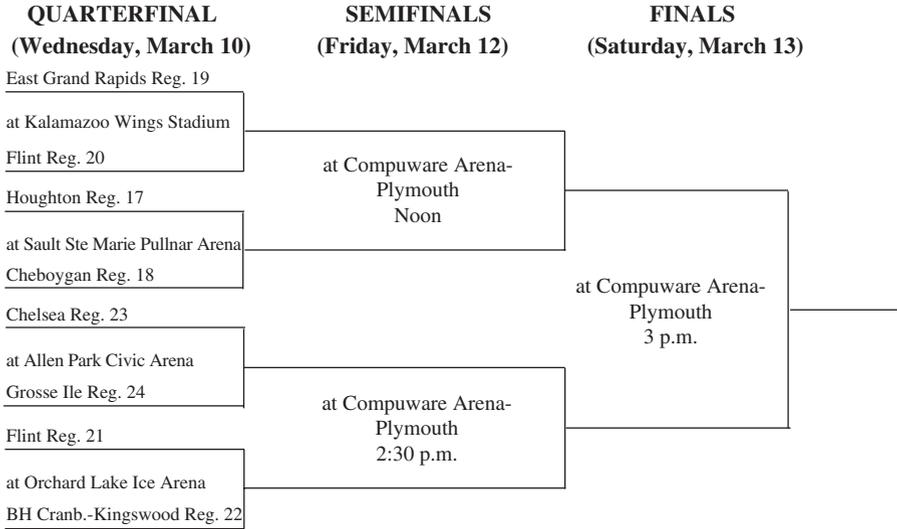


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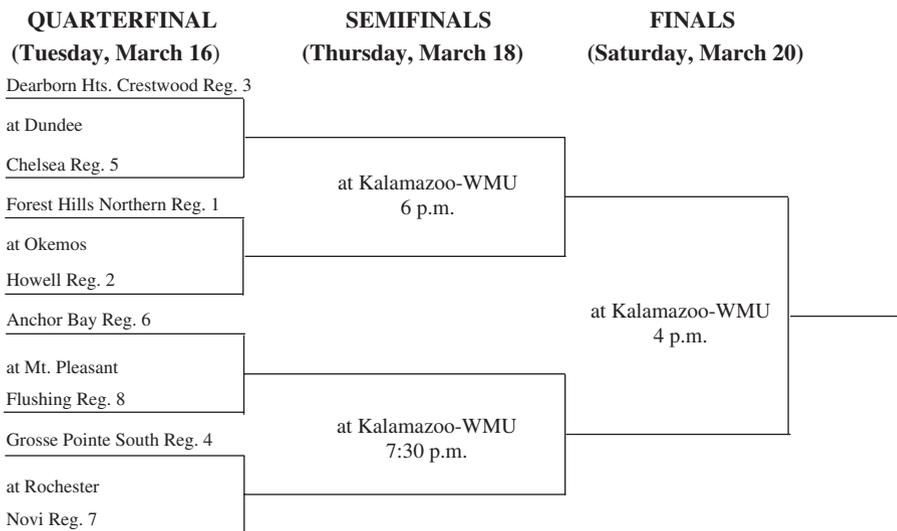


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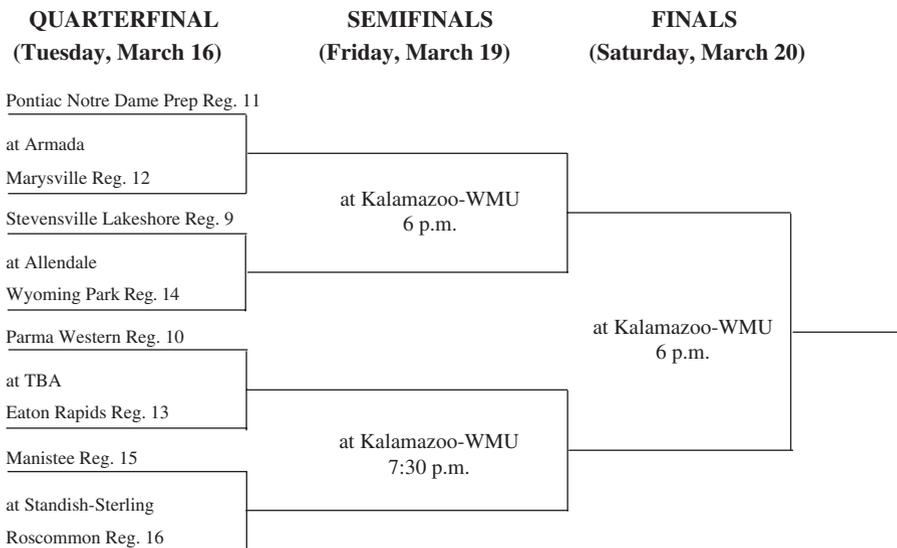
SEMIFINALS (March 11-12, 2004)		
(Thursday, March 11)	(Friday, March 12)	
Division 2	Division 3	Division 1
6 p.m.	Noon	6 p.m.
8:30 p.m.	2:30 p.m.	8:30 p.m.
FINALS (Saturday, March 13)		
11 a.m. - Division 2		
3 p.m. - Division 3		
7 p.m. - Division 1		

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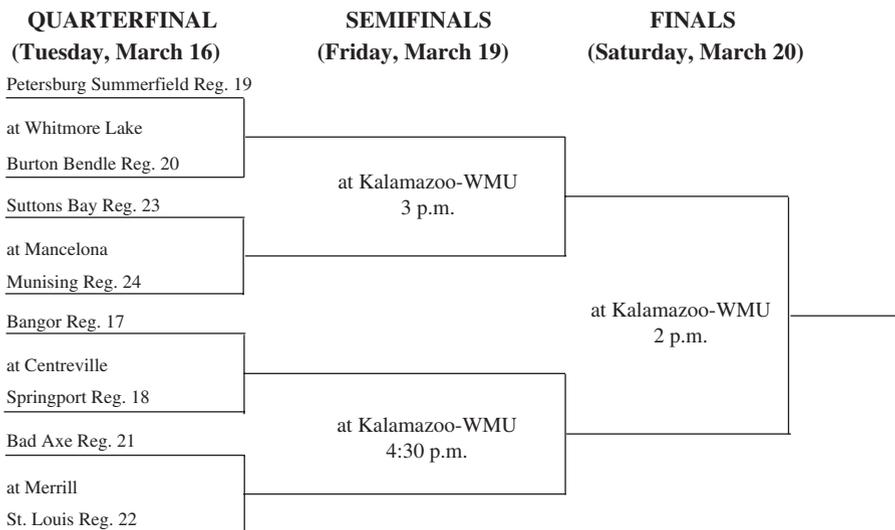


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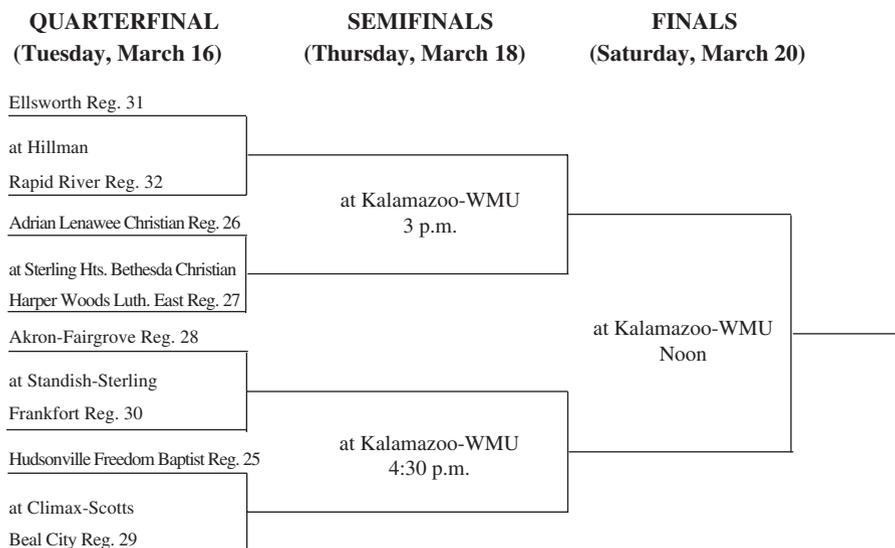


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CLASS C



CLASS D



MHSAA GOLF COMMITTEE MEETING

East Lansing, December 1, 2003

Members Present:

Bob Artymovich, Harper Woods
Jim Bennett, Grosse Ile
Jerry Fouch, Grand Rapids
Roger Fuller, Coldwater
Karen Leinaar, Benzonia
Bob Lober, Traverse City
Doug McKay, Warren
Melanie Miller, Lansing (MIAAA)
James Neubecker, Byron
Kathy Partlow, Lansing
Andy Piazza, Grand Blanc
Ernie Silverthorn, Alma
Paula Steele, East Lansing (MASSP)

Scott Street, Walled Lake
Lance Veydt, Concord
Shelly Vollmar, Gibraltar
Tom Wilson, Norton Shores

Members Absent:

Robert Jenkins, Detroit
Nancy Johnson, Greenville
Jack Kramer, Houghton Lake
Michelle Snow, Flint
Don Zoller, Frankenmuth

Staff Members Present:

Randy Allen (Recorder)

The MHSAA Golf Committee met in the MHSAA Office Building to review MHSAA Golf Tournament format and procedures brought to its attention by golf coaches through the Michigan Interscholastic Golf Coaches Association membership.

Prior to discussion of specific topics, committee members were made aware of the purpose of sport committee meetings and reminded of the work it did last year to bring changes to the 2003-04 tournament series.

REVIEW OF 2003

BOYS AND GIRLS GOLF FINALS

The 2003 Boys and Girls Golf Finals were reviewed. Finals managers reported good experiences at the new courses in the rotation for the Boys Finals. A more clear policy for use of motorized carts by spectators with disabilities was suggested.

The allowance for coaches to coach both days at the Finals was reviewed. All course locations in the Boys Finals reported satisfactory experiences with the added privileges. Substitute observers were required to attend a meeting each day at the Finals which played a significant role in the success of the provision.

A discussion was held regarding the role and authority of GAM officials at the Finals. It was suggested that GAM officials be asked to meet with MIGCA at its February clinic to discuss and clarify the situation. The MHSAA will facilitate such a meeting as part of the February rules meeting.

Course rotations for the 2004 Boys and Girls Finals were established as follows:

Boys Finals

2004

D1-Michigan State Univ. Forest Akers West
D2-Grand Valley State University
D3-Eastern Michigan University
D4-Michigan State Univ. Forest Akers East

2005

D1-Michigan State Univ. Forest Akers East
D2-Michigan State Univ. Forest Akers West
D3-Grand Valley State University
D4-Eastern Michigan University

2006

D1-Eastern Michigan University
D2-Michigan State Univ. Forest Akers East
D3-Michigan State Univ. Forest Akers West
D4-Grand Valley State University

2007

D1-Grand Valley State University
D2-Eastern Michigan University
D3-Michigan State Univ. Forest Akers East
D4-Michigan State Univ. Forest Akers West

Girls Finals

2004

D1-Michigan State Univ. Forest Akers West
D2-Michigan State Univ. Forest Akers East
D3-Grand Valley State University

2005

D1-Eastern Michigan University
D2-Michigan State Univ. Forest Akers West
D3-Michigan State Univ. Forest Akers East

2006

D1-Michigan State Univ. Forest Akers East
D2-Grand Valley State University
D3-Michigan State Univ. Forest Akers West

The committee reviewed the required coaches rules meetings, content and future dates. It was agreed that more meetings be scheduled in the fall for more convenient access to all parts of the state.

RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE REPRESENTATIVE COUNCIL

1. Allow coaches to coach at the Regional tournaments under the same restrictions as allowed at the Finals. Schools must provide a qualified substitute observer in order for the coach to have the privilege (17-0 in favor).
2. Eliminate blackout dates for practice rounds at Finals Courses (17-0 in favor).
3. Revise the boys and girls golf tournament formats and qualifying procedures as follows:

Boys Tournament

- Add a District round to the boys golf tournament. In each division assign schools to one of 10 Districts.
- Reduce the number of Regionals from eight to five.
- From each of the 10 Districts, the top six teams and top six individuals not on a qualifying team will advance to the Regional.
- Each of the five Regionals will receive qualifying teams and individuals from two Districts.

- From the five Regionals, the top three teams and top three individuals not associated with a qualifying team will advance to the Finals. All ties for team and individual qualifiers at each level will be broken for advancement purposes.

- Schedule the Regionals on the Saturday prior to the Finals, with the Districts three weeks prior to the Finals (Thursday, Friday or Saturday), allowing for conference tournaments between the District and Regional level. There will be no additional loss of school time.

- The Finals field will consist of 15 teams and 15 individuals.

- Conduct the Finals over 36 holes, 18 on Friday and 18 on Saturday, eliminating the cut as in past years.

- Reduce the payments to Regional and District hosts to keep expenses flat.

Girls Tournament

- The Finals field will consist of 15 teams and 15 individuals. Keep the number of Regionals and the advancement criteria the same.

- Conduct the Finals over 36 holes, 18 on Friday and 18 on Saturday, eliminating the cut as in past years.

Rationale: The 24-team field currently in the boys Finals is much too large for a reasonable pace of play and quality competition. There were more than 140 golfers on the course at one time, with rounds lasting 6-7 hours. A 15-team field is more ideal. Eliminating the first round cut and playing the Finals over 36 holes is a more equitable format and eliminates a tedious and time consuming administrative procedure for the MHSAA, the Finals courses and managers.

(17-0 in favor). ■

And We Quote —

“Do you know what my favorite part of the game is? The opportunity to play.”

*— Mike Singletary,
Hall of Fame Linebacker*

MHSAA BASKETBALL COMMITTEE MEETING

East Lansing, December 11, 2003

Members Present:

Timothy Baker, Constantine
Mitch Bohn, Sanford
Deanne Crowley, Lowell
Joe Droski, Sparta
David Feldman, Center Line
Mike Foster, Laingsburg (MASSP)
Leroy Hackley, Byron Center
Tom Hursey, Midland (BCAM)
Gary Iwinski, Brown City
Reid McBeth, Buchanan
Tom McDonald, Utica
Kathy McGee, Flint
Joe Reddinger, Iron Mountain
Bill Roose, Detroit

Laurie Ryan, Grand Rapids
Amy Schrader, Temperance
Al Schrauben, Portland
Dan Stolz, Okemos
Marc Throop, Richland (MIAAA)
Marcy Uyl, Middleville
Mark White, Detroit

Members Absent:

Sam Cornett, South Haven
Todd Kulawiak, Benzonia

Staff Members Present:

Nate Hampton (Recorder)
Tom Minter

The meeting was called to order at 9:10 a.m. Following welcome and introductions, the committee reviewed its responsibility and relationship to the Representative Council.

RULES MEETINGS

The committee reviewed the rules meeting attendance requirement for head coaches and officials, the basketball rules meeting format and possible sites for the 2004-05 season.

TOURNAMENT FORMAT

The committee reviewed and discussed at length the tournament format and essential dates for next year's girls and boys tournaments. Discussions included the current schedule for times and days for Semifinals and Finals competition. Also discussed were the plans to move our Girls Finals from Central Michigan University, Rose Arena, to Michigan State University, Breslin Center, for the 2004-05 and 2005-06 seasons. These discussions posed no suggestions for changes with either gender.

GENERAL DISCUSSION

The committee discussions also included the 2003-04 Basketball Committee minutes, disposition of that committee's recommendations to MHSAA staff and the Representative Council, National Federation Basketball Questionnaire/survey, BCAM/BOCCC Position Paper on Coach/Official

Communication, point differential rule and its application to all levels of MHSAA member school competitions, selection of Regional and Quarterfinal sites, Regional competitions hosted on a school's home floor, reactions to 3-person officiating crews working Regional competitions, forms used in the selection process for host facilities, out-of-season issues and the growing involvement of students in AAU programs, alternative/back-up sites for specific Regionals where excessive travel is required, alternative/back-up sites for Quarterfinals where a host school may still be in competition, the requirement that officials who receive tournament invitations must be members in good standing with local approved associations starting in 2005-06, the process for replacing officials that decline tournament invitations at the District level, bench decorum rules, specifically, National Federation Rule 1-13, length of coaching box, National Federation rule clarification, Rule 4-23, legal guarding position, and brand name and description of balls to be used at boys and girls Semifinals and Finals.

MICHIGAN POINTS OF EMPHASIS

- Positive coach/official communication.
- National Federation Basketball Rule 4-43 - traveling and the hop-step.
- National Federation Rules 4-7-1 and 4-7-2: block/charge.

RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE REPRESENTATIVE COUNCIL

1. Allow three officials at District level (21-0 in favor).
2. Allow 14-foot coaching box. (19-2 in favor).
3. Allow league and/or conference to adapt current point-differential rule to suit its specific needs (21-0 in favor).
4. Remove the condition that coaches cannot participate in play with students during open gyms (20 in favor, 1 abstained).
5. Consider increase in officials mileage rate (20 in favor, 1 abstained). ■

WRESTLING TOURNAMENT OFFICIALS SELECTION COMMITTEE MEETING

East Lansing, December 3, 2003

Members Present:

Kevin Akin, Alma
Bryan Bishop, Bay City
James Bryan, Trenton
Tim Conners, Tecumseh
Josh Cunningham, Jackson
Mike Doran, Ithaca
William Dygert, Hartford
Rich Elliott, Grand Rapids
Bob Galvin, Niles
Fred Jensen, Davisburg
Tim Jensen, Mio
Tim Jones, Leroy
Joseph Kidder, Pontiac
Jerry LaJoie, Gaylord
James Leyndyke, Otsego
Jim Maxim, Caledonia

Peter Ryan, Saginaw
Rocky Shaft, Holt
Frank Vilardi, Southgate
Duane Watson, Allendale

Others Present:

Phil Westheimer, Jackson
Mark Uyl, Middleville

Members Absent:

Jason Rapp, Rochester

Staff Members Present:

Randy Allen
Thomas L. Minter
Faye Verellen (Recorder)

The Committee was presented with the list of approved officials in Wrestling who had completed availability forms at the MHSAA rules meetings in the fall. Assignments were made for the tournament on the basis of recommendations and availability of the officials.

RATINGS

Minimal ratings required for consideration were 2.0 for Final officials; 2.3 for Regional and 2.5 for District officials. Officials recommended by one or more leagues/conferences and/or officials associations were qualified to be considered for the next higher tournament level.

TOURNAMENT INVITATIONS

Officials are assigned to work only one event per day in any tournament competition. The District and Regional Management were sent copies of Official Response Forms for those officials assigned to their site.

OFFICIALS AVAILABILITY

Two hundred sixty-one officials indicated their availability for tournament assignments. Of this number, 161 individuals were assigned to one or more Team and Individual Districts. Team and Individual Regional assignments for officials this year totaled 75 for the Lower Peninsula. Twenty-four (24) officials were assigned to the Individual Finals, eight to the Team Finals and four to the UP Individual Finals. ■

MHSAA TENNIS COMMITTEE MEETING

East Lansing, January 8, 2004

Members Present:

Doug Adams, Clio
Susan Bailey, DeWitt
Mary Boike, Flint
Mary Bradley, Elsie
Lauren Cartwright, Ann Arbor
Jim DeRidder, Grand Rapids
Jody Foreman, Marshall
Wendy Franz, Midland (Advisory)
Jan Gottlin, Riverview
Dennis Green, Harbor Springs
Dene Hadden, South Haven (MASSP)
Mary Walter, Traverse City
Judy Hehs, Bloomfield Hills
Tom Kudwa, Ludington

Carl Latora, Portage Northern
Jerry Murphy, Rochester (MHSTCA)
Curtis Partee, Dowagiac
Linda Siebold, Lansing
Meg Seng, Ann Arbor
Dwayne Teusink, Holland (Advisory)
Deb VanKuiken, Holly (MIAAA)

Members Absent:

Phyllis Lightvoet, Kalamazoo
Dan Matusiewicz, Muskegon

Staff Member Present:

Gina Mazzolini (Recorder)

The 2003-2004 MHSAA Tennis Committee met on Thursday, Jan. 8, 2004 in the MHSAA office. After introductions, the committee was reminded of its responsibility and the process for changing rules.

PROPOSALS FROM MHSTECA

1. Increase the number of seeds allowed at the MHSAA Final to a minimum of six.

The committee proposes that the Final Seeding Committee should have an option of seeding up to six players per flight if deemed appropriate. (This is different than the USTA seeding of one seed per four players.)

2. Mandate Tennis Rules Meetings every year instead of the current practice of every other year. This motion was defeated 20-0, however, there were suggestions on other ways in which to help new coaches.
3. Decrease the number of points to ten for the additional qualifier in a draw of eight.

The committee proposed that the number of points for an additional qualifier in a draw of eight be lowered to 10 from 13. Earning ten points would make the percentage of total matches won 17.8%, more in line with the requirement for a draw of 16 (15%).

4. At Regionals and Finals, two schools cannot draw each other more than twice in their first match competition in all flights. The committee proposed the change in current wording from first round to first match competition so the committee will chart the opponent in matches played after byes. In effect, the schools then would truly play each other no more than twice.
5. Limit the size of a Regional to a maximum of eight teams. The committee proposed to decrease the size of Regionals to a maximum of eight teams per region. After much discussion, including concerns expressed by final managers, the proposal was defeated.

DEFINITIONS

The committee reviewed and concurred with the following definitions:

Start of play - Defined in two categories:

1. Non-umpired match - when the first serve is hit
2. Umpired match - when the umpire says "Play"

In a dual match, competition begins when the first serve in any flight is hit.

A tournament will count as a competition for every participating school when any match of the tournament begins, whether or not the school's player is involved in that first match.

JUNIOR HIGH/MIDDLE SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING

East Lansing, January 13, 2004

Members Present:

Jeff Cable, Marshall
Bill Chilman, Sanford
Joe Clay, Detroit
Terri Clock, Muskegon
Keith Eldred, Williamston
Paul Ellinger, Cheboygan
Ray Freeze, Bath
Joe Haines, Grand Rapids
Linda Jarkey, Sterling Heights (MASSP)
Kay Johnson, Morenci
Thomas Mecsey, Bloomfield Hills (MIAAA)

Chuck Miller, Jackson
Linda Meyers, Morley
Jim Nielsen, Muskegon
James Okler, Grosse Ile
Dennis Powers, Greenville
David Reeves, Traverse City
Ken Szczepanski, Hopkins
Tom Thompson, Saginaw
Robert Wright, Sand Creek

Staff Member Present:

Randy Allen (Recorder)

The MHSAA Junior High/Middle Schools Committee met in the MHSAA Office Building to review topics suggested for discussion by the MHSAA Staff and review regulations and possible changes brought to the attention of the committee by the membership.

Prior to discussion of specific topics, committee members were made aware of the purpose of committee meetings and reviewed the minutes and recommendations of the 2003 meeting.

UPDATE MEETING SURVEY

The committee reviewed survey results from the 2003 Update Meetings as it related to contest maximums for member junior high/middle schools. The data did not support increases in contests, but there was support for having contest maximums in sports not currently limited by the MHSAA at the junior high/middle school level, including bowling, skiing, hockey and gymnastics. With bowling being a new sport, and lacrosse being added as an MHSAA tournament sport in 2004-05, the committee took no action on the topic. The committee felt more information was needed on the subject and asked that member junior high/middle schools be surveyed for more accurate data on specific sports being sponsored

HANDBOOK REVIEW

Several *MHSAA Handbook* Regulations were reviewed. The committee reinforced the value of Regulation I, Section I (D)

allowing use of 7-8 grade students at the high school level under certain circumstances for schools with small enrollments. Also discussed were regulations regarding practice limitations, competition with sub-varsity teams, age and grade requirements and multiple tournament entries. No action was taken on the items as the committee agreed current regulations were appropriate.

GENERAL DISCUSSION

It was reported that the 2004 MHSAA Sportsmanship Summits would be conducted on a regional basis and would include an emphasis on junior high/middle schools issues and student involvement. The MHSAA will also target junior high/middle schools in its alternate year Sportsmanship Mini-Grant program. Content for workshops at the 2004 MIAAA Winter Conference was discussed.

RECOMMENDATION TO THE REPRESENTATIVE COUNCIL

1. The MHSAA shall conduct a survey of all member and non-member junior high/middle schools in Michigan to ascertain the following information:
 - a. Reasons why schools choose not to be MHSAA members.
 - b. Determine how many games and what length of season non-member schools follow.
 - c. Sports sponsored, degree of affiliation and club sports each member schools
- (20-0 in favor) ■

2003 UPDATE MEETING SURVEY RESULTS

All Meetings

1. Do you favor equal divisions of MHSAA Tournament Play in the following sports:
Boys and Girls Basketball (4 equal divisions) **Yes 527 (71.1%) No 214 (28.9%)**
Girls Volleyball (4 equal divisions) **Yes 546 (73.4%) No 198 (26.6%)**
Girls Competitive Cheer (3 equal divisions) **Yes 568 (79.3%) No 148 (20.7%)**
Boys and Girls Skiing (2 equal divisions) **Yes 553 (79.3%) No 144 (20.7%)**
5. Do you favor rally scoring to 25 points in volleyball (a point is scored at the end every rally, not just when the serving team wins the rally)?
Yes 588 (80.1%) No 146 (19.9%)
6. Do you favor a change from best 2-of-3 matches to the best 3-of-5 matches in the MHSAA Volleyball Tournament even if such requires a weeknight and a Saturday for some District Tournaments and earlier starting times for Semifinals on Thursday and Friday?
Yes 315 (43.2%) No 414 (56.8%)
7. Do you favor the use of three umpires (now two) in all games at the Regional level of the MHSAA Baseball and Softball Tournaments?
Yes 417 (56.7%) No 319 (43.3%)
8. Do you favor the use of three umpires (now two) in all games at the District level of the MHSAA Baseball and Softball Tournaments?
Yes 272 (36.8%) No 468 (63.2%)
9. Do you favor the use of four umpires (now three) at the Semifinals and/or Finals of the MHSAA Baseball and Softball Tournaments?
Yes 277 (37.5%) No 461 (62.5%)
10. MHSAA postseason Baseball and Softball District Tournaments currently allow a Friday option for the semifinal and final games if all schools agree. Do you favor allowing a Friday option for Regional Tournaments?
Yes 555 (75.5%) No 180 (24.5%)
11. Do you favor an increase from 12 to 15 in the contest maximum for junior high/middle school basketball?
Yes 218 (29.9%) No 512 (70.1%)
12. Do you favor an increase from 12 to 15 in the contest maximum for junior high/middle school soccer?
Yes 171 (23.7%) No 550 (76.3%)
13. Do you favor an increase from 12 to 15 in the maximum number of days of competition for junior high/middle school volleyball?
Yes 200 (27.4%) No 531 (72.6%)
14. Do you favor an increase from 10 to 12 in the maximum number of days of competition for junior high/middle school baseball and softball?
Yes 210 (29.2%) No 508 (70.8%)
15. Do you favor an increase from six to seven in the contest maximum for junior high/middle school football?
Yes 220 (30.8%) No 494 (69.2%)
16. Do you favor establishing limits of competition for teams and individuals at the junior high/middle school level in the sports of hockey, bowling, gymnastics, golf and skiing?
Yes 565 (78.8%) No 152 (21.2%)
17. Would you like to see more 6- or 8-person tackle football played at the sub-varsity level?
Yes 195 (27.3%) No 518 (72.7%)
18. Do you favor changing the structure of the MHSAA Hockey Tournament to begin with a District level prior to the Regional level?
Yes 304 (45.3%) No 367 (54.7%)

19. Although National Federation basketball rules permit a coaching box of up to 14 feet long, the limit in MHSAA member schools is six feet. Do you favor a longer coaching box?
Yes 330 (45.0%) No 404 (55.0%)
20. MHSAA postseason wrestling tournaments require the shoulder-to-shoulder weigh-in (not "home weigh-in"). Do you favor eliminating the option to conduct home weigh-ins during the regular season?
Yes 231 (32.7%) No 476 (67.3%)
21. Do you favor a policy (similar to other MHSAA sports) that limits sideline cheerleading squads to no more than three days of competition during the year, August 1 through July 31? (If there is to be more than three days of competition, then all the competition must be MHSAA Competitive Cheer in the winter season.)
Yes 524 (74.9%) No 176 (25.1%)
22. Do you believe that limits on travel for competition which apply to the Competitive Cheer team should apply to sideline cheerleading squads even if no member of the Competitive Cheer team is also on the sideline cheerleading squad?
Yes 502 (71.7%) No 198 (28.3%)
23. Do you believe that prohibitions on school transportation and uniforms for out-of-season camps and competition should be applied to sideline cheer squads if the school sponsors MHSAA Competitive Cheer?
Yes 587 (82.4%) No 125 (17.6%)
24. Do you favor the establishment of a fourth division of the MHSAA Competitive Cheer Tournament exclusively for programs in their first or second year of MHSAA Competitive Cheer? It would consist of two rather than three rounds or have reduced options within the three rounds.
Yes 284 (41.8%) No 395 (58.2%)
25. Does your school district prohibit spectators with bare painted chests or midribs at indoor events?
Yes 387 (53.3%) No 339 (46.7%)
26. Current rules permit a member school to enter only one team in the MHSAA tournament for a sport each season. Do you favor eliminating that limit and allowing a school to enter more than one team in the same MHSAA tournament?
Yes 77 (10.4%) No 664 (89.6%)
27. Do you favor a reduction from 15 to 10 in the number of days when coaches may coach in competition during the summer more than the following number of students in grades 7 through 12 of their school district: soccer (7), basketball (3), volleyball (3), ice hockey (3), football (7)?
Yes 344 (47.1%) No 387 (52.9%)
28. Current policies require a physical examination administered on or after April 15 prior to the school year of participation. Do you favor a later date (return to May 15 or even later)?
Yes 314 (42.8%) No 419 (57.2%)
29. Current policies require a physical examination administered on or after April 15 prior to the school year of participation. Do you favor a policy that allows participation within 365 days of the most recent physical?
Yes 305 (41.9%) No 423 (58.1%)

Respondents By Title	Respondents By Classification
67 Superintendents (8.7%)	223 Class A (28.9%)
235 Principals (30.5%)	236 Class B (30.6%)
392 Athletic Directors (50.8%)	191 Class C (24.8%)
7 Coaches (0.9%)	91 Class D (11.8%)
17 Board Members (2.2%)	27 Jr High/Middle (3.5%)

TOTAL SURVEYS RECEIVED = 771

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