# MICHIGAN HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION, INC. VOLLEYBALL COMMITTEE MEETING

East Lansing, December 1, 2009

Members Present:

Lynette Angood, Portage Lindsay Blackmer, Hartford Mindy Breault, Bad Axe Curt Ellis, Novi Vicky Groat, Battle Creek Barbara Hurand, Flint Dawn Jaqua, Portage Tim Kluka, Allen Park Alana Kooi, Jenison Doug Long, Elsie Ellen Perry, Rudyard John Robinson, Dexter Jennifer Thunberg, Pinconning Patricia Vandeventer, Brooklyn Betty Wroubel, Pontiac

Staff Member Present: Gina Mazzolini (recorder)

The MHSAA Volleyball Committee met on Dec. 1, 2009 at the MHSAA office in East Lansing. The committee was reminded of its responsibility and of the process for rule changes.

### PROPOSALS FROM MIVCA

- 1. Adopt the grey, white and blue volleyball for all post-season matches beginning in the fall of 2010.
- 2. During regular season play, a school team may use a solid white volleyball or the grey, white and blue volleyball.
- 3. Modify the pre-match protocol for post-season matches and encourage member schools to use it all season long.

Protocol: Immediately after timed warm-ups, each team reports to the appropriate end line. Pre-match activities begin: National Anthem then Introduction of Players

After introductions and the National Anthem, R1 whistles and motions (first) the captains and then the rest of the team, to go to the net. After the handshake, the non-starters go to the team bench. The starters go to their starting positions on the court. The R2 checks the line ups for each team and then gives the set to the R1.

## **NFHS PROPOSED CHANGES**

- 1. The second referee will no longer be required to signal for net serve. (This will be sent to the NFHS for consideration.)
- 2. Libero uniform top. No rule change was approved but a suggestion was made to make the uniform top and what is allowed, a Point of Emphasis for the 2010 season.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

- 1. Allow seeding at the District Tournament. Determine the top 2 teams and place them in opposite halves of the bracket. Use a list of criteria to determine the seeds; head to head competition, common opponents and strength of schedule. If no team in the district distinguishes itself no seeding (random draw). In addition, change the district draw date to no earlier than 2 weeks prior to the district start date.
- 2. Modify the restrictions on the coach during or in preparation for the 3 (or 4) player limitation period. Allow the school coach to facilitate and direct out-of-season activity. Maintain the 3-player limitation under one roof for practice but eliminate the 3-player limitation under one roof for competition.

## **DISCUSSION ITEMS - NO ACTION**

- 1. Allow back-to-back competition days for one team (not both) at the district level.
- 2. Non-traditional draw
- 3. Student cheering sections
- 4. Limit the competition allowance
- 5. Head bands must be solid color and without adornment.

#### RECOMMENDATIONS FOR THE REPRESENTATIVE COUNCIL

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