



## 2018-19 WRESTLING COMMITTEE MINUTES

January 16, 2019 @ 9:30AM

### Members Present

Steve Baker; Grand Ledge  
RJ Boudro; Lowell  
Jeff Kline; Mt. Morris (MIAAA)  
Tony Greathouse; Brighton  
Chris Henderson; Lansing  
Tim Jones; Pine River  
Don McKenzie; Lincoln Park  
Casey Randolph; Clinton (MWA)  
Chris Riker; Portage  
Neil Szuch; Carleton

### Members Absent

Don Markel; Cass City  
Marty Mix; Onaway  
Steve Newkirk; Clare  
Vance Stratton; Niles

### Michigan Athletic Trainers Society Present

Ciecko, John

### MHSAA Staff Present

Sam Davis  
Dan Hutcheson (Recorder)

## INTRODUCTION & PURPOSE

The MHSAA Wrestling Committee met on Jan. 16, 2019 in the MHSAA Office. The committee was reminded of its responsibility and the process for rule changes. The following items were discussed and action was taken.

## DISCUSSION ITEMS

The wrestling committee discussed MHSAA Finals locations and also reviewed the approved process utilized for Team Regional hosting.

Participation numbers (nationwide) were reviewed which lead to dialog pertaining to the current MHSAA weight classes, which differ from the NFHS. The group overwhelmingly supported the continued use of the current MHSAA weight classes. The group also discussed the need to promote and increase participation.

Committee members were supplied a handout explaining the new MHSAA transfer rule.

The potential MHSAA Sport Medicine Advisory Committee (SMAC) was discussed. The committee discussed various wrestling related topics (inspections, alpha weigh-ins, nutrition, hygiene, etc.) that a future SMAC could assist with in the future.

Communication protocol was reviewed. This protocol establishes lines of communication between coaches and their leadership, officials and their leadership, and communication between all parties involved.

The committee discussed various topics as it relates to officials. The conduct of coaches as it relates to officials interaction as well as recruitment of potential officials were addressed. The newly formed "Blue Book" which is the wrestling officials' mechanics book was shared.

Details of the girls wrestling tournament being conducted by the MWA was shared, reviewed and discussed. Information, data and a recap from the event will be shared with the MHSAA by the MWA leadership group promoting the event.

Staff shared the idea of possible guidelines and future proposals to help programs with liability issues with out of season training, mainly in regards to Freestyle & Greco-Roman practices.

Committee members once again stressed the need for member coaches to submit team information into TrackWrestling in a timely manner.

### **STAFF RECCOMENDATIONS**

No staff recommendations at this time.

### **RECCOMENDATIONS TO THE REPRESENTATIVE COUNCIL**

None.