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*The Only Official Interpretations
Are Those Received In Writing*

ON THE COVER

Two of the upcoming MHSAA Finals set to take place are the Boys Soccer Finals at Bloomfield Hills and Lowell, Nov. 9, and the Lower Peninsula Girls Swimming & Diving Finals at Ann Arbor and Ypsilanti, Nov. 22-23. *Photos by 20/20 Photographic.*

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East Lansing, Sept. 13, 2002

We, whose signatures appear below, declare the following to be nominees for, or members elect of, the Representative Council or the Upper Peninsula Athletic Committee of the Michigan High School Athletic Association, Inc., as a result of ballots received in accordance with the provisions of Article IV, Section 6, of the Constitution, or as authorized by the Upper Peninsula Athletic Committee at its meeting on Oct.3, 1941.

REPRESENTATIVE COUNCIL

NORTHERN SECTION -

CLASS A AND B SCHOOLS (#1)

Total number of legal ballots received 40
Peter Ryan, Saginaw 21
Brian Zdanowski, Greenville 19
Illegal or incomplete ballots received 7
Elected by majority of votes - Peter Ryan

SOUTHWESTERN SECTION -

CLASS A AND B SCHOOLS (#2)

Total number of legal ballots received 51
Michael S. Shibley, Rockford 51
Illegal or incomplete ballots received 2
**Elected by majority of votes -
Michael S. Shibley**

SOUTHEASTERN SECTION -

CLASS A AND B SCHOOLS (#3)

Total number of legal ballots received 67
Eric C. Federico, Gibraltar 67
Illegal or incomplete ballots received 1
**Elected by majority of votes -
Eric C. Federico**

UPPER PENINSULA -

CLASS C AND D SCHOOLS (#4)

Total number of legal ballots received 37
Donald J. Byczek, Norway 5
James Derocher, Negaunee 17
Don Gustafson, St. Ignace 14
Paul N. Price, Republic 1
Illegal or incomplete ballots received 0
**No majority - Names of James Derocher
and Don Gustafson submitted to schools**

NORTHERN SECTION -

CLASS C AND D SCHOOLS (#5)

Total number of legal ballots received 47
William D. Newkirk, Sanford-Meridian . . . 47

Illegal or incomplete ballots received 3

Elected by majority of votes -

William D. Newkirk

STATEWIDE AT-LARGE (#6)

Total number of legal ballots received . . . 428
Scott Grimes, Grand Haven 288
Gary W. Langdon, Clio 140
Illegal or incomplete ballots received 27
Elected by majority of votes - Scott Grimes

JUNIOR HIGH/MIDDLE SCHOOLS (#7)

Total number of legal ballots received . . . 121
Keith Eldred, Williamston 121
Illegal or incomplete ballots received 9
Elected by majority of votes - Keith Eldred

PRIVATE AND PAROCHIAL

HIGH SCHOOLS (#8)

Total number of legal ballots received 65
Tom Rashid, Detroit 65
Illegal or incomplete ballots received 1
Elected by majority of votes - Tom Rashid

UPPER PENINSULA ATHLETIC COMMITTEE

ATHLETIC COACH (#9)

Total number of legal ballots received . . . 41
Paul Polfus, Carney 41
Illegal or incomplete ballots received 1
Elected by majority of votes - Paul Polfus

CLASS D SCHOOLS (#10)

Total number of legal ballots received . . . 23
Joe Reddinger, Iron Mountain 10
Randy E. Schaedig, Cedarville 7
Leon Sutherland, Ontonagon 6
Illegal or incomplete ballots received 0
**No majority - Names of Joe Reddinger and
Randy E. Schaedig submitted to schools**

BOARD OF CANVASSERS (Signed)

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Schools
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Dame Preparatory School
Roger Rush, Athletic Director, Leroy-Pine
River HS
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OFFICIAL REPORT OF SECOND MEETING OF THE BOARD OF CANVASSERS

East Lansing, Oct. 1, 2002

We, whose signatures appear below, declare the following to be nominees for, or members elect of, the Representative Council or the Upper Peninsula Athletic Committee of the Michigan High School Athletic Association, Inc., as a result of ballots received in accordance with the provisions of Article IV, Section 6, of the Constitution, or as authorized by the Upper Peninsula Athletic Committee at its meeting on Oct.3, 1941.

UPPER PENINSULA ATHLETIC COMMITTEE

CLASS D SCHOOLS

Total number of legal ballots received 25
Joe Reddinger, Iron Mountain 15
Randy E. Schaedig, Cedarville 10
Illegal or incomplete ballots received 0

Elected by majority of votes -

Joe Reddinger

REPRESENTATIVE COUNCIL

UPPER PENINSULA - CLASS C AND D SCHOOLS

Total number of legal ballots received 41
James Derocher, Negaunee 24
Don Gustafson, St. Ignace 17
Illegal or incomplete ballots received 0

Elected by majority of votes -

James Derocher

BOARD OF CANVASSERS (Signed)

Leon Olszamowski, Principal, Pontiac-Notre Dame Preparatory School

SPECIAL ELECTION WILL REPLACE JOHNSON

Norm Johnson, who began his service to the MHSAA Representative Council in 1985, gave notice in September that the Council's Dec. 6, 2002, meeting will be his last.

As a result, Class C and D schools of Southwest Michigan were notified that a special election will occur in November. Candidates had until Oct. 25 to notify the MHSAA office.

Special election ballots were mailed Nov. 1 and are due to be returned to the MHSAA by Nov. 15.

Scholar-Athlete Award Deadline Approaching!

Please remember that applications for the MHSAA Scholar-Athlete Award, sponsored by Farm Bureau Insurance, need to reach the MHSAA office by 4 p.m. EST on Dec. 6, 2002.

Applications are available **only** via the MHSAA Web site at **mhsaa.com** or on the MHSAA CD-ROM sent to schools in August.

Individual applications for the Scholar-Athlete Award must be completed and turned in to high school athletic directors by Nov. 25, so that they may forward the information to arrive in the MHSAA office by 4 p.m. EST on Dec. 6. Schools are required to submit all applicants in one packet along with the School Applicant List.

Each school is responsible for utilizing a delivery service that ensures that its applications arrive on time. The MHSAA is not responsible for delays caused by a school's choice of delivery service. No applications will be considered which arrive at the MHSAA office after the Dec. 6 deadline of 4 p.m.

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, September 17, 2002

Members Present:

Paul Ellinger, Cheboygan
Keith Eldred, Williamston
Tom Rashid, Detroit
Dan Flynn, Escanaba
Norm Johnson, Bangor

Staff Members Present:

Jack Roberts (Recorder)

Executive Committee Authority and Responsibility - The Executive Committee was reminded of 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 during regular season.

East Jordan High School (Regulation I, Section 1) - Request was made to waive the application deadline for winter sports cooperative agreements. Charlevoix has recently dropped its girls ski program and East Jordan may drop its boys ski program for lack of participants.

In order to help maintain programs that are

already planned for in the 2003 MHSAA Ski Tournaments, the Executive Committee granted the request until not later than Oct. 1, 2002.

Flint-International Academy of Flint (Regulation I, Section 1[D]) - A late request was made to waive this portion of the enrollment regulation and Interpretation No. 6 to permit the school to involve 8th-grade students in its 9-12 grade program. Because the school had only two grades in 2001-02 and was adding another grade in 2002-03, it was asked in Feb. 2002 to estimate its incoming 9th-grade enrollment. It estimated 64 9th-graders for a total of 148 students; actual enrollment is 51 9th-graders for a total of 87 students.

The Executive Committee noted that even if the actual number of 9th-graders (51) is substituted for the projected number (64), the school's enrollment for MHSAA tournament classification purposes would be 113, and that it would not be appropriate to revise February's figures for the other two grades when all other schools were using February figures for enrollment purposes. The request was denied.

Flint-Beecher and Hamady High Schools (Regulation I, Section 1[E]) - The Executive Committee approved a cooperative agreement in wrestling. Beecher has sponsored the sport previously and will be the primary school. The Genesee Area Conference has approved the application. The combined enrollment of 684 moves the program from Division 4 to 3 of the MHSAA Wrestling Tournaments.

Kingsford, Iron Mountain and Norway High Schools (Regulation I, Section 1[F]) - The Executive Committee approved a cooperative program in boys swimming and diving and girls swimming and diving between these three schools whose combined enrollment would be 1481 (largest in the UP tournament). None of the schools sponsored the sport previously. Kingsford will be the primary school. No league is involved.

Parma-Western High School (Regulation I, Sections 1, 8, 9) - During 2001-02, two students were allowed to participate in interscholastic athletics at Western High School who were not enrolled at Western, but taking courses at Jackson Career Center and at home. All contests in

which these students participated last year have been forfeited.

When this situation was discovered, the students enrolled at Western High School but they have continued to take courses only at the Jackson Career Center and at home. Western High School will accept the grades and credits from the Career Center where the students are full-time students, (35 credit hours). One of the students is taking three courses and the other four courses at home.

The Executive Committee confirmed that *Handbook* Interpretation No. 48 allows these student's participation this semester.

Grand Rapids-Baptist High School (Regulation I, Section 2) - A late request was made to permit three Sudanese students to participate beyond the limitations of the age regulation because the birth date given to them at the time they entered the U.S. was not accurate and bone x-rays estimate their maturity at less than their assigned age.

The Executive Committee denied the request for waiver, noting the special conditions by which the Sudanese refugees were made eligible initially and that if these students are allowed a special test to determine their maturity, many other students would make the same demand.

Dollar Bay High School (Regulation I, Sections 4 & 5) - A late request to waive the maximum semesters portions of the eligibility regulation was made on behalf of a student who attended Lake Linden-Hubbell last fall and participated with that school's football team through one scrimmage when the season was cancelled for lack of players. A week later, and three weeks before the fourth Friday after Labor Day, the student withdrew from school. He attended Dollar Bay High School for the second semester of the 2001-02 school year. At its Aug. 28, 2002 meeting, the Executive Committee denied the request for waiver. The matter was resubmitted with additional information.

The Executive Committee granted the request for waiver.

Grosse Pointe Woods-University Liggett High School (Regulation I, Sections 4 and 5) - A late request was made to waive the maximum semester's portions of the eligibility regulation on behalf of a student who repeated the 9th grade at University Liggett High School. It was alleged that serious

domestic problems harmed the student's academic performance when first in 9th grade. The student's academic record was sufficient to meet MHSAA eligibility requirements, but not to progress to 10th grade at Liggett.

Noting that the student has received grades and credits in the maximum number of semesters permitted all students, the Executive Committee denied the request for waiver.

Hesperia High School (Regulation I, Sections 7 & 9) - A late request to waive the previous semester record and transfer sections of the eligibility regulation was made on behalf of an 11th-grade student who is 16 years of age and was living on his own for about a year when he moved in with his aunt and uncle in Hesperia. During the past year, the student attended Spring Lake (twice) and Grand Haven High Schools. He didn't start the second semester until March 12 and failed to get credit for 20 hours for the semester.

The Executive Committee denied the request for waiver.

Allendale High School (Regulation I, Section 9[B]) - Request was made to waive the transfer regulation to permit eligibility only at the sub-varsity level on behalf of a 10th-grade student who attended an alternative school in the Zeeland School District for 9th grade and did not participate in school sports. He played as an ineligible student-athlete in JV football contests on September 5 and 12, 2002, which Allendale has forfeited.

The Executive Committee granted the request for waiver at the sub-varsity level only for the remainder of the first semester of the 2002-03 school year.

Bloomfield Hills-Brother Rice High School (Regulation I, Section 9[B]) - Request was made to waive the transfer regulation to permit eligibility only at the sub-varsity level on behalf of a 9th-grade student whose application to Brother Rice was rejected in February 2002. On Aug. 15, he applied to Brother Rice for a second time and interviewed on Aug. 19. He was accepted and began attending classes Aug. 28. He participated in football conditioning at West Bloomfield High School during the week of Aug. 12.

The Executive Committee granted the

request for waiver only at the sub-varsity level until the start of the second semester of the 2002-03 school year.

Bloomfield Hills-Cranbrook Kingswood High School (Regulation I, Section 9[B]) - Request was made to waive the transfer regulation to permit eligibility only at the sub-varsity level on behalf of a 10th-grade student who attended Cranbrook Kingswood for eight years, then a public school for 4 days when she tried out for tennis and made the JV team. She did not miss any classes at Cranbrook Kingswood.

The Executive Committee granted the request for waiver only at the sub-varsity level until the start of the second semester of the 2002-03 school year, provided the student did not participate in any interscholastic scrimmages or contests in any sport.

Bridgman High School (Regulation I, Section 9[C]) - Request to waive the transfer regulation was made to permit eligibility only in girls swimming & diving on behalf of a student who has transferred from St. Joseph-Lake Michigan Catholic to Bridgman, which are in a cooperative program in this sport with Three Oaks-River Valley and Stevensville-Lakeshore.

Noting that the student had not participated in the cooperative program and that the specific requirement of the regulation requires previous participation, the Executive Committee denied the request for waiver.

Cadillac High School (Regulation I, Section 9[D]) - A late request to waive the transfer regulation to permit eligibility after 90 school days was made on behalf of a 12th-grade student who enrolled April 11, 2002. He previously attended Manton High School where he played basketball for three seasons; but his family felt Cadillac offered some programs that better met his special needs.

The Executive Committee denied the request for waiver, failing to see a compelling reason for the transfer which occurred shortly after the basketball season.

Canton-Salem High School (Regulation I, Section 9[B]) - Request to waive the transfer regulation to permit eligibility only at the sub-varsity level was made on behalf of a 10th-grade student who last year attended Detroit Catholic Central High School where he did not participate in any interscholastic

scrimmage or contest.

The Executive Committee granted the request for waiver only at the sub-varsity level until the start of the second semester of the 2002-03 school year.

Caro High School (Regulation I, Section 9) - Request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of a student who has been placed in a foster home in the Vassar School District. However, the other children in the home attend Caro Schools. At its Aug. 9 meeting, the Executive Committee denied the request for waiver based on the limited information available. For the Aug. 28, 2002 meeting of the Executive Committee, this matter was resubmitted late with additional information including that the student was placed in the Vassar residence by Lutheran Child & Family Service after a two-year stay at Teen Ranch following an altercation in a previous foster home. Because some of the information was difficult to read and other information contained what appeared to be mistakes in dates, the Executive Committee denied the request for waiver.

The matter was resubmitted, clarifying that this is a 10th-grade student who attended Marlette Schools from November 2000 to June 2002 while residing at Teen Ranch. He was placed in a foster home in Vassar in May of 2002. Two other children in this home attend Caro Schools in grades 1 and 4.

The Executive Committee granted the request for waiver.

Comstock Park High School (Regulation I, Section 9[D]) - Request was made to waive the transfer regulation to permit eligibility after 90 school days of enrollment at Comstock Park for a 10th-grade student who enrolled March 4, 2002. The student played as an ineligible athlete in the school's first varsity football game which has been forfeited.

The Executive Committee granted the request for waiver effective with the student's 91st school day of enrollment at Comstock Park.

Dansville High School (Regulation I, Section 9) - A late request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of a foreign exchange student who has been placed with a host family in Leslie.

The community coordinator placing him is from Dansville and is the host father's moth-

er. Both parents are Dansville graduates and they plan to send their 10 month old daughter to Dansville Schools. Arrangements have been made with an 11th-grade neighbor to drive this student to and from school.

The Executive Committee denied the request for waiver.

Detroit-Holy Redeemer High School (Regulation I, Section 9) - Request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of a 12th-grade student who attended Holy Redeemer for 9th and 10th grades. During the summer before 11th grade, the student's father suffered a stroke and the student was needed to help run the family business which he could do while enrolled in the flexible schedule of Western International High School. The father is recovering and the student would like to return to Holy Redeemer where his two brothers attend.

The Executive Committee granted the request for waiver.

Detroit-Loyola High School (Regulation I, Section 9) - Request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of an 11th-grade student who attended Detroit-Redford High School in 2001-02. He was assaulted May 10 by a group including Redford students. Police and hospital reports are included.

The Executive Committee granted the request for waiver.

Detroit-Loyola High School (Regulation I, Section 9[D]) - Request was made to waive the transfer regulation to permit eligibility after 90 school days of enrollment at Loyola High School on behalf of an 11th-grade student who moved with his father from California to Michigan in early February 2002, taking up residence with the father's sister whose son attended Loyola. The student took the placement test on February 23 and attended classes February 25. The student attended Mumford High School from the time of his move to Michigan until enrolling at Mumford.

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

Freeland High School (Regulation I, Section 9) - A late request to waive the transfer regulation and Interpretation No. 71 was made on behalf of an 11th-grade student who

lives in Midland where she previously attended Midland Dow High School. The family's home is under construction and not due for completion until late October.

The Executive Committee denied the request for waiver.

Grand Rapids-Baptist High School (Regulation I, Section 9) - Request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of a 12th-grade student who last year attended Grant High School and this year has relocated with his family to the Grand Rapids area and enrolled at Baptist High School, which is not the closest nonpublic school to their residence. The student's father is an ordained Baptist minister.

The Executive Committee granted the request for waiver.

Grass Lake High School (Regulation I, Section 9) - Request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of an 11th-grade student who attended Grass Lake Schools from 1st through 10th grades. He enrolled at Brooklyn-Columbia Central High School, attended school one week and practiced with the soccer team but did not participate in any interscholastic scrimmages or contests.

The Executive Committee granted the request for waiver.

Holt High School (Regulation I, Section 9) - A late request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of a 12th-grade student who relocated in May from his mother in Muskegon to his aunt and uncle in Lansing (Holt School District). The student's father died of cancer when the student was 14. At its Aug. 28, 2002 meeting, the Executive Committee indicated that it failed to see a connection between the father's death several years ago and the current transfer or any other compelling reason for the transfer; and the request for waiver was denied. The matter has been resubmitted with additional information.

The Executive Committee granted the request for waiver.

Houghton High School (Regulation I, Section 9) - A late request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of a 12th-grade student who was living in California with his parents and four siblings until his father was recently jailed. The student's mother is unemployed. The student is living

with this married brother. At its August 28, 2002 meeting, the Executive Committee denied the request for waive on the basis of the limited, undocumented information available. The matter has been resubmitted with supporting documents.

The Executive Committee granted the request for waiver.

Jackson-Vandercook Lake High School (Regulation I, Section 9) - A late request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of a 10th-grade student who relocated from the residence of his mother to the residence of his grandparents, transferring from Jackson-Northwest High School, where he played football, to Vandercook Lake. It was indicated the student had been abusive to his mother and siblings. At its Aug. 28, 2002 meeting, the Executive Committee denied the request for waiver.

The matter has been resubmitted with the correction that this student did not participate in any football at Northwest High School.

The Executive Committee granted the request for waiver at the sub-varsity level only for the remainder of the first semester of the 2002-03 school year, provided the student participated in no sports (not just football) at Northwest High School.

Kalamazoo-Hackett Catholic Central High School (Regulation I, Section 9[B]) - Request to waive the transfer regulation to permit eligibly only at the sub-varsity level was made on behalf of a 9th-grade student who attended a Catholic Junior High School in Columbus, Ohio, before moving with her family to Portage this summer. She enrolled at Portage Central and practiced with the 9th-grade basketball team and attended 8 class days before enrolling at Hackett on September 9.

The Executive Committee granted the request for waiver only at the sub-varsity level until the start of the second semester of the 2002-03 school year.

Mason High School (Regulation I, Section 9[B]) - Request was made to waive the transfer regulation to permit eligibility only at the sub-varsity level on behalf of a 10th-grade student who last school year attended Holt-St. Matthew Lutheran High School, a non-MHSAA member school, where she participated in soccer and volleyball. She wishes to play JV tennis.

The Executive Committee reiterated the meaning of this Section that, for the sub-varsity eligibility provision, students shall not have participated in an interscholastic scrimmage or contest in any sport for which the MHSAA sponsors a postseason tournament, whether or not the student's school is an MHSAA member and whether or not the student's team played in the MHSAA tournament. The request for waiver was denied.

Mayville High School (Regulation I, Section 9) - Request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of a 12th-grade student who transferred to Lapeer Community High School during 11th grade for a course offering and support services providing pregnancy and child care. The student has reenrolled at Mayville.

The Executive Committee granted the request for waiver.

Okemos High School (Regulation I, Section 9) - Request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of a 12th-grade student who attended Okemos schools for grades 2 through 8 while living with this mother and four sisters. During the summer before 9th grade, the student relocated to the residence of his father who was working at the Pentagon. Shortly thereafter they relocated to Fort Bragg in North Carolina and the student attended 9th grade at a Department of Defense School (Albritton Junior High School), and he began 10th grade at Mossy Hill Classical. That winter, the student's father was transferred to Germany and the student attended a Department of Defense school there until the summer of 2002. When the student's parents divorced, his mother moved to East Lansing while her children remained in the Okemos schools where this student has also enrolled for 12th grade. The student's father has married a German woman.

The dates in the student's first letter are incorrect, or the student would be in his fifth year. The academic records show him at Massy Hill Classical for 9th grade, but the student maintains it was 10th grade. If not in his fifth year, this student would be eligible at East Lansing High School if an Educational Transfer Form were completed. The request was for eligibility at Okemos.

The Executive Committee noted its past practice of special considerations for students

whose parents are relocated by the US military and concurred that Okemos High School would be the most appropriate school for this student's attendance. The Executive Committee granted the request for waiver when the school is satisfied it has accurate enough records to confirm that the student has not exceeded eight semesters of enrollment since first enrolled in the 9th grade.

Pannonia Christian Educational Exchange (Regulation I, Section 9) - This organization is not listed by the Council on Standards for International Educational Travel (SCIET) because it places so few students (approximately four per year) that CSIET costs are prohibitive. At its August 19, 1999 meeting, the Executive Committee received the evaluation of MHSAA Assistant Director Gina Mazzolini, who is familiar with the evaluation criteria and processes of CSIET. She found that the organization exceeds some standards, meets most others and may be deficient in only two respects: (1) that it depends on the host community to provide funds to share expenses of airfare and spending money, and (2) it has no provision for repatriation of remains should the student die. The Executive Committee determined that Pannonia Christian Educational Exchange was approved for the 1999-00 school year only. The program was also approved on the same basis for 2000-01 and 2001-02. The request for 2002-03 has been received. The program has operated without problems for host families, schools and students.

The Executive Committee granted the request for waiver for the four students and four schools identified.

Powers-North Central High School (Regulation I, Section 9[B]) - Request was made to waive the transfer regulation to permit eligibility only at the sub-varsity level on behalf of a 9th-grade student who previously attended Carney-Nadeau where he did not participate in interscholastic athletics.

The Executive Committee granted the request for waiver only at the sub-varsity level until the start of the second semester of the 2002-03 school year.

Richland-Gull Lake High School (Regulation I, Section 9) - Request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of a 12th-grade student whose family has resid-

ed in Gull Lake, in Texas and the past three years in Mexico. The student, who is the son of an American citizen, has relocated to his aunt's residence in the Gull Lake district in order to complete high school and try to qualify for an American college.

The Executive Committee denied the request for waiver.

Roscommon High School (Regulation 1, Section 9) - Request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of a foreign exchange student who was placed by a CSIET listed program in a "temporary welcome family" in the Alpena school district before a more permanent placement with a host family in Roscommon. The student practiced with the cross country team and attended classes at Alpena High School before transferring to Roscommon.

The Executive Committee granted the request for waiver.

Traverse City Central High School (Regulation I, Section 9) - A late request was made to waive the transfer regulation on behalf of three students who previously attended Traverse City Christian High School for the expanded curricular and extracurricular offerings of Central High School.

The Executive Committee denied the requests for waiver.

Traverse City West High School (Regulation I, Section 9[C]) - A late request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of a 12th-grade student who attended Traverse City Area Schools from the start of 9th grade until January of 11th grade when she was withdrawn from Traverse City Central High School and home schooled. She has enrolled at Traverse City West High School. The student has participated in the cooperative program in swimming and diving of Traverse City Central, Traverse City West and Traverse City-St. Francis High Schools.

The Executive Committee denied the request for waiver on the basis of the limited information available.

Warren-Cousino High School (Regulation I, Section 9) - Request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of an 11th-grade student who attended Cousino last year. She attended Royal Oak-Kimball High School for the first two days of the 2002-03 school year and participated in no sports at Kimball.

The Executive Committee granted the request for waiver.

Warren Woods-Tower High School (Regulation I, Section 9[B]) - Request was made to waive the transfer regulation to permit eligibility only at the sub-varsity level on behalf of a 10th-grade student who attended 9th grade at Warren-Lincoln High School and did not participate in sports there.

The Executive Committee granted the request for waiver only at the sub-varsity level until the start of the second semester of the 2002-03 school year.

Armada High School (Regulation II, Section 10) - A late request was made to waive the maximum participation limits for basketball so that students could be available for two games in a day to help assure both the freshman and JV girls basketball teams can be sustained. There are 15 players available for the two teams.

The Executive Committee denied the request for waiver.

Atlantic Mine-E. B. Holman School (Regulation III, Section 1) - Request was made to waive the enrollment regulation and Interpretation No. 226 so that 6th-grade girls may practice with 7th and 8th-graders in basketball.

The Executive Committee granted the request for waiver.

New Member School - Pursuant to the MHSAA Constitution adopted by member schools and according to procedures for MHSAA membership as established by the Representative Council March 27, 1997, membership was approved for **Detroit-Star International/Universal Academies** at the junior high/middle school (International Academy) and high school (Universal Academy) levels. These are public school academies chartered by Oakland University. The high school has 110 students in grades 9 through 11 and intends to sponsor boys basketball and girls volleyball this school year.

Representative Council - The Executive Committee revised slightly and approved for submission to the Representative Council a second draft of policies regarding qualifications to serve on the Council.

Board Resolution - Pursuant to new SEC regulations, the advisor with whom the MHSAA works on the executive director's life insurance and deferred compensation

program has requested an updated resolution which the Executive Committee approved.

Next Meetings - The next meetings of the Executive Committee are as follows: Wednesday, Oct. 9, at 9 a.m. in East Lansing; Wednesday, Nov. 6, at 9 a.m. in East Lansing; Thursday, Dec. 5, at 9 a.m. in East Lansing or Mt. Pleasant (Representative Council next day in Mt. Pleasant); Wednesday, Jan. 22, at 9 a.m. in East Lansing (Classification Committee to follow

at 1 p.m.); Wednesday, Feb. 19, at 9 a.m. in East Lansing (Finance Committee to follow); Thursday, March 20, at 9 a.m. in East Lansing (Representative Council next day); Wednesday, April 16, at 9 a.m. in East Lansing (Finance Committee to follow); Saturday, May 3, at 6 p.m. in Gaylord (Representative Council Sunday-Tuesday); and Wednesday, June 4, at 9 a.m. in East Lansing. ■

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

East Lansing, October 9, 2002

Members Present:

Paul Ellinger, Cheboygan
Keith Eldred, Williamston
Tom Rashid, Detroit
Dan Flynn, Escanaba
Scott Grimes, Grand Haven

Staff Members Present:

Jack Roberts (Recorder)
John Johnson

Executive Committee Authority and Responsibility - The Executive Committee was reminded of 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 con-

stant 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 during regular season.

East Jordan and Charlevoix High Schools (Regulation I, Section 1[E]) - The Executive Committee approved a cooperative program in girls skiing and boys skiing. East Jordan will be the primary school for girls, Charlevoix for boys. Combined enrollment is 819.

Muskegon Western Michigan Christian and Muskegon Catholic Central High Schools (Regulation I, Section 1[E]) - Request was made to waive the application deadline for a cooperative agreement in track and field.

The Executive Committee granted the request for waiver until not later than Nov. 1, 2002.

Grand Rapids-Union and Grand Rapids-Ottawa Hills High Schools (Regulation I, Section 1[F]) - In order to benefit from a meeting on Sept. 19 when implementation of the new 3,500 enrollment limit would be discussed, the Executive Committee on Aug. 28 tabled until this meeting the request to add ice hockey to the cooperative agreement that already exists between these schools in girls gymnastics. Both schools sponsored the sport previously and the combined enrollment would be 3,554 which is projected to be much less than 3,500 in 2003-04. An additional letter was submitted outlining the planning that had occurred prior to the 3,500 student limit being imposed by the Representative Council in May.

Because of the planning and preparation that preceded the Council's action, the Executive Committee approved this agreement. It will be subject to the same review as existing cooperative programs that exceed 3,500 students.

St. Clair, St. Clair-Riverview East and Marine City High Schools (Regulation I, Section 1[F]) - In order to benefit from a meeting on Sept. 11 when alternative education eligibility issues would be discussed, the Executive Committee on Aug. 28 tabled until this meeting the request to add Riverview East to the cooperative agreement in ice hockey between St. Clair and Marine City; and to change the primary school from Marine City to St. Clair High School. These

are all schools of the East China School District. Riverview East is a new member school, the district's alternative school. The other schools' Enrollment Declaration Forms indicate alternative school students are not eligible at their base schools. The combined enrollment would increase by 130 students to 1,964 (Division 1). The team is referred to as East China Lightning and it is a member of the Michigan Prep Hockey League.

The Executive committee approved this agreement and requested that the school consider allowing all alternative education students the opportunity for interscholastic eligibility in the future if any are allowed to participate.

Bellevue High School (Regulation I, Section 9[D]) - Request to waive the transfer regulation to permit eligibility after 90 school days of enrollment at Bellevue High School was made on behalf of an 11th-grade student who attended Battle Creek-Lakeview High School prior to his enrollment Oct. 2 at Bellevue High School where his mother is a teacher.

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

Boyne City High School (Regulation I, Section 9) - Request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of a 12th-grade student who resides in the Vanderbilt School District and previously attended Boyne Concord Academy and did not participate in athletics.

The Executive Committee denied the request for waiver.

Dearborn Heights-Annapolis High School (Regulation I, Section 9) - Request was made to waive the transfer regulation to permit eligibility only at the sub-varsity level on behalf of a 10th-grade student who attended Annapolis High School as a 9th-grader when she participated in volleyball. She began the 2002-03 school year at Crestwood High School, attending two weeks and participating in no sports. She has returned to Annapolis High School.

The Executive Committee granted the request for waiver immediately and at whatever level the student is capable.

Detroit-Martin Luther King High School (Regulation I, Section 9) - Request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of an 11th-grade student who attended 9th grade and the start of 10th grade at

Martin Luther King High School. In October of 2001, his family moved to Arizona to care for the student's grandfather. In September of 2002, the student returned to Michigan with his father only.

The Executive Committee granted the request for waiver.

Dundee High School (Regulation I, Section 9) - Request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of a foreign exchange student placed with a host family that does not reside in the Dundee school district but whose children attend Dundee schools.

The Executive Committee denied the request for waiver.

Edwardsburg High School (Regulation I, Section 9) - Request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of a foreign exchange student who stayed with the exchange program host in the Niles-Brandywine school district and attended high school there until a host family was located in the Edwardsburg school system where it was always intended this student would attend high school. Local policy prohibited attendance until he resided in the Edwardsburg district.

The Executive Committee granted the request for waiver.

Flint--Carman-Ainsworth High School (Regulation I, Section 9) - Request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of a 10th-grade student who has been sent by his mother in Alabama to his aunt in Flint. Two other children were sent to live with this student's grandmother in Detroit; a fourth sibling remains in Alabama.

The Executive Committee denied the request for immediate eligibility on any level but granted waiver at the sub-varsity level only if the student has not previously participated in high school athletics.

Gibraltar-O. A. Carlson High School (Regulation I, Section 9[B]) - Request to waive the transfer regulation to permit sub-varsity eligibility was made on behalf of a student who previously attended Dearborn High School.

The Executive Committee granted the request for eligibility only at the sub-varsity level provided this student is in the 9th or 10th grade and has not participated in a scrimmage or contest since first enrolling in the 9th grade.

Grand Haven High School (Regulation

I, Section 9) - Request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of an 11th-grade student who has relocated from the residence of his mother in Evart to the residence of his father in Grand Haven. The parents were never married but an otherwise completed Educational Transfer Form is submitted with child support records.

The Executive Committee granted the request for waiver.

Litchfield High School (Regulation I, Section 9) - At the Aug. 28, 2002 Executive Committee meeting, request to waive the transfer regulation was made by Quincy High School on behalf of an 11th-grade student who previously attended Litchfield High School. The student and parents continue to reside in the Litchfield School District. They had been harassed by a student at Litchfield High School who violated a personal protection order which had been modified to allow both student and perpetrator to attend and participate in Litchfield High School activities. The Executive Committee granted the request for waiver. After a brief period of time at Quincy High School, when she did not participate in interscholastic competition, the student re-enrolled at Litchfield High School.

The Executive Committee granted the request for waiver.

Owosso High School (Regulation I, Section 9) - Request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of a 10th-grade student who attended Owosso High School during 9th grade. He started 10th grade at Owosso, attended Corunna High School for 3 days in September and re-enrolled at Owosso on Sept. 30.

The Executive Committee granted the request for waiver.

Rochester Hills-Lutheran High School Northwest (Regulation I, Section 9) - Request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of two students (10th grade and 12th grade) who did not previously participate in high school athletics, but Lutheran High School Northwest does not sponsor sub-varsity level football. Finding no compelling reason for the transfers, the Executive Committee denied the request for waiver at its Aug. 28, 2002 meeting. Each matter was resubmitted with additional information. The 10th-grader previously attended Bible Truth Christian Academy in Romeo which has not sponsored sports. The 12th-grader previous-

ly attended Bethany Christian School in Troy which refuses enrollment to students who do not attend churches compatible with its practices.

The Executive committee denied the request for waiver for each student.

Rochester High School (Regulation I, Section 9[B]) - Request to waive the transfer regulation to permit eligibility only at the sub-varsity level was made on behalf of a 10th-grade student who attended Notre Dame Preparatory School in 2001-02 where he did not participate in athletics.

The Executive Committee granted the request for waiver at the sub-varsity level only for the first semester of the 2002-03 school years.

Rudyard High School (Regulation I, Section 9) - Request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of an 11th-grade student who for most of his life has lived with his mother in his grandparent's house and attended Rudyard High School. Last fall he relocated with his mother, who had remarried, to Manistique where he attended high school and participated in wrestling. In July 2002, the student's mother moved to Petoskey and the student has returned to his grandparent's residence in Rudyard.

The Executive Committee granted the request for waiver with the condition that this student would not be eligible immediately under Exception No. 2 of the transfer regulation if he should relocate to a parent's residence.

Tawas Area High School (Regulation I, Section 9) - Request was made to waive the transfer regulation on behalf of a 12th-grade student who began the 2002-03 school year at Burton-Bendle High School where he lived with his mother and did not participate in athletics. He has returned to the residence (grandparents) and school (Tawas) he attended in 2001-02.

The Executive Committee granted the request for waiver with the condition that this student would not be eligible immediately under Exception No. 2 of the transfer regulation if he should relocate to a parent's residence.

Tecumseh High School (Regulation I, Section 9[D]) - Request to waive the transfer regulation to permit eligibility after 90 school days of enrollment was made on behalf of a student who enrolled at Tecumseh High

School on April 9, 2002.

The Executive Committee denied the request for waiver.

Westland-John Glenn High School (Regulation I, Section 9) - Request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of an 11th-grade student who previously attended Battle Creek-Central High School. He has relocated from the residence of his father to the residence of his uncle.

The Executive Committee denied the request for waiver on the basis of the limited information available.

Westland-John Glenn High School (Regulation I, Section 9) - Request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of a student who has relocated with her grandmother from the Czech Republic where the student's parents live in separate cities.

The Executive Committee denied the request for waiver on the basis of the limited information available.

Wyoming Tri-unity School (Regulation I, Section 9) - Request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of an 11th-grade student who attended Tri-Unity Christian School through 7th grade, was home schooled for a year and then attended Grandville Public Schools for 9th and 10th grades. He was a victim of a hazing incident in the early fall of 2001.

The Executive Committee granted the request for waiver.

Clarkston High School (Regulation II, Section 10 and 11[H] and Regulation V, Section 4[D]) - Request was made to waive the forfeiture requirement for the participation of a student in a varsity football game who also had played in a junior varsity football game two days earlier that had been terminated in the first quarter due to lightning.

The Executive Committee reviewed the language of *Handbook* Regulation II, Section 10(A) 4 which limits a student to competing in not more than one game of interscholastic football in five consecutive days; Interpretation No. 183 which states that participation in any part of a contest constitutes competition in a game; Regulation II, Section 11 (H) which states a terminated event counts as a game; and Regulation V, Section 4(D) which requires forfeiture of a football game when the limitations of Regulation II are exceeded. The Executive Committee also discussed previous applications of policy and if there were different applications that could

still preserve the integrity of the rules involved. Noting that the rule is clear and evenhandedly applied, the Executive Committee denied the request for waiver.

Hillsdale Academy (Regulation III, Section 1) - Request was made to waive the enrollment regulation and specifically Interpretation No. 225 so that 6th-graders may participate in junior high sports. Hillsdale Academy has been in a cooperative program with Hillsdale-Davis Middle School in 7 junior high sports. It has not operated in several years and has recently been dissolved.

The Executive Committee granted the request for waiver for the 2002-032 school year only.

Boys Basketball Site Selection - The Boys Basketball Site Selection Committee on Sept. 23, 2002, adopted the recommendation that in Region 8 of Class A there be geographic pairings for the semifinals and a neutral site for the finals.

The Executive Committee approved the recommendation for the 2003 tournament and requested that the Girls Basketball Site Selection Committee consider the same plan if school classifications remain the same in 2003-04.

Volleyball Site Selection - The Girls Volleyball Site Selection Committee on Sept. 17, 2002, adopted the recommendation that staff be allowed to seek an alternative site for Quarterfinals if extreme travel would be required.

The Executive Committee approved the recommendation for the 2003 tournament and requested that the Representative Council review this matter after the 2003 tournament.

Ice Hockey Overtime - The Ice Hockey Committee on Sept. 10, 2002, adopted the recommendation that regular season weekend and/or holiday tournaments involving four or more schools be allowed to use the MHSAA tournament overtime procedures to determine a winner for advancement purposes. Local tournament management would be allowed to set a maximum number of overtime periods. The overtime procedure would not be allowed for tournament using total goals to determine advancement. Currently, regular season games are limited to one overtime and then a tie is declared, and if still a tie, advancement would be determined by local management using coin flip or statistic (e.g. shots on goal, penalty minutes).

The Executive Committee approved the recommendation that in multi-school tournaments held during holidays and other days not followed by school days, any number of up to 8-minute, sudden-death overtime periods may be allowed.

Sports Seasons Compliance Plan - The Executive Committee discussed options and procedures for finalizing and submitting the Compliance Plan to the US District Court in Kalamazoo by Oct. 30, 2002.

Representative Council - The Executive Committee reviewed the draft agenda for Dec. 6, 2002 meeting in Mt. Pleasant.

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

Walker-West Michigan Academy of Environmental Science; a grade 9-11 charter school with 65 students that intends to offer cross country, soccer, golf, tennis and track and field.

Detroit-Marilyn F. Lundy Academy; a public school academy chartered by Wayne County Regional Educational Services Agency. It as 47 students in grades 9 and 10 and intends to sponsor boys basketball, girls volleyball, and boys and girls track and field.

Saline-Washtenaw Christian Academy, a 25-year old non-public school now with 58 students in grades 9-12 which expects to sponsor boys and girls basketball, volleyball, baseball, softball and boys soccer.

Next Meetings - The next meetings of the Executive Committee are as follows: Wednesday, Nov. 6, at 9 a.m. in East Lansing; Thursday, Dec. 5, at 9 a.m. in East Lansing (Representative Council next day in Mt. Pleasant); Wednesday, Jan. 22, at 9 a.m. in East Lansing (Classification Committee to follow at 1 p.m.); Wednesday, Feb. 19, at 9 a.m. in East Lansing (Finance Committee to follow); Thursday, March 20, at 9 a.m. in East Lansing (Representative Council next day); Wednesday, April 16, at 9 a.m. in East Lansing (Finance Committee to follow); Saturday, May 3, at 6 p.m. in Gaylord (Representative Council Sunday-Tuesday); and Wednesday, June 4, at 9 a.m. in East Lansing. ■

UPPER PENINSULA ATHLETIC COMMITTEE MEETING

Escanaba, Sept. 20, 2002

Members Present:

Keith Alto, Newberry
Russ Bailey, Ewen-Trout Creek
Don Edens, Kingsford
Dan Flynn, Escanaba
Paul Polfus, Carney-Nadeau
Joe Reddinger, North Dickinson

MHSAA Representative:

Jerry Cvengros (Recorder)

GIRLS BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT

Officials were selected for District and Regional tournament games played in the Upper Peninsula. 38 officials were selected from an available pool of 44. Robert Lee of St. Ignace was selected to work an MHSAA Final game and Paul Jandron of Negaunee will officiate in the Semifinals. In addition, Lee and Jandron will work at the Quarterfinals and Doug Schupp and Dennis Chartier will also be assigned if a Class D Quarterfinal game is played at Escanaba.

The following schedule was approved for Regional games at MTU-Houghton:

Monday, Nov. 25 - Class D
(two games, single session-6 & 8 p.m.)
Tuesday, Nov. 26 - Class C
(two games, single session-6 & 8 p.m.)
Wednesday, Nov. 27 - Class C 6 p.m.
(one game, single session)
Class D 8 p.m. (one game, single session)

BOYS BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT

Sites were selected for the 2003 Boys Basketball Tournament as follows:

Class A - Assigned to Lower Peninsula District site

Class B - Four-team district tournament assigned to Gladstone

Class C - District sites were assigned to Newberry, Ishpeming-Westwood, Houghton, and West Iron County

Class D - District sites assigned to DeTour, Engadine, Powers North Central, Crystal Fall Forest Park, Ewen-Trout Creek and Chassell

Regional tournaments 24 (Class C) and 32 (Class D) were assigned to Houghton-MTU in the second year of a two year agree-

ment. Regional 31 (Class D) will be held at Newberry.

Schedule for Regional games at MTU:

Thursday, March 13 - Class D

(single session, 6 & 8 p.m.)

Friday, March 14 - Class C

(single session, 6 & 8 p.m.)

Saturday, March 15 - Class C Noon

(one game, single session)

Class D 3 p.m. (one game, single session)

Quarterfinal 16 (Class D) will be played at Escanaba if Regional 31 winner is from the Upper Peninsula. If the Regional 31 winner is from the Lower Peninsula, the game will be played at Sault Ste. Marie.

Quarterfinal 12 (Class C) will be played at Cheboygan.

CROSS COUNTRY

The 2002 MHSAA Upper Peninsula Finals will be held at the Gladstone Golf Club on Saturday, October 19.

GOLF

2003 MHSAA Upper Peninsula Golf Finals for boys and girls will be held on Friday, May 30, at the following sites:

Division 1 - Escanaba

Division 2 - Norway

Division 3 - No Division 3 schools volunteered to host the 2003 Finals. MHSAA staff was directed to approach 2002 hosts Bark River-Harris for boys and Rock-Mid Peninsula for girls to host the Finals next spring.

GYMNASTICS

MHSAA staff was requested to contact Menominee High School regarding the 2003 UP Final meet.

HOCKEY

2003 Regional Assignments have been assigned to Marquette (Division 1) and Hancock (Division 3).

SKIING

2003 Regional sites will be selected at the MHSAA Ski Committee Meeting.

SWIMMING

MHSAA staff was directed to select the 2003 Final site based on school availability on Feb. 15, 2003.

TENNIS

Sites selected for UP Boys Finals scheduled for Friday, May 30, 2003, are Marquette (Division 1) and Ishpeming (Division 2).

TRACK AND FIELD

Kingsford High School will host the 2003 UP Finals for all Divisions (boys and girls) on Saturday, May 31. All times in the Finals will be recorded by automatic times and seeding for all races will be done as specified by the 2002-2003 National Federation track rules book.

Regional track sites will be selected by the committee at their January meeting, but concern was expressed by committee members regarding the availability of sites with approved pole vault landing pits. The committee will seek MHSAA staff advice regarding approved equipment. Regionals are scheduled for May 15, 16, or 17, 2003.

VOLLEYBALL

District and Regional sites were selected for the 2003 tournament.

Class A - Assigned to Lower Peninsula District site

Class B - Kingsford High School

Class C - District sites were assigned to: St. Ignace, Negaunee, Norway, and Ironwood.

Class D - Districts will be hosted by: Engadine, Rapid River, North Dickinson and Bessemer.

Regional Tournament 24 (Class C) will be held at Ishpeming, while Crystal Falls Forest Park will host Regional 32 (Class D).

District Tournaments are scheduled for

February 28 or March 1, 2003, while Regionals will be held on either March 7 or 8.

WRESTLING

MHSAA UP Individual Final Tournament will be held in Escanaba, Feb. 14-15, 2003. The committee agreed to follow the current two-day format using four mats, but adding a fifth official for the 2003 tournament. However, the committee requested MHSAA staff to advise them regarding the future administration of the UP tournament to coincide with procedures used in the Lower Peninsula individual tournaments. Concerns were expressed regarding the necessity of a two-day format and the procedures of wrestle-backs for third and fourth place.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

The committee had a lengthy discussion regarding the future site of the Class C and D Regional boys and girls basketball tournaments. Although the site has been determined for the 2002-2003 school year, there have been requests from various sources to make future changes, including the possibility of separating the tournaments and/or using high school as well as college facilities.

The committee directed MHSAA staff to survey both MTU-Houghton and NMU-Marquette regarding their willingness to host one class rather than two if the tournament is separated. There also is sentiment to survey UP Class C and D schools regarding their preferences for future tournaments. Also, if high school facilities are to be used, some determination of adequate facilities and willingness to host would have to be determined. MHSAA staff should decide the nature of questions to be addressed.

FUTURE MEETINGS

The committee will meet on Friday, Jan. 17, 2003 in Escanaba at the Pioneer Motor Inn.

The final committee meeting for the 2002-03 school year will be in Escanaba on Friday, April 4, 2003 in conjunction with the UP Athletic Directors spring meeting. ■

FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

NOT MERELY A SEA CHANGE

"The biggest change of direction from the previous plan is in the area of national events. The subcommittee has suggested consideration of several events that would emphasize and accentuate the national presence of the organization and provide a platform to promote its mission. The subcommittee recognized that national events for high school athletes and activities participants are already fixtures in the modern world. Consequently, the subcommittee believed it is the responsibility of the NFHS and its member state associations to engage themselves in these events, thereby furthering the status of the NFHS and its members as the caretakers of high school sports." - *From the Introduction of the National Presence Subcommittee to the 2002-2005 Strategic Plan of the National Federation of State High School Associations*

How **dares** these people tell us that it is the "responsibility" of the membership of the Michigan High School Athletic Association to engage in national events at all, much less for the unflattering purpose of "furthering the status of the NFHS and its members."

Among the five reasons that the subcommittee agreed there is a strong need for a national presence for the NFHS are these:

- "There is great value in preserving a distinction in the public mind between high school sports, which emphasize participation, and major college and professional sports, which by their very nature are exclusionary."

However, if the National Federation intends to embark upon national competition, it will **not** "preserve a distinction in the public mind" but will duplicate major college and professional sports and their "exclusionary nature."

- "State associations benefit from having a publicly recognized source of support and

authority for their sometimes unpopular educational duty to enforce fair rules, limits and consequences."

However, if the National Federation embarks upon national events, it will be **unable** to assist state associations in the support of their sometimes unpopular educational duty to enforce fair rules, limits and consequences, because the National Federation itself will have **exceeded** reasonable limits. The National Federation becomes like an obsessed coach or parent.

The National Presence Subcommittee includes among its recommended tactics for developing and marketing high school athletics/activities programs on a national scale, the following:

"7. Explore proposals for national championship events, such as cross country, golf, cheer, bowling and debate.

"9. Explore establishment of national invitational tournaments during the playing season in various sports."

These **activities** of the National Federation would be so much at odds with the **philosophies** historically espoused by the National Federation for educational athletics that the National Federation would become even more of a **non-player** in the promotion of healthy interscholastic athletic programs in America. Or worse, the National Federation would convert from ally to adversary, contradicting even its own *Handbook* statements, including these:

". . . the membership is pledged to keep school-sponsored contests in perspective as a part of the total educational program at the local, conference, district and state levels." (p. 19)

"THIS ACTION CONCERNING NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS (that they may not be sanctioned) was the result of sentiment on the part of high school administrators that the high schools are provided with enough competition by their own leagues and state associations. If more competition were

desired, it would be an easy matter for such leagues or state association to prolong the season or to arrange postseason games or to increase the number of tournaments." (pp. 26 & 27)

Ignoring the fact that it was formed in the 1920s to combat national high school events and that every vote the membership has ever taken on national high school championships has opposed national events, the National Federation Board of Directors in June approved the National Federation's endorsement of the Universal Cheerleading Association national competition in February.

The justification – besides \$350,000 a year for eight years – is that cheerleading is not everywhere considered to be a sport and, besides, the National Federation will not be conducting the competition, but merely endorsing it. Pretty fine distinctions for an organization with 80 years of opposition to national events. Distinctions that certainly deserved discussion and vote by the member state organizations that the national body was created to listen to and serve.

Meanwhile, it is only for a lack of financial backing that the National Federation has put a hold on its involvement in regional showcase basketball camps for boys in April and girls in July to which would be invited 20 or so players from each state for a NIKE or Adidas type event, it is hoped.

This is a sea change, a fundamental change in flow for the organization. This is a shift in philosophy and activity for our National Federation: catering to the elite athlete, investing time and money into elite athletics. This is every bit as "exclusionary" as the major college and professional sports programs from which the National Presence Subcommittee tried to distance the National Federation in its statement of needs.

All of this camp business was started as a result of problems within the NCAA and its concerns for unsavory elements affecting Division I men's college basketball. This initiative of the National Federation is intended to be a healthy alternative to existing camps, some of which are indeed unsavory.

However, by conducting elite camps we bring more, not less, credibility to the concept of elite camps and to all of the organizations, both healthy and unsavory, that are providing special attention to elite athletes. There is no dearth of special attention for elite athletes;

this initiative adds to it, eliminates none of it, and is in fact superfluous.

Moreover, another unintended consequence is that what is being done for basketball inevitably will be requested for football, soccer, ice hockey, baseball and many other sports. And state high school associations will have no way of justifying inactivity toward the elite athletes in these sports while lavishing attention on basketball players.

Then ultimately, state high school associations will find themselves spending as much time on interstate camps and championships for the most elite athletes as we now spend on in-state championships for thousands and thousands of students.

All of these developments together reveal without question a National Federation that in spite of all of its lofty language about educational athletics is taking us from educational to elite, from school year to year-round, from local JV and varsity to national.

The negative effects may be impossible for a single state or even a few states to ward off. The erosion of policy will follow the abandonment of philosophy.

National competition means national rules, and the lowest common denominator will prevail. Because some state high school associations have no transfer rule, we will have none. Because some state high school associations have no amateur rule, we will have none. Because some state high school associations have no out-of-season coaching limitations, we will have none. And on and on.

"The biggest change of direction from the previous plan"? It's a complete abandonment of the fundamentals of interscholastic athletics. So it's not merely a sea change; it's a devastating storm sending the ship of interscholastic athletics adrift, perhaps forever.

In this summer's popular new novel, [The Dive From Clausen's Pier](#) by Ann Packer, Kilroy says to the book's central character and narrator: "You think 'Well, I'll go along just to get along' - and next thing you know, you're somewhere you never wanted to be without a ticket back."

I won't go along just to get along; and I doubt the MHSAA will either; but we must make efforts now to keep from being swept along in spite of ourselves later.

It's time again for Michigan to fight the National Federation that Michigan helped to form. ■

SPORTS SEASONS

THE PROBLEM WITH PARITY

After giving a head fake in December, the US District Court in Kalamazoo on Aug. 1 gave the schools of Michigan new directions regarding their sports seasons.

On Dec. 17, 2001, the District Court ruled that the sports seasons of Michigan schools do not conform to its interpretation of federal and state laws. It ordered the MHSAA to submit a new schedule that would equally distribute the sports at issue into what the Court determined were advantageous and disadvantageous seasons. The District Court stated, "Defendant MHSAA is not required to combine seasons of girls' and boys' teams in any particular sport . . ."

Based on the mandate of the Court and input of its member schools, the MHSAA submitted a Compliance Plan on May 22 that combined none of the sports at issue in this case, and reversed three sports seasons for girls and boys. This resulted in three sports for girls (basketball, soccer and volleyball) and three sports for boys (golf, swimming & diving and tennis) in disadvantageous seasons and three sports for girls (golf, swimming & diving and tennis) and two sports for boys (basketball and soccer) in advantageous seasons.

On Aug. 1, the District Court reversed itself, mandating that basketball seasons be combined for boys and girls. The District Court rationalized its changed ruling by saying it was not aware of the number of participants in the six affected sports prior to its consideration of the MHSAA's May 22 Compliance Plan.

That statement by the District Court in its Aug. 1 ruling is in direct conflict with its Dec. 17 ruling in which the District Court actually cited the number of participants in each sport. The District Court not only knew the numbers, the Court utilized the numbers.

But that's not the only problem that the Aug. 1 ruling poses. Among the other problems is that the Court may now have made the decision that the only measure of equity is numerical parity, that only when the same

number or percentage of boys and girls is participating in the court-defined disadvantageous seasons is there equity.

But what if, after making the changes in seasons based on numerical parity, participation in the various sports changes, as it is almost certain to do when the choices of students are upset by the changes of seasons? Do we have to change seasons again?

What if, after adding new tournaments, participation numbers and percentages tilt in one direction or another, as they most certainly will? Do we have to change seasons again?

What happens when schools close the gap on the number of boys and girls golf teams (577 versus 303) and the number of boys and girls soccer teams (434 verses 368)? Do we have to re-juggle the seasons in order to realign the numbers?

What if a struggling sport – say skiing – is dropped? Do we have to change seasons again?

What if the most popular sport changes? What if an existing sport or even a new sport (bowling, lacrosse . . .?) surpasses the currently most popular sport? Must we change seasons again?

What if schools want the season changed for a sport that is not a part of this lawsuit – say gymnastics? May schools change that season? And if so, must schools juggle other seasons to get back to perfect parity?

Numerical parity is not only an inappropriate legal standard of equity – it's also a very messy standard that has the potential of keeping this case and others in courts for the rest of our lifetimes and beyond because numerical parity is a moving target. Which is just one reason of many why an appeal of the District Court decision is necessary and must be successful.

Appeal to the Sixth Circuit Court of Appeals does not extend litigation; its intent is to bring an end to this litigation as soon as possible and to prevent similar litigation for as far as possible into the future.

The appeal is exclusively at the MHSAA and its insurers' expense, without any cost to schools, which pay the MHSAA nothing in membership dues or tournament entry fees. The appeal has nothing to do with what is convenient for the MHSAA and everything to do with serving schools, the vast majority of which steadfastly maintain their decisions

regarding sports seasons have benefited high school boys and girls.

If **schools** were to say, "Change the dates of MHSAA tournaments," it would be done without hesitation or regret. If **others** try to impose unwanted change on schools, we will defend our schools, without hesitation or regret.■

REGISTER ALL NON-FACULTY COACHES BEFORE THEY ASSUME RESPONSIBILITIES

Pursuant to the expressed desires of MHSAA member schools, the *MHSAA Handbook* requires that any coach who is not an administrator or a member of the regular teaching staff of the school district must be registered by the school with the MHSAA. The requirement pertains to all nonfaculty coaches, full-time or part-time, paid or volunteer.

The regulation, which has been reviewed and reaffirmed in recent years by member schools, states: "The person responsible for the immediate training or coaching of a secondary athletic team SHOULD be a member of the regular teaching staff of the school. If a nonfaculty member is used, that person must be registered by the school with the MHSAA on a form provided for that purpose BEFORE assuming any coaching duties. A nonfaculty member coach must be at least eighteen (18) years of age and not a current high school student.

"Note: The Representative Council urges that all schools strive for the standard that only qualified faculty members are used as head coaches of interscholastic athletic teams, and all nonfaculty coaches complete the MHSAA's Program for Athletic Coaches' Education (PACE) or equivalent program."

There are two ways to fulfill the registration requirement:

1. The easiest way to register nonfaculty varsity head coaches is on-line at the MHSAA's administrative Web site, mhsaa.net, as you provide *School Directory* information.
2. Forms for registering other nonfaculty coaches may be requested from the MHSAA or may be found on pages 103-104 of the *MHSAA Handbook* for 2002-03. You may copy and enlarge as necessary. The forms - one for high school, the other for the junior high/middle school level - may be downloaded from the MHSAA Web site at mhsaa.com. Forms may be submitted throughout the school year as nonfaculty coaches are assigned. Many schools submit forms just prior to each season: fall, winter and spring. ■

Finals Program Information Kits Available Only on CD-ROM or On-Line

The MHSAA would like to emphasize that schools advancing past the regional levels of tournaments will no longer be provided hard copy of the program information kits for the souvenir programs at MHSAA Finals in select sports. The kits are available on the CD-ROM schools received in September, and on the specific sport pages of the MHSAA Web site - mhsaa.com

Each school which advances past the Regional round of the MHSAA tournaments listed below is required to submit the finals program information kit and a team photograph in a timely manner so that your school may be properly recognized in the souvenir program for that sport in the event it reaches the final round. The fall sports and the deadline for submitting that information by e-mail are as follows: **Boys Soccer--Monday, Nov. 4; Football--Wednesday, Nov. 20; Girls Basketball--Friday, Nov. 29**

Contact Rob Kaminski at the MHSAA with questions: 517-332-5046

GUEST EDITORIAL

SPORTS — IT'S ALL ABOUT EDUCATION

What are sports supposed to teach? Promoters of school sports tell us sports belong in the educational realm because they are a good learning experience.

Among the values, ethics and attitude sports are touted to teach: teamwork, hard work, self-discipline, trust, gracious behavior in winning and losing, self-challenge, leadership and structure.

If these are the lessons the players are supposed to be learning, who is supposed to be doing the teaching?

Is it the parents who leave halfway through the game when the team is drastically behind? Or is it the people who threaten to sue or oust a coach when discipline isn't up or down to their standards? Or is it the parents who call the refs names after every call that doesn't go their way? Or is it the coach who consistently plays the "winners" and leaves benched the players who have some yet to learn?

Is it the administrators who argue for lower grade requirements for players?

The names and faces have been omitted, but our local high school sports arena has included all these examples recently.

Maybe high school players aren't supposed to learn from local examples; maybe they can look to the pros. Whining seems to work, threatening not to play unless things go your way sometimes has results, and a criminal record matters little.

Or maybe, if high school athletes continue to learn their lessons well, they will be just like the pros, and their former fans will just say, "Who cares?"

We don't want to see that happen. Call us old-fashioned, but we're not willing to let the days of the Tigers and Pirates, the Falcons and Wildcats, the Panthers and Voyagers slide. Our local teams deserve support, whether they win or lose. And they deserve the lessons sports are supposed to teach, on and off the field or court.

Let's not drop the ball.

— *Oceana Herald-Journal Editorial*

And We Quote —

“College basketball, even with our problems, is a special game. The NCAA men's basketball tournament creates so much interest, and with it revenue, that it finances about 85 percent of the NCAA's annual budget. When we signed our last contract with CBS to show the men's tournament., we insisted that the network also telecast the women's Final Four. The women's Final Four was helped tremendously by getting that exposure, and now its tournament is shown on ESPN. We could do even more to help the women's game if we followed the plan of Terry Holland, the former coach and now athletics director at Virginia. Terry says we shouldn't be marketing men's and women's basketball at the same time so that they compete for viewers and ticket sales. He suggests moving the women's schedule to September, October and November with the national tournament to take place before Christmas. I think it would create tremendous interest in women's basketball. A true basketball fan would enjoy watching basketball in September, and as we know, television can create interest in going to the game.”

— *Dean Smith, Former North Carolina Men's Basketball Coach*

STATEMENT FROM THE PRESIDENT

It is common for organizations to take on the personality of their leadership. The membership of the Michigan High School Athletic Association has benefited by reflecting the emphasis on participation and sportsmanship that the MHSAA executive director has promoted so passionately and articulately in the speeches and articles for which he is so well known.

It is far less common for the leadership of an organization to champion the priorities of the membership as passionately and selflessly as the MHSAA executive director advances those of Michigan's student-athletes, coaches, administrators, board of education members and sports officials.

This has been evident in many ways for many years but never more so than during the past 50 months as our executive director has listened to the membership and labored long and hard to preserve member schools' rights to govern their extracurricular athletic programs as they democratically decide, not as outside interests would dictate.

This dedicated and effective leadership was evident in 1999 when he organized opposition to state legislation proposed to force athletic eligibility for unenrolled students. A similar initiative was introduced in August and must again be defeated.

This devotion to the defense of schools' governance of school athletics has been evident throughout the 3 1/2 years he has coordinated the defense in litigation to force schools to permit home-schooled students to participate on public school athletic teams with no accountability and without any connection to the sponsoring school except residency.

And this dedication and devotion to serving schools' interests is obvious in the way he has served schools in the sports seasons litigation. The executive director didn't set the seasons; he wasn't even a resident of Michigan when Michigan's schools established their seasons. He has repeatedly said he would advocate a change of seasons if the constituents, especially student-athletes, told him they did not prefer the current schedule.

The executive director is fighting the schools' fight, advocating the students' cause. And at its Aug. 28 meeting, the MHSAA Executive Committee expressed its gratitude

and its desire to communicate these sentiments to the MHSAA membership and public.

At the same time that we acknowledge the executive director's devotion to defending schools' right to control their own programs in the face of current challenges and many other challenges of previous years, it is also important that we acknowledge what your association is doing and has done to serve the membership without regard to criticism or cost.

Other state high school associations facing sports seasons litigation, in order to preserve their organizations, have sold out their memberships. Not your MHSAA.

Other state high school associations, in order to avoid huge expenditures of time and money, ceased their defense of schools' authority to govern their programs. Not your MHSAA.

When the MHSAA entered into a Consent Decree in the sports seasons case, in August 2001, the MHSAA agreed to do what it was already doing. The MHSAA entered into the Consent Decree knowing Plaintiffs would claim they were a prevailing party, entitled to reimbursement of attorneys' fees and costs; but the MHSAA did so anyway, at risk of this financial burden, in order to narrow the lawsuit when the case went from a jury to a bench trial, strategizing that this was the best approach to preserving schools' authority to determine their own seasons. The MHSAA put the membership's needs above its own.

The MHSAA settled what it could in the Consent Decree, but refused to change what was only within **member schools'** authority: namely, deciding when sports seasons would occur.

The MHSAA has no higher purpose during any legislative or judicial challenge than to put the membership's expressed needs first.

The sports seasons litigation is not the executive director's cause. It's not even the organization's cause. It's the cause of schools, of students and their parents, of administrators and board members, of coaches and officials. The MHSAA's only cause is to serve this constituency by defending schools' right to govern their own programs.

— Paul Ellinger, President,
Michigan High School Athletic Association
and Superintendent, Cheboygan Area Schools

2002 MHSAA GIRLS BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT

The Representative Council again has attempted to set up schedules of division of proceeds and allowances for team expenses of schools participating in the 2002 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 2002 tournament 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 Tournament games will be held at 16 Quarterfinal Centers; Semifinals and Finals in Rose Arena at Central Michigan University in Mt. Pleasant.

DATES OF TOURNAMENTS

District Tournaments – Monday through Saturday, Nov. 18-23, 2002.

Regional Tournaments – Monday through Wednesday, Nov. 25-27, 2002.

Final Tournaments – Quarterfinals - Tuesday, Dec. 3; Semifinals - Thursday, Dec. 5 and Friday, Dec. 6; Finals - Saturday, Dec. 7, 2002.

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 fifteen 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. **(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.)** Schools which are defeated in Quarterfinal games (Tuesday, Dec. 3) will not receive expense allowances for coming to the Final Tournament center to attend Final games.

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, Dec. 3, will be paid the additional \$100 above allowed expenses for Wednesday, Dec. 4, 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, 2002 meeting set the following prices for all tournament game tickets: Districts: \$4 (single game), or \$5 (multi-game session); Regionals - \$5, Quarterfinals - \$5, Semifinals - \$6, Finals - \$7 (parking not included).

District, Regional and Quarterfinal Mangers 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. 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. Fees were set as indicated

below.

District and Regional Tournaments

Fee for officials working one game per day in District Tournaments will be \$40 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 \$45 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.

Final Tournament

Officials working in Quarterfinal Tournaments will be \$45, Semifinal and Final officials will be \$50 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 2002-03 season is not to draw a first-round bye at that District Tournament.**

Drawings are to be completed not later than Saturday preceding the week of the tournament 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. At Districts, no drawings may be made in any class prior to the Monday of the week before the tournament begins**

(Nov. 11). 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 a neutral party draw one capsule, read it aloud, display it to the group and place the name of the team drawn on the first line numbered. Repeat the procedure placing each name in its bracket as drawn. If this method if followed, there can be no confusion or mistake.

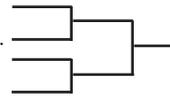
Whenever the home or any other team that is participating in a District Tournament on a floor (one which it has played four or more games during the 2002-03 season) and there are byes involved, do not place the name of such team or teams in the hat until after the byes are drawn. Home teams (or those 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 2002 REGIONAL TOURNAMENTS

Advance drawings of 2002 District Tournament qualifiers to Regionals again were authorized by the Representative Council. These advance master drawings apply to all 2002 Regional Tournaments. Separate drawings were made at the May 15, 2002 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:

- 1. Lowest District No.
- 2. 2nd Highest District No.
- 3. 2nd Lowest District No.
- 4. Highest District No.



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 predetermined 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.**

Complete brackets including times, dates and locations are included in this *Bulletin*.

POINT-DIFFERENTIAL RULE

The point-differential rule will not be used for regular season or MHSAA tournament competition in varsity competition. The rule is allowed for sub-varsity competition only.

BASKETBALLS

Balls that meet National Federation rules code standards that are of top grade, catalogue 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.

TEAM ENTRY AND ELIGIBILITY

District-Regional-Final entry blanks were to be sent by individual schools to the assigned District Manager by Wednesday, Oct. 16, 2002. 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 contestant tickets is 20. Twelve tickets for cheerleaders also are to be made available to each competing school provided there are that number dressed for participation. Exception: (the only allowed exception will be for those teams that have more than 15 **players** on the regular-season roster.

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 Districts, Regionals 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 Girls Basketball Tournament.**

Also by Council action, halftime 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 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 poms) is prohibited 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 and/or 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 condition 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 taped-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 girls 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.

2002 FINAL BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT INFORMATION

Location of Games

Quarterfinal Games in the Final Tournament will be played Tuesday, Dec. 3, at 16 locations selected by the Basketball Tournament Committee. Locations of games are published in this issue of the *Bulletin*.

Semifinals games will be played Thursday, Dec. 5 and Friday, Dec. 6 at Rose Arena at Central Michigan University in Mt. Pleasant.

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 Rose Arena on Saturday, Dec. 7. There will be separate afternoon and evening sessions as follows:

Saturday Morning/Afternoon – 11 a.m.
– Class D and A Championship games

Saturday Evening – 5 p.m. – Class C
and B Championship games.

TOURNAMENT MANAGEMENT

General management of the Final Tournament will be under the direction of

NATE HAMPTON, Assistant Director, MHSAA. Final Tournament Headquarters will be established at the Comfort Inn for the four Final games.

ADMISSION PRICES

The following admission prices for the 2002 Final Basketball Tournament games were adopted by the Representative Council:

Quarterfinal Games (Dec. 3) - General admission, \$5. **Semifinal Games** (Dec. 5-6) - \$6 (parking not included). **Final Games** - Seats are \$7 per session (parking not included). All-Tournament tickets (six sessions) are available for a price of \$38 each or two-session Final tickets are available for a price of \$14 each. A limited number of reserved seats will be available for general spectators.

TICKET DISTRIBUTION FOR QUARTERFINAL GAMES FOR ALL CLASSES – DEC. 3

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 manager.

DISTRIBUTION OF SEMIFINAL RESERVED SEAT TICKETS FOR ALL CLASSES – DEC. 5-6

Competing schools in all classes will be able to reserve limited tickets for advance sale of Semifinal tickets for the session in which their teams are competing. Approved basketball officials and schools of all classes throughout the state may order in advance (not later than Nov. 15, tickets at \$6 in accordance with the quota established for the purchase of tickets for Semifinal games to the limit of the supply available.

All tickets will go on sale at Central Michigan University Monday, Nov. 18, 2002. ■

2002 GIRLS BASKETBALL REGIONAL TOURNAMENTS

Nov. 25-27, 2002

(For District Assignments, consult mhsaa.com)

No.	Class	Host School	City	Manager
1	A	Forest Hills Northern	Grand Rapids	John Dolce
2	A	Portage Northern	Portage	Carl Latora
3	A	Fordson	Dearborn	Mark Shooshanian
4	A	Ladywood	Livonia	Sal Malek
5	A	Grosse Pointe South	Grosse Pointe	Tim Bearden
6	A	Northville	Northville	Larry Taylor
7	A	Chippewa Valley	Clinton Township	Al Kastl
8	A	Mt Pleasant	Mt Pleasant	Martin Moreno
9	B	Marshall	Marshall	Rich Hulkow
10	B	Tecumseh	Tecumseh	James Gilmore
11	B	Clawson	Clawson	Mike Mc Graw
12	B	Imlay City	Imlay City	Steve Plunkitt
13	B	DeWitt	DeWitt	Teri Reyburn
14	B	Lakewood	Lake Odessa	Brian Williams
15	B	Cedar Springs	Cedar Springs	Gary Zakem
16	B	Cheboygan Area	Cheboygan	Paul Clark
17	C	Watervliet	Watervliet	David Wheeler
18	C	Madison	Adrian	Kristen Isom
19	C	Whitmore Lake	Whitmore Lake	Charmaine Balsillie
20	C	Harbor Beach Community	Harbor Beach	Steve Budzynski
21	C	Merrill	Merrill	Michael Thayer
22	C	Morley Stanwood	Morley	Dave Nelson
23	C	Charlevoix	Charlevoix	Jim Kanine
24	C	Michigan Tech University	Houghton	Dave Nordstrom
25	D	Hartford	Hartford	Ken Dietz
26	D	Chelsea	Chelsea	Wayne Welton
27	D	St Clement	Center Line	David Feldman
28	D	Kingston	Kingston	Mike Rea
29	D	Big Rapids	Big Rapids	Frank Montgomery
30	D	Petoskey	Petoskey	Gary Hice
31	D	Newberry	Newberry	Keith Alto
32	D	Michigan Techn University	Houghton	Dave Nordstrom

Legends, CHAMPS Clinic At Girls Basketball Finals

At halftime of the Class C title game in the MHSAA Girls Basketball Tournament in Mt. Pleasant on Dec. 7, the 1981-82 Class C championship teams from Carrollton High School will be honored through the MHSAA Legends of the Games program. Previous schools so recognized in girls basketball are Flint Northern, Farmington Hills Mercy, Flint Northwestern, Newaygo and Marquette.

Also at the tournament, the fourth girls basketball CHAMPS (Cooperation, Hard Work, Attitude, Motivation, Participation, Sportsmanship) Clinic will take place on Saturday, Dec. 7. The clinic is targeted at junior high/middle school student-athletes and their parents. The workshop is designed to provide game skills instruction and life skills information.

2002 GIRLS BASKETBALL QUARTERFINAL TOURNAMENTS Dec. 3, 2002

No.	Class	Host School	City	Manager
1	A	Eastern	Lansing	Ronald Schneider
2	A	Dearborn	Dearborn	Scott Hummel
3	A	East Detroit	Eastpointe	Christine Schneider
4	A	Heritage	Saginaw	Jim Noble
5	B	Otsego	Otsego	Don Knight
6	B	Warren Woods-Tower	Warren	Jan Sander
7	B	Goodrich	Goodrich	Al Martus
8	B	Houghton Lake	Houghton Lake	Jack Kramer
9	C	Centreville	Centreville	Craig Brueck
10	C	Cass City	Cass City	Jeff Hartel
11	C	Mt Pleasant	Mt Pleasant	Martin Moreno
12	C	Gaylord	Gaylord	Christian Wilson
13	D	Leslie	Leslie	Scott Farley
14	D	Lapeer East	Lapeer	Gary Oyster
15	D	Cadillac	Cadillac	John Horrigan
16	D	Escanaba	Escanaba	Justin Gluesing
		or		
17	D	Cheboygan Area	Cheboygan	Paul Clark

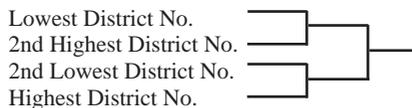
****NOTE:** If the winner from Regional 31 is from the Upper Peninsula, the game will be played at ESCANABA HIGH SCHOOL. If the winner is from the Lower Peninsula, the Quarterfinal game will be played at CHEBOYGAN AREA HIGH SCHOOL.

ASSIGNMENT OF QUALIFIERS FROM DISTRICTS TO REGIONALS

The advance master drawing for all 2002 Regional Girls Basketball Tournaments (November 25-27, 2002) was conducted by the Lower Peninsula Committee and will apply to all 2002 Girls Regional Basketball Tournaments. No drawings will be conducted by Regional Managers.

ADVANCE MASTER REGIONAL TOURNAMENT PAIRINGS (Winners from District Tournaments)

Four Teams



As a result of the above advance master drawing DISTRICT WINNERS at each Regional Tournament are paired as follows on the next page:

MIAAA to Honor Exemplary Athletic Program

Michigan's professional organization of high school athletic directors, the Michigan Interscholastic Athletic Administrators Association (MIAAA), will recognize the third Exemplary Athletic Program award recipients during halftime of the Class A Girls Basketball Final. The award is presented to a school, or schools, which best serve as a model athletic department among Michigan high schools.

2002 GIRLS BASKETBALL REGIONAL PAIRINGS

Nov. 25-27, 2002

Class A

1 A Grand Rapids-Forest Hills Northern

Grand Rapids Kenowa Hills District 5
Muskegon Reeths-Puffer District 7
Zeeland District 6
Rockford District 8

2 A Portage Northern

Mattawan District 1
Howell District 3
Battle Creek Lakeview District 2
Chelsea District 4

3 A Dearborn Fordson

Monroe District 13
Wayne Memorial District 15
Taylor Truman District 14
Allen Park District 16

4 A Livonia-Ladywood

Detroit Mumford District 17
Detroit Cody District 19
Detroit Martin Luther King District 18
Livonia Ladywood District 24

5 A Grosse Pointe South

Grosse Pointe South District 20
Troy District 22
East Detroit District 21
Romeo District 27

6 A Northville

Southfield Lathrup District 23
North Farmington District 26
Canton-Salem District 25
Auburn Hills-Avondale District 29

7 A Clinton Township Chippewa Valley

St. Johns District 9
Hartland District 30
Port Huron District 28
Oxford District 31

8 A Mt Pleasant

Saginaw Heritage District 10
Escanaba District 12
Cadillac District 11
Flint Northern District 32

Class B

9 B Marshall

St Joseph District 33
Vicksburg District 35
Richland Gull Lake District 34
Coldwater District 36

10 B Tecumseh

Dexter District 37
Riverview Community District 39
Grosse Ile District 38
Detroit Renaissance District 40

11 B Clawson

Warren Woods-Tower District 41
Madison Heights Madison District 43
Warren Lincoln District 42
Pontiac Notre Dame Prep District 44

12 B Imlay City

Durand Area District 45
Capac District 56
Clio District 55
Croswell-Lexington District 57

13 B DeWitt

Haslett District 54
Saginaw Nouvel District 59
North Branch District 58
Alma District 60

14 B Lake Odessa Lakewood

Eaton Rapids District 46
Caledonia District 49
Hastings District 47
Hamilton District 50

15 B Cedar Springs

Coopersville District 48
Big Rapids District 52
Muskegon Orchard View District 51
Stanton Central Montcalm District 53

16 B Cheboygan Area

Ludington District 61
Grayling District 63
Beaverton District 62
Gladstone District 64

MHSAA Girls Basketball Tournament Sites Are Needed For 2003

(The Selection Committee will meet in the spring of 2003)

Complete the Card Below and Return to MHSAA as soon as possible

Host Availability Interest Forms for other sports will be included in the March 2003 *Bulletin*. If you desire to host a Girls Basketball Tournament during 2003, return the post card below as soon as possible.

- Please coordinate this form through the high school principal
- Indicate the name of the person to whom the information should be sent

Detach below

2003 Girls Basketball Site Availability Interest Form

Please send the Host Availability Form for the sport of Girls Basketball for the 2003 Season. We will abide by all policies of the MHSAA Representative Council and all instructions of the MHSAA director responsible for girls basketball as we conduct the tournament on behalf of the MHSAA.

Direct all forms to: _____ Title: _____

City _____ School _____ Class _____

Street _____ Zip _____

MHSAA Girls Basketball Tournament Sites Are Needed For 2003

(The Selection Committee will meet in the spring of 2003)

Complete the Card on Reverse Side and Return to MHSAA

Reminder:

**Coordinate This Interest Form With The School
Athletic Director and High School Principal**

Detach below

From

Place Stamp Here

**Michigan High School Athletic Association
1661 Ramblewood Drive
East Lansing, MI 48823-7329**

ATTN: Girls Basketball Availability

ADVANCE SALE RESERVED SEAT TICKET DISTRIBUTION PLAN —



2003 BOYS SEMIFINAL AND FINAL BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT GAMES

ADVANCE SALE RESERVED SEAT TICKET DISTRIBUTION PLAN FOR 2003 BOYS SEMIFINAL AND FINAL BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT GAMES

GENERAL PUBLIC SALE OF RESERVED SEAT TICKETS FOR SEMIFINAL AND CHAMPIONSHIP GAMES

1. The general public sale of reserved seat tickets for the championship Games Saturday, March 22 WILL OPEN ON MARCH 3, 2003, provided tickets are available at the time. All requests for reserved seat tickets other than requests by schools or officials as indicated above, must be sent directly to the Breslin Student Event Center. There will be no sale or distribution of reserved seat tickets to the general public through the MHSAA. A maximum of six reserved seat combined three session finals tickets will be sold to any one individual and the full remittance of \$21 per three-session ticket must accompany each request. Tickets WILL NOT be returnable after purchase.
2. All Semifinal sessions include two games, and all Semifinal tickets are \$6 per session.
3. Semifinal and Final ticket requests are to be sent to **Bruce Earhart, Ticket Manager, Breslin Student Event Center, Michigan State University, East Lansing, MI 48824.**
4. Requests for reserved seat tickets from the general public received by the Ticket Manager prior to March 3, 2003 will be drawn by lot on that date and filled in the order drawn to the limit of the supply available. Requests for reserved tickets received after March 3 will be filled in the order received to the limit of the available supply.
5. On the date of the Final Tournament Championship Games (Saturday, March 22), there will also be a maximum limit of ten reserved seat tickets sold to any one individual for each session in the event reserved seat tickets still are available at that time.

RESERVED SEAT TICKET DISTRIBUTION PLAN FOR SCHOOLS WHOSE TEAMS ARE CHAMPIONSHIP FINALISTS

1. For the Saturday morning session Championship game in Classes D and C, 4,800 reserved seat tickets at \$7 will be set aside for possible purchase enbloc by the four finalist schools for that session only. (Class D schools -- 1,200 each; Class C schools -- 1,200 each.)
2. For the Saturday afternoon session Championship Game in Class A, 2,400 reserved seat tickets at \$7 will be set aside for possible purchase enbloc by the two finalist schools (1,200 each) for that session only.
3. For the Saturday evening session Championship Game in Class B, 2,400 reserved seat tickets at \$7 will be set aside for possible purchase enbloc by the two finalist schools (1,200 each) for that session only.
4. Tickets reserved for competing schools for the Final Games in which their teams are competing may be purchased by making arrangements as follows:

All reserved seat tickets desired by finalist team schools, up to their maximum allotment, must be purchased and paid for at one time. There will be no individual sales of such tickets. Tickets will not be returnable after purchase. 1,200 reserved seat tickets for finalist schools will be allotted for the session only during which their teams are competing.

Schools may pick up tickets at the ticket office at the Breslin Student Event Center from Bruce Earhart.

BOYS BASKETBALL 2003 TICKET INFORMATION

Ticket Categories -- Deadline Dates -- Cost

1. **All-Tournament** -- Member schools and officials may purchase up to their per-school maximum or approved official's maximum All-Tournament tickets that will admit the bearer to all seven sessions of Semifinal and Final contests. The All-Tournament ticket will allow the bearer to have the same concourse reserved armchair seat or upper deck reserved armchair seat throughout all the tournament games. Officials must be on the Approved Boys Basketball List.

The school classification maximums and officials maximum:

Cost: \$45 per All-Tournament ticket. The per-school maximums and officials maximum (Class A - **16**; Class B - **16**; Class C - **12**; Class D - **12**; Junior High - **2**; Approved Officials - **2**. **Deadline Date -- Feb. 7, 2003**

OR

2. **Combined three-session Finals tickets** @ \$21 x (official's maximum or per-school maximum). **Deadline Date -- Feb. 7, 2003**
3. **Semifinal game tickets** -- Tickets per session @ \$5 x (officials maximum or per-school maximum). **Deadline Date -- Feb. 7, 2003**
Session 1 - Class C @ \$6 x (official's maximum or school maximum)
Session 2 - Class D @ \$6 x (official's maximum or school maximum)
Session 3 - Class A @ \$6 x (official's maximum or school maximum)
Session 4 - Class B @ \$6 x (official's maximum or school maximum)

OR

4. A combination of All-Tournament tickets, three-session Finals tickets, and Semifinals tickets that does not exceed specified maximum(s). **Deadline date Feb. 7, 2003.**

An official or school may not exceed the specified maximum(s) for any category of tickets purchased. Example:

A Class C school may elect to purchase:

Up to 12 All-Tournament Tickets @ \$45 = \$540

or a combination of tickets that may include:

7 All-Tournament Tickets	@ \$45	= \$315
7 Three-Session Finals Tickets	@ \$21	= \$147
7 Session 1 Semifinals Tickets	@ \$ 6	= \$ 42
7 Session 2 Semifinals Tickets	@ \$ 6	= \$ 42
7 Session 3 Semifinals Tickets	@ \$ 6	= \$ 42
7 Session 4 Semifinals Tickets	@ \$ 6	= \$ 42
Total		= \$630

Deadline Date -- Feb. 7, 2003

(Parking is not included in price of tickets.)

SCHOOL RESERVED SEAT TICKET DISTRIBUTION PLAN

All-Tournament Tickets (seven sessions) \$45

OR

**Combination Three-Session Finals Reserved Seat Tickets (D/C - A-B) - \$21
(Parking Not Included)**

- 1. High schools classified with the Michigan High School Athletic Association for the 2002-03 school year may purchase combined reserved seat tickets in advance for the morning, afternoon and evening session games at \$21 (does not include parking) for all sessions for the Saturday, March 22, Final Tournament games in accordance with the following maximum allotment schedule (see order blank):

Class A schools maximum of 16 reserved seat tickets each for each session

Class B schools maximum of 16 reserved seat tickets each for each session

Class C schools maximum of 12 reserved seat tickets each for each session

Class D schools maximum of 12 reserved seat tickets each for each session

Junior High Schools maximum of two reserved seat tickets each for each session

- 2. Member schools may request (up to the established per school maximum) All-Tournament tickets that will allow for the same reserved armchair seat in all seven sessions of Semifinal and Final sessions. Cost @ \$45 (see order blank).
- 3. School requests and remittances are to be forwarded to the Michigan High School Athletic Association, Inc., 1661 Ramblewood Drive, East Lansing 48823, in order to be received **NOT LATER THAN FRIDAY, FEB. 7, 2003**. School ticket requests received after Feb. 7, 2003 will not be accepted. Those orders received late in the period ending Feb. 7 may be returned if the available supply of tickets has been exhausted.
- 4. **Full remittance (check or money order made payable to the Michigan High School Athletic Association, Inc.) must accompany all school reserved seat ticket requests. All school requests must be signed by the superintendent of schools or the high school principal. Reserved seat tickets WILL NOT be returnable after purchase.**

SEMIFINAL GAMES -- Thursday, March 20 and Friday, March 21, 2003

ALL GAMES AT MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY

Session 1 - Two Class C games (1 p.m. and 2:50 p.m.) Thursday

Session 2 - Two Class D games (6 p.m. and 7:50 p.m.) Thursday

Session 3 - Two Class A games (1 p.m. and 2:50 p.m.) Friday

Session 4 - Two Class B games (6 p.m. and 7:50 p.m.) Friday

CHAMPIONSHIP GAMES -- SATURDAY, MARCH 22, 2003

SESSION 5 -- MORNING

10 a.m. – Class D Championship GameMSU-Breslin

Noon – Class C Championship GameMSU-Breslin

SESSION 6 -- AFTERNOON

4 p.m. -- Class A Championship GameMSU-Breslin

SESSION 7 -- EVENING

8 p.m. – Class B Championship GameMSU-Breslin

(Use Order Form on Reverse Side)

SCHOOL APPLICATION FOR RESERVED SEAT TICKETS

NOTE: PLEASE INCLUDE THE SCHOOL I.D. NUMBER ON THIS APPLICATION FORM.
(SEE *MHSAA SCHOOL DIRECTORY* FOR CORRECT NUMBER.)

Class _____

School _____ (I.D. No.) _____

Street _____ City _____ Zip Code _____

Date ____/____/03 (Signed) _____
(Superintendent or Principal)

Enclosed is CHECK or MONEY ORDER *made payable to the Michigan High School Athletic Association for total amount of tickets indicated below on this form only. In accordance with the School Ticket Limits explained on reverse side of this Blank.* **IMPORTANT NOTICE: Not more than a school's classification allotment limit of tickets may be requested.**

All Games at MSU-Breslin Student Events Center

ALL-TOURNAMENT

TICKETS @ \$45 x (per school maximum-see allotments) \$ _____
(Semi and Final Games -- parking is not included)

FINALS -- COMBINED THREE-SESSION FINALS TICKETS

(There is no advance sale of Single-Session, Final Tickets)

Combined Three-Session Finals Tickets @ \$21 x () per quota = \$ _____
(parking not included)

*(See reverse side of this page for maximum allowed)

SEMIFINAL GAME TICKETS

TOTAL

Session 1 (Class C) @ \$6 x (per school maximum-see allotments) \$ _____

Session 2 (Class D) @ \$6 x (per school maximum-see allotments) \$ _____

Session 3 (Class A) @ \$6 x (per school maximum-see allotments) \$ _____

Session 4 (Class B) @ \$6 x (per school maximum-see allotments) \$ _____

Total Remittance (Finals and Semifinals) \$ _____

IMPORTANT: This APPLICATION BLANK, together with correct remittance (no currency please) for the number of reserved seat tickets requested up to the maximum allotment for any one session, is to be forwarded to Michigan High School Athletic Association, Inc., 1661 Ramblewood Drive, East Lansing 48823, **IN ORDER TO BE RECEIVED AT THE MHSAA OFFICE NOT LATER THAN FRIDAY, FEB. 7.**

**Schools--Detach and Forward This Form Prior to
Friday, Feb. 7, as Directed in Paragraph Above**

**RESERVED SEAT TICKET DISTRIBUTION PLAN
FOR BASKETBALL OFFICIALS ON THE
BOYS APPROVED LIST (16 OR MORE RATINGS)**

All Tournament Tickets (seven sessions)--\$45

OR

**Combination Three-Session Finals Reserved Seat Tickets (C/D-A-B) \$21
(Parking Not Included)**

1. The Representative Council has adopted the general policy of allowing a limited number of registered boys basketball officials on the Approved List for the current school year to request advance purchases of reserved seat tickets for the 2003 Final Tournament Championship games.
2. Approved basketball officials may request:
 - a.) a maximum of two (2) All-Tournament tickets that will allow for the same reserved arm-chair seat in all seven sessions of Semifinals and Finals sessions. Cost is \$45 (see order blank),
 - or**
 - b.) a maximum of two (2) combination three-session reserved seat tickets at \$21 may be purchased. (See order blank.)
3. This opportunity, however, is modified as follows: Eight hundred (800) reserved seat tickets (two for each official for each session) will be set aside for the 400 officials whose requests are drawn by lot at the MHSAA office following the closing date of advance ticket sale to schools and officials. After all school ticket requests are filled which are received at the MHSAA office by Feb. 7, and provided reserved seat tickets are still available, the remaining requests for tickets filed by the above officials will be filled to the limit of the supply.
4. Requests by approved boys basketball officials and remittances are to be forwarded to the Michigan High School Athletic Association, 1661 Ramblewood Drive, East Lansing 48823, in order to be received NOT LATER THAN FRIDAY, FEB. 7, 2003.
5. Full remittance (check or money order made payable to the MICHIGAN HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION, INC.) must accompany all requests for reserved seat tickets by the above officials. Reserved seat tickets WILL NOT be returnable after purchase. Second party checks will not be accepted.

(Use Order Form on Reverse Side)

**APPLICATION BLANK FOR RESERVED SEAT TICKETS
FOR OFFICIALS ON THE APPROVED
BOYS BASKETBALL LIST**

- 1. Please include I.D. Number
- 2. Requests for tickets will not be honored unless the approved official sends a check or money order in his/her name. Second party checks will not be accepted.

Name of Official _____ (I.D. No.) _____

Street _____ City _____ Zip Code _____

Official's Signature _____ Date ___/___/03

Enclosed is CHECK or MONEY ORDER made payable to the Michigan High School Athletic Association for total amount of tickets for ONE OFFICIAL ONLY in accordance with the Ticket Limitations for Registered Officials explained on reverse side of this Blank.

All Games at MSU-Breslin Student Event Center

ALL-TOURNAMENT
TICKETS @ \$45.....(Maximum 2)..... \$ _____
(Semi and Final Games -- parking not included)

FINALS -- COMBINED THREE-SESSION FINALS TICKETS
(There is no advance sale of Single-Session, Final Tickets)

Combined Three-Session Finals Tickets @ \$21 (Maximum 2) \$ _____
(parking not included)

SEMIFINAL GAME TICKETS

Session 1 (Class C) @ \$6 x (Maximum 2) \$ _____
Session 2 (Class D) @ \$6 x (Maximum 2) \$ _____
Session 3 (Class A) @ \$6 x (Maximum 2) \$ _____
Session 4 (Class B) @ \$6 x (Maximum 2) \$ _____
Total Remittance (Finals and Semifinals) \$ _____
(Maximum \$90)

IMPORTANT: This APPLICATION BLANK, together with correct remittance (no currency please) for the number of reserved seat tickets requested up to the maximum of two (2) for any one session is to be forwarded to Michigan High School Athletic Association, Inc., 1661 Ramblewood Drive, East Lansing 48823, **IN ORDER TO BE RECEIVED AT THE MHSAA OFFICE NOT LATER THAN FRIDAY, FEB. 7.**

Applications will NOT be accepted from officials not on the Approved Boys Basketball List.

**Officials--Detach and Forward This Blank Prior to
Friday, Feb. 7, as Directed in Paragraph Above**

GREATER LANSING HOTELS

(Convention & Visitors Bureau not responsible for room rates)

Best Western Midway Hotel

7711 West Saginaw Highway
Lansing, MI 48917
(517) 627-8471

Candlewood Suites

3545 Forest Road
East Lansing, MI 48823
(517) 351-8181

Clarion Hotel and Conf. Center

3600 Dunckel Drive
Lansing, MI 48910
(517) 351-7600

Comfort Inn

2209 University Park Drive
Okemos, MI 48864
(517) 349-8700

Country Inn and Suites

6511 Centurion Drive
Lansing, MI 48917
(517) 827-7000

Courtyard by Marriott

2710 Lake Lansing Road
Lansing, MI 48912
(517) 482-0500

East Lansing Marriott

300 M.A.C. Avenue
East Lansing, MI 48823
(517) 337-4440

Fairfield Inn - Lansing

810 Delta Commerce Drive
Lansing, MI 48917
(517) 886-1066

Fairfield Inn - Okemos

2335 Woodlake Dr.
Okemos, MI 48864
(517) 347-1000

Hampton Inn East Lansing

2500 Coolidge Road
East Lansing, MI 48823
(517) 324-2072

Hampton Inn of Lansing

525 N. Canal Road
Lansing, MI 48917
(517) 627-8381

Holiday Inn-Express

2187 University Park Drive
Okemos, MI 438864
(517) 347-6690

Holiday Inn West

7501 W. Saginaw Highway
Lansing, MI 48917
(517) 627-3211

Holiday Inn South

6820 South Cedar Street
Lansing, MI 48911
(517) 694-8123

Kellogg Hotel

MSU
East Lansing, MI 48824
(517) 432-4000

Quality Suites

901 Delta Commerce Dr.
Lansing, MI 48917
(517) 88-0600

Radisson Hotel

111 North Grand Avenue
Lansing, MI 48933
(517) 482-0188

Ramada Inn

1100 Trowbridge Road
East Lansing, MI 48823
(517) 351-5500

Red Roof Inn East

3615 Dunckel Drive
Lansing, MI 48910
(517) 332-2575

Red Roof Inn West

7412 W. Saginaw Highway
Lansing, MI 48917
(517) 321-7246

Residence Inn by Marriott

1600 E. Grand River Avenue
East Lansing, MI 48823
(517) 332-7711

Residence Inn-Lansing

922 Delta Commerce Drive
Lansing, MI 48917
(517) 886-5030

Sheraton Hotel

925 S. Creyts Road
Lansing, MI 48917
(517) 323-7100

Sleep Inn

1101 Commerce Park Dr.
Dewitt, MI 48820
(517) 669-8823

TownPlace Suites

2855 Hannah Boulevard
East Lansing, MI 48823
(517) 203-1000

University Quality Inn

3121 E. Grand River Ave.
Lansing, MI 48912
(517) 351-1440

2002 GIRLS BASKETBALL REGIONAL PAIRINGS

Nov. 25-27, 2002

Class C

17 C Watervliet

Bridgman District 65
Kalamazoo Christian District 73
Constantine District 66
Gobles District 74

18 C Adrian Madison

Reading District 67
Sand Creek District 69
Hanover-Horton District 68
Concord District 72

19 C Whitmore Lake

Monroe St. Mary Catholic Central District 70
Detroit Communication Media Arts District 77
Clinton District 71
Detroit Dominican District 78

20 C Harbor Beach

Dryden District 79
Marlette District 88
Genesee District 87
Pigeon-Laker District 89

21 C Merrill

Bellevue District 76
Saranac District 81
Burton-Bentley District 80
Ithaca District 86

22 C Morley-Stanwood

Hopkins District 75
Hart District 83
Ravenna District 82
Sanford-Meridian District 85

23 C Charlevoix

Marion District 84
Elk Rapids District 91
Lincoln-Alcona Community District 90
Kingsley Area District 92

24 C Houghton-Michigan Tech University

St. Ignace District 93
Ironwood District 95
Negaunee District 94
Iron River West Iron County District 96

Class D

25 D Hartford

St. Joseph Lake Michigan Catholic District 97
Mendon District 99
Covert District 98
Hudsonville Freedom Baptist District 108

26 D Chelsea

Camden-Frontier District 100
Detroit Urban Lutheran District 106
Britton-Macon District 101
Pottersville District 107

27 D Center Line St. Clement

Taylor Light and Life Christian District 102
Sterling Hts. Bethesda Christian District 104
Harper Woods Lutheran East District 103
Waterford Our Lady Of The Lakes District 105

28 D Kingston

Vestaburg District 110
Peck Community District 112
Flint Michigan School For Deaf District 111
Owendale-Gagetown District 113

29 D Big Rapids

Walkerville District 109
Mc Bain Northern Michigan Christian Dist. 15
Beal City District 114
Frankfort District 116

30 D Petoskey

Northport District 117
Gaylord St. Mary District 119
Ellsworth Community District 118
Twining Arenac Eastern District 120

31 D Newberry

Posen District 121
Cedarville District 123
Pellston District 122
Rapid River District 124

32 D Houghton-Michigan Tech University

Rock Mid-Peninsula District 125
White Pine District 127
Republic-Michigamme District 126
Lake Linden-Hubbell District 128

**2002 GIRLS BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT
 QUARTERFINAL — SEMIFINAL— FINAL PAIRINGS
 CLASS A**

QUARTERFINAL
(Tuesday, Dec. 3)

SEMIFINALS
(Friday, Dec. 6)

FINALS
(Saturday, Dec. 7)

Winners From:

Dearborn Fordson Reg 3

at Dearborn

Livonia Ladywood Reg 4

GR Forest Hills N Reg 1

at Lansing Eastern

Portage Northern Reg 3

Chippewa Valley Reg 7

at Saginaw Heritage

Mt Pleasant Reg 8

Grosse Pointe South Reg 5

at East Detroit

Northville Reg 6

at CMU Rose Arena
 1 p.m.

at CMU Rose Arena
 1:30 p.m.

at CMU Rose Arena
 2:50 p.m.

CLASS B

QUARTERFINAL
(Tuesday, Dec. 3)

SEMIFINALS
(Friday, Dec. 6)

FINALS
(Saturday, Dec. 7)

Winners From:

Cedar Springs Reg 15

at Houghton Lake

Cheboygan Reg 16

Marshall Reg 9

at Otsego

Lake Odessa Lakewood Reg 14

Imlay City Reg 12

at Goodrich

DeWitt Reg 13

Tecumseh Reg 10

at Warren Woods-Tower

Clawson Reg 11

at CMU Rose Arena
 6 p.m.

at CMU Rose Arena
 7:30 p.m.

at CMU Rose Arena
 7:50 p.m.

CLASS C

QUARTERFINAL
(Tuesday, Dec. 3)

SEMIFINALS
(Thursday, Dec. 5)

FINALS
(Saturday, Dec. 7)

Winners From:

Watervliet Reg 17

at Centreville

Adrian Madison Reg 18

Whitmore Lake Reg 19

at Cass City

Harbor Beach Reg 20

Charlevoix Reg 23

at Gaylord

Houghton-MTU Reg 24

Merrill Reg 21

at Mt. Pleasant

Morley Stanwood Reg 22

at CMU Rose Arena
1 p.m.

at CMU Rose Arena
2:50 p.m.

at CMU Rose Arena
5 p.m.

CLASS D

QUARTERFINAL
(Tuesday, Dec. 3)

SEMIFINALS
(Thursday, Dec. 5)

FINALS
(Saturday, Dec. 7)

Winners From:

Newberry Reg 31

at Escanaba or Cheboygan

Houghton-MTU Reg 32

Center Line St Clement Reg 27

at Lapeer East

Kingston Reg 28

Hartford Reg 25

at Leslie

Chelsea Reg 26

Big Rapids Reg 29

at Cadillac

Petoskey Reg 30

at CMU Rose Arena
6 p.m.

at CMU Rose Arena
7:50 p.m.

at CMU Rose Arena
11 a.m.

MHSAA COMMITTEE MEMBERS FOR 2002-03

As Appointed by the Representative Council or Executive Committee

Listed below are the coaches, AD's, principals, superintendents, other faculty members and board of education members of MHSAA member schools who have been selected by the MHSAA Executive Committee to serve on the 2002-03 sport committees, and committees of special interest.

NOTE: This list includes names of some individuals who have been invited but have not confirmed as of October 10, 2002.

Committee appointments are made on an annual basis after receiving nominations of schools and recommendations of MHSAA Representative Council members. Potential committee members are notified of their appointments early in September as the school year begins. At that time, committee members receive a description of committee responsibilities and the dates and times of the meetings. The MHSAA requests that schools do not send substitutes.

Each year school representatives who serve as committee members meet in the MHSAA building to provide staff members with an array of opinions and information. Sport committees meet to select tournament sites, specify tournament procedures, and set time schedules. Sport committees may also recommend changes to the Representative Council regarding regular-season play and tournament qualification procedures.

Each committee is comprised of representatives from Class A, B, C, D schools if possible, and the members are from several geographic areas of the state. A committee may be comprised mainly of coaches or administrators, depending on the responsibilities of each particular committee. Several of the sport committees will include a representative, if not the president, of the coaches association of that sport.

Beginning with 1990-91, MIAAA and/or MASSP representatives have been appointed to committees for most sports, and officials where appropriate.

(5) Athletic Equity

Thursday, October 10, 2002 9 a.m.

Malinda Baker, Track Coach, Pine River Area HS, Leroy (C)
Charmaine Balsillie, Athletic Director, Whitmore Lake HS, Whitmore Lake (C)
Gillie David, Official, Waterford
Diana Davis, Asst. Principal, Lakeshore HS, Stevensville (A)
Justin Gluesing, Athletic Director, Escanaba HS, Escanaba (A)
Rudy Godefroidt, Principal, Hemlock HS, Hemlock (B)
Barry Hobrla, Athletic Director, Lowell HS, Lowell (A)
Dewayne Jones, Athletic Director, West Bloomfield HS, West Bloomfield (A)
Rich Kimball, Athletic Director, Northwest HS, Jackson (B)
Diane Laffey, Athletic Director, Regina HS, Harper Woods (A)
Arlene Richardson, Athletic Director, Southwestern HS, Detroit (B)
Deb VanKuiken, Athletic Director, Holly HS, Holly (A)
Cecelia Winkler, Principal, Michigan School For The Deaf, Flint (D)

(7) Awards Committee

Monday, October 14, 2002 1 p.m.

Jonathon Ambrose, Boys Swim Coach, East Kentwood HS, Kentwood (A)
Mike Bills, Athletic Director, Litchfield HS, Litchfield (D)
Terry Conklin, Superintendent, Burr Oak HS, Burr Oak (D)

Keith Eldred, Athletic Director, Williamston Middle School, Williamston
Ken Fletcher, Athletic Director, Kalamazoo Christian HS, Kalamazoo (C)
Tim Hall, Athletic Director, Sault Area HS, Sault Ste Marie (B)
Mike Jolly, Athletic Director, De La Salle Collegiate HS, Warren (A)
Diane Laffey, Athletic Director, Regina HS, Harper Woods (A)
Melanie Miller, Athletic Director, JW Sexton HS, Lansing (A)
Leon Olszawowski, Principal, Notre Dame Preparatory School, Pontiac (B)

(10) Baseball/Softball

Thursday, January 23, 2003 9:30 a.m.

Sue Barthold, Pres. MSbCA, East Kentwood HS, Kentwood (A)
Frelen Bowen, Baseball Coach, Three Rivers HS, Three Rivers (B)
Mike Cadarette, Pres. MBaCA, Alpena HS, Alpena (A)
Mark Chapman, Athletic Director, Bishop Foley HS, Madison Heights (B)
Dave Checkley, Baseball Coach, Chippewa Valley HS, Clinton Township (A)
Mark Ditsworth, Official, Lansing
Gerald Dodd, Principal, Edsel Ford HS, Dearborn (MASSP) (A)
Robert Downing, Softball Coach, Mackinaw City HS, Mackinaw City (D)
Scott Fure, Softball Coach, Marquette HS, Marquette (A)
Pete Gleason, Baseball Coach, Grand Blanc HS, Grand Blanc (A)
Tim Hall, Athletic Director, Sault Area HS, Sault Ste Marie (B)
Mike Heeringa, Softball Coach, Allendale HS, Allendale (B)
Kay Johnson, Softball Coach, Morenci Area HS, Morenci (C)
Tom Kaechele, Head Softball Coach, Caledonia HS, Caledonia (B)
Charles LeClear, Softball Coach, Bridgeport HS, Bridgeport (B)
Nancy Malinowski, Athletic Director, Mercy HS, Farmington Hills (A)
Tom McKenzie, Principal, Webberville Community HS, Webberville (D)
James Modert, Baseball Coach, Bronson HS, Bronson (C)
Bruce Oosterhouse, Baseball Coach, Kenowa Hills HS, Grand Rapids (A)
Dail Prucka, Athletic Director, Jefferson HS, Monroe (MIAAA) (B)
Archy Robinson, Official, Saginaw
Shawn Ruppert, Baseball Coach, Pine River Area HS, Leroy (C)
Mark Uyl, Athletic Director, Thornapple Kellogg HS, Middleville (B)
Audra VanBrandt, Softball Coach, Bedford HS, Temperance (A)
Wilma Wilson, Softball Coach, South Haven HS, South Haven (B)
Ted Younglas, Baseball Coach, Lutheran HS Westland, Westland (C)

(11) Baseball/Softball Site Selection

Monday, December 02, 2002 10 a.m.

Sue Barthold, Pres.-MSbCA, East Kentwood HS, Kentwood (A)
Bill Blakely, Baseball Coach, Gull Lake HS, Richland (B)
Jim Boger, Athletic Director, Brandywine HS, Niles (C)
Jim Brown, Athletic Director, Lenawee Christian HS, Adrian (D)
Mike Cadarette, Pres. Of MBaCA, Alpena HS, Alpena (A)
Margie Caid, Teacher, Constantine HS, Constantine (C)
Tony DeMare, Athletic Director, Divine Child HS, Dearborn (B)
Amy Dickinson, Athletic Director, Reeths-Puffer HS, Muskegon (A)
Mark Ditsworth, Elm.PE/Coach, 320 Green Meadows Drive, Lansing
Lafayette Evans, Supervisor, Detroit Public Schools, Detroit
Todd Farmer, Athletic Director, Martin HS, Martin (C)

Jim Gilmore, Athletic Director, Tecumseh HS, Tecumseh (B)
 Tim Hall, Athletic Director, Sault Area HS, Sault Ste Marie (B)
 Kevin Herendeen, Principal, Grass Lake HS, Grass Lake (C)
 Fred Keier, Athletic Director, Riverview Community HS, Riverview (B)
 Diane Laffey, Athletic Director, Regina HS, Harper Woods (A)
 Blue Livingston, Athletic Director, Britton-Macon HS, Britton (D)
 Phil McAndrew, Athletic Director, Lawrence HS, Lawrence (C)
 Jenny McCallister, Athletic Director, Catholic Central HS, Lansing (B)
 A. Dean Parling, Teacher, Ithaca HS, Ithaca (C)
 Tom Pratt, Athletic Director, Hazel Park HS, Hazel Park (A)
 Ellen Pugh, Athletic Director, Ogemaw Heights HS, West Branch (B)
 Tom Rashid, Athletic Director, Archdiocese of Detroit, Detroit
 Archy Robinson, Athletic Director, Hamady HS, Flint (C)
 Pete Ryan, Athletic Director, Heritage HS, Saginaw (A)
 Dennis Smith, Athletic Director, Fowler HS, Fowler (D)
 Mike Sparks, Athletic Director, Maple Valley HS, Vermontville (C)
 Paul Williams, Athletic Director, Mesick HS, Mesick (C)
 Brian Zdanowski, Athletic Director, Greenville HS, Greenville (A)

(15) Basketball

Thursday, December 12, 2002 9 a.m.

Tim Baker, Faculty Member, Constantine HS, Constantine (C)
 Steve Benavidas, Basketball Coach, Ferndale HS, Ferndale (A)
 Deanne Crowley, Basketball Coach, Lowell HS, Lowell (A)
 Bob Duffey, Basketball Coach, Williamston HS, Williamston (B)
 Chris Ervin, Athletic Director, Carson City-Crystal HS, Carson City (C)
 Mike Foster, Principal, Laingsburg HS, Laingsburg (MASSP) (C)
 Leroy Hackley, Official, Byron Center
 Tom Hardy, Athletic Director, St Francis HS, Traverse City (C)
 Kevin Herendeen, Official, Grass Lake
 Dorene Ingalls, Basketball Coach, La Salle HS, St Ignace (C)
 Tom Kempf, Boys BB Coach, Gabriel Richard HS, Ann Arbor (C)
 Maureen Klocke, Athletic Director, Capac HS, Capac (B)
 Todd Kulawiak, Boys BB Coach, Benzie Central HS, Benzonia (B)
 Jean LaClair, Athletic Director, Bronson HS, Bronson (C)
 Mike Major, Basketball Coach, JW Sexton HS, Lansing (A)
 Vic Michaels, Assoc. Director, Archdiocese of Detroit, Detroit
 Larry Moore, Basketball Coach, West Bloomfield HS, West Bloomfield (A)
 Kevin O'Rourke, Athletic Director, North Rockford Middle School, Rockford
 Randy Salisbury, Principal, Britton-Macon HS, Britton (D)
 Christine Sermak, BCAM Representative, Okemos HS, Okemos (A)
 Robert Shannon, Athletic Director, Cass Technical HS, Detroit (A)
 Suzanne Stahl, Athletic Director, Northern Michigan Christian HS, Mc Bain (D)
 Arnetta Thompson, Basketball Coach, Central HS, Grand Rapids (B)
 Marc Throop, Athletic Director, Gull Lake HS, Richland (MIAAA) (B)

Lower Peninsula Girls/Boys Basketball Tournament

Monday, September 23, 2002 9 a.m.

Wednesday, May 14, 2003 9 a.m.

Alex Bell, Athletic Director, Fitzgerald HS, Warren (B)
Jane Bennett, Athletic Director, Huron HS, Ann Arbor (A)
Randy Bingham, Athletic Director, Harbor Springs HS, Harbor Springs (C)
Gary Boyce, Athletic Director, Grand Ledge HS, Grand Ledge (A)
Craig Brueck, Athletic Director, Centreville HS, Centreville (C)
Russell Davis, Athletic Director, Jackson HS, Jackson (A)
Lafayette Evans, Supervisor, Detroit Public Schools, Detroit
Leroy Hackley, Athletic Director, Byron Center HS, Byron Center (B)
Bob Henry, Co-Athletic Director, Whitmore Lake HS, Whitmore Lake (C)
Barry Hobrla, Athletic Director, Lowell HS, Lowell (A)
Thomas Hoy, Athletic Director, Colon Community HS, Colon (C)
Kristen Isom, Athletic Director, Madison HS, Adrian (C)
Dewayne Jones, Athletic Director, West Bloomfield HS, West Bloomfield (A)
Al Kastl, Athletic Director, Chippewa Valley HS, Clinton Township (A)
Jack Kramer, Athletic Director, Houghton Lake HS, Houghton Lake (B)
Jean LaClair, Athletic Director, Bronson HS, Bronson (C)
Kathy McGee, Athletic Director, Luke M Powers Catholic HS, Flint (B)
Vic Michaels, Assoc. Director, Archdiocese of Detroit, Detroit
Melanie Miller, Athletic Director, JW Sexton HS, Lansing (A)
Konrad Molter, Athletic Director, Traverse City West HS, Traverse City (A)
William Newkirk, Superintendent, Meridian HS, Sanford (C)
Jim Okler, Athletic Director, Grosse Ile HS, Grosse Ile (B)
Nancy Poole, Athletic Director, Inter-City Baptist HS, Allen Park (D)
Archy Robinson, Athletic Director, Hamady HS, Flint (C)
Pete Ryan, Athletic Director, Heritage HS, Saginaw (A)
Ron Stoneman, Athletic Director, Walkerville HS, Walkerville (D)
Gail Thornton, Athletic Director, Alcona Community HS, Lincoln (C)
Susan Tucker, Athletic Director, Perry HS, Perry (B)
David Young, Athletic Director, Davison HS, Davison (A)

(35) Board Of Canvassers

Friday, September 13, 2002 9:30 a.m.

Susan Bolton, Superintendent, Bath HS, Bath (C)
Leon Olszamowski, Principal, Notre Dame Preparatory School, Pontiac (B)
Roger Rush, Athletic Director, Pine River Area HS, Leroy (C)
Dennis Stine, Principal, Meridian HS, Sanford (C)

(40) Classification

Wednesday, January 22, 2003 1 p.m.

John Amend, Athletic Director, Akron-Fairgrove HS, Fairgrove (D)
E. Sharon Banks, Superintendent, Lansing School District, Lansing
John Brandt, Superintendent, Valley Lutheran HS, Saginaw (C)
Kerry Butzlaft, Principal, Perry HS, Perry (B)
Jim Dittmer, Board Member, Mason County Central HS, Ludington (MASB) (B)
Keith Eldred, Athletic Director, Williamston Middle School, Williamston
Paul Ellinger, Superintendent, Cheboygan Area HS, Cheboygan (B)
Jim Feldkamp, Athletic Director, Troy Public Schools, Troy (MIAAA)

Dan Flynn, Teacher/Coach, Escanaba HS, Escanaba (A)
Leroy Hackley, Athletic Director, Byron Center HS, Byron Center (B)
Robert Hansen, Superintendent, East Jordan HS, East Jordan (C)
Lillian Mason, Board Member, Grand Blanc HS, Grand Blanc (MASB) (A)
Dan McShannock, Athletic Director, HH Dow HS, Midland (MIAAA) (A)
Ron Moag, Principal, Caledonia HS, Caledonia (MASSP) (B)
Rob Olson, Superintendent, Sturgis HS, Sturgis (MASA) (B)
Linda Pepper, Principal, Chassell HS, Chassell (D)
Jack Postma, Principal, Unity Christian HS, Hudsonville (B)
Tom Rashid, Athletic Director, Archdiocese of Detroit, Detroit
Doris Rodgers, Athletic Director, Southfield-Lathrup HS, Lathrup Village (A)
Randy Salisbury, Principal, Britton-Macon HS, Britton (D)

(42) Competitive Cheer

Wednesday, March 19, 2003 10 a.m.

Wendy Contreras, Cheer Coach, Jenison HS, Jenison (A)
Jayne Danhoff, Cheer Coach, Plainwell HS, Plainwell (B)
Amy Denys, Pres.-CCAM, Novi HS, Novi (A)
Deb Gaines, Cheer Coach, Breckenridge HS, Breckenridge (C)
Mary Gavitt, Official, Lansing
Kristy Gibson-Marshall, Cheer Coach, Oxford HS, Oxford (A)
Dee Hammond, Official, St Johns
Jack Kramer, Athletic Director, Houghton Lake HS, Houghton Lake (MIAAA) (B)
Wendy Lemons, Cheer Coach, Whitmore Lake HS, Whitmore Lake (C)
Lisa Maike, Cheer Coach, Chesaning HS, Chesaning (B)
Ryan McLeod, Cheer Coach, Airport HS, Carleton (B)
John Springer, Athletic Director, Onsted HS, Onsted (B)
Janis Stahr, Official, Flat Rock
Lori Webb, Cheer Coach, Williamston HS, Williamston (B)
Trisha Williams, Cheer Coach, Stoney Creek HS, Rochester Hills (B)
James Wood, Athletic Director, Lake Orion HS, Lake Orion (A)
Susan Wood, Cheer Coach, Rochester HS, Rochester Hills (A)
Tricia Yost, Cheer Coach, Divine Child HS, Dearborn (B)

(45) Cross Country/Track & Field Regulations

Thursday, January 16, 2003 9 a.m.

Phillip Bedford, Official, Midland
Kevin Behmer, Track Coach, Huron HS, Ann Arbor (A)
David Blossom, Principal, Springport HS, Springport (MASSP) (C)
Chris Clark, Athletic Director, Grosse Pointe South HS, Grosse Pointe (A)
Lewis Clingman, Track Coach, Burton Middle School, Grand Rapids
Lafayette Evans, Supervisor, Detroit Public Schools, Detroit
Bill Fries, Track Coach, Portage Northern HS, Portage (A)
Tom Gass, President - MITCA, Vandercook Lake HS, Jackson (C)
Sharon Gianacakos, Track Coach, Greenville HS, Greenville (A)
Rudy Godefroidt, Principal, Hemlock HS, Hemlock (B)
Marc Hage, Athletic Director, Churchill HS, Livonia (A)
Mark Holdren, Track Coach, Portland HS, Portland (B)
Kathleen Hutfilz, Official, St Louis
Don Justice, Athletic Director, Lutheran East HS, Harper Woods (D)

Anthony Magni, Track Coach, Detroit Catholic Central HS, Redford (A)
Robert Masters, Cross Country Coach, Bedford HS, Temperance (A)
Wayne Mc Donald, Official, Parma
Eldon Moss, Track Coach, Benzie Central HS, Benzonia (B)
John Nash, Track Coach, Orchard View HS, Muskegon (B)
Ray Northrop, Track Coach, Marcellus HS, Marcellus (C)
Matt Peterson, Track Coach, East Jordan HS, East Jordan (C)
Chad Plaxton, Track Coach, Cadillac HS, Cadillac (A)
Robert Ribby, Track Coach, Eaton Rapids HS, Eaton Rapids (B)
Pat Richardson, Athletic Director, Grass Lake HS, Grass Lake (C)
Dan Sanborn, Athletic Director, Atherton HS, Burton (C)
Fred Smith, Athletic Director, Comstock HS, Kalamazoo (MIAAA) (B)

(50) Football

Tuesday, January 21, 2003 9 a.m.

Todd Baker, Football Coach, Pine River Area HS, Leroy (C)
Rod Bragg, Football Coach, St Mary Cathedral HS, Gaylord (D)
Greg Carter, Athletic Director, St Martin De Porres HS, Detroit (C)
Noel Dean, Football Coach, Lowell HS, Lowell (A)
Lafayette Evans, Supervisor, Detroit Public Schools, Detroit
Jim Feldkamp, Athletic Director, Troy Public Schools, Troy (MIAAA)
Keith Froelich, Past President - MFBCA, Okemos HS, Okemos (A)
Don Glessing, Football Coach, Hemlock HS, Hemlock (B)
Eric Hyde, Football Coach, North Branch HS, North Branch (B)
Hugh Jewell, Official, Highland Park
Charles Karpinski, Co-Athletic Director, JW Sexton HS, Lansing (A)
Ed Kindle, Football Coach, Port Huron HS, Port Huron (A)
Robert Kubriak, Football Coach, Kalamazoo Central HS, Kalamazoo (A)
Rich Machesky, Asst. Principal, Utica HS, Utica (MASSP) (A)
Jim Marana, Football Coach, Westwood HS, Ishpeming (C)
Thomas Passinault, Football Coach, Catholic Central HS, Grand Rapids (B)
Gregory Putra, Official, Jackson
David Reese, Football Coach, Southfield HS, Southfield (A)
George Sahadi, Athletic Director, Trinity Catholic HS, Harper Woods (D)
Jeff Smith, Football Coach, East Lansing HS, East Lansing (A)
Marty Spencer, Football Coach, La Salle HS, St Ignace (C)
Jim Venia, Athletic Director, Marysville HS, Marysville (MIAAA) (B)
Thomas Wenzel, Athletic Director, Mendon HS, Mendon (D)
Brian Zdanowski, Athletic Director, Greenville HS, Greenville (A)
Jeff Zonyk, Athletic Director, Three Rivers HS, Three Rivers (B)

(60) Golf

Monday, December 02, 2002 1 p.m.

Bob Artymovich, Golf Coach, Regina HS, Harper Woods (A)
Jerry Fouch, Athletic Director, East Grand Rapids HS, Grand Rapids (B)
Roger Fuller, President - MIGCA, Coldwater HS, Coldwater (B)
Todd Hursey, Golf Coach, Suttons Bay HS, Suttons Bay (C)
Nancy Johnson, Golf Coach, Greenville HS, Greenville (A)
Bob Lober, Golf Coach, Traverse City Central HS, Traverse City (A)
Ken Main, Boys Golf Coach, Morley Stanwood HS, Morley (C)

Frank Montgomery, Athletic Director, Big Rapids HS, Big Rapids (B)
Kathy Partlow, Golf Coach, Catholic Central HS, Lansing (B)
Cindy Schoonbeck, Girls Golf Coach, East Kentwood HS, Kentwood (A)
Paula Steele, Principal, East Lansing HS, East Lansing (MASSP) (A)
Scott Street, Golf Coach, Walled Lake Western HS, Walled Lake (A)
Lance Veydt, Golf Coach, Concord HS, Concord (C)
Tom Wilson, Golf Coach, Mona Shores HS, Norton Shores (A)
Diane Zatkoff, Boys Golf Coach, Chippewa Valley HS, Clinton Township (A)
Don Zoller, Principal, Frankenmuth HS, Frankenmuth (B)

(65) Gymnastics

Tuesday, October 01, 2002 1 p.m.

Larry Adams, Asst. Coach, Rochester HS, Rochester Hills (A)
Geri Cawthra, Gymnastics Coach, Holland HS, Holland (A)
John Cunningham, President-MGCA, Canton HS, Canton (A)
Cal DeKuiper, Asst. Principal, Ludington HS, Ludington (MASSP) (B)
Nancy Gregory, Gymnastics Coach, Brighton HS, Brighton (A)
Becky Lioi, Official, Waterford
Melanie Miller, Athletic Director, JW Sexton HS, Lansing (MIAAAA) (A)
Deb Moore, Gymnastics Coach, Northwest HS, Jackson (B)
Lisa Rickaby, Official, Adrian
Kay Riley, Gymnastics Coach, Waterford Kettering HS, Davisburg (A)
Keith Vree, Athletic Director, Rockford HS, Rockford (A)
Suzy Walsh, Gymnastics Coach, Portage Northern HS, Portage (A)

(75) Ice Hockey

Tuesday, September 10, 2002 1:30 p.m.

Ron Baum, Hockey Coach, East Kentwood HS, Kentwood (A)
Daniel DiCristofaro, Official, New Baltimore
Bob Dowd, Athletic Director, Athens HS, Troy (MASSP) (A)
Dave Durkin, Manager, Lapeer East HS, Lapeer (Advisory) (A)
Curt Ellis, Athletic Director, Novi HS, Novi (A)
Mike Feasby, Hockey Coach, Grand Haven HS, Grand Haven (A)
Eric Federico, Asst. Principal, OA Carlson HS, Gibraltar (B)
Keith Froelich, Athletic Director, Okemos HS, Okemos (A)
John Horrigan, Athletic Director, Cadillac HS, Cadillac (A)
Bruce Horsch, Athletic Director, Houghton HS, Houghton (C)
Tim Kluka, Athletic Director, Cabrini HS, Allen Park (C)
Joe Maci, Asst. Principal, Grosse Ile HS, Grosse Ile (B)
Mike Popson, Athletic Director, Brother Rice HS, Bloomfield Hills (A)
Pete Ryan, Athletic Director, Heritage HS, Saginaw (MIAAAA) (A)
Terry Sawchuk, Athletic Director, Plymouth HS, Canton (C)
Ken Sherman, Hockey Coach, Sault Area HS, Sault Ste Marie (B)
Mike Turner, Hockey Coach, Trenton HS, Trenton (A)
Andy Weidenbach, Pres. MIHCA, Cranbrook Kingswood HS, Bloomfield Hills (B)
Steven Winn, Official, Flint

(85) Junior High/Middle School
Tuesday, January 14, 2003 1 p.m.

Bill Chilman, Principal, Meridian JHS, Sanford
Terri Clock, Athletic Director, Bunker Middle School, Muskegon
Keith Eldred, Athletic Director, Williamston Middle School, Williamston
Paul Ellinger, Superintendent, Cheboygan Area HS, Cheboygan (B)
Chris Ervin, Athletic Director, Carson City-Crystal HS, Carson City (C)
Robert Glenn, Athletic Director, Murray-Wright HS, Detroit (A)
Melody Hasselback, Principal, Bath Middle School, Bath (MASSP)
Kay Johnson, Principal, Morenci Middle School, Morenci
Jim Lilley, Athletic Director, Jefferson Middle School, Pontiac
Wayne Marshall, Athletic Director, Gladstone Middle School, Gladstone
Thomas Mecsey, Athletic Director, Cranbrook Kingswood HS, Bloomfield Hills (MIAAA) (B)
Dennis Peacock, Athletic Director, Newberry HS, Newberry (C)
Dave Yarbrough, Athletic Director, Walled Lake Consolidated Schls, Walled Lake

(87) Officials Review
Monday, September 30, 2002 9:30 a.m.

Barbara Beckett, Officials Assn., 1132 Titus Street, Traverse City
Gary Buchley, Superior Off. Assn., 4819 Danforth Road, Escanaba
Joe Candala, N.C. Thumb League, Akron-Fairgrove HS, Fairgrove (D)
Rick Ledy, Straits Area Conference, La Salle HS, St Ignace (C)
Duane Luedecking, Southwestern MI Ath. Conf., 2623 Hemlock Street, Portage
Dan Neil, Coastal Swim Conference, Ludington HS, Ludington (B)
Jane Plaisted, Lake MI CC Off. Assn., 1565 Laraway Lake, Grand Rapids
Charles Rutan, Officials Assn., 234 Fisher Street, Grosse Pointe Farms
Rick Schmidt, Athletic Director, Holt HS, Holt (A)
Christine Schneider, Macomb Area Conf., East Detroit HS, Eastpointe (A)
Brian Smith, Capital Area Assn. Of Volleyball Officials, 1629 Haslett Rd, Suite 300, Haslett
Calvin TerHaar, MidThumb Wrestling Off. Assn., 2069 Crestline Drive, Burton
Wayne Welton, Southeastern Conf., 740 North Freer Road, Chelsea
James Wickman, Huron Valley Off. Assn., 150 S Staebler Rd, #854, Ann Arbor
Bryan Wild, St. Joseph Valley Conf., 29550 Pine Row Trail, Dowagiac
Paul Williams, Northwest Conference, Mesick HS, Mesick (C)

(90) Ski
Thursday, November 07, 2002 10 a.m.

Derek Anderson, Ski Coach, Marquette HS, Marquette (A)
Jim Bartlett, Advisory, Nub's Nob Ski Area, Harbor Springs (Advisory)
Bob Bonetti, Principal, Negaunee HS, Negaunee (MASSP) (C)
Karry Boone, Ski Coach, Walled Lake Northern, Commerce (B)
Ed Grice, Advisory, Boyne Mountain Ski Resort, Boyne Falls (Advisory)
Dale Harrison, Ski Coach, Brighton HS, Brighton (A)
Gary Hice, Athletic Director, Petoskey HS, Petoskey (MIAAA) (A)
John Horrigan, Athletic Director, Cadillac HS, Cadillac (A)
Dan Janowiak, Pres. - MHSSCA, Manistee HS, Manistee (B)
Karen Leinaar, Athletic Director, Benzie Central HS, Benzonia (B)
Jessica McClain, Ski Coach, Roscommon HS, Roscommon (B)
Sue Miller, Ski Coach, 13017 Mathews Lane, Charlevoix

Tami Mitchell, Ski Coach, Clarkston HS, Clarkston (A)
Renaë Rhoades, Ski Coach, Howell HS, Howell (A)

(95) Soccer

Wednesday, February 12, 2003 10 a.m.

Randy Bingham, Athletic Director, Harbor Springs HS, Harbor Springs (C)
Kirt Brown, Soccer Coach, Parchment HS, Parchment (B)
Mark Chapman, Athletic Director, Bishop Foley HS, Madison Heights (B)
Todd Derby, Soccer Coach, Haslett HS, Haslett (B)
Robert Dowd, Athletic Director, Athens HS, Troy (MASSP) (A)
Joe Guyski, Athletic Director, Durand Area HS, Durand (B)
Stephen Harsh, Official, Okemos
Randy Heethuis, Soccer Coach, Unity Christian HS, Hudsonville (B)
John Hill, Official, Richland
Terry Howdyshell, Soccer Coach, Jackson Christian School, Jackson (D)
Marc Krugielki, Soccer Coach, North Branch HS, North Branch (B)
Larry Lamphere, Athletic Director, Brandon HS, Ortonville (A)
Al Martus, Athletic Director, Goodrich HS, Goodrich (B)
Brian O'Leary, Soccer Coach, Novi HS, Novi (A)
Adam Prince, Boys Soccer Coach, Western Michigan Christian HS, Muskegon (C)
Dail Prucka, Athletic Director, Jefferson HS, Monroe (MIAAA) (B)
Nathan Sharpe, Boys Soccer Coach, Freedom Baptist HS, Hudsonville (D)
Clark Udell, President MSCA, Forest Hills Central HS, Grand Rapids (A)
Steve Vercammen, Athletic Director, Roseville HS, Roseville (A)
Wayne Wright, Athletic Director, Hill Mc Cloy HS, Montrose (B)

(110) Swimming

Tuesday, March 18, 2003 10 a.m.

Mike Brady, Swim Coach, Forest Hills Central HS, Grand Rapids (A)
Bob Crosby, Pres. - MISCAs, West Bloomfield HS, West Bloomfield (A)
John Dudley, Advisory, Eastern Michigan University, Ypsilanti (Advisory)
Sarah Eubanks, Swim Coach, Tecumseh HS, Tecumseh (B)
Jerry Fouch, Athletic Director, East Grand Rapids HS, Grand Rapids (B)
Scott Hedges, Swim Coach, Cranbrook Kingswood HS, Bloomfield Hills (B)
Liz Hill, Swim Coach, Pioneer HS, Ann Arbor (A)
Jeff Huxley, Swim Coach, Alma HS, Alma (B)
George Jones, Official, East Lansing
Linda Jones, Swim Coach, Western International HS, Detroit (A)
Patrick Low, Asst. Principal, Jonesville HS, Jonesville (MASSP) (C)
Ray Martin, Swim Coach, Sturgis HS, Sturgis (B)
Pat Oakes, Swim Coach, Grand Blanc HS, Grand Blanc (A)
Ellen Pugh, Athletic Director, Ogemaw Heights HS, West Branch (B)
Teri Reyburn, Athletic Director, DeWitt HS, DeWitt (B)
Sandra Richards, Official, Detroit
Cali Sackrider, Swim Coach, St Johns HS, St Johns (A)
Linda Siebold, Swim Coach, Grand Ledge HS, Grand Ledge (A)
Wendy Smith, Swim Coach, Luke M Powers Catholic HS, Flint (B)
Holly Watson, Swim Coach, Garber HS, Essexville (B)
Hooker Wellman, Swim Coach, Ludington HS, Ludington (B)
Jim Wood, Swim Coach, Lake Orion HS, Lake Orion (A)

(115) Tennis

Thursday, January 09, 2003 10 a.m.

Jeff Bisel, Athletic Director, All Saints Central HS, Bay City (D)
Mary Boike, Tennis Coach, Luke M Powers Catholic HS, Flint (B)
Mary Bradley, Tennis Coach, Ovid-Elsie HS, Elsie (B)
Keith Eldred, Athletic Director, Williamston Middle School, Williamston
Tim Elenbaas, Tennis Coach, Cadillac HS, Cadillac (A)
Jody Foreman, Tennis Coach, Marshall HS, Marshall (B)
Wendy Franz, Advisory, Midland Community Tennis Ctr, Midland (Advisory)
Jan Gottlin, Tennis Coach, Riverview Community HS, Riverview (B)
Dene Hadden, Principal, South Haven HS, South Haven (MASSP) (B)
Nancy Hayes, Tennis Coach, Huron HS, Ann Arbor (A)
Judith Hehs, Principal, Academy Of The Sacred Heart, Bloomfield Hills (D)
Phyllis Lightvoet, Tennis Coach, Kalamazoo Christian HS, Kalamazoo (C)
Karen Page, Tennis Coach, West Ottawa HS, Holland (A)
Curtis Partee, Tennis Coach, Dowagiac Union HS, Dowagiac (B)
Mike Popson, Athletic Director, Brother Rice HS, Bloomfield Hills (A)
Pam Porter, Tennis Coach, Lakeshore HS, Stevensville (A)
Margaret Ruemenapp, Tennis Coach, Harbor Springs HS, Harbor Springs (C)
John Shade, Pres.-MTECA, Grosse Ile HS, Grosse Ile (B)
Larry Taylor, Athletic Director, Northville HS, Northville (MIAAA) (A)
Dwayne Teusink, Advisory, 52 East 30th Street, Holland (Advisory)
Jim VanZandt, Advisory, Kalamazoo College, Kalamazoo (Advisory)
Alex Weisner, Tennis Coach, East Lansing HS, East Lansing (A)
Michelle Weyhing, Tennis Coach, Williamston HS, Williamston (B)
Lisa White, Athletic Director, Traverse City Christian School, Traverse City (D)

(120) Boys Tennis Seeding

Wednesday, May 21, 2003 3 p.m.

Thursday, May 22, 2003 8 a.m.

Gary Ellis, Tennis Coach, Allegan HS, Allegan (B)
Mitch Gatercole, Tennis Coach, Rockford HS, Rockford (A)
Joe Gentle, Tennis Coach, North Muskegon HS, North Muskegon (C)
Jeff Newingham, Athletic Director, Garber HS, Essexville (B)
Brian Polzin, Tennis Coach, Okemos HS, Okemos (A)
John Shade, Tennis Coach, Grosse Ile HS, Grosse Ile (B)
Chuck Wright, Tennis Coach, University Liggett HS, Grosse Pointe Woods (C)

(125) Girls Tennis Seeding

Monday, October 14, 2002 3 p.m.

Tuesday, October 15, 2002 8 a.m.

Nancy Brissette, Tennis Coach, Garber HS, Essexville (B)
Glenn Corey, Tennis Coach, Troy HS, Troy (A)
Gary Ellis, Tennis Coach, Allegan HS, Allegan (B)
Joe Gentle, Tennis Coach, North Muskegon HS, North Muskegon (C)
Al Inkala, Tennis Coach, Okemos HS, Okemos (A)
Barb Myler, Tennis Coach, Shrine HS, Royal Oak (C)
John Shade, Tennis Coach, Grosse Ile HS, Grosse Ile (B)
Dwayne Teusink, Advisory, 52 East 30th Street, Holland (Advisory)

(140) Volleyball

Tuesday, November 12, 2002 9:30 a.m.

Karel Bailey, Volleyball Coach, North Muskegon HS, North Muskegon (C)
Brooke Ballee, Asst. Principal, Delton-Kellogg Middle School, Delton (MASSP)
Jane Bennett, Athletic Director, Huron HS, Ann Arbor (A)
John Blankenship, Athletic Director, Frankenmuth HS, Frankenmuth (B)
Mindy Brealt, Volleyball Coach, Bad Axe HS, Bad Axe (C)
Michelle Brines, Volleyball Coach, Cadillac HS, Cadillac (A)
Lorin Cartwright, Athletic Director, Pioneer HS, Ann Arbor (A)
Kenny Coy, Athletic Director, Galien HS, Galien (D)
Tracy Daniel, Official, Portage
Cody Inglis, Athletic Director, Suttons Bay HS, Suttons Bay (MIAAA) (C)
Nancy Jungkans, Athletic Director, Dansville HS, Dansville (C)
Rick Ledy, Athletic Director, La Salle HS, St Ignace (C)
Pam Metcalf, Volleyball Coach, Reading HS, Reading (C)
Vic Michaels, Assoc. Director, Archdiocese of Detroit, Detroit
Steve Miller, Volleyball Coach, L'Anse Creuse HS, Harrison Township (A)
Sheryl Mox, Athletic Director, Potterville HS, Potterville (D)
Kathy Richards, Volleyball Coach, Whitmore Lake HS, Whitmore Lake (C)
Cheryl Ritz, Athletic Director, Wayland Union HS, Wayland (A)
Jan Sander, Athletic Director, Warren Woods-Tower HS, Warren (B)
JoEllen Smith, Volleyball Coach, Owosso HS, Owosso (A)
Debbie Spranger, Volleyball Coach, Lincoln HS, Warren (B)
Carie Walker, Volleyball Coach, Kenowa Hills HS, Grand Rapids (A)
Dale Wilhelm, Volleyball Coach, Reed City HS, Reed City (B)
Phil Wilson, Volleyball Coach, Kalamazoo Central HS, Kalamazoo (A)
Art Ziemelis, Volleyball Coach, Allegan HS, Allegan (B)
Lisa Zwick, Volleyball Coach, Mason HS, Mason (A)

(142) Volleyball Site Selection

Tuesday, September 17, 2002 9:30 a.m.

Jane Bennett, Athletic Director, Huron HS, Ann Arbor (A)
Gary Bruns, Asst. Principal, Frankenmuth HS, Frankenmuth (B)
Cindy Buckner, Asst. Volleyball Coach, North Muskegon HS, North Muskegon (C)
Teresa Cole, Asst. Athletic Director, Mio-Au Sable HS, Mio (C)
Paula Davidson, Athletic Director, Peck Community HS, Peck (D)
Chris Ervin, Athletic Director, Carson City-Crystal HS, Carson City (C)
Steve Hoke, Athletic Director, Hastings HS, Hastings (B)
Jim Johnson, Athletic Director, Troy HS, Troy (A)
Nancy Jungkens, Athletic Director, Dansville HS, Dansville (C)
Jean LaClair, Athletic Director, Bronson HS, Bronson (C)
Carl Latora, Athletic Director, Portage Northern HS, Portage (A)
Karen Leinaar, Athletic Director, Benzie Central HS, Benzonia (B)
Sean Maloney, Athletic Director, Crestwood HS, Dearborn Heights (A)
Lisa Messner, Volleyball Coach, Eastern HS, Lansing (A)
Vic Michaels, Assoc. Director, Archdiocese of Detroit, Detroit
Jim Pittman, Athletic Director, Clinton HS, Clinton (C)

Laurie Ryan, Athletic Director, Niles HS, Niles (B)
Dave Snyder, Principal, Petoskey HS, Petoskey (A)
Jerry Sykes, Athletic Director, Lumen Christi HS, Jackson (B)
Sue Tucker, Athletic Director, Perry HS, Perry (B)
Deb VanKuiken, Athletic Director, Holly HS, Holly (A)
Betty Wroubel, Athletic Director, Notre Dame Preparatory School, Pontiac (B)
Brian Zdanowski, Athletic Director, Greenville HS, Greenville (A)

(150) Wrestling

Wednesday, January 29, 2003 9:30 a.m.

Ron Beegle, Athletic Director, Charlotte HS, Charlotte (B)
Dennis Brighton, Wrestling Coach, Bedford HS, Temperance (A)
Bruce Burwitz, Wrestling Coach, Fenton HS, Fenton (A)
Ken Day, Wrestling Coach, Imlay City HS, Imlay City (B)
Joe DeGain, Wrestling Coach, Kearsley HS, Flint (A)
Shawn Flock, Wrestling Coach, Newaygo HS, Newaygo (B)
Gordon Fooks, Athletic Director, Notre Dame HS, Harper Woods (B)
Mike Garvey, Athletic Director, Delton Kellogg HS, Delton (MIAAA) (B)
Ron Helmboldt, Wrestling Coach, Sparta HS, Sparta (B)
Stephen Hendershott, Official, Ortonville
Mark Holdren, Pres. MWRCA, Olivet College, 320 S Main St, Olivet
Linda Hutchinson, Principal, Tecumseh HS, Tecumseh (B)
Paul Johnson, Wrestling Coach, Greenville HS, Greenville (A)
Al Kastl, Athletic Director, Chippewa Valley HS, Clinton Township (A)
Chad Kik, Wrestling Coach, Kent City HS, Kent City (C)
Pat Lamb, Wrestling Coach, Rogers City HS, Rogers City (C)
Lynwood Leightner, Official, Cheboygan
Mike Popson, Athletic Director, Brother Rice HS, Bloomfield Hills (A)
Dave Reno, Wrestling Coach, Port Huron HS, Port Huron (A)
James Richardson, Athletic Director, Grand Haven HS, Grand Haven (A)
Robert Rood, Principal, Marine City HS, Marine City (MASSP) (B)
Glenn Sartorelli, Wrestling Coach, Menominee HS, Menominee (B)
Bill Simpson, Wrestling Coach, Charlotte HS, Charlotte (B)
Marc Sonnenfeld, Wrestling Coach, Fitzgerald HS, Warren (B)
Thomas Stern, Wrestling Coach, Midland HS, Midland (A)
Jim Wade, Wrestling Coach, Climax-Scotts HS, Climax (D)
Dale Wentela, Wrestling Coach, Constantine HS, Constantine (C)
Tom Williams, Athletic Director, Dundee HS, Dundee (C)
Russ Wrzesinski, Wrestling Coach, Manistee HS, Manistee (B)

(200) Track & Field Site Selection

Friday, January 10, 2003 9 a.m.

Kevin Behmer, Track Coach, Huron HS, Ann Arbor (A)
Wayne Brady, Athletic Director, Bad Axe HS, Bad Axe (C)
Richard Chenault, Track Coach, Gabriel Richard HS, Ann Arbor (C)
Paul Clark, Athletic Director, Cheboygan Area HS, Cheboygan (B)
Rob Cohoon, Track Coach, Comstock HS, Kalamazoo (B)
Steve Doerr, Track Coach, East Jackson HS, Jackson (C)
MacDonald Domke, Track Coach, Marysville HS, Marysville (B)

Chris Ervin, Athletic Director, Carson City-Crystal HS, Carson City (C)
Lafayette Evans, Supervisor, Detroit Public Schools, Detroit
Jamie Gent, Athletic Director, Haslett HS, Haslett (B)
Rudy Godefroidt, Principal, Hemlock HS, Hemlock (MASSP) (B)
Doug Grezeszak, Track Coach, Ogemaw Heights HS, West Branch (B)
Steve Hines, Athletic Director, East Jordan HS, East Jordan (C)
Peter Maas, Track Coach, Linden HS, Linden (B)
Nelson MacNicol, Girls Track Coach, Trenton HS, Trenton (A)
Sue Madden, Track Coach, Chippewa Valley HS, Clinton Township (A)
Mike Messner, Athletic Director, Constantine HS, Constantine (C)
Tim O'Brien, Track Coach, Greenville HS, Greenville (A)
Brian Price, Track Coach, Bangor HS, Bangor (C)
Nancy Roberson, Athletic Director, Bath HS, Bath (C)
Pete Ryan, Athletic Director, Heritage HS, Saginaw (A)
Dale Sage, Athletic Director, Reese HS, Reese (C)
Paul Shoup, Track Coach, Mason County Eastern HS, Custer (D)
Ken Szczepanski, Athletic Director, Saranac HS, Saranac (C)
Dave Wenzel, Track Coach, Gaylord HS, Gaylord (A)
Wright Wilson, Track Coach, Shrine HS, Royal Oak (C)

(240) Track & Field Standards

Wednesday, December 11, 2002 9 a.m.

Richard Chenault, Track Coach, Gabriel Richard HS, Ann Arbor (C)
Pam Durand, Track Coach, Heritage HS, Saginaw (A)
Rudy Godefroidt, Principal, Hemlock HS, Hemlock (B)
James Long, Track Coach, Kalamazoo Central HS, Kalamazoo (A)
Paul Nilsson, Track Coach, Williamston HS, Williamston (B)
Nancy Roberson, Athletic Director, Bath HS, Bath (C)
Kim Spalsbury, Track Coach, Grand Ledge HS, Grand Ledge (A)
Mike Unger, Athletic Director, Lutheran HS Westland, Westland (C)

ICE HOCKEY COMMITTEE MEETING

East Lansing, September 10, 2002

Members Present:

Ron Baum, Kentwood
Tim Kluka, Allen Park
Dan DiCristofaro, New Baltimore
Joe Mad, Grosse Ile
Bob Dowd, Troy
Mike Popson, Bloomfield Hills
Dave Durkin, Lapeer
Pete Ryan, Saginaw
Curt Ellis, Novi
Ken Sherman, Sault St. Marie
Eric Frederico, Gibraltar
Mike Turner, Trenton

Mike Feasby, Grand Haven
Andy Weldenbach, Bloomfield Hills
John Horrigan, Cadillac
Steve Winn, Flint
Bruce Horsch, Houghton

Members Absent:

Keith Froelich, Okemos
Terry Sawchuk, Canton

Staff Members Present:

Randy Allen (Recorder)

The 2002 03 Ice Hockey Committee met in the MHSAA Office Building to review the MHSAA tournament series and select tournament sites; discuss and review correspondence; review playing rules changes; and discuss the status of high school hockey in MHSAA member schools.

The meeting began with introductions by each committee member. Randy Allen reviewed the role and responsibility of the committee.

2001 MINUTES, REPRESENTATIVE COUNCIL RECOMMENDATIONS

Minutes from 2001 were reviewed, as well as the recommendations made last year to the Representative Council. Three recommendations were approved as follows; Allowing pep bands from participating schools at the Finals site; Convening an ad hoc committee to explore seeding at the entry level in team sports; Requiring protective netting behind goals at tournament sites, or restricting seating if netting is not in place.

COOPERATIVE TEAMS

The new cooperative team enrollment limits adopted by the Representative Council were explained and discussed. Several hockey teams are affected. Comments from committee members will be communicated to the cooperative team study group at their upcoming meeting.

NEW PROGRAM MEETING

The committee was updated on the agenda for the MHSAA New & Developing Hockey Program in service meeting scheduled for Oct. 22. Over 60 people are expected from 25 schools with presentations on MHSAA Regulations, Sportsmanship, playing rules and successful program administration planned.

SEEDING

A report on the Sept. 9 meeting of the ad hoc seeding committee was reviewed. Randy Allen will work with the leadership of the Michigan HS Hockey Coaches Association to conduct a "case study" of seeding at the regional level during the 2002 03 tournament using basic criteria established by the seeding committee. Results will be shared with the next seeding committee meeting and the Hockey Committee in 2003 before any recommendations to the Representative Council.

JERSEY EMBLEMS

Requests for conference membership or memorial patches to be worn on informs was discussed. It was agreed they would be allowed under the same restrictions of size and placement as were adopted for the "Stop" patch in the 2001 committee meeting. Such conference or memorial patches must be approved by the MHSAA office.

2002 03 RULES CHANGES, RULES MEETINGS

National Federation rules changes for the 2002 03 season were shared with the committee with comment from Andy Weidenbach who served on the National Federation Rules Committee as Section 4 NFCA representative. The rules changes will be part of expanded materials presented at the Hockey Rules Meetings.

CORRESPONDENCE

Letters were shared with the committee by a parent and a school asking that MHSAA Regulations be changed that restrict athletes from participating in roller hockey during the school season. There was no support for changing the MHSAA regulation.

TOURNAMENT DATES, SITES, DRAW

Tournament dates and sites for 2003 were reviewed as follows:

Regional Week – Monday, Feb. 24, 2003 Eight (8) Regionals will begin in each of three divisions

Quarterfinals – Tuesday, March 4, 2003
Division 2 Quarterfinals

Wednesday, March 5, 2003 Divisions 1 and 3 Quarterfinals

Semifinals/Finals –

Thursday, March 6, 2003-Division 2 Semifinals, 6 and 8 p.m.

Friday, March 7, 2003 - Division 3 Semifinals, 12 and 2:30 p.m.

Friday, March 7, 2003- Division 1 Semifinals, 6 and 8:30 p.m.

Saturday, March 8, 2003-Finals Schedule
11 a.m. Division 2

3 p.m. Division 3

7 p.m. Division 1

REGIONAL SITES FOR 2003

Division 1 – East Kentwood (1), Grand Rapids (2), Ann Arbor Huron (3), Redford Detroit Catholic Central(4), TBA (5), Flint IMA (6), Bay City Central (7), Marquette (8)

Division 2 – Sault Ste. Marie (9), Grand Rapids Forest Hills Central (10), Okemos (11), Novi (12), Gross Pointe South (13), Trenton (14), Flint IMA (15), Saginaw Heritage (16)

Division 3 – Calumet (17), Big Rapids (18), East Grand Rapids (19), Flint IMA (20), Flint IMA (21), Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook Kingswood (22), Chelsea (23), Gross Ile (24)

QUARTERFINAL SITES FOR 2003

Division 1 – East Kentwood (1), Redford Detroit Catholic Central (2), Flint IMA (3), Traverse City St. Francis (4)

Division 2 – Gaylord (5), Okemos (6), Trenton (7), Flint IMA (8)

Division 3 – Sault Ste. Marie (9), Mattawan (10), Flint IMA (11), Allen Park Cabrini (12)

Semifinal Draw: QF 4 vs. QF 2,
QF 1 vs. QF 3

RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE REPRESENTATIVE COUNCIL

Motion was made to allow regular season weekend and/or holiday tournaments involving four or more schools to use MHSAA tournament overtime procedures to determine a winner for advancement purposes when there are regulation tie scores. Local tournament management would be allowed to set a maximum number of overtime periods, e.g., if no winner is determined after four overtime periods the game would end in a tie. The OT procedure would not be allowed for tournament formats using total goals to determine advancement (17-0 in favor).■

GIRLS VOLLEYBALL SITE SELECTION COMMITTEE MEETING East Lansing, September 17, 2002

Members Present:

Jane Bennett, Ann Arbor-Huron
 Gary Bruns, Frankenmuth
 Cindy Buckner, North Muskegon
 Teresa Cole, Mio
 Paula Davidson, Peck
 Chris Ervin, Carson City
 Steve Hoke, Hastings
 Nancy Jungkens, Dansville
 Jean LaClair, Bronson
 Carl Latora, Portage
 Karen Leinaar, Benzonia
 Sean Maloney, Dearborn Heights
 Lisa Messner, Lansing
 Vic Michaels, Detroit
 Jim Pittman, Clinton

Laurie Ryan, Niles
 Dave Snyder, Petoskey
 Jerry Sykes, Jackson
 Sue Tucker, Perry
 Deb VanKuiken, Holly
 Betty Wroubel, Pontiac
 Brian Zdanowski, Greenville

Members Absent:

Jim Johnson, Troy
 Kaye Panchula, Flint-The Valley School

Staff Members Present:

Gina Mazzolini
 Sharla Stokes (Recorder)

After the welcome and introductions, the committee was reminded of its responsibility and reviewed the accepted criteria for selecting the 2003 hosts for MHSAA Girls Volleyball Tournament contests involving Lower Peninsula schools. The Upper Peninsula Athletic Committee will select sites where all the schools or a majority are Upper Peninsula schools.

The MHSAA Volleyball Site Selection Committee approved in concept a policy which would allow staff to seek an alternate site for MHSAA Quarterfinals if extreme travel for both teams was created by the site selection. The Committee chose not to select absolute mileage criteria in order for a change of sites. They felt the definition of extreme travel is different for different parts of the state. The committee did concur that the distance should be at least 100-150 miles for each team. If this is the case, the staff will seek a neutral, mid-point site.

DRAWINGS

Drawings were conducted for District qualifiers to Regional Tournament competition as well as Semifinal bracket placement in all classes.

Four Team Regional:

Tournament Advance Master Draw

2nd Lowest District No.
 Lowest District No.
 2nd Highest District No.
 Highest District No.

Semifinal Bracket Placement in All Classes:

Class A	Class B
4 <input type="text"/>	6 <input type="text"/>
1 <input type="text"/>	8 <input type="text"/>
2 <input type="text"/>	5 <input type="text"/>
3 <input type="text"/>	7 <input type="text"/>
Class C	Class D
12 <input type="text"/>	14 <input type="text"/>
11 <input type="text"/>	15 <input type="text"/>
10 <input type="text"/>	13 <input type="text"/>
9 <input type="text"/>	16 <input type="text"/>

Winner of Quarterfinal No. 4 will play the winner of Quarterfinal No. 1 and so on throughout the Semifinal bracket.

The committee then selected Quarterfinal, District and Regional centers in all classes except schools located in the Upper Peninsula. ■

BOYS BASKETBALL SITE SELECTION COMMITTEE MEETING

East Lansing, September 23, 2002

Members Present:

Alex Bell, Warren
 Jane Bennett, Ann Arbor
 Randy Bingham, Harbor Springs
 Gary Boyce, Grand Ledge
 Craig Brueck, Centreville
 Russell Davis, Jackson
 Lafayette Evans, Detroit
 Leroy Hackley, Byron Center
 Bob Henry, Whitmore Lake
 Barry Hobrla, Lowell
 Thomas Hoy, Colon
 Kristen Isom, Adrian
 Dewayne Jones, West Bloomfield
 Al Kastl, Clinton Township
 Jack Kramer, Houghton Lake
 Jean LaClair, Bronson

Kathy McGee, Flint
 Vic Michaels, Detroit
 Melanie Miller, Lansing
 Konrad Molter, Traverse City
 William Newkirk, Meridian
 Jim Okler, Grosse Ile
 Nancy Poole, Allen Park
 Archy Robinson, Flint
 Pete Ryan, Saginaw
 Ron Stoneman, Walkerville
 Gail Thornton, Lincoln
 Sue Tucker, Perry
 David Young, Davison

Staff Members Present:

Nate Hampton
 Sharla Stokes (Recorder)

After the welcome and introductions, the committee was reminded of its responsibility and reviewed the accepted criteria for selecting the 2003 hosts for MHSAA Boys Basketball Tournament contests.

Class C
 10
 12
 11
 9

Class D
 15
 16
 14
 13

DRAWINGS

Drawings were conducted for District qualifiers to Regional Tournament competition as well as Semifinal bracket placement in all classes.

Winner of Quarterfinal No. 3 will play the winner of Quarterfinal No. 4 and so on throughout the Semifinal bracket.

The committee then selected Quarterfinal, Regional and District centers in all classes except schools located in the Upper Peninsula.

**Four Team Regional:
Tournament Advance Master Draw**

Highest District No.
 Lowest District No.
 2nd Lowest District No.
 2nd Highest District No.

**RECOMMENDATION TO MHSAA
STAFF/EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

The committee recommends geographic pairings for Regional Tournament No. 8. The northern two Districts will play at Gaylord for its first round of the Regional. The two southernmost will play at Davison for its first round of the Regional, with the winners from each playing the final Regional contest in Mt. Pleasant at Central Michigan University. The Districts are as indicated on the following page:

Semifinal Bracket Placement in All Classes:

<p>Class A</p> <p>3 <input type="checkbox"/> 4 <input type="checkbox"/> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 <input type="checkbox"/></p>	<p>Class B</p> <p>8 <input type="checkbox"/> 6 <input type="checkbox"/> 5 <input type="checkbox"/> 7 <input type="checkbox"/></p>
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District 12

Escanaba
 Gaylord
 Marquette
 Petoskey
 Traverse City Central
 Traverse City West

District 10

Bay City-Central (host)
 Flushing
 Saginaw
 Saginaw-Arthur Hill
 Saginaw-Heritage

**RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE
 BASKETBALL COMMITTEE**

1. Consider geographic pairings at Basketball Regional sites where geography and design will match schools over 100 miles apart.

District 11

Alpena
 Auburn-Bay City Western (host)
 Cadillac
 Midland
 Midland-H H Dow
 Mt. Pleasant

District 32

Davison (host)
 Flint--Carman-Ainsworth
 Flint-Central
 Flint-Kearsley
 Flint-Northern
 Lapeer West

2. Use 3-person officiating crews at the Regional level.
3. Award trophies and/or medals at Quarterfinals and Semifinals. ■

Girls Basketball Group Ticket Sales Underway

Group and general public ticket sales are now underway for the 2002 MHSAA Girls Basketball Finals at Rose Arena in Mt. Pleasant, Dec. 5-7.

Under the group program, groups of 10 or more can obtain a substantial discount off the standard general admission ticket price for any session of the Semifinals or Finals. For the girls basketball Semifinals and Finals, the discount is 50 percent off the standard \$6 Semifinal and \$7 Final ticket price. In order to qualify for the group discount, all orders must be submitted to the Central Michigan University Athletic Ticket Office, postmarked by Nov. 15. No group orders postmarked after the deadline date will be accepted. The tickets are good for general admission seating in the upper level of Rose Arena.

A Group Ticket Order Form for the MHSAA Girls Basketball Finals may be obtained from the CMU Athletic Ticket Office, Rose Arena, Mt. Pleasant, MI 48859; or can be downloaded from the MHSAA web site at mhsaa.com. In addition, tickets can be ordered by telephone through the Central Michigan University Athletic Ticket Office at 1-888-FIRE-UP-2.

OFFICIALS REVIEW COMMITTEE MEETING

East Lansing, September 30, 2002

Members Present:

Gary Buchley, Escanaba
Joe Candala, Fairgrove
Rick Ledy, St. Ignace
Duane Luedecking, Portage
Dan Neil, Ludington
Jane Plaisted, Grand Rapids
Charles Rutan, Grosse Pointe Farms
Rick Schmidt, Holt
Christine Schneider, Eastpointe
Brian Smith, Haslett
Calvin TerHaar, Burton
Wayne Welton, Chelsea
James Wickman, Ann Arbor
Bryan Wild, Dowagiac
Paul Williams, Mesick

Rick Schmidt, Holt
Christine Schneider, Eastpointe
Brian Smith, Haslett
Calvin TerHaar, Burton
Wayne Welton, Chelsea
James Wickman, Ann Arbor
Bryan Wild, Dowagiac
Paul Williams, Mesick

Members Absent:

Barb Beckett, Traverse City

Staff Members Present:

Bill Bupp (Recorder)
Tom Minter

The meeting was called to order at 9:30 a.m. Introductions followed completion of travel vouchers and presentation of the meeting charge.

BACKGROUND CHECK ON OFFICIALS

A discussion of background checks for officials resulted in no action. The committee determined that officials are not employees therefore not under the jurisdiction of member schools or the MHSAA. It was determined that the current question on the MHSAA Officials Registration form was sufficient effort to discover and address behavior by officials which may result denying registration as an official.

COLLEGE ASSIGNMENT CONFLICTS

In specific sports there is conflict when college assignments follow those made for MHSAA tournaments. Regularly officials return high school tournament invitations in order to pursue college opportunities. The committee offered no resolution to impact this bothersome practice.

ADDITIONAL OFFICIALS REVIEW COMMITTEE MEETINGS

The committee voiced its willingness to meet more than one time per year to consider matters of officiating as determined by the MHSAA Executive Director.

OFFICIALS PRAISE

Offering praise is a practice that officials use too infrequently. The committee recommended that officials consider every opportunity to offer praise of athletes, teams and coaches.

RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE REPRESENTATIVE COUNCIL

1. The committee reviewed the Mandatory Association Membership waiver first proposed at the 2001 meeting. Following extensive discussion two exceptions were added to the document (D & E below, in italics). A motion was made to adopt the document as follows:

MANDATORY ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP (2005-2006)

Beginning in the 2005-2006 school year, officials in three sports—Football, Basketball and Wrestling—will be required to be members in "good standing" in a local Approved Association in order to be eligible to officiate MHSAA tournament contests. There may be some situations that may make it difficult for an individual official to meet the requirements of Approved Association membership. It is the purpose of this document to outline a procedure to govern appeals of the policy adopted by the MHSAA

Representative Council in 1999-00. In order to be eligible to officiate in an MHSAA tournament series event, officials shall meet the following conditions.

1. Attend a current rules meeting for the sport in question.
2. Obtain Approved status (16 ratings) in the sport in question.
3. Achieve a 3-year rating average of 3.0 or better (1.0 is best).
4. Be a member, in good standing, of an Approved Association as determined by the MHSAA.

In the event an official is not a member of an Approved Association, a letter requesting a waiver shall be submitted to the MHSAA Officials Department. In the letter the official shall cite clearly the reasons membership in an MHSAA Approved Association does not exist. The request must be received by the MHSAA or postmarked prior to the first allowable game date for the sport in question.

The MHSAA will review each request and determine the status of the official. The categories available to consideration by the MHSAA representative are:

- A. Residence in a remote area of the state not in proximity to the meeting place for the Approved Associations within the area.
- B. Residence in an MHSAA zone without an Approved Association.
- C. Absence of a state-wide Approved Association in the sport that the individual officiates.
- D. Status as an annually certified member official, meeting current registration and certification requirements of a national association (FIFA etc.) serving the sport under consideration and a member of an MHSAA Approved Association.
- E. Evidence of completion of a National Federation Officials Education program in the sport under consideration and a member of an MHSAA Approved Association.

The MHSAA representative may waive the requirement, waive the requirement with conditions or deny the request for waiver. Waivers or waivers with conditions are applicable to the current season and do not apply to another sport or another school year.

(15-0 in favor).

2. A motion was presented that the next sport to be included in the Approved Association required membership should be Volleyball so a girls sport will be included with football, boys and girls basketball and wrestling (15-0 in favor).
3. NASO, the National Association of Sports Officials prepared a document that sets forth standards for the relationship between schools and officials. The committee, impressed with the elements of the "Covenant with Sports Officials," acted to advance the document to the Representative Council for adoption. It is recommended the Covenant be presented in at least the *MHSAA Officials Guidebook* and *MHSAA Handbook* (15-0 in favor).
4. A motion was made to encourage schools to invite officials or Approved Associations to present discussions of new and amended sport rules and for Approved Associations to readily provide member officials to fill the presenter opportunities. It was the belief of the committee that an examination and understanding of rules, especially new rules, could contribute to better spectator behavior (15-0 in favor).
5. Following the review of a proposal sent forth by an association regarding the rating system and letters from individual officials addressing tournament selection procedures, a motion was made to change the years between Final appearances by a single official in the sports of football, basketball, wrestling, baseball and softball from three years to four (15-0 in favor).
6. A recommendation to approve the gold shirt with black pinstripes as the primary MHSAA soccer official's shirt and two

alternate shirts (black with white pin-stripes and red with black pinstripes) was made by the committee.

There was a motion to permit softball officials to wear powder blue shirts as an alternate uniform shirt provided all umpires in the game wear the same color. (15-0 in favor)

7. Discussion of official selection committees focusing on the size of the zone sub-committees resulted in a motion to the

Representative Council to limit the size of zone committees to no more than four persons except that zones 3 and 4 may have five persons selected, that assignors or members of the Officials Review Committee be permitted to attend selection meetings in an ad hoc capacity to serve as a resource, and that no member of any selection committee be permitted to serve more than two consecutive years (15-0 in favor).■

GIRLS GYMNASTICS COMMITTEE MEETING

East Lansing, October 1, 2002

Members Present:

Geri Cawthra, Holland
John Cunningham, Canton
Cal DeKuiper, Ludington
Nancy Gregory, Brighton
Becky Lioi, Waterford
Melanie Miller, Lansing
Deb Moore, Jackson
Lisa Rickaby, Adrian

Kay Riley, Waterford
Keith Vree, Rockford
Suzy Walsh, Portage

Members Absent:

Larry Adams, Rochester Hills

Staff Members Present:

Suzanne M. Martin (Recorder)

The 2002 Gymnastics Committee met in the MHSAA Building to review correspondence, determine regional qualifying scores, clarify changes in the cooperative programs policy and discuss the pros and cons of changing the gymnastics season to the fall.

QUALIFYING SCORES

The committee reviewed scores posted at each 2002 Regional site in each event along with the numbers of competitors in each event. They also took into consideration the number of participants in each event who did not perform up to the qualifying score at regionals to determine whether qualifying scores are too high. A review of changes in the 2002-03 National Federation gymnastics rules was also discussed. It was noted that in the floor exercise event that a Round Off performed the third time in a routine will not receive credit. This change will effect the ability of some gymnasts to receive all points possible in event requirements. Therefore, the committee determined that regional qualifying scores on each event and the team qual-

ifying score will not be changed. The qualifying scores for 2002-03 will be as follows: Vault 7.7, bars 7.0, beam 7.4, floor exercise 7.9 and team 118.0.

MHSAA TOURNAMENT SITES, DATES AND TIMES

Regionals - Saturday, March 1, 2003, 10 a.m.
Region 1 - Holland High School
Region 2 - Canton-Plymouth High School
Region 3 - Rochester-Adams High School
Region 4 - TBD

LP Finals - Plymouth High School, Friday, March 7-8, 2003. Team Competition is Friday beginning at 4 p.m. Individual Competition will be held on Saturday with Division 2 beginning at noon.

UP Finals - Menominee High School, Saturday, March 1, 2003 (provided at least five schools enter)

CORRESPONDENCE

A letter was reviewed by the committee in which the writer suggested a change in the

procedure to determine the order in which teams will compete in each event at the Finals. Discussion of the current procedure and the suggested procedure led the committee to determine that a change could take place that would be more fair to all teams. Therefore, the following procedure will be used beginning with the 2003 Team Finals:

1. From year to year teams will begin competition by region on the next event in Olympic order based on what event that region competed on first the previous year.
2. A draw will be conducted to determine which team in that region will compete first in the first event.
3. In each succeeding event, each team will compete 1st, 2nd, 3rd, in the rotation.
4. The team that drew to compete first in the first event will compete first in the fourth event.

SAMPLE competition rotation throughout the four events:

Region 1

Order of Competition

Vault	Bars	Beam	Floor
Team A	Team C	Team B	Team A
Team B	Team A	Team C	Team B
Team C	Team B	Team A	Team C

VAULTING TABLE

The National Federation Gymnastics Rule Book now allows by state association adoption, the use of the vaulting table instead of the vaulting horse in the vault event. MHSAA staff asked for input from committee members before submitting a proposal to the Representative Council.

There was a great deal of discussion about the use of a vaulting table which included cost and considerations for ease in which gymnasts can switch from the horse to the table with the ability to perform the same vaults. Even though the original reason vaulting tables became popular was because the design made it safer for rear entry vaults, which are not legal in high school gymnastics, the committee felt that vaulting tables are the equipment of the future and high school gymnasts will be exposed to it.

The committee developed a proposal to

the Representative Council, which will appear in the Recommendations section of these minutes.

GYMNASTICS SEASON

As discussion of changing the gymnastics season from winter to the fall was placed on the agenda as a follow-up to continue discussion that took place at the 2002 Finals last winter. The committee was asked to provide MHSAA with their reasons for changing or not changing the season. Their input follows:

Pros:

More access to gym time

More judge availability

Would not have to travel in bad weather

No conflict with club team competition

Cons:

Would not want to conflict with girls swim

Additionally, the committee suggested that if a change was considered, the MHSAA regionals should be held on the first Saturday in December and the Finals the following Friday and Saturday.

RECOMMENDATIONS TO REPRESENTATIVE COUNCIL

1. By state association adoption, allow the vaulting table to be used in regular season events beginning 2003-04.
 - a. A school that uses the vaulting table must also provide a vaulting horse for those opponents who request to use it
 - b. Schools sponsoring gymnastics should work towards obtaining a vaulting table by 2008-09
 - c. The MHSAA Regional and Final sites must provide both pieces of vaulting equipment for the 2004 tournament series (11-0 in favor).
2. Require the Lower Peninsula gymnastics Final host to provide a spring floor by 2005 (5-1 in favor; 5 abstained) ■

FOOTBALL OFFICIALS ASSIGNMENT COMMITTEE

East Lansing, September 26, 2002

Members Present:

Mel Atkins, Grand Rapids
Teresa Cole, Mio
Thomas DeSana, Wyandotte
Don Edens, Kingsford
Curt Ellis, Novi
John Ellis, Pewamo
Lafayette Evans, Detroit
Dan Fife, Clarkston
Bob Follett, Dowagiac
Denny Fulk, Laingsburg
Mark Gainforth, Sebawaing
Tim Genson, Scottville
Jamie Gent, Haslett
Troy Guzikowski, Reed City
Dave Hammer, Coldwater
Tom Hardy, Traverse City
Gary Iwinski, Brown City
Charles Karpinski, Lansing
Buddy Kimura, Flint
James Lamoreaux, St Ignace
Gary Langdon, Clio
Thomas Luxmore, Rochester
Harry Marok, Adrian
Chuck Miller, Jackson

Jim Nielsen, Muskegon
Jim Noble, Saginaw
Kevin O'Rourke, Rockford
Dee Jay Paquette, Munising
Tom Rashid, Detroit
Tarlton Small, Pontiac
Mike Unger, Westland
Jeff Zonyk, Three Rivers

Members Absent:

Bud Clement, Pittsford
Eric Haik, Hopkins
Scott Kemple, Kalamazoo
Fred Smith, Kalamazoo

Staff Members Present:

Bill Bupp (Recorder)
Angie Butterwick
Nate Hampton
Rob Kaminski
Camala Kinder
Tom Minter
Leanne Moore
Faye Verellen

The Committee was presented with the entire list of approved officials in Football who had completed availability forms at the MHSAA rules meetings in the fall. A list of officials who were recommended by leagues, and nominated by officials associations were also provided for review by each zone committee. Assignments were made for the playoffs on the basis of the availability of the officials and the criteria outlined in the Officials Guidebook.

RATINGS

Specific rating standards as published in the Officials Guidebook were used in the selection process. Minimal ratings required included 2.1 for Semifinal and Final officials and 2.5 for Pre-District, District and Regional

officials. Officials recommended by two or more leagues/conferences and/or officials associations were qualified to the next rating level.

OFFICIALS AVAILABILITY

Approximately 1,185 officials indicated their availability for the Football playoff games. Of this number 80 officials were assigned to Semifinals; and 40 officials were assigned to the Finals. Crews available for the Pre-District, District and Regional playoff games totaled 209. Crew assignments included over 100 crews assigned to Pre-District (128 games), District (64 games), Regional (32 games). Nearly 1000 officials are involved in this year's playoffs. ■

GIRLS BASKETBALL OFFICIALS ASSIGNMENT COMMITTEE MEETING East Lansing, October 7, 2002

Members Present:

Tim Aldrich, Petersburg
Mel Atkins, Grand Rapids
Susan Calvo, Flint
Amy Dickinson, Muskegon
Dan Edmunds, Taylor
Lafayette Evans, Detroit
Ken Fletcher, Kalamazoo
Robert Francis, Ferndale
Kirk Glassel, Parma
Kevin Herendeen, Grass Lake
Don Justice, Harper Woods
Marcy Kinzer, Mason
Ken Kott, Manistee
Jean LaClair, Bronson
Harry Marok, Adrian
Kathy McGee, Flint
Vic Michaels, Detroit
Ellen Pugh, West Branch
Norman Randall, Lansing
Jan Sander, Warren
Jim Schaffer, Kent City
Cindy Short, Lansing

Vance Stratton, Cassopolis
Christian Wilson, Gaylord
David Young, Davison
Dan Zatarga, Coopersville
Brian Zdanowski, Greenville

Members Absent:

Dean Blackledge, Horton
Wayne Brady, Bad Axe
Jenny McCallister, Lansing
Craig Nartker, Allegan
Tim Rumler, Jonesville
Deb VanKuiken, Holly

Staff Members Present:

Bill Bupp (Recorder)
Angie Butterwick
Nate Hampton
John Johnson
Camala Kinder
Leanne Moore
Tom Minter
Faye Verellen

The Committee was presented with the entire list of approved officials in Girls Basketball 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 2.1 for Final officials; 2.5 for Semifinal and Quarterfinal officials; 2.7 for Regional and 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 game per day in any tournament competition. The District, Regional and First-Round Management were sent copies of Official Response Forms for those officials assigned to their site. At Regional Tournaments, officials are assigned to work one game of the three available.

OFFICIALS AVAILABILITY

Seven hundred thirty-seven (737) officials indicated their availability for Tournament assignments. Of this number, 587 were assigned to the Districts. Regional assignments for officials this year totaled 180 for the Lower Peninsula. Fifty (50) officials were selected to work the First-Round games (Quarterfinals). Twenty-Four (24) Semifinal officials and Twelve (12) Final officials were selected for the Championship Games. ■

SEEDING AD HOC COMMITTEE MEETING

East Lansing, September 9, 2002

Members Present:

Ken Deitz, Hartford
Rob Dilday, Utica
Mike Garvey, Delton
Gary Hice, Petoskey
Paul Hornak, Ithaca
Bruce Horsch, Houghton
Lori Hyman, Livonia
Dewayne Jones, West Bloomfield
Kurt Keener, Birmingham
Pete Ryan, Saginaw
Jack Kramer, Houghton Lake

Dianne Laffey, Harper Woods
Randy Salisbury, Britton-Macon

Members Absent:

Eric Frederico, Gibraltar
Dick Vanderkamp, Grand Rapids
Vic Michaels, Detroit
Tarlton Small, Pontiac

Staff Members Present:

Randy Allen (Recorder)
Jack Roberts

The MHSAA Ad Hoc Seeding Committee met in the MHSAA Office Building to discuss the potential for seeding MHSAA tournament contests. Following introductions of committee members, Executive Director Jack Roberts explained that the committee was formed at the direction of the Representative Council to explore seeding and report on its viability at the entry level of selected team tournaments. The results of a recent membership survey were reported that showed schools for and against seeding evenly split with a slight majority opposing seeding at the entry level.

It was pointed out that the committee would outline details of possible seeding plans regardless of their support or opposition to seeding team tournament contests. Several issues were outlined for the committee to consider as major parts of the discussion.

A summary of seeding in other states was shared with the committee based on a survey taken by the MHSAA. Of the 39 states that responded, 30 have some form of seeding in team sports while 9 states (excluding Michigan) do not seed team tournaments. Specific details were given about the seeding plans recently adopted in Wisconsin and the history behind their decision.

The discussion that followed identified the following reasons for opposing seeding:

- Increased travel
- No educational basis
- Difficulty in establishing fair criteria

- Too much emphasis on winning
- Possibility of running up scores
- Scheduling difficulties as schools look for weak opponents
- Seeding at entry level could lead to requests for more seeding at more levels
- Political differences could arise between neighboring communities

Several points were identified in support of seeding as follows:

- Rewards regular season performance
- Athletes stay engaged in late season, more incentive to play hard in all games
- Better teams meet later in tournament
- Potential for bigger crowds, more revenue
- Positive media and public relations

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

No formal recommendation was made for Representative Council. Instead the committee directed the MHSAA staff to conduct a pilot seeding plan in girls' basketball and ice hockey in selected districts and regions to compare with the regular tournament format in 2002-2003. The following guidelines are to be used during the case study.

1. Seeding will not be used to determine host sites
2. A weighted system of basic criteria will be developed for use in the study that will include:
 - a. Overall record
 - b. Conference record

- c. Comparative scores
- d. Strength of schedule
- e. Margin of victory (capped at six goals in hockey & 10 points in basketball)
- f. Common opponents
- g. Head to head record

The data will be shared with the committee at its next meeting in the spring to analyze at which time a report and or recommendation will be made to the Representative Council. MHSAA staff will work with the respective coaches associations on the pilot seeding plan.■

ALTERNATIVE EDUCATION AD HOC COMMITTEE MEETING East Lansing, September 11, 2002

Members Present:

Mel Atkins, Grand Rapids
 Bob Ballantine, Bangor
 Chris Clark, Grosse Pointe
 Nick Johnson, Holt
 Gary Langdon, Clio
 Marty Simmonds, Bloomfield Hills
 Gail Ganakas, Flint
 Bob Schmidt, Holt

Members Absent:

Chip Hansen, East Jordan
 Judy Green, North Branch
 Tom Smith, Escanaba

Staff Members Present:

Suzanne Martin (Recorder)
 Jack Roberts

After committee member introductions, Executive Director Jack Roberts began the meeting by reviewing the reasons why the MHSAA Representative Council requested the Alternative Education Ad Hoc Committee be convened and referenced the specific materials provided to each member. Specifically, the MHSAA Representative Council requested this committee to: (1) Define alternative education as it exists in the every day settings of member schools; and (2) Consider how to apply eligibility regulations to students in the various forms of non-traditional education programs that exist.

WHAT IS ALTERNATIVE EDUCATION TODAY?

In order to answer this question, each committee member was asked to describe the alternative education programs available to students at their schools and reasons for attendance. The following list is not inclusive but did enlighten all in attendance about the variety of programs available for member school students.

1. To receive an international degree
2. To allow students to achieve personal goals
3. Students who are unable to function well

- in a normal school setting
4. Students who are affected by personal circumstances such as pregnancy, required work schedules, etc
5. Students not performing very well academically
6. Students who are achieving beyond the levels of their peers in a normal school setting
7. Students whose parents have chosen alternative education rather than special education
8. Students who were placed by court order

These schools are often recognized by their names such as magnet school, city school, choice of school or XYZ alternative school.

It was determined that students who attend an alternative education program may do so by choice, by school administration recommendation, by placement and by court order.

Therefore, by consensus of the committee their definition of alternative education might best be described as education that is not within the traditional setting.

After reviewing *MHSAA Handbook*

Interpretation No. 46 and language pertaining to counting alternative education students on the Enrollment Declaration Form, combined with the previous conversation, it clearly lead the committee to conclude that member schools are confused by the use of the title "alternative school" as it is used in the MHSAA Handbook interpretations and on the Enrollment Declaration Form.

SUGGESTIONS

1. Change the current language of *Handbook* Interpretation No. 46 to read, "If a student is attending a non-traditional school as listed on the Enrollment Declaration Form and the non-traditional school does not have an interscholastic program ..."
2. Change the language in No. 5 on the Enrollment Declaration Form to require that the responding school identify the particular non-traditional programs where the students are eligible for interscholastic athletics and are being counted for athletic classification purposes.

Committee discussion revealed that member schools not only have relationships with a variety of non-traditional school options for its student body but depending on the school district, the opportunities may be quite limited or very broad. With the knowledge that most schools would want its non-traditional school students to participate in its sports program who meet the standards for the privilege to participate in sports and that more often than not the number who actually chose to participate in sports are few, the committee moved into a discussion of how to develop a more equitable reporting system to MHSAA for student enrollment count purposes.

It seemed to be of little significance to the committee members as to where a non-traditional school students records were kept or what school name was listed on the diploma. The members placed more emphasis on whether or not the non-traditional school had a working relationship with the public school in the district, county or specified geographic area.

TO BE REVIEWED BY THE CLASSIFICATION COMMITTEE

1. It was suggested that the Enrollment Declaration Form be used to list those non-traditional schools in which it chooses those students to be eligible for sports.
2. It was suggested that the current policies for counting alternative education students lead to unfairness to students and unfairness between schools. Among suggestions for fairer policies were:
 - a. Where few (10-20) non-traditional students participate in the public school athletic programs, schools should be allowed to declare no enrollment for athletic purposes. Therefore, schools where more than 10-20 students in non-traditional schools per school year do participate in the public school athletic program must declare the enrollment of its student population on the Enrollment Declaration Form.
 - b. Member schools should be allowed to declare the number of non-traditional school students who participate in their public school athletic program based on the previous five year average.
 - c. Member schools should be allowed to declare 20% of its non-traditional school enrollment for athletic purposes.
 - d. Member schools should be able to allow a non-traditional school student to be eligible at its public school of residence regardless of where the student is attending (either within or outside the district).
 - e. For purposes of equitable reporting of non-traditional school students, member schools use a "declaration of intent to participate" procedure. The number of students in non-traditional school settings who intended to participate at the school of their residence would use the figure on the Enrollment Declaration Form.

It was determined that the Alternative Education Ad hoc Committee should convene again to provide its suggestions on how non-traditional school student transfers should be handled. The committee will also continue its current discussion.■

COOPERATIVE PROGRAM MEETING

East Lansing, September 19, 2002

Members Present:

Scott Ashe, Napoleon
Gene Balawajder, Huron Valley
Amy Dickinson, Muskegon
Jim Feldkamp, Troy
Tony Harris, Auburn Hills
Steve Hoffman, Muskegon
Fred Price, Livonia
Konrad Molter, Traverse City
Doug Paige, Howell
John Sonneman, Traverse City
Dave Yarbrough, Walled Lake
Mel Atkins, Grand Rapids
Jim Vidro, Grand Rapids

Mike Dellapina, Norton Shores
Kent Carter, Grand Rapids

Representative Council Members Present:

Keith Alto, Newberry
Tom Rashid, Detroit
Keith Eldred, Williamston
Eric Frederico, Gibraltar
Randy Salisbury, Britton-Macon
Mel Atkins, Grand Rapids

Staff Members Present:

Randy Allen (Recorder)
Jack Roberts

The MHSAA invited representatives of large cooperative programs to meet in the MHSAA Office Building to discuss matters concerning cooperative teams between schools that exceed the 3500 student enrollment cap adopted by the MHSAA Representative Council at its May, 2002 meeting. Following introductions, Executive Director Jack Roberts explained that this meeting was called at the direction of the Representative Council to determine transition policies for schools that exceed the enrollment maximum for cooperative teams and to get feedback from the affected schools for future Representative Council action.

A history of cooperative team provisions was related to the participants who were updated on recent Executive Committee approval of cooperative teams in Rochester Community Schools and Walled Lake Schools with unique plans, as well as a pending application from Grand Rapids Public Schools with special circumstances.

In the discussion that followed, many people suggested a different criterion other than an enrollment cap be used for limiting large school cooperative teams, citing that the 3500 enrollment limit was too arbitrary. It was suggested that large school cooperatives exist more for survival than to create dominant programs, and that each situation should be examined separately. Facility availability and budgets play a large role in the decisions made at the local level. Possible abuses of the cooperative team provision also may take place with programs that are under the new 3500 enrollment limit.

Concern was expressed that if no restrictions are placed on large school cooperative teams, problems would arise in the future that would be more difficult to contend with than if preemptive action was taken now. It was also pointed out that the existing safeguard of conference approval is not always adequate. Several persons expressed opinions that no cooperative team should be allowed to cut athletes and that a "not-cut" rule should be universal for all cooperative teams.

It was pointed out that many smaller schools are able to maintain programs without the need for cooperative teams and are a contrast to larger schools that can't field teams in certain sports. The issue of cooperative teams with as many as five or six schools contributing athletes but still coming in under the enrollment maximum can be a potential problem as well.

It was suggested that the following criteria be among those developed and used for approval of cooperative teams that exceed 3500 combined enrollment:

1. Can programs survive in the individual schools without being a cooperative?
2. Is the program dominant in conference or tournament competition?
3. Is the program cutting athletes from the cooperative team?

The meeting closed with Executive Director Jack Roberts thanking the participants for their input and suggestions and that a summary of the discussion and comments would be shared with the Representative Council at future meetings before a final decision is reached.■

TRANSFER REGULATION AD HOC COMMITTEE MEETING

East Lansing, September 19, 2002

Members Present:

John Amend, Akron-Fairgrove
Mel Atkins, Grand Rapids
Marilyn Crighton, Rochester
Keith Eldred, Williamston
Cody Inglis, Suttons Bay
Larry Lamphere, Ortonville-Brandon
Fred Procter, Beverly Hills

Tom Rashid Detroit
Michael Roy, Vicksburg
Doug Willer, Hillsdale

Staff Members Present:

Nate Hampton (Recorder)
Jack Roberts

The MHSAA Representative Council authorized this ad hoc committee to examine the intent, exposure, and applications of Regulation I, Section 9(D) which states: "A full semester is defined under this regulation as one in which a transfer occurred not later than the fourth Friday after Labor Day (first semester), the fourth Friday of February (second semester), or 90 school days from the date of enrollment in the receiving school for those requests approved by the Executive Committee."

This 90-day provision has its origin in the Executive Committee's concern for students who miss the "fourth Friday" by a few days and under the rule which existed prior to 1991, would be ineligible for close to two semesters than one semester when their transfer did not fit one of the stated exceptions of the transfer regulation. The 90-day provision was adopted by the Representative Council in 1991.

Since that time the Executive Committee has gradually adopted the operating principal that the 90 day provision is applied when a student transfers after the fourth Friday of a semester while not meeting any of the 15 Exceptions that will allow for immediate eligibility, but on or before the third Monday following the fourth Friday after Labor Day (first semester) or fourth Friday of February (second semester).

Following the welcome and introductions Executive Director Jack Roberts shared with the committee a brief history of the transfer rule that included *Bulletin* articles, *Handbook* changes over the most previous 10-year period and waiver statistics for the most previous

three years, specific concerns supplied by the Executive Committee and correspondence from Ann Arbor-Huron High School suggesting a graduated schedule.

Committee members were invited to share experiences and related assumptions with the 90 day rule. The discussion related several requests for the 90 day rule where the Executive Committee either approved or denied requests based on interpretation and consistent application policies.

These discussions focused the committee on the following points: Does the failure to publicize a firm date deny due process? Is the current rule fair to all student situations and to all school academic calendars? Within the intent and spirit of the rule can its application be designed to be more fair, consistent, just and compassionate without establishing new or undesirable precedents? How can athletic administrators be made more knowledgeable of the intent and application of the rule?

Following this discussion there was consensus within the committee that: (1) to affect an increased understanding of the 90 day rule an interpretation may be added to the member school *Handbook* that clearly states the intent and application; (2) a graduated period of 90 day ineligibles would serve to confuse athletic administrators with additional record keeping.

Review of the Executive Committee's specific concerns where the 90 day rule may be applied include: (1) change of job by parent that requires one parent to relocate while the second parent remains in the previous district to complete real estate or other trans-

actions; (2) home construction schedule delays; (3) out of residence schools attended by other children in the home where a foster child or foreign exchange student is placed; (4) differing academic schedules of schools (5) to accommodate children of school employees in certain circumstances of job change.

The consensus of the committee on these concerns suggested that the Executive Committee continue to look at the merits of each case and apply the rule within its limits.

Also, regarding the question of starting the count of 90 days with the first day of practice rather than the first day of classes for the first semester, consensus was to maintain the current practice of starting the count on the first day classes are scheduled.

RECOMMENDATION TO THE REPRESENTATIVE COUNCIL

The committee recommends that an interpretation is added to the *Handbook* that will add clarification of the intent and application of the current 90 day rule.

An example of the interpretation may include the following:

"The primary purpose of the 90 school day provision of Section 9(D) is not to be punitive but more flexible. It is meant to serve those students who miss the "fourth Friday" by a brief number of days and thus would be ineligible for nearly two full semesters.

"The Executive Committee may also apply this provision in other compelling circumstances having nothing to do with athletics, discipline or family finances and would not require Executive Committee evaluation or comparison of school demographics or curriculum.

"In determining 90 school days, all days on which classes are scheduled are to be counted (cancelled school days may be counted). Days on which only practices or contests occur (no classes) are not counted."

(10-0 in favor). ■



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