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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 in Grand Rapids and Troy, Nov. 8, and the Lower Peninsula Girls Swimming & Diving Finals at Rochester and Ypsilanti, Nov. 21-22. *Photos by 20/20 Photographic.*

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Any individual who is a representative of a member school (faculty member or Board of Education member) may become a candidate for the MHSAA Representative Council. Please contact the MHSAA Executive Director for an outline of procedures.

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OFFICIAL REPORT OF BOARD OF CANVASSERS

East Lansing, Sept. 12, 2003

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 PENINSULA -

CLASS A AND B SCHOOLS (#1)

Total number of legal ballots received 6
Dan Flynn, Escanaba 6
Illegal or incomplete ballots received. 0
Elected by majority of votes -
Dan Flynn

CITY OF DETROIT

PUBLIC HIGH SCHOOLS (#2)

Total number of legal ballots received 7
Lafayette Evans, Detroit Public Schools 7
Illegal or incomplete ballots received 2
Elected by majority of votes -
Lafayette Evans

SOUTHWESTERN SECTION -

CLASS C AND D SCHOOLS (#3)

Total number of legal ballots received 32
Ken Dietz, Hartford 32
Illegal or incomplete ballots received 0
Elected by majority of votes -
Ken Dietz

SOUTHEASTERN SECTION -

CLASS C AND D SCHOOLS (#4)

Total number of legal ballots received 28
Randy Salisbury, Britton-Macon 28
Illegal or incomplete ballots received 1
Elected by majority of votes -
Randy Salisbury

STATEWIDE AT-LARGE (#5)

Total number of legal ballots received . . . 475
Jeffrey Grodi, Monroe-Jefferson . . . 101
Karen Leinaar, Benzonia 374
Illegal or incomplete ballots received 23
Elected by majority of votes -
Karen Leinaar

JUNIOR HIGH/MIDDLE SCHOOLS (#6)

Total number of legal ballots received . . . 112
Paul Ellinger, Cheboygan 112
Illegal or incomplete ballots received 6
Elected by majority of votes -
Paul Ellinger

UPPER PENINSULA ATHLETIC COMMITTEE

CLASS D SCHOOLS (#7)

Total number of legal ballots received 18
Russell Bailey, Ewen-Trout Creek 9
Dave Duncan, Cedarville 8
Mark Movrich, Bessemer 1
Illegal or incomplete ballots received 0
**No majority - Names of Russell Bailey and
Dave Duncan Submitted to Schools**

CLASS A AND B SCHOOLS (#8)

Total number of legal ballots received 6
Don Edens, Kingsford. 6
Illegal or incomplete ballots received. 0
Elected by majority of votes -
Don Edens

CLASS C SCHOOLS (#9)

Total number of legal ballots received 13
Bruce Horsch, Houghton 13
Illegal or incomplete ballots received 1
Elected by majority of votes -
Bruce Horsch

PRIVATE AND PAROCHIAL (#10)

Special Election: One-Year Term

Total number of legal ballots received 76
Carl Arkema, Muskegon-Western
Michigan Christian 19
Tim Fracassi, Southfield Christian 17
Vic Michaels, Archdiocese of Detroit . 40
Illegal or incomplete ballots received 1
Elected by majority of votes -
Vic Michaels

BOARD OF CANVASSERS (Signed)

Rudy Godefroidt, Principal, Hemlock HS
William McBeth, Principal, Buchanan HS
William Newkirk, Superintendent, Meridian
Public Schools
Jack Postma, Principal, Hudsonville-
Unity Christian HS
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Pine River HS

OFFICIAL REPORT OF SECOND MEETING OF THE BOARD OF CANVASSERS

East Lansing, Sept. 29, 2003

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 (#7)

Total number of legal ballots received 23
Russell Bailey, Ewen-Trout Creek . . . 13
Dave Duncan, Cedarville 10
Illegal or incomplete ballots received 1
**Elected by majority of votes -
Russell Bailey**

BOARD OF CANVASSERS (Signed)
Rudy Godefroidt, Principal, Hemlock HS

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. 5, 2003.

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. 24, so that they may forward the information to arrive in the MHSAA office by 4 p.m. EST on Dec. 5. 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. 5 deadline of 4 p.m.

Note Date Change for Girls Competitive Cheer Regionals & Finals in 2004, 2005

The dates of the Regionals and Finals for MHSAA Girls Competitive Cheer in 2004 and 2005 have been moved back one week so that all three classes can compete at the same venue, the DeltaPlex in Grand Rapids.

The 2004 Regionals will take place on Saturday, March 6, followed by the Finals one week later on March 13.

In 2005, the Regionals will be March 5, with the Finals on March 12, also at the DeltaPlex.

The MHSAA is excited to bring the Cheer Finals to the DeltaPlex, a facility that will meet the needs for one of its fastest growing participation and spectator sports.

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 29, 2003

Members Present:

Paul Ellinger, Cheboygan
Keith Eldred, Williamston
Karen Leinaar, Benzonia
Scott Grimes, Grand Haven
Fred Procter, Beverly Hills

Staff Members Present:

Tom Rashid
Jack Roberts (Recorder)

Executive Committee Authority and Responsibility

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

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

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

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

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

Flint-The Valley School and Flint-Michigan School for the Deaf (Regulation I, Section 1[F])

- The Executive Committee approved a cooperative program in girls soccer. The Valley School will be the primary school. Only The Valley School has sponsored the sport previously. The combined

enrollment will be 83, placing the team in Division 4. Approval was received from the Inner State Athletic Conference.

The Executive Committee also stipulated that the exception provided in *Handbook Interpretation No. 168d* does not apply to this cooperative program.

Grand Rapids-West Catholic, Grand Rapids-Catholic Central, Caledonia and East Grand Rapids High Schools (Regulation I, Section 1[F]) - The Executive Committee approved a cooperative program in girls gymnastics between these schools, provided in the second year the combined enrollment, currently 3,494, does not exceed 3,500 students. The schools will combine two existing cooperative programs that are experiencing difficulties. Caledonia and East Grand Rapids were in a cooperative agreement with very few gymnasts, and Catholic Central and West Catholic were in a cooperative agreement with no schedule because the Grand Rapids City League dropped gymnastics. West Catholic will be the primary school. Approval of the OK Conference was received.

Hudsonville, Allendale and Hudsonville-Unity Christian High Schools (Regulation I, Section 1[F]) - The Executive Committee approved a cooperative program in ice hockey between these schools. Hudsonville will be the primary school. None of these schools have sponsored hockey in recent years, and placement in the tournament is still possible for that area of the state. The combined enrollment will be 2,811, placing the team in Division 1.

Maple City-Glen Lake, Leland and Suttons Bay High Schools (Regulation I, Section 1[F]) - The Executive Committee approved the addition of Suttons Bay High School to a cooperative program that already exists between Glen Lake (primary) and Leland. Approval was received from three of the four other teams in the ski conference. The combined enrollment is be 861, placing the team in the Class B-C-D tournament.

Muskegon High School (Regulation I, Sections 4 & 5) - Request was made to waive the maximum semesters of enrollment and competition sections of the eligibility regulation on behalf of a 12th-grade student who had four first semesters of high school before she dropped out of Kearney High School in

San Diego at the conclusion of the first semester of the 2002-03 school year. The student was forced out of her home by her mother, started a job and lived with her sister in California. The student is 18 and now lives with her sister in Muskegon.

The Executive Committee denied the request for waiver, noting the student already has had the maximum number of first semesters (four) allowed any students in MHSAA member schools.

Ann Arbor-Pioneer High School (Regulation I, Section 7) - Request to waive the previous semester record requirement was made on behalf of a 10th-grade student who over the course of the semester withdrew from all her classes in the second semester of her freshman year due to chronic migraine headaches for which she received medial treatment.

The Executive Committee granted the request for waiver but confirmed that the semester in question does count toward the total of eight allowed any students in MHSAA member schools.

Dearborn Heights-Robichaud High School (Regulation I, Section 7) - Request was made to waive the previous semester record and transfer regulations on behalf of a 12th-grade student who withdrew from Wayne Memorial High School on March 28, 2003, when he enrolled in Tinkham Senior High Alternative School, all the time living with his mother in Inkster. His house in Inkster caught on fire May 12, 2003, at which time the student left the state and only received 1.5 credits for his work-related program. The student currently resides with his mother in the Robichaud district.

The Executive Committee noted that the student's academic record was deficient for both semesters of the 2002-03 school year, and it denied the request for waiver.

Livonia-Franklin High School (Regulation I, Section 7) - Request to waive the previous semester record requirement was made on behalf of an 11th-grade student who only passed three classes in the second semester of 2002-03. The student suffers from depression and failed his three morning classes because of attendance irregularities caused by the disease.

The Executive Committee granted the request for waiver.

Grand Rapids-Creston High School (Regulation I, Section 8) - Request was made to waive the current semester record regulation and specifically Interpretation No. 46 (base school) on behalf of a 12th-grade student who had attended Creston since the 9th grade and attended a non-traditional program affiliated with the Grand Rapids Public Schools (Grand Rapids Youth Career Development Center) for the second semester of his 11th grade. The student lived in the Grand Rapids-Central district but remained at Creston through a prior boundary change. When he attended the Career Development Center, by the Grand Rapids Public Schools policy, the student was counted at Central High School, the school of his residence, rather than the school he had previously attended.

The Executive Committee granted the request for waiver.

Battle Creek-St. Philip Catholic Central High School (Regulation I, Section 9[B]) - Request was made to waive the transfer regulation to permit eligibility only at the subvarsity level on behalf of a 9th-grade student who transferred from Battle Creek-Central. The student did not participate in any tournament sports at Central.

The Executive Committee granted the request for waiver at the subvarsity level only until the second semester of the 2003-04 school year begins.

Burr Oak High School (Regulation I, Section 9) - Request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of an 11th-grade student who was expelled from Colon High School for the second semester of the 2002-03 school year. The student was tutored at home and completed the 10th grade at Colon and continues to reside in Colon. It was stated that there was no vote taken by the Colon School Board to reinstate the student, so he enrolled at Burr Oak.

The Executive Committee denied the request for waiver.

Burton-Valley Christian Academy (Regulation I, Section 9) - Request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of an 11th-grade student who previously attended Montrose-Hill McCloy. He enrolled at Valley Christian Aug. 25, 2003, because of religious affiliation, education and environment.

The Executive Committee denied the request for waiver.

Charlevoix High School (Regulation I, Section 9) - Request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of a CSIET-listed foreign exchange student who attended classes for one-half day at Charlevoix-Northwest Academy on Tuesday, Sept. 2, 2003, before enrolling at Charlevoix High School that same day. The host family, which lives in the Charlevoix district, has two children and a second foreign exchange student who attend Northwest Academy.

The Executive Committee noted the brevity of enrollment at Northwest Academy, and it granted the request for waiver.

Clinton Township-Chippewa Valley High School (Regulation I, Section 9[B]) - Request was made to waive the transfer regulation to permit eligibility only at the subvarsity level on behalf of a 10th-grade student who attended Chippewa Valley last fall for the first semester and then transferred to Roseville-Eastland Junior High School on Jan. 24, 2003, where he passed six classes last spring and attended summer school to fulfill Chippewa Valley academic requirements. He participated in one football game at Chippewa Valley last fall.

Noting the specific conditions of this section - no previous participation - the Executive Committee denied the request for waiver.

Dearborn High School (Regulation I, Section 9[B]) - Request was made to waive the transfer regulation to permit eligibility only at the subvarsity level on behalf of a 9th-grade student who attended Guardian Lutheran Middle School last year, began the current school year at Lutheran High School Westland, and after eight days transferred to Dearborn High School on Sept. 5, 2003. The student did not participate in a game or scrimmage at Lutheran Westland.

The Executive Committee granted the request for waiver at the subvarsity level only until the first day of classes of the second semester at this school.

Detroit-Urban Lutheran High School (Regulation I, Section 9) - Request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of a 9th-grade student who attended school for the first time since last June on Sept. 8 and 9 at Beaubien Junior High School, which ends

at grade 9. The student was enrolled at Emerson Middle School for grades 7 and 8. On Sept. 10, 2003, the student enrolled at Urban Lutheran High School, which is located in the same building his father had attended years earlier.

The Executive Committee noted the brevity of enrollment at Beaubien Junior High School, and it granted the request for waiver.

Eastpointe-East Detroit High School (Regulation I, Section 9) - Request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of a 12th-grade student who attended Detroit-Murray-Wright High School and lived with his mother. The student has moved into his father's residence in the East Detroit School District. The student's mother and father were never married, but an otherwise completed Educational Transfer Form was provided along with a State of Michigan Department of Community Health Affidavit of Parentage which identifies both birth parents.

The Executive Committee granted the request for waiver.

Farmington Hills-North Farmington High School (Regulation I, Section 9) - Request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of an 11th-grade student who transferred from Redford-Detroit Catholic Central High School for academic reasons.

The Executive Committee denied the request for waiver.

Freesoil High School (Regulation I, Section 9[C]) - Request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of an 11th-grade student who was required to withdraw from Manistee Catholic Central High School and who enrolled at Freesoil in April 2003. The schools have a cooperative program in football in which this student participated. At its June 18, 2003 meeting, the Executive Committee cited the specific conditions of this section and denied the request for waiver. The matter was resubmitted with additional letters of support.

The Executive Committee denied the request for waiver.

Grand Rapids-Forest Hills Northern High School (Regulation I, Section 9[B]) - Request was made to waive the transfer regulation to permit eligibility only at the subvarsity level on behalf of a 9th-grade student

who previously attended Forest Hills Central and did not participate in any athletics.

The Executive Committee granted the request for waiver at the subvarsity level only until the first day of classes of the second semester at this school.

Haslett High School (Regulation I, Section 9) - Request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of a 12th-grade student who lived with her father and grandparents and attended Haslett schools through grade 11 until August when her father took a job in Florida. The student moved there with her father. The student was enrolled in school in Florida from Aug. 13 to Sept. 5, 2003 and swam in one scrimmage before returning to the same home with her grandparents. The mother has been out of the child's life for several years.

The Executive Committee granted the request for waiver.

Hopkins High School (Regulation I, Section 9) - Requests to waive the transfer regulation were made on behalf of 10th- and 12th-grade brothers who moved with their family from Florida where they had attended school for three years to a residence in the Wayland Union School District. They enrolled at Hopkins High School.

The Executive Committee denied the requests for waiver.

Lapeer West High School (Regulation I, Section 9) - A late request was made to waive the transfer regulation and specific portions of Interpretation No. 72 on behalf of an 11th-grade student who attended Flint-Central High School until Sept. 18, 2003. Both parents and the student moved to a home in Lapeer on Sept. 14, 2003. An 18-year-old brother, who is a full-time student at Mott Community College in Flint, and a roommate rent the former residence from the student's parents.

The Executive Committee denied the request for waiver.

Leland High School (Regulation I, Section 9[B]) - Request was made to waive the transfer regulation to permit eligibility only at the subvarsity level on behalf of a 10th-grade student who transferred from Georgia. The student has not participated in any contests at the high school level.

The Executive Committee granted the

request for waiver at the subvarsity level only until the first day of classes of the second semester at this school.

Linden High School (Regulation I, Section 9[B]) - Request was made to waive the transfer regulation to permit eligibility only at the subvarsity level on behalf of a 9th-grade student who began the school year at Swartz Creek High School while residing with his parents. He enrolled at Linden High School on Sept. 2, 2003. The student did not participate in athletics at Swartz Creek and now resides with his grandparents in the Linden School District.

The Executive Committee granted the request for waiver at the subvarsity level only until the first day of classes of the second semester at this school.

Monroe High School (Regulation I, Section 9) - A late request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of an 11th-grade student who attended Monroe-St. Mary Catholic Central and then enrolled at Monroe High School so that he could be more closely monitored by a 504 Plan instituted in April of his 8th-grade year.

The Executive Committee denied the request for waiver.

Muskegon-Oakridge High School (Regulation I, Section 9) - Request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of a 12th-grade student who attended school in Florida and is now living with his grandparents due to the father's military service and the instability and stress in the mother and stepfather's home in Florida. The father had been deployed overseas for two years and then was unable to complete plans to bring the two children under his care in Florida because he was transferred to another base in Louisiana.

The Executive Committee granted the request for waiver.

Paradise-Whitefish Township High School (Regulation I, Section 9) - Request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of a 9th-grade student who attended four days of classes this fall and did not participate in athletics at Brimley High School. The student returned to Whitefish Township, the district of his residence which he had attended since 5th grade (he was on the Single Record Student Database for Whitefish Township).

The Executive Committee noted the brevity of enrollment at Brimley, and it granted the request for waiver.

Pontiac-Northern High School (Regulation I, Section 9) - A late request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of a 12th-grade student who enrolled at Northern High School on April 2, 2003. He had attended Orchard Lake-St. Mary Preparatory High School since 9th grade and Pontiac-Madison Middle School for at least the 8th grade. If the student could be made immediately eligible, the school requested eligibility on the 91st school day of enrollment.

The Executive Committee denied the request for waiver.

Pontiac-Notre Dame Preparatory High School (Regulation I, Section 9) - Request was made to waive the transfer regulation and specifically Interpretation No. 59 on behalf of a 10th-grade student who moved from Indiana with his parents where he attended Hamilton Southeast High School. The family is Catholic, resides in Clarkston 12.18 miles from the closest nonpublic school (Oakland Christian), 11.41 miles from Notre Dame Prep, and 2.81 miles from Waterford-Our Lady of the Lakes.

The Executive Committee denied the request for waiver.

Redford Union High School (Regulation I, Section 9) - Request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of a 12th-grade (CSIET-listed) foreign exchange student from Germany who resides with a host family in another school district. The host family has another child in the Redford Union alternative education center which does not house foreign exchange students.

The Executive Committee denied the request for waiver.

Rochester Hills-Stoney Creek High School (Regulation I, Section 9) - Request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of an 11th-grade student who attended Pontiac-Northern High School and resided with his mother in Auburn Hills. The student has moved into his father's residence in the Stoney Creek School District. The student's mother and father were never married, but an otherwise completed Educational Transfer Form was provided with other documents attesting to the identity of the parents.

The Executive Committee granted the request for waiver.

Tawas Area High School (Regulation I, Section 9) - Request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of a 12th-grade student who lived with both parents in Midland and attended Dow High School. The father recently took a new position in Tawas. The student and his father established residency in the Tawas School District while the student's mother remained in Midland because her employment did not change. The parents felt the move with the father would allow for parental support and supervision.

Noting that the student was eligible in the original school and failing to see a compelling reason to change schools in his senior year, the Executive Committee denied the request for waiver.

Taylor-Truman High School (Regulation I, Section 9) - Request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of a 12th-grade student whose mother died on May 13, 2002, after five years of illness, at which time the student moved from Linden to Taylor to reside with his divorced father and transferred from Linden to Taylor-Summit Academy because a neighbor also enrolled at Summit. Fifteen months later, the student enrolled at Truman, the school of the father's residence.

The Executive Committee denied the request for waiver.

Warren-Lincoln High School (Regulation I, Section 9) - Request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of an 11th-grade student who moved from Kansas where he was living with his mother to Warren where he is now residing with his father. The student's mother and father were never married, but an otherwise completed Educational Transfer Form was provided along with a birth certificate identifying both birth parents.

The Executive Committee granted the request for waiver.

Wyoming Park High School (Regulation I, Section 9) - At its Sept. 3, 2003 meeting, the Executive Committee considered a late request to waive the transfer regulation on behalf of a 10th-grade student who was a ward of the court from March through November 2002 and chose to attend

Wyoming-Rogers High School when the student was ordered by the court to not attend Wyoming Park to prohibit interacting with a specific student who attended there. When the student was no longer a ward of the court, he attempted to attend Wyoming Park but was not allowed to do so in mid-year; so his transfer was delayed until this fall. At its Sept. 3 meeting, the Executive Committee denied the request for waiver.

The school asked that the matter be reconsidered for several reasons, including: (1) The student resides in the Wyoming Park district and actually attended that school for 2-3 weeks of 9th grade before being transferred; and (2) the event that led to the suspension occurred when the student was in 8th grade.

The Executive Committee granted the request for waiver.

Ypsilanti High School (Regulation I, Section 9) - Request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of an 11th-grade student who attended Ypsilanti-Lincoln High School when he was suspended several times and was the victim of several physical assaults resulting in surgery, therapy and attendance for only two school days during the second semester of the 2002-03 school year.

The Executive Committee denied the request for waiver but indicated if circumstances of Interpretation No. 5 are met - i.e., that there is an IEP that allows for the student's attendance at Ypsilanti High school - the student may be eligible as stated.

Grosse Pointe North High School (Regulation II, Section 6) - A late request to waive Interpretation No. 168 was made to allow a hockey team from Wilmette, Illinois to play a Sunday Noon game at Grosse Pointe North on Jan. 11, 2004. The school reported that the one-way mileage from Wilmette to Grosse Pointe North High School is 307 miles and that the mileage is longer to the game venue.

The Executive Committee denied the request for waiver.

Dollar Bay-Tamarack City Area Schools (Regulation III, Section 1) - Request was made to waive the enrollment regulation and specifically Interpretation No. 228 to permit 6th-grade students to participate on 7th- and 8th-grade basketball teams. The high school enrollment is 69.

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

Dearborn High School (Regulation V, Section 4[B]) - On Sept. 17, Dearborn High School notified the MHSAA that it allowed an ineligible 12th-grade transfer student to participate in its first three varsity football games, and that the school was forfeiting those games.

Three representatives of the school met with the Executive Committee to describe the steps taken to process this student and the actions taken when concerns were raised in September about the student's residence and complete transfer. The school acknowledged the need for the rule and admitted the violations but appealed the requirement of forfeitures.

The Executive Committee noted that an examination of this transfer that had included both the new and previous residences of the student may have exposed that a complete transfer according to *Handbook Interpretations* No. 62, 65 and 72 had not occurred. However, the Executive Committee also noted that forfeiture is the intended result of participation by any ineligible student, regardless of the reason, and that Regulation V, Section 4(B) does not allow the committee to vary the result based

on the motives or integrity of transfer students and their parents or the efforts of school administrators. The violation, while inadvertent, is not questioned; and the request to impose a penalty other than forfeiture of the three games involved is denied.

New Member School - The Executive Committee approved membership for Harper Woods-Heart Academy, a charter school of 240 students in grades 9-12 which does not plan at this time to sponsor any sports. It has been an MHSAA member in 1997-98, 1998-99 and 2000-01.

Competitive Cheer - Staff described the reasons for the site and date changes for the MHSAA Competitive Cheer Finals, which will be at the DeltaPlex in Grand Rapids and one week later in 2004 and 2005 than in previous years. Regionals will be one week later as well.

Representative Council - The Executive Committee reviewed a draft agenda for the Dec. 5, 2003 meeting.

Next Meetings - The next meetings of the Executive Committee are Wednesday, Oct. 22, at 9 a.m. in East Lansing; Wednesday Nov. 12, at 9 a.m. in East Lansing; and Thursday, Dec. 4, at 9 a.m. in Mt. Pleasant (followed by Representative Council Meeting Dec. 5). ■

Girls Basketball Group Ticket Sales Underway

Group and general public ticket sales are now underway for the 2003 MHSAA Girls Basketball Finals at Rose Arena in Mt. Pleasant, Dec. 4-6.

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. 14. 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 (1-888-347-3872).

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

East Lansing, October 22, 2003

Members Present:

Paul Ellinger, Cheboygan
Keith Eldred, Williamston
Dan Flynn, Escanaba
Ken Dietz, Hartford
Kathy McGee, Flint

Staff Members Present:

Tom Rashid
Jack Roberts (Recorder)

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

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

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

A determination of undue hardship is a matter addressed to the discretion of the Executive Committee within the educational philosophy and secondary role of voluntary extracurricular competitive athletics in the

academic environment. The Executive Committee was cautioned to avoid making exceptions that would create precedent that effectively changes a rule without Representative Council action or local board of education adoption, which would exceed Executive Committee authority.

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

Caseville and Owendale-Gagetown High Schools (Regulation 1, Section 1[E]) -

The Executive Committee approved a cooperative program in boys and girls track & field for these schools, which have an existing cooperative agreement in boys and girls soccer. Caseville will be the primary school. Combined enrollment is 179, placing the team in the Division 4 tournament. A resolution in support of the agreement was received from the North Central Thumb League.

Harper Woods-Trinity Catholic and Detroit-Dominican High Schools (Regulation I, Section 1[E]) -

The Executive Committee approved a cooperative program in girls soccer between these schools. Trinity Catholic had sponsored the sport previously

but dropped the team last year. Dominican had never sponsored girls soccer. Trinity Catholic will be the primary school. The combined enrollment will be 337, placing the team in the Division 4 tournament. The Catholic High School League supports this program.

Ironwood-L. L. Wright and Wakefield High Schools (Regulation 1, Section 1[E]) - The Executive Committee approved a cooperative program in girls soccer between these schools. Ironwood sponsored the sport previously and will be the primary school. The combined enrollment will be 517, placing the team that was formerly in the Division 4 tournament into the Division 3 tournament. The team does not compete in a league. These two schools have an existing cooperative program in ice hockey with Bessemer-A. D. Johnston.

Ishpeming and Republic-Michigamme High Schools (Regulation I, Section 1[E]) - The Executive Committee approved a cooperative program in boys tennis, which Ishpeming has sponsored previously. The combined enrollment will be 397 students. Ishpeming will be the primary school and maintain competition in the Upper Peninsula Division 2 tournament. The Mid-Peninsula Conference supports this program.

Redford-Bishop Borgess and Redford-St. Katherine Drexel High Schools (Regulation I, Section 1[E]) - The Executive Committee approved cooperative programs in boys and girls track & field with Bishop Borgess as the primary school, and in baseball and softball with St. Katherine Drexel as the primary school. Currently these two schools are in a cooperative program in football. In November 2002, the Executive Committee approved cooperative programs for Bishop Borgess and St. Agatha in these same sports. St. Agatha closed in June 2003 and a new school - St. Katherine Drexel - opened on the same campus. The combined enrollment will be 188, placing the programs in Division 4 of the Track, Baseball and Softball Tournaments. The Catholic High School League supports this program.

Flint-Beecher High School (Regulation I, Sections 4 & 5) - Request was made to waive the maximum semesters sections of the

eligibility regulation on behalf of a 12th-grade student who has been in foster care and lived with his aunt and others since 1999. The student entered 9th grade at Flint-Northern in the 1999-00 school year. He attended Flint-Central for 2001-02. He attended the district's alternative school for the second semester of 2001-02. In the fall of 2002-03, the student enrolled at Beecher High School. The student's mother is unstable and the father died when the student was 8 years old.

The Executive Committee determined that the student has been enrolled in four first and four second semesters, the maximum available to all students, and that additional semesters of eligibility are not justified. The request for waiver was denied.

Almont High School (Regulation I, Section 9) - Request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of 11th- and 10th-grade brothers who transferred from Romeo Bible Truth Academy, citing greater academic and extracurricular activities and financial concerns. A residential change did occur but was within the Almont district boundaries.

The Executive Committee denied the request for waiver.

Blanchard-Montabella 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 an 11th-grade student who reenrolled at Montabella High School on Oct. 6, 2003. The student attended Montabella through the second semester of the 2002-03 school year, moved to Tennessee over the summer to live with his mother, returned to Montabella and is again living with his aunt.

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

Burton-Bendle 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 an 11th-grade student who enrolled at Bendle High School on Sept. 29, 2003. The student moved from California when his parents moved to the Philippines.

The student returned to the Bendle district where he was previously enrolled, residing with his aunt.

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

Byron Center-Zion Christian High School (Regulation I, Section 9) - Request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of a 10th-grade student who attended Grand Rapids-South Christian High School for the second semester of 2002-03 and was in attendance on the first day of classes this fall at Zion Christian High School, which physically relocated approximately 15 miles from its building in Hudsonville to a new location in Byron Center. The student's commute was reduced from one hour to 30 minutes with busing now available. Three younger siblings are also attending Zion Christian High School.

Because the relocation of the school is significant in both distance and travel time, the Executive Committee granted the request for waiver for all students who were new to Zion Christian High School on its first day of classes of the 2003-04 school year.

Byron Center-Zion Christian High School (Regulation I, Section 9) - Request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of a second 10th-grade student who attended Grand Rapids-South Christian High School for the second semester of 2002-03 and was in attendance on the first day of classes this fall at Zion Christian High School, which physically relocated approximately 15 miles from its building in Hudsonville to a new location in Byron Center. The student's older brother, who continues to attend South Christian, would now be able to transport this student to Zion en route to South.

Because the relocation of the school is significant in both distance and travel time, the Executive Committee granted the request for waiver for all students who were new to Zion Christian High School on its first day of classes of the 2003-04 school year.

Croswell-Lexington High School (Regulation I, Section 9[D]) - Request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of a 9th-grade student. The student

attended Yale Middle School while living with both parents. The student's parents separated in July, at which time the mother relocated to another person's residence and the father moved to Algonac. The student lived with a Yale teacher/cross country coach until the father found a permanent residence in the Croswell-Lexington district.

The Executive Committee denied the request for immediate eligibility but granted the student eligibility on her 91st school day of enrollment at Croswell-Lexington High School.

Crystal Falls-Forest Park 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 10th-grade student who enrolled at Forest Park as a 9th-grader, was home schooled for one semester, transferred to West Iron County to start the 2003-04 school year, and reenrolled at Forest Park on Oct. 7, 2003. The student's mother recently died and she is living with her grandmother in the Forest Park district, awaiting a reported return of her father to reside with them.

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

Detroit-Benedictine High School (Regulation I, Section 9) - Request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of an 11th-grade student who transferred from Southfield-Lathrup High School, moving from his parents' home in Southfield to his grandmother's residence in Detroit. The student's grandmother has a chronic breathing disorder and requires the student's assistance and to aid in resolving a family situation. Benedictine is the closest nonpublic school to the student's residence.

The Executive Committee denied the request for waiver.

Fraser 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 10th-grade student who transferred from Kalkaska High School and began attending Fraser on Oct. 6, 2003. The parents decided to move the student to his 21-year-old brother in Fraser.

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

Grand Rapids-Creston High School (Regulation I, Section 9) - Request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of a 10th-grade student who previously attended Ottawa Hills High School and enrolled at Creston on Sept. 24, 2003. An incident between the student and an assistant football coach occurred on Sept. 9, resulting in the coach not reporting for work until further notice. The student attended school for nine more days. Subsequent to the incident, the student requested and was granted an internal district transfer.

The Executive Committee found that while the coach may not have modeled the highest standards of the profession, the student shared responsibility for the incident; and the Executive Committee reaffirmed that it must not be drawn into evaluating coach/player controversies, especially after a school district has concluded its own inquiry. The Executive Committee noted that the school district's internal investigation found that no assault occurred and no referral was recommended. The request for waiver was denied.

Hopkins High School (Regulation I, Section 9[B]) - Request to waive the transfer regulation to permit eligibility only at the subvarsity level was made on behalf of a 10th-grade student who moved with his family from Florida into the Wayland Union School District. A request for immediate eligibility for this student and his brother was denied by the Executive Committee at its Sept. 29 meeting. The student played both basketball and baseball while a 9th-grader in Florida.

Citing the specific provision of Section 9(B) - no previous participation - the Executive Committee denied the request for waiver.

Hudsonville-Freedom Baptist 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 10th-grade student who transferred from Hudsonville High School and enrolled at

Freedom Baptist on Oct. 13, 2003. The student did not participate in athletics at Hudsonville.

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

Manistique High School (Regulation I, Section 9[D]) - Request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of a 10th-grade student who moved in the summer of 2003 with his parents from Sault Ste. Marie into the home of his grandparents in Manistique. The student enrolled at Manistique High School and attended classes for five days and then enrolled at Cooks-Big Bay De Noc High School for 13 school days from Sept. 10-30, 2003, at which time the student reenrolled at Manistique. Three days later, on Oct. 3, the family moved into their new house in Manistique.

The Executive Committee denied the request for immediate eligibility but granted eligibility for the student on his 91st school day of enrollment at Manistique High School.

Muskegon-Reeths-Puffer High School (Regulation 1, Section 9[D]) - A late request to waive the transfer regulation to permit eligibility after 90 school days of enrollment was made on behalf of an 11th-grade student who attended North Muskegon High School since the 9th grade (2001-02) and enrolled at Reeths-Puffer on March 21, 2003, citing transportation, residence change and school preference. The student and his family moved into the Reeths-Puffer district in the 2000-01 school year prior to the student starting the 9th grade.

The Executive Committee denied the request for waiver.

Oak Park High School (Regulation I, Section 9[B]) - Request to waive the transfer regulation to permit eligibility only at the subvarsity level was made on behalf of a 10th-grade student who withdrew from Royal Oak-Kimball on Sept. 15, 2003. The student did not participate in any scrimmage or contest in any MHSAA tournament sport at Kimball.

The Executive Committee granted the request for waiver at the subvarsity level only for the remainder of the first semester of the

2003-04 school year.

Redford-Thurston High School (Regulation I, Section 9[B]) - Request to waive the transfer regulation to permit eligibility only at the subvarsity level was made on behalf of a 10th-grade student who transferred from Detroit-Osborn High School and did not participate in athletics at Osborn.

The Executive Committee granted the request for waiver at the subvarsity level only for the remainder of the first semester if the student enrolled at Thurston by Sept. 26, 2003, or the remainder of the 2003-04 school year if the student enrolled at Thurston after Sept. 26, 2003.

Westland-Huron Valley Lutheran High School (Regulation I, Section 9[B]) - Request to waive the transfer regulation to permit eligibility only at the subvarsity level was made on behalf of a 9th-grade student who transferred from Garden City High School. The student attended at least the 8th grade in the Lutheran school system. The student did not participate in any MHSAA tournament sport while at Garden City High School.

The Executive Committee granted the request for waiver at the subvarsity level only for the remainder of the first semester if the student enrolled at Huron Valley Lutheran by Sept. 26, 2003, or the remainder of the 2003-04 school year if the student enrolled at Huron Valley Lutheran after Sept. 26, 2003.

Westland-Huron Valley Lutheran 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 two 10th-grade students who enrolled at Huron Valley Lutheran on Oct. 6, 2003, missing the fourth Friday after Labor Day by a number of days.

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

Wyandotte-Mt. Carmel High School (Regulation I, Section 9) - Request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of 9th- and 10th-grade brothers who transferred from Roosevelt High School on Oct. 13, 2003 because they were dissatisfied with the academic opportunities available at Roosevelt.

The Executive Committee denied the request for waiver.

Ypsilanti High School (Regulation I, Section 9[B]) - Request to waive the transfer regulation to permit eligibility only at the subvarsity level was made on behalf of a 9th-grade student who attended Ypsilanti schools for eight years, moved over the summer into the Saline School District and enrolled at Saline High School to start the 2003-04 school year. After six weeks at Saline, the student transferred to Ypsilanti High School. The student did not participate in athletics at Saline.

The Executive Committee granted the request for waiver at the subvarsity level only for the remainder of the first semester if the student enrolled at Ypsilanti by Sept. 26, 2003, or the remainder of the 2003-04 school year if the student enrolled at Ypsilanti after Sept. 26, 2003.

Southfield-Faith Christian Academy (Regulation III, Section 1) - Request was made to waive the enrollment regulation and specifically Interpretation No. 228 to permit 6th-grade boys to participate in 7th- and 8th-grade basketball, track & field and baseball, and 6th-grade girls to participate in 7th- and 8th-grade volleyball and track and field. The school has an enrollment of 33 students in 7th and 8th grades.

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

Grand Rapids Christian High School (Regulation V, Section 4[B]) - On Oct. 3, 2003, administrators from Grand Rapids Christian personally notified the MHSAA that they inadvertently played an ineligible 11th-grade transfer student in five varsity football games. The school was informed of the penalty and appealed the requirement of forfeiture.

The school's superintendent, athletic director, head football coach and a parent met with the Executive Committee to explain the events that led to the ineligible student's participation, to present reasons why this case merits waiver, and to describe the narrow basis on which waiver might be granted to avoid establishing precedent that would erode the rules. It was presented that this student had not played football in 10th grade, that he

had not been recruited even as a student, and that he had no effect on the outcome of the games in which he played. Several suggestions were made for alternative penalties.

The Executive Committee acknowledged that it is a frequent and routine matter for a school to discover that a participant in interscholastic athletic contests was ineligible under the adopted MHSAA minimum standards and/or additional local school district rules, to forfeit those contests to opposing schools and report the action to the MHSAA office. On 15 occasions since the fall of 1993, schools have appealed to the Executive Committee and/or Representative Council that the requirement of forfeiture be waived. The fact that forfeitures may affect qualification for postseason tournaments in football contributes to the fact that 9 of the 15 requests for waiver involved varsity football games.

It was noted that in almost all cases of participation by ineligible, all parties concerned did not intend to violate rules. The participation is usually the result of ignorance of the rule or oversight and is rarely the result of any party's intent to deceive or intentionally violate the rule.

The Executive Committee noted that the Representative Council previously has explored penalty alternatives, but ultimately determined that forfeiture is the most fair and administrable of any policy that has been suggested and studied. Therefore, it would exceed the Executive Committee's authority

to create alternative penalties at this time.

To avoid claims of unequal application of the rules, forfeiture has been applied over the years regardless of the ability of the player, the amount of time he/she participated or the outcome of the game. The Executive Committee noted, as has the Michigan Supreme Court, that the membership's interests in uniformity and predictability justify even-handed application of the forfeiture regulation for participation by ineligible students. The request for waiver was denied.

Meeting Venues - The Executive Committee discussed the MHSAA's position of not conducting rules meetings where legalized gambling occurs. That policy will continue.

Next Meetings - The next meetings of the Executive Committee are scheduled for Wednesday Nov. 12, at 9 a.m. in East Lansing; Thursday, Dec. 4, at 9 a.m. in Mt. Pleasant (followed by Representative Council Meeting Dec. 5); Wednesday, Jan. 21, at 8:30 a.m. in East Lansing; Wednesday, Feb. 25, at 8:30 a.m. in East Lansing (followed by Finance Committee Meeting); Thursday, March 25, at 8:30 a.m. in East Lansing (followed by Representative Council Meeting March 26); Wednesday, April 21, at 8:30 a.m. in East Lansing (followed by Finance Committee Meeting); Saturday, May 1, at 6 p.m. in Thompsonville (followed by Representative Council Meetings May 2-4); and Wednesday, June 9, at 8:30 a.m. in East Lansing. ■

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UPPER PENINSULA ATHLETIC COMMITTEE MEETING

Escanaba, Sept. 19, 2003

Members Present:

Russ Bailey, Ewen
Jim Derocher, Negaunee
Don Edens, Kingsford
Dan Flynn, Escanaba
Paul Polfus, Carney
Dee Jay Paquette, Munising
Joe Reddinger, Felch

Staff Members Present:

Nate Hampton, (Recorder)

Also in Attendance:

Jerry Cvengros, Okemos

GIRLS BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT

Officials were selected for invitations to fill 62 positions for District and Regional Tournament games to be played in the Upper Peninsula. Forty officials were selected from the available pool of 55. Denny Chartier of Iron Mountain was selected to work a State Final game and Steven Ayotte of Negaunee will officiate in a State Semifinal competition. In addition, Ayotte and Chartier will work at the Quarterfinals. Doug Schupp of Iron Mountain will be assigned if a Class D Quarterfinal game is played at Sault Ste. Marie.

The following schedule was approved for Regional games at Michigan Technological University in Houghton:

Monday, Nov. 24 - Class C
(two games, single session-6 & 8 p.m.)
Tuesday, Nov. 25 - Class D
(two games, single session-6 & 8 p.m.)
Wednesday, Nov. 26 - Class D 6 p.m.
(one game, single session)
Class C 8 p.m. (one game, single session)

BOYS BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT

Sites were selected for the 2003-04 tournament. **Class A** – as established in 2003 with Lower Peninsula schools. **Class B** – One three-team District tournament assigned to Kingsford. Note: The committee discussed the feasibility of placing Sault Ste. Marie in the Class B District in Kingsford instead of the Class B District tournament in the Lower Peninsula. It was the general consensus to leave Sault Ste. Marie in the Lower Peninsula for this year's tournament until there is opportunity to discuss the issue with

Upper Peninsula athletic directors. **Class C** – District sites were assigned to Rudyard, Negaunee, Houghton and Iron Mountain. **Class D** – District sites were assigned to Brimley, Eben Junction Superior Central, Rock Mid-Peninsula, Baraga, Wakefield and Painesdale-Jeffers.

Regional Tournaments 24 and 32 were assigned to Michigan Technological University in Houghton and Regional 31 will be held at Newberry.

The following schedule for Regional games at Michigan Technological University in Houghton is:

Thursday, March 18 - Class C
(2 games-single session-6 & 8 pm)
Friday, March 19 - Class D
(2 games-single session-6 & 8 pm)
Saturday, March 20 - Class C Noon
(one game, single session)
Class D 3 pm (one game, single session)

Class C Quarterfinal No. 12 will be played at Cheboygan Area High School.

Class D Quarterfinal No. 16 will be played at Escanaba High School if the 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 High School.

CROSS COUNTRY

The 2003 MHSAA Upper Peninsula Finals will be hosted by Stephenson High School at the Dale Fountain Memorial Cross Country Course in Banat.

GOLF

The 2004 MHSAA Upper Peninsula Boys and Girls Golf Finals will be held on

Friday, June 4, 2004, at the following sites:
Division 1 - Menominee High School
Division 2 - Manistique High School
Division 3 - Bark River-Harris (Boys)
Rock Mid-Peninsula (Girls)

ICE HOCKEY

The 2004 Regional assignments are:
Division 1 - Marquette High School
Division 3 -Houghton High School

SKIING

The 2004 Regional and Final sites will be selected by the MHSAA Ski Committee when it meets Nov. 6, 2003.

Note: The Upper Peninsula Committee discussed the mandatory ski meetings to be held at selected sites and agreed with MHSAA staff's suggestion to hold the Upper Peninsula meeting at Kingsford High School on Oct. 22, 2003 at noon (EST).

SWIMMING

The 2004 Boys and Girls Swim Finals will be hosted by Marquette High School on Feb. 21, 2004.

TENNIS

Sites selected for 2003 Upper Peninsula Girls Finals on Oct. 3, 2003 are:

Division 1 - Marquette High School
Division 2 - Ishpeming High School
Upper Peninsula Boys Finals will be held on June 4, 2004. The sites will be:
Division 1 - Marquette High School
Division 2 - Iron Mountain High School

TRACK AND FIELD

Kingsford High School will host the 2004 Upper Peninsula Finals for all Divisions (boys and girls) on Saturday, June 4, 2004. The Regional dates are May 18-22, 2004.

VOLLEYBALL

District and Regional sites were selected for the 2004 tournament. The **Class A** District site will be assigned by the Lower Peninsula Site Committee. The **Class B** District site was assigned to Sault Ste. Marie. **Class C** District sites were assigned to Manistique, Ishpeming Westwood, Iron River West Iron County and Calumet. **Class D** sites were assigned to Brimley, Rapid River, Felch-North Dickinson, Baraga and

Crystal Falls-Forest Park.

Class C Regional Tournament No. 24 will be hosted by Munising High School, while Rapid River will host the Class D Regional No. 32.

District Tournaments are scheduled for March 5 or 6, 2004, and Regionals will be held on either March 12 or 13, 2004.

WRESTLING

MHSAA Upper Peninsula Finals will be held at Menominee High School on Feb. 20-21, 2004. The Upper Peninsula Committee agreed to the following suggested schedule:

Friday, Session 1:
1-2 p.m. weigh-in
1:15-2:15 p.m. seeding
3:30-9 p.m. (Rounds 1, 2, 3)
Saturday, Session 2:
9:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. (Rounds 4, 5, 6, 7)
(no Saturday weigh-in)
Saturday, Session 3:
4:30 p.m. (Consolation Finals)
6 p.m. (Finals)

Upper Peninsula wrestling officials will be selected by the Upper Peninsula Committee after the Wrestling Rules Meetings are completed.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

MHSAA Tournament Merchandise Sales - The committee received information that demonstrated low product sales at the 2002-03 Final sites that included:

Girls Tennis: Division 1 at Marquette, 46 pieces; Division 2 at Iron Mountain 42 pieces
Golf: Division 1 at Escanaba, 34 pieces; Division 2 at Norway, 15 pieces; Division 3 at Rock Mid-Peninsula, 26 pieces

Boys Tennis, Division 1 at Marquette, 22 pieces; Division 2 at Ishpeming, 17 pieces

These low product sales generated less than desirable profit for the host sites. The committee agreed with staff's suggestions that for the selected tournaments, when product sales are low, the MHSAA and its product provider consider an Internet sales opportunity for those athletes and spectators who want to purchase MHSAA tournament wear, especially if the product provider establishes a postage free service.

The committee also suggested that the MHSAA consider a larger split for hosts in those tournaments that do have acceptable tournament product sales.

Winter Sport Opportunities - The committee discussed the appearance that schools sponsoring the sport of skiing are in decline, but as of this meeting, it was reported that at least two schools will re-establish a ski program for this season. The apparent reasons for the schools opting out of sponsoring was purely economic and not due to student interest. The committee suggested that the MHSAA continue to watch the effects of school economics as to how schools sponsoring skiing will be affected.

Next Upper Peninsula Committee Meeting - Scheduled for Friday, Jan. 16, 2004. Agenda items for discussion at the next meeting will include: Is there interest in an open class girls competitive cheer tournament for Upper Peninsula schools?

RECOMMENDATION TO THE REPRESENTATIVE COUNCIL

Develop discussions that will examine tournament officials to receive invitations if rules meeting attendance cannot be complied with. Perhaps rules meeting attendance can be mandatory every two or three years with another kind of measurement used to secure tournament invitations. Example: Satisfactory completion of National Federation exam; MHSAA exam or other tools (7-0 in favor). ■

REGISTER ALL NON-FACULTY COACHES BEFORE THEY ASSUME RESPONSIBILITIES

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 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 online 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 105-106 of the *MHSAA Handbook* for 2003-04. You may copy and enlarge as necessary. The forms – one for high school, the other for the junior high/middle school level – may also be downloaded from the MHSAA Web site at mhsaa.com and are available on the CD-ROM sent to schools in August. 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. ■

HOW WE TREAT OFFICIALS MATTERS

(The following excerpt is from a presentation entitled "Standards, On and Off the Court," by John E. (Jack) Roberts to the Midwest Officials Summit hosted by the MHSAA Sept. 21-23, 2003.)

Some of you may have read the book, *Sacred Cows Make the Best Burgers*. It encourages the hunt for and removal or reengineering of products, processes and programs that we cling to long after their usefulness has waned ("sacred cows").

While I, like most people, have some reluctance to change – and there are some things I refuse to change – we have been hunting for "sacred cows" in our workplace for several years. Many things as yet remain unexamined. Some things have been examined and have so far survived, for example, the Michigan Weight Monitoring Program. Other things that have been examined have not escaped unchanged: we are redesigning services to two of our basic constituent groups, the athletic director in-service program and our coaches' education program, both started in 1987.

A third constituent group – officials – presents an interesting challenge. Officials are independent contractors from whom the MHSAA must keep an arm's-length relationship. However, they're the only folks at contests who wear the MHSAA label, who wear the MHSAA patch of registration.

During the decade of the 1990s, we slayed the "sacred cow" that says: "Keep away from officials or you'll turn independent contractors into employees." We focused new efforts not directly on officials but on their support systems: assisting leaders of local officials associations, training trainers, in-servicing assignors, providing publications and videotapes, expanding the use of technology, expanding recognition programs, expanding recruitment efforts, like the Legacy Student Official Program, which helped us set an all-time record in 2002-03 with 12,138 registered officials, a ten percent increase over four years.

But to declare our work done would be to turn this work into another "sacred cow." The work is not done. In fact, the challenges are huge. Our best officials are better than ever, but so are the contests – faster, higher, more physical and talented – and the gap between the game and the abilities of the majority of officials may be widening. So we must keep prodding this cow, and we're making plans to do so.

Beyond the immediate plans, however, is this ultimate goal: that **high school** officiating is the most respected in this state on any level.

The first objection one hears to such a bold goal is, "Surely we can't surpass the pros or even colleges. They have full-time officials, they have tons of money for training, they have the latest technology, they have limited numbers so they can provide more immediate feedback, they have coveted positions so they can be more exclusive."

Yes, they have all that and more. But they don't have this: they don't work in pure, wholesome, amateur, educational athletics. They work in entertainment athletics. They are part of sports business and they may forever be tainted by that and the big game fees and expense accounts that they receive. They will not get the benefit of the doubt; they will be expected to be perfect, and they won't be.

We may be miles ahead of college and professional officials on the road to becoming the most credible and respected officials because of the level we serve: school sports. Unfortunately, we wring our hands and whine about what we don't have. We cite lack of money and other resources. We cite lack of numbers.

I'm here to tell you that we can do more with less, that we can get to higher levels of credibility and respectability than any other level of sports officiating and do so without all the glitz and glamour.

We don't get there by fighting with officials. We don't get there by angering officials or threatening them. We don't even get there by testing officials and rating officials,

although those things are not bad.

We get to our goal by three E's: by **encouraging** officials, by **evaluating** officials, and most of all by giving officials an **environment** in which they can thrive.

The first and foremost requirement – the prerequisite – for having an officiating corps with credibility is not officials' responsibility but ours. Schools and their state high school associations have to assure the program is wholesome and educational. We have to assure the program stays amateur, relatively non-commercial, and local. We have to assure the program is sportsmanlike and sane. We have to advance policies that tend to assure these things. We have to espouse such philosophy consistently and persuasively.

In this state, the media and athletic directors often kid the MHSAA communications director and me for our incessant sportsmanship messages on television, radio, public address announcements, in tournament programs and on banners. We don't apologize for this. Here's why.

Near the end of the book, *Revival of the Fittest*, which is about the qualities that allow some companies to recover after decline while others do not, the author writes, "Managers often err when they state their commitment once or twice, maybe send out a memo or two, and then assume that the rest of the organization will act on it.

"ARE YOU SICK OF REPEATING? If not, you must say it more often.

"DO YOUR MANAGERS ROLL THEIR EYES WHEN YOU REPEAT YOUR MESSAGE? Eye rolling is a good sign – it shows that they already recognize your theme."

We all know that bad sportsmanship is the main reason we can't recruit or retain officials. Therefore, very likely the best thing that we could ever have done for officials has had nothing to do with officiating directly. It's had to do with sportsmanship: raising the standards of conduct for players and coaches and raising the awareness of administrators and the public. People report today the chants, cheers and signs that they tolerated 10 years ago. We have raised the bar, and people have become more sensitive and responsive.

The first thing, the last thing and the all-the-time thing we must do to raise standards in officiating is to raise the standard of conduct at the contests.

Beyond that, we also have some standards of expectations for our schools toward officials. For example, that they rate officials. We have standards for the hosting of officials that we publish in a brochure. We have also adopted the Covenant with Sports Officials and published it in the MHSAA *Handbook*, *Officials Guidebook* and *Bulletin*.

How we treat officials does have an effect on how the public treats officials. If schools show disrespect in how we host and assign officials, how can we expect anything better from the public? ■

Finals Program Information Forms 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 forms for the souvenir programs at MHSAA Finals in select sports. The forms are available on the CD-ROM schools received in August, 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 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. 3; Football–Tuesday, Nov. 18; Girls Basketball–Friday, Nov. 28**

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THURSDAY NIGHT MEMORIES

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My fondest memory of high school sports came last Thursday night. I wish that I could recall a crowning moment in my prep playing or coaching career, when team, and goals came together in one shining moment. I can barely recall my brief attempt at coaching, and my hope is that none of my former players will write a rebuttal to this article. In my busy world of school administration, my fondest memory of high school sports is my latest.

Thursday night I was working late in my office, trying to get caught up on some paperwork, when the phone rang. It was a mom of a varsity football player, who wanted a message delivered to her son who was still out practicing. I jotted down her message, decided that paperwork could wait, and slipped out to the football field. I hadn't been out to practice since the beginning of the season, and I knew the team was preparing for a big game. Our team needed a win Friday to stay alive in the play-off hunt.

When I got out the field I saw a group of guys having fun playing football. It was almost surreal, the team was working very casually on plays that I knew they would run the next night. I had expected that the team would be in a fevered pitch, working on the emotion needed to win a big game. Instead, I saw our coach casually talking to his team, in the same way a chemistry teacher might demonstrate a detailed experiment. No hype, no grand promises, no rah, rah about if you work hard good things will happen.

Instead, the team was working on their plays, they were talking to each other, calmly preparing for the game. I knew that I had stumbled onto a teachable moment – the coach with his team working on the little details that you never see under the bright

lights of a Friday night game.

There was emotion to the practice routine, but the emotion was a coach teaching his players the little things about football that make playing on a team special.

What I didn't see was a coach yelling at his players. What I didn't see was a coach belittling his players, shaming them into doing better. What I saw was a coach actively preparing his athletes in such a way that you could tell the team was having fun being together. The team had taken the cue from the coach, and were treating each other like the coach was treating them. They were quietly, calmly, and very purposely preparing for the game. What I saw was the real reason schools sponsor teams, so students can learn about how to treat people well in emotional and stressful situations. The coach and his assistants were treating our players with decency and respect, and our students mirrored their example.

Our team went on to win the game Friday night, in a tense, emotional, and hard hitting game.

Our players were openly emotional and played to their potential. After the game, surrounded by parents and adoring fans in the end zone, our coach addressed the team. He addressed the team with the tone you expect from a coach. He shouted out admiration and adoration for his players for listening to the coaches, and playing hard the entire game. Each word of praise brought shouts from the team, and cheers from the parents, everyone in the team huddle was wearing a smile. As I left the field, under the stadium lights I realized that our coach had won this game Thursday night. Thursday night a coach showed me that respectfully and calmly you can teach students how to prepare for the challenges they may face in their journey through life. Fondly, I look back on last Thursday night and know this is why we have high school sports.

— Steven M Beyer

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IT'S ABOUT TEAM!

HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETICS: BRINGING COMMUNITIES TOGETHER

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For nearly nine months, thousands of people across mid-Michigan had been waiting for one magical moment - one night when enthusiasm and intensity bubble over, when the world outside a high school football stadium ceases to exist.

That moment came to East Lansing High School on Thursday night as the 2003 high school football season began with full force.

"I've been looking forward to this all summer," said Haslett High School senior Christy Carter, 17, decked out in head-to-toe blue-and-gold in support of the Vikings. "I'm so excited."

While these two powerhouse teams clashed on the field, dozens of people worked behind the scenes Thursday night to ensure that the evening was as electrifying as possible.

A look at the hours leading up to Thursday night's game:

4:45 p.m.: East Lansing Athletic Director Tom Hunt is worried.

With less than three hours before kickoff, the machine his grounds crew uses to create the lines on the football field is still not back from the repair shop.

He paces the sidelines nervously.

Meanwhile, Hunt's wife and three children wait at their East Lansing home, hoping Dad will have a chance to stop in for dinner.

He never leaves the school.

"It's tough because I just saw them this morning for a few minutes, and I probably won't see them again until tomorrow morn-

ing," Hunt says with a sigh. "But I'll make up for it."

About a half-hour later, the machine returns, and a pair of workers put the finishing touches on the field.

"You do a lot of fire extinguishing in this business," Hunt says, surveying the field, "but you just get it done the best you can."

4:55 p.m.: She hobbles around the East Lansing High School parking lot, leaning on crutches lined with blue tape and gold ribbon, trying to stay off her broken foot as much as possible without dampening her enthusiasm.

"Yeah! Go Haslett! Wooooooo!" Haslett senior Kayla Oxender screams as a carload of fellow Viking supporters pulls up.

Oxender, 17, sports a yellow T-shirt painted with blue letters, blue football beads around her neck, blue arm bands, blue earrings she picked out for football season during a trip to Spain, a yellow sock, blue tape on her walking cast and blue and gold ribbons in her hair.

And on every bare area of her body is the jersey number of a different Viking player.

She had trouble focusing in school all day, drawing football notes on assignments in each of her classes.

"It's our whole community - we're all into Haslett football," she says. "We just like getting pumped up, and we like getting the whole school pumped up."

Fellow senior Marcelo Alvarez, 18, fires up his grill from home and starts cooking hot dogs for everyone in their group of about 20 students.

He says he plans to get more than halfway through his package of 80 hot dogs before the game.

6:01 p.m.: Heather Dubbs wipes off the concession stand counters, gathering a sum-



mer's worth of dust on her disposable rag before tossing it in the trash.

About a dozen other volunteers buzz about behind her.

After the game, the numbers will be all about yards and touchdowns.

Right now, for concessions co-captain Sue Calverley, the numbers are about the food and drinks the crew is preparing for the onslaught of 3,000 fans: Three hundred hot dogs, 300 hamburgers, 1,300 bottles of water, 75 large pizzas, 500 boxes of popcorn, 400 suckers and more than 1,000 bags of candy.

Once the game starts, though, Calverley plans to join her fellow Trojan parents and root for her son, Marcus, a defensive tackle.

Dubbs, working her first game, says she's not worried about feeding the masses.

"Everybody's very patient and very understanding," she says with a smile. "It'll be fun to see the new kids and all the families we haven't seen for the summer."

6:27 p.m.: As fans trickle in to the stadium, about 60 East Lansing band members warm up inside the high school - individually. The chaos they create is so loud that people standing next to each other have to shout to be heard.

Junior drummer Nick Blackledge says he loves football games but always gets nervous before the kickoff.

"It's really exciting being a percussionist," says Blackledge, sporting blue-green hair and a construction hard-hat to poke fun at all the work being done on his high school. "We always pump people up."

7:14 p.m.: While players from both teams listen to pep talks in their locker rooms, the East Lansing cheerleaders put on their blue-and-white uniforms and slowly make their way to the field.

Rachel Rudman, 16, says she doesn't know what to expect as she prepares to cheer in her first high school football game.

"I'm kind of nervous, but I'm really excited, too," she says as teammate Jasmin Jaffer-Jones squeezes her right hand for support.

"I'm just hoping I can remember all the cheers. I think it'll be fun."

7:25 p.m.: East Lansing players emerge from the locker room in full uniform, singing "We ready!" as they march toward the field.

Then a roar erupts from the Haslett locker room, followed by coach Charlie Otlewski slamming open the door and his team filing out in two lines.

Holding hands with the players next to them, the Trojans shout encouragement to one another over the sound of plastic cleats crunching on pavement.

"Let's go, boys!"

"This is what we've worked for!"

"This is it! Game time, let's go!"

Huddling beneath the goal post, the team sprints toward its sidelines amid an eruption of applause from the Haslett faithful.

The East Lansing starting lineup is announced as the Haslett kickoff team huddles to plan its strategy.

"Stay in your lanes, chop down!" assistant coach Rob Porritt yells at the eager group of 11. "We're kicking it deep and we're knocking the...out of them! You know what you need to do!"

7:30 p.m.: The Haslett kickoff team breaks its huddle and lines up amid a deafening drumroll from the East Lansing band.

The thousands of people in the stands are on their feet, cheering, as Haslett junior Marc Messina places the ball on the tee.

He runs toward it full speed, sending the kickoff into the air as the sun slips behind the trees.

— Dan Kittle

Kittle is a sportswriter for the Lansing State Journal

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NTSB ISSUES SAFETY ALERT TO ORGANIZATIONS USING 15-PASSENGER VANS

Following the deaths of a teenager and four senior citizens in two separate crashes involving 15-passenger vans carrying members of two different churches, the National Transportation Safety Board (NTSB) is urging all organizations that use these vans to follow lifesaving practices. In the crashes that occurred in Texas and Virginia, the left rear tire failed, the drivers lost control of the vehicles, and the vans rolled over several times.

Highway safety experts at the NTSB strongly suggest the following:

- Keep seat belts and lap belts accessible and make sure passengers use them. They are often forgotten when they are out of sight and wedged between the seat bottom and seat back.
- Inspect seat belts and lap belts and replace missing buckles, as well as broken and worn belts. The NTSB accident investigation concluded that several of the passengers might not have lost their lives if they had been wearing seat belts or lap belts. They were ejected from the vans when the vehicles rolled over.
- Regularly check the condition of tires for uneven wear, cracks and damage. Many of these vans are not continuously driven like the family car. Low mileage doesn't mean tires are safe, the NTSB emphasized. Age, sunlight, and just being parked for long periods can lead to deadly tire degradation and dry rot. Unfortunately, dangerously deteriorated tires cannot always be detected by visual inspection alone. It often takes an automotive repair professional.
- Check the tire pressure often and make sure it conforms to the van and tire manufacturer's standards. Be aware that front and back tires may require different inflation pressures, and these pressures may be higher than the tires on passenger

cars. The manufacturer's recommended pressure is usually on driver's door sill or in the tire owner's manual. A major problem with these vans, the NTSB found in its investigations, is that tires are often under-inflated, leading to higher tire temperatures, faster tire deterioration, and diminished driving stability.

- Make all drivers of these vans aware that the dynamics of vans, especially during an emergency like a tire blow out, are very different from the family car.
- Get additional training for drivers since these vans handle differently than other vehicles, especially when they are fully loaded.

"We are urging all organizations, from church groups and schools to non-profit and public interest organizations, to learn that driving and maintaining 15-passengers vans is not the same as the average family car, and that it is critical that seat belts be used," said NTSB Chairman Ellen G. Engleman.

The NTSB is also trying to spread the word about "lessons learned" from two fatal crashes that the board discussed at a public meeting in Washington, D.C. in July.

"Our goal is to prevent these crashes by informing the public about the circumstances that led to these deaths," Engleman said.

The fatal crashes he referred to occurred months apart during 2001 in Texas and Virginia.

The Safety Board determined that the probable cause of these accidents was tire failure, the drivers' response to that failure and the drivers' inability to maintain control of their vans in an emergency. It also said that contributing to the accidents was the deterioration of tires, which was caused by the lack of tire maintenance, and the failure to check tire conditions for cracking and dry rot. The tires on these vans had become rot-

ten from ultraviolet damage, age, limited use, and being operated in under-inflated conditions.

The Safety Board also concluded that the safe operation of 15-passenger vans requires a knowledge and skill level different and above that for passenger cars, particularly when the vans are fully loaded or drivers experience an emergency situation.

In addition to alerting organizations to potential hazards, the Safety Board issued a series of recommendations to federal highway safety regulators, state driver licensing

agencies, and van manufacturers. The recommendations ask for upgraded licensing requirements and training for drivers of 15-passenger vans; improved roof and structural strength standards; seats belts in all seats; and revised federal vehicle classification so safety standards mandated for these vans are equal to those for other passenger vehicles.

Information on the Texas and Virginia crashes and several NTSB safety studies focusing on 15-passenger vans are available on the NTSB web site: www.nts.gov ■

Important Information About NCAA Division I and II Initial Eligibility Changes

The NCAA Division I and Division II initial eligibility requirements have changed.

For the classes of 2003 and 2004: Division I

If you plan to enter college in 2003 or 2004, you may use either the current rule or the new rule. The clearinghouse will evaluate your transcript under the new rule first. If you are not eligible under that rule, the clearinghouse will then evaluate your transcript under the current rule.

WHAT IS THE NEW RULE? The new requirements increase the number of required core courses from 13 to 14. The additional course may come from any of the following areas: English, mathematics, natural/physical science, social science, foreign language, non-doctrinal religion, philosophy or computer science. Please see the important notice below about the elimination of computer science.

For the class of 2005: Division I and Division II

If you plan to enter college in 2005 or after, your eligibility will be determined under the new rule only. That means that you must have 14 core courses to be eligible to practice, play and receive financial aid at a Division I or Division II school.

For the class of 2008: Division I -- 16 core courses

If you plan to enter college in 2008 or after, you will need to present 16 core courses in the following breakdown:

- 4 years of English
- 3 years of mathematics (Algebra I or higher)
- 2 years of natural/physical science (one must be a lab science)
- 1 year of additional English, math or science
- 2 years of social studies
- 4 years of additional core courses (from any area listed above, or from foreign language, nondoctrinal religion or philosophy)

For further information visit: ncaaclearinghouse.net

Survey Indicates Fewer Schools Assessing Participation Fees; Fees Less Than Expected

The results of a recently completed survey of Michigan High School Athletic Association member schools indicates fewer schools are charging smaller fees to participate in interscholastic athletics than was feared earlier this year when schools began contemplating the use of participation fees in response to budget-cutting considerations.

The survey was conducted of the MHSAA's 759 member senior high and 355 junior high/middle schools during the month of September. It revealed that of the 558 senior high schools responding 23 percent were assessing some kind of fee for participation in athletics of \$20 or more; and of the 172 junior high/middle schools responding, 25 percent were utilizing fees. In the last participation fee survey of MHSAA member schools in 1993, 17 percent of 572 senior high respondents and 15 percent of 338 junior high/middle school members responding were assessing fees.

Of the 126 senior high schools responding that they were assessing fees for the current school year, only 31 indicated they were doing so for the first time. At the junior high/middle school level, 19 of 43 schools responding were doing so for the first time.

The fees being assessed are more moderate than originally expected. At the high school level, of the 82 schools responding with a standardized fee per sport, 73 were charging less than \$100. Of 41 schools with a one-time annual fee to student-athletes, 36 were charging \$100 or less. Twenty-nine of the 43 junior high/middle schools survey respondents assessing fees were doing so on a standardized per sport basis at less than \$100 per sport, and of the remaining 14 schools charging a flat annual fee, all were \$100 or less.

Complete results of the survey in PDF format

"The basic message we're getting from this feedback is that after all of the predictions of widespread participation fee use and fees that would rival those we've heard of in other states in the hundreds of dollars to play a single sport, schools realized the such fees should be avoided in general, and when implemented, be as low as possible," said John E. "Jack" Roberts, executive director of the MHSAA. "The truth is that participation fees reduce participation on the part of young people, they never raise the amount of money they're projected to raise, and there are more sensible and defensible alternatives to fees.

"We also feel that in these days of schools of choice, that a number of schools saw that losing students to neighboring districts not charging participation fees was a financial hurdle they didn't want to go over."

Roberts also expressed his concern about the effect of participation fees on the role of sports programs in schools.

"One thing that has distinguished school sports – educational athletics – from community and other youth sports programs for years is that school sports have been, for the most part, free to participate in. If participation fees continue to grow in use, then the line becomes blurred between our educational programs and other youth sports programs where teaching youngsters lifetime values may not be a priority. It will raise the question as to why schools should provide these programs. I fear that we are a generation away from schools losing control of extracurricular athletic programs to outside groups, and when that happens, we will lose a powerful tool for motivating young people to stay in school and do well in school and for rallying community support around our school programs in general."

Roberts added that the MHSAA will continue to advocate for fee-less educational athletic programs, and will continue to provide resources and counsel to schools on the topic of participation fees. Last spring, the MHSAA provided schools the publication, "A Participation Fee Primer" and a companion PowerPoint presentation; resources which are still available on the Administration page of the Association's Web site mhsaa.com, along with the complete results of the participation fee survey, also printed on the following pages.

MHSAA Participation Fee Survey – Senior High Results (Final – 10/3/03 – 558 Surveys Returned)

Note: For the purposes of this survey, a participation fee is anything more than \$20, regardless of the title your school has given the fee (i.e., Registration Fee, Insurance Fee, Transportation Fee, Trainers Fee, etc.). If a student-athlete's participation on a team is contingent on paying any kind of fee, please provide the details requested below.

PART ONE – To be filled out only by schools NOT ASSESSING Participation Fees

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| 1. Our school is not assessing a Participation Fee this year | | 432* |
| *NOTE: Three schools not included in total are not assessing fees except in one sport | | |
| a. Our school has assessed Participation Fees in the past | 45 – Yes | 342 - No |
| b. The possibility of fees for 2004-05 is still being considered | 92 - Yes | 300 - No |
| c. We have had students transfer into our district because we are not assessing a fee | 17 - Yes | 349 - No |

PART TWO – To be filled out only by schools ASSESSING Participation Fees

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| 2. Our school is initiating a Participation Fee for interscholastic athletics for the first time this year | | 35 |
| a. Fees are also being initiated for other, non-athletic, extracurricular activities | | 29 |
| b. We are looking at the fee for a one-year period only | 11 - Yes | 90 - No |
| c. We are going to evaluate the implementation of fees on an annual basis | 79 - Yes | 27 - No |
| d. We are calling our fee: Pay to Participate 34, Pay to Play 3, Sports Participation 32, Transportation 10, Uniform Use 9, Registration 8, Activity 8, Medical 4, Facility Usage 1, Insurance 1, Athletic Benefit 1 | | |
| 3. Our school is continuing to charge Participation Fees this year | | 91 |
| 4. We have a standardized fee per student-athlete | | 41 |
| \$25 – 6; \$40 – 3; \$50 – 9; \$75 – 4; \$90 – 1; \$100 – 13; \$120 – 2; \$125 – 1; \$150 – 1; \$275 – 1 | | |
| 5. We have a standardized fee per sport | | 82 |
| \$20 – 2; \$25 – 8; \$30 – 5; \$35 – 3; \$40 – 7; \$45 – 2; \$50 – 18; \$55 – 4; \$60 – 3; \$65 – 4; \$75 – 11; \$80 – 2; \$85 – 1; \$90 – 1; \$100 – 2; \$110 – 1; \$125 – 1; \$175 – 1; Tiered-First Sport/Second Sport/Third Sport – 6 (\$200/50 - 1; \$150/75/50 – 1; \$100/75/50 – 2; \$80/50/25 – 1; \$50/30/0 – 1) | | |
| 6. We have a variable fee by sport: | | |
| Baseball - \$50; Basketball - \$50 varsity-\$40 sub-varsity; \$150 varsity/\$135 sub-varsity; Cheer - \$40; \$63; Cross Country - \$40; \$125; Football - \$50 varsity-\$40 subvarsity; \$163 varsity-\$94 freshman; Golf - \$40; \$100; Gymnastics - \$94; Ice Hockey - \$250 - 1; \$600 - 3; \$800 - 2; Skiing - \$110; \$150; Softball - \$50; Swimming & Diving - \$135; \$113; Tennis - \$113 varsity-\$63 junior varsity-\$31 freshman; Track & Field - \$40; \$94 varsity-\$75 subvarsity; Volleyball - \$50; \$150 varsity-\$125 subvarsity; Wrestling - \$50; \$150 varsity-\$100 subvarsity; | | |
| 7. The maximum amount we will charge an athlete per school year is: | | |
| \$20 – 1; \$25 – 6; \$30 – 1; \$40 – 3; \$50 – 9; \$60 – 1; \$75 – 8; \$80 – 3; \$90 – 3; \$100 – 9; \$105 – 2; \$110 – 1; \$100 – 13; \$120 – 4; \$125 – 1; \$135 – 1; \$150 – 15; \$155 – 1; \$165 – 2; \$180 – 2; \$195 – 1; \$200 – 5; \$225 – 5; \$250 – 1; \$270 – 1; \$275 – 2; \$300 – 1; \$320 – 1; \$375 – 1; \$525 – 1; Unlimited – 16. | | |
| 8. The maximum amount we will charge a family per school year is: | | |
| \$50 – 4; \$60 – 1; \$75 – 2; \$80 – 2; \$100 – 5; \$125 – 1; \$135 – 2; \$145 – 1; \$150 – 5; \$160 – 1; \$165 -1; \$180 – 1; \$200 – 7; \$210 – 1; \$225 – 2; \$250 – 4; \$270 – 1; \$275 – 2; \$300 – 7; \$320 – 1; \$345 – 1; \$425 – 2; \$500 – 3; Unlimited – 56. | | |
| 9. Our school (or district) is offering a reduced-fee/fee-waiver provision based on income criteria | 75 - Yes | 50 - No |
| a. We estimate that ____ percent of our student-athletes will qualify for this waiver: | | |
| 1% - 14; 1 to 2% - 1; 1 to 5% - 3; 2% - 5; 2 to 3% - 1; 4% - 1; 5% - 13; 7% - 1; 10% - 12; 12% - 1; 15% - 2; 20% - 1; 30% - 2; 40% - 2% | | |
| 10. Check here if student-athletes receive any additional benefits related to their fee payment, and list them on a separate sheet. | | |
| All-Sports Pass to school events – 5 | | |
| Physicals – 2 | | |
| Insurance Coverage - 1 | | |
| 11. The assessment of fees has already caused a drop in participation in Fall sports this year | 4 - Yes | 119 - No |
| 12. The assessment of fees has caused the transfer of student-athletes to other schools | 1 - Yes | 118 - No |
| PART THREE – To be filled out by ALL schools | | |
| 13. Our school would be interested in attending a free Participation Fee Seminar sponsored by the MHSAA during the 2003-04 school year (likely to be conducted sometime between November and January) | 271 - Yes | 245 - No |
| 14. We would like to participate in the planning of this seminar | 22 - Yes | 475 - No |
| 15. We would like to offer our services to provide speakers or other content to this seminar | | 17 |

MHSAA Participation Fee Survey – Junior High/Middle School High Results (Final – 10/3/03 – 172 Surveys Returned)

Note: For the purposes of this survey, a participation fee is anything more than \$20, regardless of the title your school has given the fee (i.e., Registration Fee, Insurance Fee, Transportation Fee, Trainers Fee, etc.). If a student-athlete's participation on a team is contingent on paying any kind of fee, please provide the details requested below.

PART ONE – To be filled out only by schools NOT ASSESSING Participation Fees

- | | | |
|---|----------|----------|
| 1. Our school is not assessing a Participation Fee this year | | 129 |
| a. Our school has assessed Participation Fees in the past | 11 – Yes | 107 - No |
| b. The possibility of fees for 2004-05 is still being considered | 24 - Yes | 93 - No |
| c. We have had students transfer into our district because we are not assessing a fee | 6 - Yes | 108 - No |

PART TWO – To be filled out only by schools ASSESSING Participation Fees

- | | | |
|--|----------|----------|
| 2. Our school is initiating a Participation Fee for interscholastic athletics <u>for the first time this year</u> | | 19 |
| a. Fees are also being initiated for other, non-athletic, extracurricular activities | | 10 |
| b. We are looking at the fee for a one-year period only | 4 - Yes | 31 - No |
| c. We are going to evaluate the implementation of fees on an annual basis | 26 - Yes | 10 - No |
| d. We are calling our fee: Participation Fee 17, Athletic Activity Fee 10, Pay To Play Fee 2, Transportation Fee 2, Activity/Transportation Fee 1, Physical & Insurance Fee 1, Registration Fee 1, Registration/Transportation Fee 1, Transportation & Trainer Fee 1 | | |
| 3. Our school is continuing to charge Participation Fees this year | | 24 |
| 4. We have a standardized fee per student-athlete | | 14 |
| \$25 – 3; \$35 – 1; \$50 – 6; \$60 – 2; \$75 – 1; \$100 – 1 | | |
| 5. We have a standardized fee per sport | | 29 |
| \$20 – 3; \$25 – 7; \$30 – 3; \$35 – 4; \$40 – 1 \$50 – 5; \$75 – 3; | | |
| Tiered-First Sport/Second Sport/Third Sport – 3 (\$30/20/10 – 1; \$50/25/15 – 1; \$100/75/50 – 1) | | |
| 6. We have a variable fee by sport: | | |
| Ice Hockey - \$600 - 1; \$800 - 1 | | |
| 7. The maximum amount we will charge an athlete per school year is: | | |
| \$25 – 1; \$40 – 1; \$50 – 8; \$60 – 2; \$70 – 2; \$75 – 2; \$90 – 2; \$100 – 2; \$105 – 1; \$125 – 1; \$135 – 1; \$150 – 3; \$160 – 1; | | |
| \$225 – 2; \$320 – 1; Unlimited – 10 | | |
| 8. The maximum amount we will charge a family per school year is: | | |
| \$50 – 1; \$80 – 1; \$100 – 1; \$135 – 2; \$150 – 2; \$160 – 1; \$200 – 5; \$250 – 3; \$300 – 2; \$320 – 1; Unlimited – 20 | | |
| 9. Our school (or district) is offering a reduced-fee/fee-waiver provision based on income criteria | 23 - Yes | 14 - No |
| a. We estimate that _____ percent of our student-athletes will qualify for this waiver: | | |
| 1% - 4; 2% - 1; 3% - 1; 4% - 1; 5% - 1; 10% - 5; 12% - 1; 15% - 1; 40% - 1; 50% - 1; 65% - 1 | | |
| 10. Check here if student-athletes receive any additional benefits related to their fee payment, and list them on a separate sheet. | | |
| All-Sports Pass to school events – 2 | | |
| 11. The assessment of fees has already caused a drop in participation in Fall sports this year | 5 - Yes | 30 - No |
| 12. The assessment of fees has caused the transfer of student-athletes to other schools | 1 - Yes | 33 - No |
| PART THREE – To be filled out by <u>ALL</u> schools | | |
| 13. Our school would be interested in attending a free Participation Fee Seminar sponsored by the MHSAA during the 2003-04 school year (likely to be conducted sometime between November and January) | 88 - Yes | 71 - No |
| 14. We would like to participate in the planning of this seminar | 6 - Yes | 147 - No |
| 15. We would like to offer our services to provide speakers or other content to this seminar | | 1 |

ADVANCE SALE RESERVED SEAT TICKET DISTRIBUTION PLAN —



2004 BOYS SEMIFINAL AND FINAL BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT GAMES

ADVANCE SALE OF RESERVED SEAT TICKETS FOR PLAN FOR 2004 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 27 WILL OPEN ON MARCH 1, 2004, 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 1, 2004 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 1 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 27), 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 games in Classes D and C, 4800 reserved seat tickets at \$6 will be set aside for possible purchase enbloc by the four finalist schools for that session only. (Class D schools -- 1200 each; Class C schools -- 1200 each.)
2. For the Saturday afternoon session Championship Game in Class A, 2400 reserved seat tickets at \$6 will be set aside for possible purchase enbloc by the two finalist schools (1200 each) for that session only.
3. For the Saturday evening session Championship Game in Class B, 2400 reserved seat tickets at \$6 will be set aside for possible purchase enbloc by the two finalist schools (1200 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. 1200 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 2004 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. 13, 2004**

OR

2. **Combined three-session Finals tickets** @ \$21 x (official's maximum or per-school maximum). **Deadline Date -- Feb. 13, 2004**
3. **Semifinal game tickets** – Tickets per session @ \$6 x (officials maximum or per-school maximum). **Deadline Date -- Feb. 13, 2004**

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. 13, 2004.**

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:

6 All-Tournament Tickets @ \$45 = \$270

6 Three-Session Finals Tickets @ \$21 = \$126

6 Session 1 Semifinals Tickets @ \$ 6 = \$ 36

6 Session 2 Semifinals Tickets @ \$ 6 = \$ 36

6 Session 3 Semifinals Tickets @ \$ 6 = \$ 36

6 Session 4 Semifinals Tickets @ \$ 6 = \$ 36

Total = \$540

Deadline Date -- Feb. 13, 2004

(Parking is not included in price of tickets.)

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 2003-04 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 27, 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. 13, 2004**. School ticket requests received after Feb. 13, 2004 will not be accepted. Those orders received late in the period ending Feb. 13 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 25 and Friday, March 26, 2004

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 27, 2004

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 ____/____/04 (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. 13.**

**Schools--Detach and Forward This Form Prior to
Friday, Feb. 13, 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 2004 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. 13, 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. 13, 2004.
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 ___ / ___ /04

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. 13.**

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

**Officials--Detach and Forward This Blank Prior to
Friday, Feb. 13, 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

2003 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 2003 Basketball Tournaments that 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 2003 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. 17-22, 2003.

Regional Tournaments – Monday through Wednesday, Nov. 24-26, 2003.

Final Tournaments – Quarterfinals - Tuesday, Dec. 2; Semifinals - Thursday, Dec. 4 and Friday, Dec. 5; Finals - Saturday, Dec. 6, 2003.

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, December 2) 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. 2, will be paid the additional \$100 above allowed expenses for Wednesday, Dec. 3, if they cannot return home Tuesday night.

Division of District and Regional Tournament Proceeds

1. Before any division of proceeds is made, the following are to be deducted from the admission gross receipts; cost of officials, the amount paid to scorers and time-keepers (payment to each of the above \$20 for a single game on one date; \$10 for each of the above officials for each additional game scored or timed on the same date). All other administration costs not specified above must be deducted from the school's share of the proceeds.
2. The balance is to be divided as follows:
 - 30% to the entertaining school, (includes management, liability insurance, rentals, heat, lights, janitor, honorarium, etc.)
 - 70% to the MHSAA, (includes allowed

expenses for competing schools)

- or
- 25% to the entertaining college or university, (includes management, liability insurance, rentals, heat, lights, janitor, honorarium, etc.)
- 75% to the MHSAA, (includes allowed expenses for competing schools).

Division of Final Tournament Proceeds

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

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

Admission Prices for Tournament Games

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

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

OFFICIALS

Assignment and Fees

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

Officials for this year's tournaments were chosen from the people on the Approved List.

Per Representative Council action May, 2003, for a one-year experimental period, District managers may assign officials to specific District Tournament contests after the draw has been completed. The number of teams entered and the days of duration of the tournament determines the number of offi-

cials assigned to each center. Agreements are entered into with officials as independent contractors and notification made to tournament managers of the officials assigned. In 2003-04 three (3) officials will be assigned to each basketball tournament beginning at the Regional level and continuing through the Final level. Fees were set as indicated below.

District and Regional Tournaments

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

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

Final Tournament

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

DRAWING AT DISTRICT TOURNAMENTS

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

Drawings may take place three Mondays prior to the start of the tournament (Oct. 27, 2003), but not later than the Monday preceding the tournament (Nov. 10, 2003), and

should be made in the presence of as many representatives of the competing schools as desire to attend. Principals and athletic directors are encouraged to attend draw meetings to obtain specific information concerning administration of the tournament. Notification should be sent to all competing schools as to the time and place of drawing. Attendance of school representatives is optional.

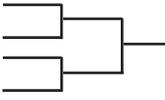
The best method of drawing so that no confusion will result is to place the names of the teams on individual slips of paper, fold and staple each of them or place them in capsules. Place these names in a hat or container so that they may be drawn one at a time. Have some neutral party draw one capsule, read it aloud, display it to the group and place the name of the team drawn on the first 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 2003-04 season) and there are byes involved, do not place the name of such team or teams in the hat until after the byes are drawn. Home teams (or those having played four or more games in tournament or regular scheduled play on the floor during the current season) are not entitled to byes on such floors in District Tournaments. This assures an open draw to all contestants and eliminates any chance of such a team drawing a bye.

ADVANCE MASTER DRAWING FOR 2003 REGIONAL TOURNAMENTS

Advance drawings of 2003 District Tournament qualifiers to Regionals again were authorized by the Representative Council. These advance master drawings apply to all 2003 Regional Tournaments. Separate drawings were made at the May 15, 2003 meeting of the Basketball Tournament Committee for four-team Regional Tournaments.

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

1. Lowest District No. 
2. Highest District No.
3. 2nd Lowest District No.
4. 2nd 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 pre-determined Quarterfinal and Semifinal sites will enable competing schools to make housing, travel and ticket arrangements well in advance. **NOTE: The MHSAA reserves the right to relocate a Quarterfinal basketball site if a qualifying Regional winner will be playing its Quarterfinal game on its home floor.** Complete brackets including times, dates and locations are included in this *Bulletin*.

POINT-DIFFERENTIAL RULE

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

BASKETBALLS

Balls that meet National Federation rules code standards that are of top grade, 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. 15, 2003. 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.

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. 12 tickets for cheer-leaders 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, half time performances shall not be permitted. This would apply to such activities as demonstrations for dance, trampoline and any other similar performances.

LOTTERIES AT TOURNAMENTS

Schools should not conduct lotteries or drawings for distributing money or merchandise either before, during or after any tournament basketball contests. Non-players are not to shoot baskets at halftime. 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.

2003 FINAL BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT INFORMATION

Location of Games

Quarterfinal games in the tournament will be played Tuesday, Dec. 2, at 16 locations selected by the Basketball Tournament Committee. Locations of games are published in this issue of the *Bulletin*.

Semifinal games will be played Thursday, Dec. 4 and Friday, Dec. 5 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. 6. 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 2003 Final Basketball Tournament were adopted by the Representative Council: **Quarterfinal Games** (Dec. 2) - General admission, \$5. **Semifinal Games** (Dec. 4-5) - \$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. All spectator tickets will be purchased through CMU's ticket office. Contact James Martin, Ticket Office Manager, Rose Arena, 989-774-3045.

TICKET DISTRIBUTION FOR QUARTERFINAL GAMES FOR ALL CLASSES - DEC. 2

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. 4-5

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. 14, 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. 17, 2003. ■

2003 GIRLS BASKETBALL REGIONAL TOURNAMENTS

Nov. 24-26, 2003

(For District Assignments, consult mhsaa.com)

| No. | Class | Host School | City | Manager |
|-----|-------|--------------------------|---------------|---------------------|
| 1 | A | Christian HS | Grand Rapids | Dick VanderKamp |
| 2 | A | Jackson HS | Jackson | Russell Davis |
| 3 | A | Bedford HS | Temperance | Bill Regnier |
| 4 | A | East Detroit HS | Eastpointe | Christine Schneider |
| 5 | A | Grosse Pointe South HS | Grosse Pointe | Tim Bearden |
| 6 | A | Avondale HS | Auburn Hills | Tony Harris |
| 7 | A | Clarkston HS | Clarkston | Dan Fife |
| 8 | A | Gaylord HS | Gaylord | Christian Wilson |
| 9 | B | Marshall HS | Marshall | Rich Hulkow |
| 10 | B | Riverview HS | Riverview | Fred Keier |
| 11 | B | Pontiac-Notre Dame Pre | Pontiac | Joseph Spada |
| 12 | B | Davison HS | Davison | David Young |
| 13 | B | Frankenmuth HS | Frankenmuth | John Blankenship |
| 14 | B | Byron Center HS | Byron Center | Leroy Hackley |
| 15 | B | Coopersville HS | Coopersville | Steve Bennink |
| 16 | B | Cheboygan Area HS | Cheboygan | Paul Clark |
| 17 | C | Ross Beatty HS | Cassopolis | Vance Stratton |
| 18 | C | Homer HS | Homer | Tom Faber |
| 19 | C | Ecorse HS | Ecorse | Monica Dobija |
| 20 | C | Marlette HS | Marlette | Lorri Glidden |
| 21 | C | Laingsburg HS | Laingsburg | Denny Fulk |
| 22 | C | Morley Stanwood HS | Morley | Dave Nelson |
| 23 | C | Mc Bain HS | Mc Bain | Joel Bronkema |
| 24 | C | Michigan Tech University | Houghton | Dave Nordstrom |
| 25 | D | Hartford HS | Hartford | Ken Dietz |
| 26 | D | Whitmore Lake HS | Whitmore Lake | Charmaine Balsillie |
| 27 | D | St Clement HS | Center Line | David Feldman |
| 28 | D | Heritage HS | Saginaw | James Noble |
| 29 | D | Manistee HS | Manistee | Kenn Kott |
| 30 | D | Mancelona HS | Mancelona | Mark Nixon |
| 31 | D | Newberry HS | Newberry | Brandon Bruce |
| 32 | D | Michigan Tech 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. 6, the first four MHSAA girls basketball championship teams ever – from 1973 – will be honored through the MHSAA Legends of the Games program. Winning titles that year were Detroit Dominican in Class A; Hudsonville Unity Christian in Class B; Hamtramck St. Ladislaus in Class C, and Ewen-Trout Creek in Class D.

Earlier that day, the fourth girls basketball CHAMPS (Cooperation, Hard Work, Attitude, Motivation, Participation, Sportsmanship) Clinic will take place. The clinic is targeted at junior high/middle school student-athletes and their parents, and is designed to provide game skills instruction and life skills information. Students participating will be recognized at halftime of the Class D game Saturday morning.

2003 GIRLS BASKETBALL QUARTERFINAL TOURNAMENTS

Dec. 2, 2003

| No. | Class | Host School | City | Manager |
|-----|-------|-----------------------------|-----------------|------------------------|
| 1 | A | Eastern HS | Lansing | Ronald Schneider |
| 2 | A | Dearborn HS | Dearborn | David Mifsud |
| 3 | A | University of Detroit Mercy | Detroit | Glenn Knott, Fac. Dir. |
| 4 | A | Heritage HS | Saginaw | James Noble |
| 5 | B | Charlotte HS | Charlotte | Ron Beegle |
| 6 | B | University of Detroit Mercy | Detroit | Glenn Knott, Fac. Dir. |
| 7 | B | Davison HS | Davison | David Young |
| 8 | B | Houghton Lake HS | Houghton Lake | Jack Kramer |
| 9 | C | Albion HS | Albion | Brad Shedd |
| 10 | C | Reese HS | Reese | Dale Sage |
| 11 | C | DeWitt HS | DeWitt | Teri Reyburn |
| 12 | C | Petoskey HS | Petoskey | Gary Hice |
| 13 | D | Western HS | Parma | Kirk Glassel |
| 14 | D | Hamady HS | Flint | Kevin Summey |
| 15 | D | Central HS | Traverse City | John Sonnemann |
| 16 | D | Escanaba HS | Escanaba | Justin Gluesing |
| | | or | | |
| 17 | D | Sault Area HS | Sault Ste Marie | Tim Hall |

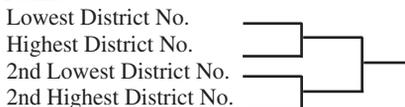
**NOTE: If the winner from Regional 31 is from the Upper Peninsula, the game will be played at ESCANABA HIGH SCHOOL. If the winner is from the Lower Peninsula, the Quarterfinal game will be played at SAULT AREA HIGH SCHOOL.

ASSIGNMENT OF QUALIFIERS FROM DISTRICTS TO REGIONALS

The advance master drawing for all 2003 Regional Girls Basketball Tournaments (Nov. 24-26, 2003) was conducted by the Lower Peninsula Committee and will apply to all 2003 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 fourth 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.

2003 GIRLS BASKETBALL REGIONAL PAIRINGS

November 24-26, 2003

Class A

1 A Grand Rapids Christian

East Kentwood District 5
Grand Rapids Forest Hills Central District 8
Benton Harbor District 6
Muskegon Mona Shores District 7

2 A Jackson

Kalamazoo-Loy Norrix District 1
Ann Arbor-Pioneer District 4
Lansing-Waverly District 2
Okemos District 3

3 A Temperance Bedford

Ypsilanti-Lincoln District 13
Dearborn Heights-Crestwood District 16
Wyandotte-Roosevelt District 14
Wayne Memorial District 15

4 A East Detroit

Detroit-Mumford District 17
Livonia-Adlai E Stevenson District 24
Detroit-Kettering District 18
Detroit-Murray-Wright District 19

5 A Grosse Pointe South

Grosse Pointe North District 20
Utica District 27
Eastpointe-East Detroit District 21
Troy-Athens District 22

6 A Auburn Hills Avondale

Beverly Hills-Wylie E Groves District 23
Rochester Hills-Rochester District 29
South Lyon District 25
Farmington District 26

7 A Clarkston

Flint-Carman-Ainsworth District 9
Waterford Kettering District 31
New Baltimore-Anchor Bay District 28
Brighton District 30

8 A Gaylord

Bay City-Central District 10
Flint-Northern District 32
Midland-HH Dow District 11
Traverse City Central District 12

Class B

9 B Marshall

Niles District 33
Brooklyn-Columbia Central District 36
Battle Creek-Pennfield District 34
Vicksburg District 35

10 B Riverview

Tecumseh District 37
Dearborn-Divine Child District 40
Grosse Ile District 38
Riverview Community District 39

11 B Pontiac-Notre Dame Prep

St Clair Shores-South Lake District 41
Livonia-Ladywood District 44
Warren-Fitzgerald District 42
Beverly Hills-Detroit Country Day District 43

12 B Davison

Fowlerville District 45
Yale District 57
Flint-Luke M Powers Catholic District 55
Mt Clemens District 56

13 B Frankenmuth

Ionia District 54
Chesaning District 60
Birch Run District 58
Midland-Bullock Creek District 59

14 B Byron Center

Charlotte District 46
Hamilton District 50
Hastings District 47
Wyoming Park District 49

15 B Coopersville

Comstock Park District 48
Cedar Springs District 53
Allendale District 51
Fremont District 52

16 B Cheboygan

Manistee District 61
Menominee District 64
Ogemaw Heights District 62
Houghton Lake District 63

2003 GIRLS BASKETBALL REGIONAL PAIRINGS

November 24-26, 2003

Class C

17 C Cassopolis

Buchanan District 65
Watervliet District 74
Marcellus District 66
Kalamazoo-Hackett District 73

18 C Homer

Union City District 67
Albion District 72
Addison District 68
Adrian-Madison District 69

19 C Ecorse

Monroe-St Mary Catholic Central District 70
Detroit-Dominican District 78
Whitmore Lake District 71
Detroit-Benedictine District 77

20 C Marlette

New Haven District 79
Bad Axe District 89
Saginaw-Valley Lutheran District 87
Sandusky District 88

21 C Laingsburg

Fennville District 75
Byron Area District 81
Vermontville-Maple Valley District 76
Flint-Hamady District 80

22 C Morley-Stanwood

Kent City District 82
Carson City-Crystal District 86
Morley Stanwood District 83
Freeland District 85

23 C Mc Bain

Manton District 84
Traverse City-St Francis District 92
Rogers City District 90
East Jordan District 91

24 C Houghton-Michigan Tech University

Rudyard District 93
Iron Mountain District 96
Ishpeming-Westwood District 94
Hancock District 95

Class D

25 D Hartford

St Joseph-Michigan Lutheran District 97
Hudsonville-Freedom Baptist District 108
Battle Creek-St Philip District 98
Climax-Scotts District 99

26 D Whitmore Lake

Jackson Christian School District 100
Morrice District 107
Adrian-Lenawee Christian District 101
Detroit Urban Lutheran District 106

27 D Center Line St Clement

Allen Park-Cabrini District 102
Novi-Franklin Road Christian District 105
Harper Woods-Lutheran East District 103
Sterling Hts-Bethesda Christian District 104

28 D Saginaw Heritage

Flint-Michigan School For Deaf District 111
Mt Pleasant-Sacred Heart District 114
Marine City-Cardinal Mooney District 112
Caseville District 113

29 D Manistee

Walkerville District 109
Frankfort District 116
Middleton-Fulton District 110
Custer-Mason County Eastern District 115

30 D Mancelona

Leland District 117
Fairview District 120
Central Lake District 118
Vanderbilt District 119

31 D Newberry

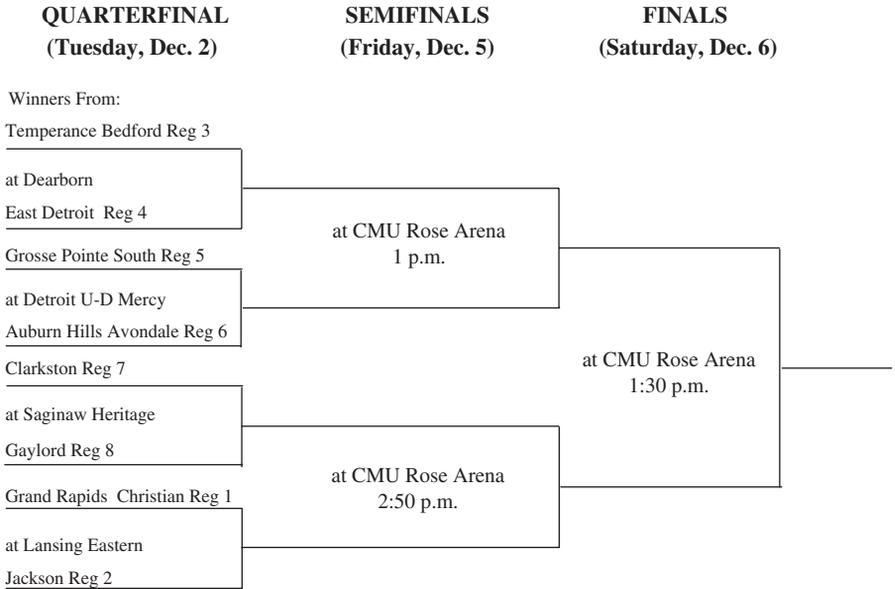
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Engadine District 124
Harbor Springs District 122
DeTour District 123

32 D Houghton-Michigan Tech University

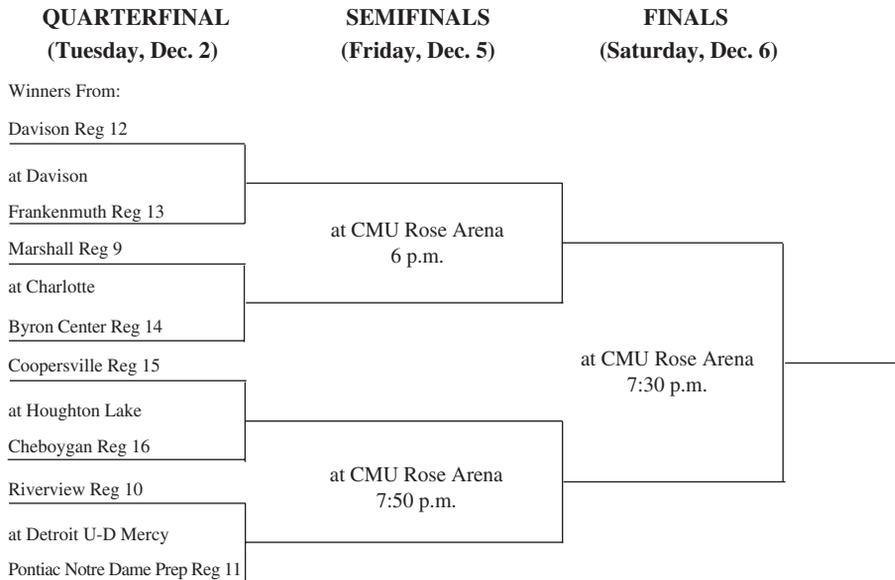
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Dollar Bay District 128
Baraga Area District 126
Ewen-Trout Creek District 127

2003 GIRLS BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT QUARTERFINAL — SEMIFINAL— FINAL PAIRINGS

CLASS A



CLASS B



CLASS C

QUARTERFINAL
(Tuesday, Dec. 2)

SEMIFINALS
(Thursday, Dec. 4)

FINALS
(Saturday, Dec. 6)

Winners From:

Laingsburg Reg 21

at DeWitt

Morley-Stanwood Reg 22

Cassopolis Reg 17

at Albion

Homer Reg 18

McBain Reg 23

at Petoskey

Houghton-MTU Reg 24

Ecorse Reg 19

at Reese

Marlette Reg 20

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. 2)

SEMIFINALS
(Thursday, Dec. 4)

FINALS
(Saturday, Dec. 6)

Winners From:

Manistee Reg 29

at Traverse City Central

Mancelona Reg 30

Center Line St Clement Reg 27

at Flint Hamady

Saginaw Heritage Reg 28

Newberry Reg 31

at Escanaba/Sault

Houghton-MTU Reg 32

Hartford Reg 25

at Parma Western

Whitmore Lake Reg 26

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 2003-04

As Appointed by the Representative Council or Executive Committee

Listed below are the coaches, ADs, 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 2003-04 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, 2003.*

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 9, 2003 9 a.m.

Malinda Baker, Track Coach, Pine River Area HS, Leroy (C)
Lorin Cartwright, Athletic Director, Pioneer HS, Ann Arbor (A)
Deloris Elswick, Principal, Grosse Ile HS, Grosse Ile (B)
Justin Gluesing, Athletic Director, Escanaba HS, Escanaba (A)
Sharon Hammerschmidt, Athletic Director, Dominican HS, Detroit (C)
Donna Hathaway, Athletic Director, Ottawa Hills HS, Grand Rapids (A)
Barry Hobrle, Athletic Director, Lowell HS, Lowell (A)
Kathy Hutfilz, Official, St Louis HS, St Louis (C)
Dewayne Jones, Athletic Director, West Bloomfield HS, West Bloomfield (A)
Vonnie Killmer, Athletic Director, Arthur Hill HS, Saginaw (A)
Doris Rodgers, Athletic Director, Southfield-Lathrup HS, Lathrup Village (A)
Laurie Ryan, Athletic Director, Forest Hills Central HS, Grand Rapids (A)
Deb Trexler, Teacher/Coach, Grand Ledge HS, Grand Ledge (A)

(7) Awards Committee

Monday, October 13, 2003 1 p.m.

Keith Eldred, Athletic Director, Williamston Middle School, Williamston
Jamie Gent, Athletic Director, Haslett HS, Haslett (B)
Jim Gibbons, Asst. Principal, Churchill HS, Livonia (A)
Robert Glenn, Athletic Director, Murray-Wright HS, Detroit (A)
Marga Grillo, Board Member, Gladwin HS, Gladwin (B)
John Kearney, Athletic Director, Central Montcalm HS, Stanton (B)

Dianne Laffey, Athletic Director, Regina HS, Harper Woods (A)
Pete Olson, Principal, Benzie Central HS, Benzonia (B)
Leon Olszawowski, President, Pontiac-Notre Dame Preparatory School, Pontiac (B)
Danielle Palmer, Athletic Director, Hart HS, Hart (C)
Mike Vondette, Athletic Director, Hemlock HS, Hemlock (B)

(10) Baseball/Softball

Thursday, January 22, 2004 9:30 a.m.

Jack Anderson, Softball Coach, Portland HS, Portland (B)
Sue Barthold, President-MHSSCA, East Kentwood HS, Kentwood (A)
Russ Bluse, Softball Coach, Escanaba HS, Escanaba (A)
Margie Caid, Softball Coach, Constantine HS, Constantine (C)
Gerald Dodd, Principal, Edsel Ford HS, Dearborn (MASSP) (A)
Jim Fish, Athletic Director, North Branch HS, North Branch (B)
Bob Gershman, Athletic Director, Berkley HS, Berkley (A)
John Gravlin, Athletic Director, Arthur Hill HS, Saginaw (A)
Tim Hall, Athletic Director, Sault Area HS, Sault Ste Marie (B)
Sharon Hammerschmidt, Ath. Dir., Dominican HS, Detroit (C)
Kay Johnson, Softball Coach, Morenci Area HS, Morenci (C)
Robert Jones, Baseball Coach, Airport HS, Carleton (B)
Tom Kaechele, Softball Coach, Caledonia HS, Caledonia (B)
Carlo Mobley, Softball Coach, Blissfield HS, Blissfield (C)
Steve Newkirk, Baseball Coach, Beal City HS, Mt Pleasant (D)
Bruce Oosterhouse, Baseball Coach, Kenowa Hills HS, Grand Rapids (A)
Dail Prucka, Athletic Director, Jefferson HS, Monroe (MIAAA) (B)
Andy Rio, Athletic Director, Finney HS, Detroit (A)
Archy Robinson, Official, Saginaw
Bill Roose, Assoc. Director, Archdiocese of Detroit, Detroit
Andy Sprung, Baseball Coach, Hartford HS, Hartford (C)
Kevin Summey, Athletic Director, Hamady HS, Flint (C)
Wayne Turmell, President-MBACA, Bad Axe HS, Bad Axe (C)
Mark Uyl, Athletic Director, Thornapple Kellogg HS, Middleville (B)
Audra VanBrandt, Softball Coach, Bedford HS, Temperance (A)
Wayne Welton, Athletic Director, Chelsea HS, Chelsea (A)
Mike Zimmerman, Baseball Coach, Frankfort HS, Frankfort (D)

(11) Baseball/Softball Site Selection

Monday, December 1, 2003 10 a.m.

Kevin Akin, Athletic Director, Alma HS, Alma (B)
Sue Barthold, Softball Coach, East Kentwood HS, Kentwood (A)
Adam Benschoter, Athletic Director, Tecumseh HS, Tecumseh (B)
Bill Blakely, Baseball Coach, Gull Lake HS, Richland (B)
Mitch Bohn, Athletic Director, Meridian HS, Sanford (C)
Donna Boughner, Softball Coach, Grayling HS, Grayling (B)
Mike Boyd, Athletic Director, Nouvel Catholic Central HS, Saginaw (B)
Lorin Cartwright, Athletic Director, Pioneer HS, Ann Arbor (A)
Tony DeMare, Athletic Director, Divine Child HS, Dearborn (B)
Lafayette Evans, Supervisor, Detroit Public Schools, Detroit
Pete Gleason, Athletic Director, Bendle HS, Burton (C)
Bob Guse, Athletic Director, Eau Claire HS, Eau Claire (C)
Tim Hall, Athletic Director, Sault Area HS, Sault Ste Marie (B)
Kris Isom, Athletic Director, Madison HS, Adrian (C)
Dianne Laffey, Athletic Director, Regina HS, Harper Woods (A)

Blue Livingston, Athletic Director, Britton-Macon HS, Britton (D)
Konrad Molter, Athletic Director, Traverse City West HS, Traverse City (A)
Dave Pinkowski, Athletic Director, Southgate Anderson HS, Southgate (A)
Ellen Pugh, Athletic Director, Ogemaw Heights HS, West Branch (B)
Brad Robinson, Athletic Director, Fraser HS, Fraser (A)
Peter Ryan, Athletic Director, Heritage HS, Saginaw (A)
Christine Schneider, Athletic Director, East Detroit HS, Eastpointe (A)
Cindy Short, Athletic Director, Everett HS, Lansing (A)
Scott Thurlow, Athletic Director, Lake Fenton HS, Fenton (C)
Mark Uyl, Athletic Director/Official, Thornapple Kellogg HS, Middleville (B)
Dick VanderKamp, Athletic Director, Christian HS, Grand Rapids (A)
Steve VanderLaan, Baseball Coach, Williamston HS, Williamston (B)
Mark Waasa, Softball Coach, Benzie Central HS, Benzonia (B)
Wayne Welton, Athletic Director, Chelsea HS, Chelsea (A)
Brian Williams, Athletic Director, Lakewood HS, Lake Odessa (B)
Brian Zdanowski, Athletic Director, Greenville HS, Greenville (A)

(15) Basketball

Thursday, December 11, 2003 9 a.m.

Timothy Baker, Official, Constantine
Mitch Bohn, Athletic Director, Meridian HS, Sanford (C)
Sam Cornett, Basketball Coach, South Haven HS, South Haven (B)
Deanne Crowley, Basketball Coach, Lowell HS, Lowell (A)
Joe Droski, Athletic Director, Sparta HS, Sparta (B)
David Feldman, Athletic Director, St Clement HS, Center Line (D)
Mike Foster, Principal, Laingsburg HS, Laingsburg (MASSP) (C)
Leroy Hackley, Official, Byron Center
Gary Iwinski, Athletic Director, Brown City HS, Brown City (C)
Todd Kulawiak, Asst. Principal/Coach, Benzie Central HS, Benzonia (B)
Reid McBeth, Basketball Coach, Buchanan HS, Buchanan (C)
Tom McDonald, Girls Basketball Coach, Utica HS, Utica (A)
Kathy McGee, Director of Advancement/Coach, Luke M Powers Catholic HS, Flint (B)
Joe Reddinger, Athletic Director, North Dickinson HS, Felch (D)
Bill Roose, Assoc. Director, Archdiocese of Detroit, Detroit
Laurie Ryan, Athletic Director, Forest Hills Central HS, Grand Rapids (A)
Amy Schrader, Basketball Coach, Bedford HS, Temperance (A)
Al Schrauben, Athletic Director, St Patrick HS, Portland (D)
Dan Stolz, Basketball Coach, Okemos HS, Okemos (A)
Marc Throop, Athletic Director, Gull Lake HS, Richland (MIAAA) (B)
Marcy Uyl, Basketball Coach, Thornapple Kellogg HS, Middleville (B)
Von Washington, President-BCAM, West Ottawa HS, Holland (A)
Mark White, Basketball Coach, Renaissance HS, Detroit (B)

(20) Lower Peninsula Girls/Boys Basketball Tournament

Monday, September 22, 2003 9 a.m.

Wednesday, May 12, 2004 9 a.m.

Alex Bell, Athletic Director, Fitzgerald HS, Warren (B)
Gary Boyce, Athletic Director, Grand Ledge HS, Grand Ledge (A)
Lafayette Evans, Supervisor, Detroit Public Schools, Detroit
Tim Genson, Athletic Director, Mason County Central HS, Scottville (B)
Jan Gillette, Athletic Director, Comstock Park HS, Comstock Park (B)
Joe Haines, Athletic Director, Kenowa Hills HS, Grand Rapids (A)

Kevin Herendeen, Principal/Official, East Jackson HS, Jackson (C)
Gary Hice, Athletic Director, Petoskey HS, Petoskey (A)
Dewayne Jones, Athletic Director, West Bloomfield HS, West Bloomfield (A)
Al Kastl, Athletic Director, Chippewa Valley HS, Clinton Township (A)
Buddy Kimura, Athletic Director, Northern HS, Flint (A)
Maureen Klocke, Athletic Director, Capac HS, Capac (B)
Jack Kramer, Athletic Director, Houghton Lake HS, Houghton Lake (B)
Jean LaClair, Athletic Director, Bronson HS, Bronson (C)
Thomas Litzner, Athletic Director, Pellston HS, Pellston (C)
Ted Manning, Athletic Director, Schoolcraft HS, Schoolcraft (C)
Kathy McGee, Director of Advancement/Coach, Luke M Powers Catholic HS, Flint (B)
Jeffrey Melvin, Principal, Bangor HS, Bangor (C)
Vic Michaels, Assoc. Director, Archdiocese of Detroit, Detroit
Melanie Miller, Athletic Director, JW Sexton HS, Lansing (A)
William Newkirk, Superintendent, Meridian HS, Sanford (C)
Pat Richardson, Athletic Director, Grass Lake HS, Grass Lake (C)
Cheri Ritz, Athletic Director, Wayland Union HS, Wayland (A)
Archy Robinson, Athletic Director, Hamady HS, Flint (C)
Laurie Ryan, Athletic Director, Forest Hills Central HS, Grand Rapids (A)
Peter Ryan, Athletic Director, Heritage HS, Saginaw (A)
Susan Tucker, Athletic Director, Perry HS, Perry (B)
Jim Vidro, Athletic Director, Union HS, Grand Rapids (A)
Sid Wright, Athletic Director, Lincoln HS, Ypsilanti (A)

(35) Board Of Canvassers

Friday, September 12, 2003 9:30 a.m.

Rudy Godefroidt, Principal, Hemlock HS, Hemlock (B)
William McBeth, Principal, Buchanan HS, Buchanan (C)
William Newkirk, Superintendent, Meridian HS, Sanford (C)
Jack Postma, Principal, Unity Christian HS, Hudsonville (B)
Roger Rush, Athletic Director, Pine River Area HS, Leroy (C)

(40) Classification

Wednesday, January 21, 2004 1 p.m.

Susan Bolton, Superintendent, Bath HS, Bath (C)
Mary Bouck, Superintendent, Farwell Area HS, Farwell (MASA) (B)
John Brandt, Superintendent, Valley Lutheran HS, Saginaw (C)
Jim Dittmer, Board Member, Mason County Central HS, Ludington (MASB) (B)
Keith Eldred, Athletic Director, Williamston Middle School, Williamston
James 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)
Steve Liestenfeltz, Principal, Perry HS, Perry (B)
Lillian Mason, Board Member, Grand Blanc HS, Grand Blanc (MASB) (A)
Dan McShannock, Athletic Director, HH Dow HS, Midland (MIAAA) (A)
Jeff Melvin, Principal, Bangor HS, Bangor (MASSP) (C)
Vic Michaels, Director, Archdiocese of Detroit, Detroit
Ron Moag, Principal, Caledonia HS, Caledonia (MASSP) (B)
Linda Myers, Superintendent, Morley Stanwood HS, Morley (C)
Rob Olsen, Superintendent, Sturgis HS, Sturgis (MASA) (B)
Cecil Rice, Superintendent, Southfield HS, Southfield (A)
Doris Rodgers, Athletic Director, Southfield-Lathrup HS, Lathrup Village (A)

David VerMerris, Principal, Western Michigan Christian HS, Muskegon (C)
Claudia Werner, Principal, Alpena HS, Alpena (A)

(42) Competitive Cheer

Wednesday, March 17, 2004 10 a.m.

Kristy Gibson-Marshall, Cheer Coach, Oxford HS, Oxford (A)
Denise Gordon, Cheer Coach, Bad Axe HS, Bad Axe (C)
Patricia Jaksa, Official, Mt Pleasant
Liz Kazik, Cheer Coach, Grosse Ile HS, Grosse Ile (B)
Jack Kramer, Athletic Director, Houghton Lake HS, Houghton Lake (MIAAA) (B)
Lisa Maike, Cheer Coach, Chesaning HS, Chesaning (B)
Ryan McLeod, Cheer Coach, OA Carlson HS, Gibraltar (B)
Heather Prentice, Cheer Coach, Climax-Scotts HS, Climax (D)
Debra Rambow, Official, Dewitt
Stacy Sheler, Cheer Coach, East Kentwood HS, Kentwood (A)
Julie Smith-Boyd, Cheer Coach, Grandville HS, Grandville (A)
John Springer, Athletic Director, Onsted HS, Onsted (B)
Jessica Trefrey, Cheer Coach, Michigan Center HS, Michigan Center (C)
Lori Webb, Cheer Coach, Williamston HS, Williamston (B)
Jeani Westrick, Cheer Coach, St Clair HS, St Clair (B)
Tricia Williams, Cheer Coach, Stoney Creek HS, Rochester Hills (A)
Katie Zalenski, Cheer Coach, Ladywood HS, Livonia (B)

(45) Cross Country/Track & Field Regulations

Thursday, January 15, 2004 9 a.m.

Gene Balawajder, Athletic Director, Milford HS, Highland
David Blossom, Principal, Springport HS, Springport (MASSP) (C)
Chris Clark, Athletic Director, Grosse Pointe North HS, Grosse Pointe (A)
Lewis Clingman, Teacher/Coach, Burton Middle School, Grand Rapids
Dave DeCou, Track Coach, Marcellus HS, Marcellus (C)
Mac Domke, President-MITCA, Marysville HS, Marysville (B)
Don Edens, Athletic Director, Kingsford HS, Kingsford (B)
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)
Rudy Godefroidt, Principal, Hemlock HS, Hemlock (B)
Kathleen Hutfilz, Official, St Louis
Don Justice, Athletic Director, Lutheran East HS, Harper Woods (D)
Karen Leinaar, Athletic Director, Benzie Central HS, Benzonia (B)
Anthony Magni, Track Coach, Detroit Catholic Central HS, Redford (A)
Robert Masters, Track Coach, Bedford HS, Temperance (A)
Craig Nartker, Athletic Director, Allegan HS, Allegan (B)
John Nash, Track Coach, Orchard View HS, Muskegon (B)
Paul Nilsson, Track Coach, Williamston HS, Williamston (B)
Charles Pelham, Cross Country Coach, Pittsford HS, Pittsford (C)
Matt Peterson, Track Coach, East Jordan HS, East Jordan (C)
Bob Ribby, Track Coach, Eaton Rapids HS, Eaton Rapids (B)
Dale Sage, Athletic Director, Reese HS, Reese (C)
Fred Smith, Athletic Director, Comstock HS, Kalamazoo (MIAAA) (B)
Kim Spalsbury, Track Coach, Grand Ledge HS, Grand Ledge (A)

(50) Football

Tuesday, January 20, 2004 9 a.m.

Timothy Baker, Football Coach, Constantine HS, Constantine (C)
Rod Bragg, Football Coach, St Mary Cathedral HS, Gaylord (D)
Teresa Cole, Asst. Athletic Director, Mio-Au Sable HS, Mio (C)
Noel Dean, Football Coach, Lowell HS, Lowell (A)
Denny Dock, Football Coach, Lakeshore HS, Stevensville (B)
Chris Ervin, Athletic Director, Carson City-Crystal HS, Carson City (C)
Lafayette Evans, Supervisor, Detroit Public Schools, Detroit
Mary Jo Evans, Athletic Director, Holy Redeemer HS, Detroit (D)
James Feldkamp, Athletic Director, Troy Public Schools, Troy (MIAAA)
Denny Fulk, Athletic Director, Laingsburg HS, Laingsburg (C)
Dan Hoffman, Football Coach, Morenci Area HS, Morenci (C)
Hugh Jewell, Official, Highland Park
Randy Johnson, Principal, Cheboygan Area HS, Cheboygan (B)
Ed Kindle, Football Coach, Port Huron HS, Port Huron (A)
Rich Machesky, Asst. Principal, Utica HS, Utica (MASSP) (A)
Dan McShannock, Athletic Director, HH Dow HS, Midland (MIAAA) (A)
Vic Michaels, Assoc. Director, Archdiocese of Detroit, Detroit
Thomas Passinault, Football Coach, Catholic Central HS, Grand Rapids (B)
David Reese, Football Coach, Southfield HS, Southfield (A)
Bill Santilli, Football Coach, Forest Park HS, Crystal Falls (D)
Bob Saylor, Football Coach, Reese HS, Reese (C)
Bob Scheloske, President-MHSFCA, South Lyon HS, South Lyon (A)
Jeff Smith, Football Coach, East Lansing HS, East Lansing (A)
Marty Spencer, Football Coach, La Salle HS, St Ignace (C)
Matt Stapleton, Athletic Director, Frankfort HS, Frankfort (D)
Paul Test, Football Coach, Huron HS, Ann Arbor (A)
Jim Venia, Asst. Coach, Marysville HS, Marysville (B)
Brian Zdanowski, Athletic Director, Greenville HS, Greenville (A)

(60) Golf

Monday, December 1, 2003 1 p.m.

Jim Bennett, Golf Coach, Grosse Ile HS, Grosse Ile (B)
Jerry Fouch, Athletic Director, East Grand Rapids HS, Grand Rapids (B)
Roger Fuller, President-MIGCA, Coldwater HS, Coldwater (B)
Robert Jenkins, Golf Coach, Northern HS, Detroit (A)
Jack Kramer, Athletic Director, Houghton Lake HS, Houghton Lake (B)
Karen Leinaar, Athletic Director, Benzie Central HS, Benzonia (B)
Bob Lober, Golf Coach, Traverse City Central HS, Traverse City (A)
Doug McKay, Golf Coach, De La Salle Collegiate HS, Warren (A)
Melanie Miller, Athletic Director, JW Sexton HS, Lansing (MIAAA) (A)
Frank Montgomery, Athletic Director, Big Rapids HS, Big Rapids (B)
James Neubecker, Golf Coach, Byron Area HS, Byron (C)
Kathy Partlow, Golf Coach, Catholic Central HS, Lansing (B)
Andy Piazza, Athletic Director, Grand Blanc HS, Grand Blanc (A)
Ernie Silverthorn, Golf Coach, Alma Middle School, Alma
Michelle Snow, Golf Coach, Luke M Powers Catholic HS, Flint (B)
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)
Shelly Vollmar, Athletic Director, OA Carlson HS, Gibraltar (B)

Tom Wilson, Golf Coach, Mona Shores HS, Norton Shores (A)
Don Zoller, Principal, Frankenmuth HS, Frankenmuth (B)

(65) Gymnastics

Wednesday, October 15, 2003 1 p.m.

John Cunningham, President-MGCA, Canton HS, Canton (A)
Deb Davis, Gymnastics Coach, St Johns HS, St Johns (A)
Michele DeHaan, Gymnastics Coach, Lowell HS, Lowell (A)
Deanna Fakhouri, Gymnastics Coach, Athens HS, Troy (A)
Nancy Gregory, Gymnastics Coach, Brighton HS, Brighton (A)
Diane Langhorne, Gymnastics Coach, Freeland HS, Freeland (C)
Becky Lioi, Official, Waterford
Melanie Miller, Athletic Director, JW Sexton HS, Lansing (MIAAA) (A)
Lisa Rickaby, Official, Adrian
Keith Vree, Athletic Director, Rockford HS, Rockford (A)
Suzy Walsh, Gymnastics Coach, Portage Northern HS, Portage (A)

(75) Ice Hockey

Tuesday, September 09, 2003 1:30 p.m.

Ron Baum, Ice Hockey Coach, East Kentwood HS, Kentwood (A)
Brian Dallas, President-MHSHCA, Divine Child HS, Dearborn (B)
Buzz DeHooghe, Athletic Director, Lakeview HS, St Clair Shores (B)
Mike Dellapina, Athletic Director, Mona Shores HS, Norton Shores (A)
Daniel DiCristofaro, Official, New Baltimore
Bob Dowd, Athletic Director, Athens HS, Troy (MASSP)(MIAAA) (A)
Curt Ellis, Athletic Director, Novi HS, Novi (A)
Eric Federico, Assoc. Superintendent, Gibraltar Schools, Woodhaven
Morley Fraser, Athletic Director, Central HS, Bay City (A)
Keith Froelich, Athletic Director, Okemos HS, Okemos (A)
John Horigan, Athletic Director, Cadillac HS, Cadillac (A)
Tim Kluka, Athletic Director, Cabrini HS, Allen Park (D)
Chris Limback, Hockey Coach, Alpena HS, Alpena (A)
Peter Ryan, Athletic Director, Heritage HS, Saginaw (MIAAA) (A)
Terry Sawchuk, Athletic Director, Plymouth HS, Canton (B)
Ken Sherman, Hockey Coach, Sault Area HS, Sault Ste Marie (B)
Mike Turner, Hockey Coach, Trenton HS, Trenton (A)
Steven Winn, Official, Flint

(85) Junior High/Middle School

Tuesday, January 13, 2004 1 p.m.

Jeff Cable, Principal, Marshall Middle School, Marshall
William Chilman, Principal, Meridian JHS, Sanford
Joe Clay, Administrator, Detroit Public Schools, Detroit
Terri Clock, Athletic Director, Bunker Middle School, Muskegon
Keith Eldred, Athletic Director, Williamston Middle School, Williamston
Paul Ellinger, Superintendent, Cheboygan Middle School, Cheboygan
Ray Freeze, Principal, Bath Middle School, Bath
Joe Haines, Athletic Director, Kenowa Hills Middle School, Grand Rapids
Linda Jarkey, Principal, Davis JHS, Sterling Heights (MASSP)
Kay Johnson, Principal, Morenci Middle School, Morenci
Tom Mecsey, Athletic Director, Cranbrook-Kingswood Middle School, Bloomfield Hills (MIAAA)
Chuck Miller, Athletic Director, Vandercook Lake JHS, Jackson

Linda Myers, Superintendent, Morley Stanwood HS, Morley (C)
Jim Nielsen, Principal, Orchard View Middle School, Muskegon
James Okler, Athletic Director, Grosse Ile Middle School, Grosse Ile
Dennis Peacock, Athletic Director, Newberry JHS, Newberry
Dennis Powers, Cross Country Coach, Greenville Middle School, Greenville
David Reeves, Athletic Director, Traverse City West JHS, Traverse City
Ken Szczepanski, Principal, Hopkins Middle School, Hopkins
Tom Thompson, Athletic Director, White Pine Middle School, Saginaw
Robert Wright, Athletic Director, Sand Creek JHS, Sand Creek

(86) Lacrosse

Wednesday, November 19, 2003 9:30 a.m.

Thursday, February 19, 2004 9:30 a.m.

Tuesday, April 06, 2004 9:30 a.m.

Rob Ambrose, Boys Lacrosse Coach, Brother Rice HS, Bloomfield Hills (A)
Clark Bell, Assignor, 3727 Ledge Street, Troy
Bob Dowd, Athletic Director, Athens HS, Troy (A)
Jerry Fouch, Athletic Director, East Grand Rapids HS, Grand Rapids (B)
Aaron Frank, Athletic Director, Seaholm HS, Birmingham (B)
Patricia Hayes, Official, Birmingham
Judy Hehs, Principal, Academy Of The Sacred Heart, Bloomfield Hills (D)
Mike Jolly, Athletic Director, De La Salle Collegiate HS, Warren (A)
Erin Kelley, Girls Lacrosse Coach, Waverly HS, Lansing (A)
Rich Kimball, Athletic Director, Northwest HS, Jackson (B)
Jim O'Brien, President, Women's Lacrosse Assn., Grosse Pointe
Rick Schmidt, Athletic Director, Holt HS, Holt (A)
Elaine Torvinen, 1322 Catalpa Drive, Royal Oak

(87) Officials Review

Monday, September 29, 2003 9:30 a.m.

Jason Gribble, Huron League, Airport HS, Carleton (B)
Paul Harley, Wakefield
Bill Heintskill, Tri Valley Conference, 2001 28th Street, Bay City
Dick Locke, Athletic Director, Wyoming Park HS, Wyoming (B)
Duane Luedeking, SW Michigan Athletic Conf., 2623 Hemlock St, Portage
Joe McCormick, 1540 Trail Drive, Trenton
R. Scott Ryder, West MI Soccer Ref. Assn., 1016 Southern St, Kalamazoo
Rick Schmidt, Capitol Area Athletic Conf., 5885 W Holt Rd, Holt
Christine Schneider, Macomb Area Conf., East Detroit HS, Eastpointe (A)
Bill Slough, Mid Peninsula Athletic Conf., Westwood HS, Ishpeming (C)
Brian Smith, Capital Area VB Off. Assn., PO Box 9, Haslett
Brett Spalding, Betsie Valley Off. Assn., 18250 Pine Meadows, Thompsonville
Cal TerHaar, Mid Thumb WR Off. Assn., 2069 Crestline Drive, Burton
Mark Uyl, OK Conference, 7222 Bouman Drive, Middleville
Phillip Westheimer, Jackson
Paul Williams, Northwest Conference, 9431 N M-37, PO Box 567, Mesick

(90) Ski

Thursday, November 6, 2003 10 a.m.

Derek Anderson, Ski Coach, Marquette HS, Marquette (A)
Mike Barry, Ski Coach, Lahser HS, Bloomfield Hills (A)
Jim Bartlett, Advisory, Nub's Nob Ski Area, Harbor Springs (Advisory)

Catherine Erickson, Asst. Principal, Roscommon HS, Roscommon (MASSP) (B)
Ed Grice, Advisory, Boyne Mountain Ski Resort, Boyne Falls (Advisory)
Gary Hice, Athletic Director, Petoskey HS, Petoskey (MIAAA) (A)
Karen Leinaar, Athletic Director, Benzie Central HS, Benzonia (B)
Nancy Malinowski, Athletic Director, Mercy HS, Farmington Hills (A)
Sue Miller, President-MHSSCA, Charlevoix HS, Charlevoix (C)
Keely Mounger, Ski Coach, Luke M Powers Catholic HS, Flint (B)
Allen Nelson, Ski Coach, Flushing HS, Flushing (A)
Tami Niemi, Ski Coach, Clarkston HS, Clarkston (A)
Renee Rhodes, Ski Coach, Howell HS, Howell (A)
Rob Stephanowski, Athletic Director, Forest Hills Central HS, Grand Rapids (A)
Jack Wood, Ski Coach, Greenville HS, Greenville (A)

(95) Soccer

Wednesday, February 11, 2004 10 a.m.

Randy Bingham, Athletic Director, Harbor Springs HS, Harbor Springs (C)
Kim Brewbaker, Soccer Coach, St Johns HS, St Johns (A)
Goran Cepo, Soccer Coach, Bedford HS, Temperance (A)
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)
Keith Froelich, Athletic Director, Okemos HS, Okemos (A)
Linda Harrison, Soccer Coach, Greenville HS, Greenville (A)
Randy Heethuis, Soccer Coach, Unity Christian HS, Hudsonville (B)
Mark Krugielki, Soccer Coach, North Branch HS, North Branch (B)
Scott Kubit, Soccer Coach, Benzie Central HS, Benzonia (B)
Larry Lamphere, Athletic Director, Brandon HS, Ortonville (A)
Jeff Lillo, Soccer Coach, Michigan Lutheran HS, St Joseph (D)
Al Martus, Athletic Director, Goodrich HS, Goodrich (B)
Sue Milner, Soccer Coach, Houghton Lake HS, Houghton Lake (B)
Brian O'Leary, Soccer Coach, Novi HS, Novi (A)
Andrea Oatman, Soccer Coach, Bridgman HS, Bridgman (C)
Doris Pipkens, Soccer Coach, Holt HS, Holt (A)
Dail Prucka, Athletic Director, Jefferson HS, Monroe (MIAAA) (B)
Susan Riksen, Official, Gobles
Cheri Ritz, Athletic Director, Wayland Union HS, Wayland (A)
Laurie Ryan, Athletic Director, Forest Hills Central HS, Grand Rapids (A)
Meg Seng, Athletic Director, Greenhills HS, Ann Arbor (C)
Clark Udell, President-MISCA, Forest Hills Central HS, Grand Rapids (A)
Michelle Vollmar, Athletic Director, OA Carlson HS, Gibraltar (B)

(110) Swimming

Tuesday, March 16, 2004 10 a.m.

Tom Belco, Swim Coach, Kalamazoo Central HS, Kalamazoo (A)
Mike Brady, Swim Coach, Forest Hills Central HS, Grand Rapids (A)
Michelle Caie, Swim Coach, Walled Lake Northern, Commerce (A)
Robert Crosby, President-MISCA, West Bloomfield HS, West Bloomfield (A)
Judy Dennis, Swim Coach, Alpena HS, Alpena (A)
John Dudley, Advisory, Eastern Michigan University, Ypsilanti (Advisory)
Tim Eastman, Principal/Coach, Hackett Catholic Central HS, Kalamazoo (C)
Mary Ann Egnatuk, Swim Coach, Albion HS, Albion (C)
George Jones, Official, East Lansing

John Krimmel, Athletic Director, Dundee HS, Dundee (B)
Ellen Pugh, Athletic Director, Ogemaw Heights HS, West Branch (B)
Teri Reyburn, Athletic Director, DeWitt HS, DeWitt (B)
Sandra Richards, Official, Petoskey
Ashley Seidl, Swim Coach, Berkley HS, Troy (A)
Linda Siebold, Swim Coach, Grand Ledge HS, Grand Ledge (A)
Dave Smith, Swim Coach, Warren Woods-Tower HS, Warren (B)
Wendy Smith, Swim Coach, Luke M Powers Catholic HS, Flint (B)
Catherine Stevens, Assoc. Athletic Director, East Kentwood HS, Kentwood (A)
Anthony Venticinque, Coordinator of Aquatic Operations, Oakland U., Rochester (Advisory)
Holly Watson, Swim Coach, Garber HS, Essexville (B)
Larry Wegener, Athletic Director, Central HS, Battle Creek (MIAAA) (A)
Hooker Wellman, Swim Coach, Ludington HS, Ludington (B)
Jenni Wilkening, Swim Coach, Huron HS, Ann Arbor (A)

(115) Tennis

Thursday, January 8, 2004 10 a.m.

Doug Adams, Tennis Coach, Clio HS, Clio (A)
Sue Bailey, Tennis Coach, DeWitt HS, DeWitt (B)
Mary Boike, Tennis Coach, Luke M Powers Catholic HS, Flint (B)
Mary Bradley, Tennis Coach, Ovid-Elsie HS, Elsie (B)
Lorin Cartwright, Athletic Director, Pioneer HS, Ann Arbor (A)
Jim DeRidder, Tennis Coach, Kenowa Hills HS, Grand Rapids (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)
Dennis Green, Tennis Coach, Harbor Springs HS, Harbor Springs (C)
Dene Hadden, Principal, South Haven HS, South Haven (MASSP) (B)
Mary Harrigan, Tennis Coach, St Francis HS, Traverse City (C)
Judy Hehs, Principal, Academy Of The Sacred Heart, Bloomfield Hills (D)
Dave Korbel, Tennis Coach, Harbor Beach Community HS, Harbor Beach (C)
Tom Kudwa, Tennis Coach, Ludington HS, Ludington (B)
Carl Latora, Athletic Director, Portage Northern HS, Portage (A)
Phyllis Lightvoet, Tennis Coach, Kalamazoo Christian HS, Kalamazoo (C)
Dan Matusiewicz, Athletic Director, Muskegon Catholic Central HS, Muskegon (C)
Jerry Murphy, President-MHSTCA, Rochester HS, Rochester Hills (A)
Curtis Partee, Tennis Coach, Dowagiac Union HS, Dowagiac (B)
Meg Seng, Athletic Director, Greenhills HS, Ann Arbor (C)
Linda Siebold, Tennis Coach, Everett HS, Lansing (A)
Dwayne Teusink, Advisory, 52 East 30th Street, Holland (Advisory)
Deb VanKuiken, Athletic Director, Holly HS, Holly (MIAAA) (A)

(120) Boys Tennis Seeding

Wednesday, May 26, 2004 3 p.m.

Thursday, May 27, 2004 8 a.m.

Warren Block, Tennis Coach, Athens HS, Troy (A)
Gary Ellis, Tennis Coach, Allegan HS, Allegan (B)
Mitch Gatercole, Tennis Coach, Rockford HS, Rockford (A)
Mary Harrigan, Tennis Coach, St Francis HS, Traverse City (C)
Barb Myler, Tennis Coach, Shrine HS, Royal Oak (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)

(125) Girls Tennis Seeding**Monday, October 13, 2003 3 p.m.****Tuesday, October 14, 2003 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, Girls 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 St, Holland (Advisory)

(135) Trophy & Medal**Tuesday, April 20, 2004 9:30 a.m.**

Gene Balawajder, Athletic Director, Milford HS, Highland
Keith Eldred, Athletic Director, Williamston Middle School, Williamston
Paul Ellinger, Superintendent, Cheboygan Area HS, Cheboygan (B)
Dolores Elswick, Principal, Grosse Ile HS, Grosse Ile (B)
Ron Maygar, Principal, Clio HS, Clio (A)
Kathy Westdorf, Principal, Forest Hills Northern HS, Grand Rapids (A)

(140) Volleyball**Tuesday, November 11, 2003 9:30 a.m.**

Kim Argiri-Slone, Volleyball Coach, Fraser HS, Fraser (A)
Tim Bearden, Principal, South Lake HS, St Clair Shores (B)
Chuck Bennin, Athletic Director, Pickford HS, Pickford (D)
John Blankenship, Athletic Director, Frankenmuth HS, Frankenmuth (B)
Jean Blievernicht, Official, Southfield
Melissa Bradley, Volleyball Coach, Frankfort HS, Frankfort (D)
Susan Calvo, Athletic Director, Central HS, Flint (A)
Jeff Champion, Volleyball Coach, Lenawee Christian HS, Adrian (D)
Eve Claar, Volleyball Coach, Pioneer HS, Ann Arbor (A)
Teresa Cole, Asst. Athletic Director, Mio-Au Sable HS, Mio (C)
Kathi Frank, Volleyball Coach, Onsted HS, Onsted (B)
Blake Hagman, Advisory, Kalamazoo Public Schools, Kalamazoo (Advisory)
Steve Hoke, Athletic Director, Hastings HS, Hastings (B)
Cody Inglis, Athletic Director, Suttons Bay HS, Suttons Bay (MIAAA) (C)
John Knuth, Athletic Director, Crosswell-Lexington HS, Crosswell (B)
Jean LaClair, President-MIVCA, Bronson HS, Bronson (C)
Ed Maloney, Athletic Director, Gabriel Richard HS, Ann Arbor (C)
Pam Metcalf, Volleyball Coach, Reading HS, Reading (C)
Sally Paulus, Official, Midland
Cheri Ritz, Athletic Director, Wayland Union HS, Wayland (A)
Roger Rush, Athletic Director, Pine River Area HS, Leroy (C)
Debbie Spranger, Volleyball Coach, Lincoln HS, Warren (B)
Kathy Trenary, Volleyball Coach, Mendon HS, Mendon (D)
Lori VanOverloop, Volleyball Coach, Covenant Christian HS, Grand Rapids (C)
Sherri Warner, Volleyball Coach, New Lothrop HS, New Lothrop (C)

(142) Volleyball Site Selection

Tuesday, September 16, 2003 9:30 a.m.

Teresa Cole, Athletic Director, Mio-Au Sable HS, Mio (C)
Paula Davidson, Athletic Director, Peck Community HS, Peck (D)
Michelle Fabrizio, Athletic Director, Huron HS, Ann Arbor (A)
Jerry Fouch, Athletic Director, East Grand Rapids HS, Grand Rapids (B)
Fred Gerds, Athletic Director, Lutheran Northwest HS, Rochester Hills (C)
Donna Hathaway, Athletic Director, Ottawa Hills HS, Grand Rapids (A)
Scott Huckaby, Athletic Director, Freedom Baptist HS, Hudsonville (D)
Kris Isom, Athletic Director, Madison HS, Adrian (C)
Larry Kelly, Asst. Athletic Director, Lansing Christian HS, Lansing (D)
Rich Kimball, Athletic Director, Northwest HS, Jackson (B)
Maureen Klocke, Athletic Director, Capac HS, Capac (B)
John Knuth, Athletic Director, Crosswell-Lexington HS, Crosswell (B)
Jean LaClair, Athletic Director, Bronson HS, Bronson (C)
Karen Leinaar, Athletic Director, Benzie Central HS, Benzonia (B)
Ed Maloney, Athletic Director, Gabriel Richard HS, Ann Arbor (C)
Sean Maloney, Athletic Director, Crestwood HS, Dearborn Heights (A)
Lisa Messner, Volleyball Coach, Eastern HS, Lansing (A)
Nancy Poole, Athletic Director, Inter-City Baptist HS, Allen Park (D)
Cheri Ritz, Athletic Director, Wayland Union HS, Wayland (A)
Laurie Ryan, Athletic Director, Forest Hills Central HS, Grand Rapids (A)
Norm Taylor, Superintendent, Constantine HS, Constantine (C)
Sue Tucker, Athletic Director, Perry HS, Perry (B)
Deb VanKuiken, Athletic Director, Holly HS, Holly (A)
Christian Wilson, Athletic Director, Gaylord HS, Gaylord (A)
Betty Wroubel, Athletic Director, Pontiac-Notre Dame Preparatory School, Pontiac (B)

(150) Wrestling

Wednesday, January 28, 2004 9:30 a.m.

Ron Beegle, Athletic Director, Charlotte HS, Charlotte (B)
Dennis Brighton, Wrestling Coach, Bedford HS, Temperance (A)
Dustin Cichocki, Wrestling Coach, Carson City-Crystal HS, Carson City (C)
Kenneth Day, Wrestling Coach, Imlay City HS, Imlay City (B)
Joe DeGain, Wrestling Coach, Clarkston HS, Clarkston (A)
Timothy Erickson, Official, Rockford
Shawn Flock, Wrestling Coach, Newaygo HS, Newaygo (B)
Tom Flynn, Wrestling Coach, Wylie E Groves HS, Beverly Hills (A)
Gordon Fooks, Athletic Director, Notre Dame HS, Harper Woods (B)
Mark Fuhrman, Athletic Director, Pinconning Area HS, Pinconning (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, President-MWA, Olivet College, 320 S Main St, Olivet
Linda Hutchinson, Principal, Tecumseh HS, Tecumseh (B)
Chad Kik, Wrestling Coach, Kent City HS, Kent City (C)
John Krimmel, Athletic Director, Dundee HS, Dundee (B)
Scott Marvin, Wrestling Coach, Thornapple Kellogg HS, Middleville (B)
Ken Mohney, Athletic Director, Mattawan HS, Mattawan (A)
Dennis Paquete, Wrestling Coach, Bangor HS, Bangor (C)
Ellen Pugh, Athletic Director, Ogemaw Heights HS, West Branch (B)
Dave Reno, Wrestling Coach, Port Huron HS, Port Huron (A)

Andy Skewis, Wrestling Coach, Negaunee HS, Negaunee (C)
Marc Sonnenfeld, Wrestling Coach, Fitzgerald HS, Warren (B)
Al Sosinski, Wrestling Coach, Bronson HS, Bronson (C)
Dan Tuck, Wrestling Coach, Cadillac HS, Cadillac (A)
Mario Villarreal, Athletic Director, Eastern HS, Lansing (A)

(200) Track & Field Site Selection

Friday, January 9, 2004 9 a.m.

Ken Bokhoven, Track Coach, Christian HS, Grand Rapids (A)
Richard Chenault, Track Coach, Gabriel Richard HS, Ann Arbor (C)
Lewis Clingman, Teacher/Coach, Burton Middle School, Grand Rapids
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
Bill Fries, Track Coach, Portage Northern HS, Portage (A)
Jamie Gent, Athletic Director, Haslett HS, Haslett (B)
Rudy Godefroidt, Principal, Hemlock HS, Hemlock (B)
Steve Hines, Athletic Director, East Jordan HS, East Jordan (C)
Ken Jabe, Boys Track Coach, Dundee HS, Dundee (B)
Lee Kahler, Track Coach, Bad Axe HS, Bad Axe (C)
Maureen Klocke, Athletic Director, Capac HS, Capac (B)
Karen Leinaar, Athletic Director, Benzie Central HS, Benzonia (B)
Nelson MacNicol, Track Coach, Trenton HS, Trenton (A)
Sue Madden, Track Coach, Chippewa Valley HS, Clinton Township (A)
Jennifer Marshall, Track Coach, Houghton Lake HS, Houghton Lake (B)
Bob Masters, Track Coach, Bedford HS, Temperance (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)
John Roan, Track Coach, Haslett HS, Haslett (B)
Peter 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)
Jim Sutton, Asst. Athletic Director, East Kentwood HS, Kentwood (A)
Wright Wilson, Track Coach, Shrine HS, Royal Oak (C)

(240) Track & Field Standards

Wednesday, December 10, 2003 9 a.m.

Rudy Godefroidt, Principal, Hemlock HS, Hemlock (B)
Lorenda Jones, Track Coach, Bath HS, Bath (C)
Karen Leinaar, Athletic Director, Benzie Central HS, Benzonia (B)
James Long, Track Coach, Kalamazoo Central HS, Kalamazoo (A)
Mitch Lutzke, Track Coach, Williamston HS, Williamston (B)
Jim Noble, Athletic Director, Heritage HS, Saginaw (A)
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 9, 2003

Members Present:

Ron Baum, East Kentwood
Buzz DeHooghe, St. Clair Shores
Mike Dellapina, Norton Shores
Dan DiCristofaro, New Baltimore
Bob Dowd, Troy
Keith Froelich, Okemos
Morley Fraser, Bay City
John Horrigan, Cadillac
Tim Kluka, Allen Park
Chris Limback, Alpena
Pete Ryan, Saginaw

Ken Sherman, Sault Ste. Marie
Mike Turner, Trenton
Steve Winn, Flint

Members Absent:

Brian Dallas, Dearborn (MHSOCA)
Curt Ellis, Novi
Eric Frederico, Gibraltar
Terry Sawchuk, Canton

Staff Members Present:

Randy Allen (Recorder)

The 2003 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.

2003 REPRESENTATIVE COUNCIL RECOMMENDATIONS

Recommendations made to the Representative Council were reviewed. The proposal to allow unlimited overtimes in regular season tournaments involving four or more teams was approved at the October 2002 Executive Committee meeting, and reviewed by the Representative Council in May 2003 and approved. Implementation during the 2002-03 season was satisfactory.

NEW PROGRAM ORIENTATION

The committee was updated on the agenda for the MHSAA New & Developing Hockey Program orientation meeting scheduled for Oct. 30. With several new programs again in 2003-04, the meeting will have much value and is expected to be held each year. The agenda will include presentations on MHSAA regulations, booster club cooperation, building successful programs, sportsmanship and rules review.

SEEDING COMMITTEE

An update on the MHSAA ad-hoc committee was given. After reviewing sample seeding in selected hockey Regionals and girls basketball Districts at its spring meeting, the committee did not make any recommendation to the Representative Council to move forward with seeding in team tournaments. The committee's recommendation was for each coaches association to present seeding plans to their respective MHSAA committees for review and possible advancement to the Council on a per-sport basis.

2003-04 RULES CHANGES, RULES MEETINGS

National Federation rules changes for the 2003-04 season were shared with the committee. Andy Weidenbach of Cranbrook HS will serve on the committee for two more years. It was reported that Randy Allen of the MHSAA will begin a four-year term on the national rules committee beginning in 2004. The major rules change for 2003-04 is the "fast faceoff" which is expected to reduce game lengths by 5-8 minutes and be more consistent with other hockey rules codes. The agenda for the rules meetings and points of emphasis were reviewed. The National Federation allowed state option allowing a 17-minute period was discussed. There was no support for adoption of the 17-minute period in Michigan.

2004 HOCKEY TOURNAMENT REVIEW

The committee was informed of continued growth in school sponsored hockey programs, with 14 new teams for 2003-04. The growth has caused several Regional Tournament groupings to be adjusted to accommodate the new additions. Regional groupings and sites and Quarterfinal sites were approved with several changes. A District plan for the 2005 tournament was discussed. It was also moved that in Regional Tournaments where travel is substantial, schools be allowed to adopt geographical pairings, or use split sites after the draw to reduce travel and expense with approval from the MHSAA office. Draws for the 2004 State Semifinals were made as follows:

Division 1 - Quarterfinal 3 vs. Quarterfinal 4,
Quarterfinal 2 vs. Quarterfinal 1

Division 2 - Quarterfinal 7 vs. Quarterfinal 6,
Quarterfinal 8 vs. Quarterfinal 5

Division 3 - Quarterfinal 10 vs. Quarterfinal 9,
Quarterfinal 12 vs. Quarterfinal 11

The committee was also given reports of discussions between hockey state coordinators at the National Federation Summer Meeting in Chicago, Representative Council discussion and action on cooperative programs, and discussions with non-school programs involving JV-age athletes from MHSAA schools.

RECOMMENDATION TO THE REPRESENTATIVE COUNCIL

1. Develop a District level for the 2004-05 MHSAA Ice Hockey Tournament. Existing Regional tournaments will be divided into two District Tournaments to be held at separate sites involving 3 or 4 teams, with District champions advancing to a Regional Final at a pre-determined site. Rationale: Reduces travel costs, provides more flexibility for tournament planning, involves more schools and rinks in hosting, and accommodates future growth in programs (14-0 in favor).■

REMINDER:

**Make plans for the 16th
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Leadership Conference—**



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for further information**

GIRLS VOLLEYBALL SITE SELECTION COMMITTEE MEETING

East Lansing, September 16, 2003

Members Present:

Teresa Cole, Mio
 Paula Davidson, Peck
 Michelle Fabrizio, Ann Arbor
 Jerry Fouch, East Grand Rapids
 Fred Gerds, Roch. Hills
 Donna Hathaway, Grand Rapids
 Scott Huckaby, Hudsonville
 Rich Kimball, Jackson
 Jean LaClair, Bronson
 Karen Leinaar, Benzonia
 John Knuth, Crosswell
 Ed Maloney, Ann Arbor
 Sean Maloney, Dearborn Heights
 Lisa Messner, Lansing

Nancy Poole, Allen Park
 Cheri Ritz, Wayland Union
 Norm Taylor, Constantine
 Sue Tucker, Perry
 Deb VanKuiken, Holly
 Christian Wilson, Gaylord
 Betty Wroubel, Pontiac

Members Absent:

Kris Isom, Adrian
 Larry Kelly, Lansing
 Laurie Ryan, Grand Rapids

Staff Members Present:

Gina Mazzolini (Recorder)

At its May, 2003 meeting, the Representative Council authorized MHSAA staff to supplement the site selection process by developing and administering alternative/back-up site policies to more effectively address excessive travel that sometimes results at MHSAA Regional and Quarterfinal Tournaments. The new policies developed may be implemented as early as the fall tournaments of 2003-04, and the topic will be reviewed further by the Representative Council in December of 2003. Tom Rashid, Associate Director of the MHSAA presented the following for committee discussion:

"Sites other than the originally selected location may be used in one of two scenarios at the discretion of the staff member in charge of that sport:

1. A team will be playing on its own home floor at the Quarterfinal level.
2. Two teams slated to play each other have inordinate travel to a Regional Final or Quarterfinal site.

In some instances, an appropriate alternate site may not be found and the original site will be used."

After discussion, the consensus of the committee was to utilize Option 2 for Volleyball Quarterfinal sites.

The committee was then reminded of its responsibility and reviewed the accepted criteria for selecting the 2004 hosts for MHSAA Girls Volleyball Tournament contests involv-

ing Lower Peninsula schools. The Upper Peninsula Athletic Committee will select sites where all the schools or a majority are Upper Peninsula schools.

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

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

Semifinal Bracket Placement in All Classes:

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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 22, 2003

Members Present:

Alex Bell, Warren-Fitzgerald
Jan Gillette, Comstock Park
Joe Haines, Grand Rapids
Kevin Herendeen, Jackson
Gary Hice, Petoskey
Dewayne Jones, West Bloomfield
Al Kastl, Clinton Township
Buddy Kimura, Flint
Maureen Klocke, Capac
Jack Kramer, Houghton Lake
Jean LaClair, Bronson
Ted Manning, Schoolcraft
Jeffrey Melvin, Bangor
Vic Michaels, Archdiocese of Detroit
Melanie Miller, Lansing
Pat Richardson, Grass Lake
Cheri Ritz, Wayland Union

Archy Robinson, Flint
Laurie Ryan, Grand Rapids
Peter Ryan, Saginaw
Susan Tucker, Perry
Jim Vidro, Grand Rapids
Sid Wright, Ypsilanti

Members Absent:

Gary Boyce, Grand Ledge
Lafayette Evans, Detroit
Tim Genson, Scottville
Kathy McGee, Flint
William Newkirk, Meridian

Staff Members Present:

Nate Hampton
Sharla Stokes (Recorder)

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In some instances, an appropriate alternate site may not be found and the original site will be used."

The committee was then reminded of its responsibility and reviewed the accepted criteria for selecting the 2004 hosts for MHSAA Boys Basketball Tournament contests.

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

Semifinal Bracket Placement in All Classes:

| Class A | Class B |
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OFFICIALS REVIEW COMMITTEE MEETING

East Lansing, September 29, 2003

Members Present:

Jason Gribble, Carleton
Paul Harley, Wakefield
Bill Heintskill, Bay City
Dick Locke, Wyoming
Duane Luedecking, Portage
R. Scott Ryder, Kalamazoo
Rick Schmidt, Dansville
Christine Schneider, East Pointe
Bill Slough, Ishpeming
Brian Smith, Haslett
Brett Spalding, Thompsonville
Cal TerHaaar, Burton
Mark Uyl, Middleville

Phillip Westhemier, Jackson
Paul Williams, Mesick

Members Absent:

Joe McCormick, Trenton

Guests Present:

John Meyers, Traverse City

Staff Members Present:

Bill Bupp
Randy Allen
Tom Minter (Recorder)

The committee members introduced themselves and were reminded of the functions of the various MHSAA committees and of their relationship to the MHSAA. A quick review of the MHSAA Sport Committee Guide and of the committee appointment terms was done. A listing sheet was circulated for members to provide their email addresses for future usage.

Bill Bupp was recognized for his efforts on behalf of officials.

2002 COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS

The Representative Council's decisions on last year's committee's recommendations to the Council were reviewed.

- The Waiver Procedure for Officials not able to belong to an Approved Local Officials Association was tabled pending more work by the Officials Review Committee.
- Volleyball was added to the list of sports officials who, starting in the 2006-07 season will have to belong to an Approved Local Association in order to qualify to work state tournaments. Soccer will have the same requirement starting with the 2007-08 season.
- The "Covenant with Sports Officials" was added to this year's Officials Guidebook.
- The proposal to increase from three to 4 years the time for Finals officials not being eligible to again work Finals was defeated.
- The proposal to decrease the size of offi-

cial selection committees was defeated.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

Tom Alward from Jostens presented the results of the officials survey on styles, sizes and prices of Finals Officials Tournament Rings. It was agreed that a sub-committee should be created by MHSAA staff to address final details and issues, such as but not limited to:

- A bidding process that would look also at alternate designs
- Ring purchasing by officials who had worked Finals in previous years.
- Royalties or other types of fees to the MHSAA.
- Successful bidder underwriting the Officials' Banquet.

Tom Minter presented a brief overview of insurance coverages for officials. Coverages available for directors and officers of local associations in the performance of their duties were also discussed. This topic should be on the agenda of the annual Approved Local Officials Association meeting.

Guidelines for officials who coach the same sport have been put into the *Officials Guidebook* on page 17, Item No. 12.

DEFINITION OF MEMBER "IN GOOD STANDING"

Being a "member in good standing" of an Approved Local Officials Association will become a 2005-06 requirement for consideration as a tournament official for three sports. Other sports follow in subsequent years. All

Local Approved Officials Associations must have the same general standards for their members to be "in good standing" The exact level of the standard should be the determination of the individual Local Approved Officials Association.

"In Good Standing" means that the official is an active member of an approved association, and current in all requirements of that association. Good standing must include at a minimum, but is not limited to the following:

- 1) Payment of association dues
- 2) Attendance at association meetings
- 3) Completion of any required trainings or certification
- 4) Not delinquent in dues payment or subject to any association discipline
- 5) Officiate the required minimum number of varsity games as required by the MHSAA.

EVALUATION OF OFFICIALS

Officials feel that the current program needs to be made more accurate and to be more effectively used when selecting officials for tournaments. The current rating system of using only input from coaches' is not as accurate nor as effective as it could be were another evaluation source factored into the process. The current MHSAA evaluation form could be improved. An evaluation form from the West Mich Soccer Referees Assoc. was presented by Scott Ryder.

John Meyer presented a program that his area's volleyball association has used to evaluate officials.

A letter from Brian Smith of the Capital Area Volleyball Officials Assoc was discussed for its suggestions.

SELECTION OF TOURNAMENT OFFICIALS

Discussion of the communications expressing concerns about the selection of tournament officials did not result in any recommendations to the Representative Council.

AGE OF LEGACY OFFICIALS

It was the consensus of the committee that any Legacy Officials should not be allowed to work without supervision by an adult official at sub-varsity levels.

RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE REPRESENTATIVE COUNCIL

1. Add Soccer to the list of sports whose officials must belong to an Approved

Local Officials Association by the start of the 2005-06 school year, rather than 2007-08 (15-0 in favor).

2. Require the officials' shirt for volleyball to be a white polo style shirt embroidered with the MHSAA logo on the left sleeve. This change be transitioned in over a 2-year period starting with the 2004-05 season (15-0 in favor).
3. Expand the current practice in boys and girls soccer and in volleyball of allowing district tournament managers to assign the officials to work their tournament locations to the district levels in all sports. Procedures to be followed by district managers would be developed by the MHSAA (15-0 in favor).
4. Use 4 person umpiring crews for the Baseball Semifinals and Finals (15-0 in favor).
5. Eliminate the requirement that an annual MHSAA registration patch be worn. An optional MHSAA logo could be worn on the left sleeve of the shirt. A local officials association patch would continue to be allowed on the right sleeve. A U S flag emblem or Trainers emblem could also be worn on the left sleeve (9-6 in favor).
6. Adopt the following standards for Assignors:
 - a) Assignors shall be paid by:
 1. A league or conference or
 2. The members of an approved association who elect or hire an individual to assign for them. Turn back fees, paid to an assignor by an official do not violate this concept.
 - b) Assignors shall not collect fees for service from both a school, league or conference and an individual official or an officials association.
 - c) Assignors shall not require an official to be a member of a specific officials association in order to be assigned games under the control of the assignor.
 - d) Assignors shall not require an official to pay a fee to participate in a camp, clinic or training activity in order to be evaluated and considered for assignments under the control of any assignor. Involvements in free events, for the same reason, are permitted (15-0 in favor). ■

FOOTBALL OFFICIALS ASSIGNMENT COMMITTEE

East Lansing, September 25, 2003

Members Present:

Ron Allen, Holland
Mel Atkins, Grand Rapids
Bill Brisson, Macomb
Bob Clement, Pittsford
Teresa Cole, Mio
Lafayette Evans, Detroit
Dan Fife, Clarkston
Keith Froelich, Okemos
Denny Fulk, Laingsburg
Mark Gainforth, Sebawaing
Troy Guzikowski, Reed City
Elbert Hicks, Flint
Barry Hobrla, Lowell
Paul Hornak, Ithaca
Gary Iwinski, Brown City
Charles Karpinski, Lansing
John Krimmel, Dundee
Pat Lamb, Rogers City
Dave McCaerney, Lincoln Park
Vic Michaels, Detroit
Konrad Molter, Traverse City
Jack Murchie, Scottville
Jim Noble, Saginaw
Kevin O'Rourke, Rockford
Douglas Paige, Howell

Dee Jay Paquette, Munising
Pat Richardson, Grass Lake
Bill Root, Roscommon
Tarlton Small, Pontiac
Fred Smith, Kalamazoo
Thomas Smith, Escanaba
Vance Stratton, Cassopolis
Mike Unger, Westland
Jeff Zonyk, Three Rivers

Members Absent:

Jim Eurick, Auburn
Jim Nielsen, Muskegon
Donald Poshak, Calumet

Staff Members Present:

Angie Butterwick
Andy Frushour
Nate Hampton
Rob Kaminski
Camala Kinder
Tom Minter
Leanne Moore
Faye Verellen
Debbie Waddell

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 1,235 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 212. 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

East Lansing, October 6, 2003

Members Present:

Tim Aldrich, Petersburg
Mel Atkins, Grand Rapids
Daniel Delamarter, Ubly
Ken Dietz, Hartford
Daniel Edmunds, Taylor
Chris Ervin, Carson City
Lafayette Evans, Detroit
Dan Fife, Clarkston
Ken Fletcher, Kalamazoo
Jan Gillette, Comstock Park
Kirk Glassel, Parma
Leroy Hackley, Byron Center
Dan Haggart, Clare
Maureen Klocke, Capac
Ken Kott, Manistee
Harry Marok, Adrian
Glenn Metcalf, Muskegon Heights
Vic Michaels, Detroit
Andrew Parzych, Jonesville

Ellen Pugh, West Branch
Norman Randall, Lansing
Dale Sage, Reese
Jan Sander, Warren
Cindy Short, Lansing
Dick Slade, Saginaw
Tarlton Small, Pontiac
Vance Stratton, Cassopolis
Keith Vree, Rockford
Jerry Waddington, Horton
Christian Wilson, Gaylord
Brian Zdanowski, Greenville
Jeff Zonyk, Three Rivers

Staff Members Present:

Angie Butterwick
Andy Frushour
Nate Hampton
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

Eight-hundred twenty-five (825) officials indicated their availability for Tournament assignments. Of this number, 592 were assigned to the Districts. Regional assignments for officials this year totaled 292 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. ■

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