

UPPER PENINSULA ATHLETIC COMMITTEE
Escanaba, January 9-10, 2011

Committee Members

James Derocher, Negaunee
Dave Duncan, Cedarville
Dan Flynn, Escanaba
Don Gustafson, St. Ignace
Matthew Houle, Gladstone
Jeff Markham, Baraga

Paul Polfus, Carney
Joe Reddinger, Felch
Thomas Smith, Escanaba
Al Unger, Kingsford

MHSAA Staff

Nate Hampton

Representative Council member James Derocher of Negaunee chaired the meeting. Mr. Derocher welcomed Mr. Jeff Markham, Baraga and Mr. Al Unger, Kingsford as newly elected to the Committee.

REPRESENTATIVE COUNCIL ACTION

It was reported to the committee that during the December 2010 meeting of the Representative Council, the proposal made on behalf of the Upper Peninsula Athletic Directors Association was adopted. This action will now allow for one additional Upper Peninsula Committee member (one year term) when the committee elections result in a lack of representation from one of the three designated Upper Peninsula regions – Eastern, Central or Western.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

UP Competitive Cheer

District 11 – Div. 2 hosted by Mt. Pleasant, Feb. 19, 2011 – 11 a.m.
District 17 – Div. 3 hosted by Houghton Lake, Feb. 19, 2011 – 11 a.m.
District 24 – Div. 4 hosted by East Jordon, Feb. 19, 2011 – 11 a.m.
Regionals – Feb. 26, 2011
Finals – Delta Plex, Grand Rapids, March 4-5, 2011

UP Golf

Boys and Girls – June 1-4, 2011
Div. 1 Boys and Girls host – Marquette
Div. 2 Boys and Girls host – Manistique
Div. 3 Boys Host – Bessemer Girls Host – Ontonagon

UP Gymnastics

UP Regional – Rockford High School, March 5, 2011 – 10 a.m.
UP Finals – Grand Rapids, Kenowa Hills High School, March 11-12, 2011

UP Ice Hockey

Div. 2 Regional – Non Traditional Draw – Top Line Host
Div. 3 Regional – Host – Calumet
Divisional 3 Regional winner will advance to Quarterfinals, March 8-9, 2011 at either Marquette or Sault Ste. Marie.
Finals - Compuware Arena, Canton – March 10-12, 2011

Selection of Regional officials will be made by managers. Bruce Horsch will coordinate.

UP Swimming/Diving

2011-12 Finals – TBD

MHSAA staff will assist in assignments

UPPER PENINSULA EVENTS

UP Boys Tennis – June 1-4, 2011

Div. 1 – Marquette

Div. 2 – Ishpeming

UP Cross Country – Oct. 22, 2011 – 2012 in Munising

UP Girls Tennis – Sept. 28-Oct. 1 – Site to be determined at April, 2011 meeting.

UP Track and Field

Finals – June 4, 2011 - Kingsford

Regionals – May 19, 20 or 21

Div. 1 – Regional 41 – Marquette

Div. 1 – Regional 42 – Iron Mountain

Div. 2 – Regional 43 – Ishpeming

Div. 2 – Regional 44 – St. Ignace

Div. 3 – Regional 45 – Pickford

Div. 3 – Regional 46 – Rapids River

Div. 3 – Regional 47 – Wakefield

Div. 3 – Regional 48 – North Dickinson

DISCUSSION ITEMS

Marquette High School is not available for Boys Basketball Quarterfinals on March 22. The committee fully agreed that the Boys Basketball Quarterfinal game be moved to Escanaba High School.

The committee reviewed a request from the Sault Area High School to host the Upper Peninsula Swim and Dive Finals. The committee wanted input and assistance from MHSAA staff before making a decision.

The review of potential sites for the Division 3 Upper Peninsula Golf Finals was a major discussion. The committee awarded the Finals site to Bessemer and Ontonagon for 2011 and 2012.

UP Baseball/Softball Districts – MHSAA staff proposed a change in the traditional design for both Division 4 Baseball and Softball Districts. After lengthy discussions, the committee agreed to the requested change.

Football scheduling was again a discussion point for the committee and the ongoing concern for changes in Wisconsin, the scheduling of Upper Peninsula schools and league and conference alignments.

UP Track and Field – The committee had lengthy and involved discussion on the Regional alignment of Division 1 schools. Should the alignments be based on perceived strength of competition or school size or on geographical location. No changes to the current alignments were made.

BASKETBALL OFFICIALS SELECTION

Full Tournament

Girls – Joe Reddinger, Felch

Boys – Steve Nordstrom, Atlantic Mine

Semifinals

Girls – Barry James, Marquette

Boys – Nick Nolde, Escanaba

Quarterfinals

Girls:

1 – Joe Reddinger, Felch

2 – Ron VanSloten, Ruyard

3 – Shana Ojala , Ahmeer

4 – Barry James, Marquette

5 – Adam Hamari, Marquette

Boys:

1 – Robert Lee, St. Ignace

2 – Nick Nolde, Escanaba

3 – Steve Nordstrom, Atlantic Mine

4 – Thomas Smith, Escanabe

The committee then selected officials for all Upper Peninsula Districts and Regionals.

Official Selection Criteria:

Officials must be registered with the MHSAA.

Officials must have the required ratings.

Officials must have current year credit for rules meeting completion.

RECOGNITION

Representative Council President and Upper Peninsula Committee Chair, Mr. James Derocher, presented outgoing committee members: Mr. Dan Flynn, Escanaba and Mr. Joe Reddinger, Felch, a Special Recognition Plaque for their distinguished service to the Upper Peninsula schools and Upper Peninsula Athletic Committee. Both Mr. Flynn and Mr. Reddinger served the committee for over twenty years.

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Upper Peninsula Athletic Committee will be held Thursday, April 14, 5:30 p.m.