

MICHIGAN HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION, INC.  
SWIMMING COMMITTEE MEETING  
February 11, 2014

Members Present:

Connie Cantrell, Mason  
John Du Bois, Plainwell  
Ben Farkas, Holland  
Liz Hill, Ann Arbor  
Jim Lawrence, Trenton  
Nicole Norris, Corunna

John Roberts, Adrian  
Rick Schmidt, Holt  
Jessica Stoddard, Commerce  
Marc VanSoest, Zeeland  
Shawn Kornoelje, OU (advisory)  
Tracy Martin, EMU (advisory)

The MHSAA Swimming and Diving Committee met on February 11, 2014 at the MHSAA office. The Committee was reminded of its responsibility and of the process for rule changes. The following action was taken.

**PROPOSAL FROM MISCA**

1. Change the day for LP Boys & Girls Regional Diving from the Tuesday of the Final Meet to the Thursday before the Final Meet.
2. Increase the price of the LP Boys & Girls Preliminary and Final Swim ticket from \$8 to \$10.

**Swim Referee and MISCA Proposals – No Action**

1. Modify the judging scale for diving to be the same as the USA Diving and NCAA Diving Scale.
2. Practice dives are only permitted during the specified warm up sessions prior to each diving session, with at least one approach and water entry immediately prior to the start of the diving competition.
3. Jewelry Rule – Make more restrictive
4. Require all relay members to have one foot at the front of the block on the start.

**Discussions Items**

1. Length of season at the Middle School level
2. Number of Contests at the Middle School level
3. Allow sixth graders to participate with 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> graders without Executive Committee approval

**RECOMMENDATIONS to the MHSAA**

1. Develop training for the referees on how to judge relay take offs.
2. Create recommended guidelines for air quality and air handling systems. (This may already be a part of DEQ).
3. Develop statement on “the purpose of an official”.
4. Create language to instruct diving judges on when they can communicate with their own divers (while they are judging on the panel).
5. Educate coaches on where to place swimmers with disabilities without causing embarrassment.

**SELECTION OF REGIONAL DIVING SITES 2014-15**

Division 1

R1 - AA Huron  
R2 – L’Anse Creuse North  
R3 – Zeeland West

Division 2

R4 – Groves  
R5 – Fenton  
R6 – TBD/Lakeview

Division 3

R7 – Cranbrook  
R8 – Haslett  
R9 – East GR

**SELECTION OF FINAL SITES 2014-15**

Division 1- EMU

Division 2 - Holland Aquatics

Division 3 – Consider OU \*

**PROPOSED RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE REPRESENTATIVE COUNCIL**

1. Change the day for LP Boys & Girls Regional Diving from the Tuesday of the Final Meet to the Thursday before the Final Meet. (11-0)
2. Increase the price of the LP Boys & Girls Preliminary and Final Swim ticket from \$8 to \$10. (11-0)