

Michigan High School Athletic Association, Inc.
2022-23 BASKETBALL COMMITTEE MINUTES
November 30, 2022
9:30 AM
MHSAA Headquarters

Members Present:

Scott Stine, Ypsilanti
Kris Ernst, Fowler
Mike Evoy, MIAAA
Don Gauthier, Imlay City
Mike Mohn, Delton
Keith Guy, Muskegon
Monique Brown, Detroit
Greg Immink, Grand Haven

Paris McCarthy, Romulus
Tim Genson, Scottville
Matt Summer, Adrian
Sean Finnegan, Traverse City
Kris Daiek, Riverview
Dan Young, BCAM
Brian Samulski, Northville

Member Absent:

Jill Peterson, Centerville

Guests:

Kevin Pauga, MSU
Meghan Rourke, MATS

MHSAA Staff:

Tricia Wieferich (Recorder)
Andy Frushour
Will McKoy

The meeting was called to order at 9:30 am. After the welcome and introductions, the committee reviewed its responsibility and relationship to the Representative Council. The committee also reviewed minutes from the 2021-22 Basketball Rules committee meeting.

Discussion Topics:

The Basketball Coaches Association of Michigan (BCAM) presented to the committee a short presentation about the 2021-22 and 2022-23, :35 second shot clock experiments. The committee received tournament details and post-contests survey results gathered from participating schools and game officials. BCAM is in favor of MHSAA implementing the :35 second shot clock because they believe it would prepare basketball players for the college game, improve the flow of the current high school game while also improving the overall spectator experience. The committee did not feel like there would be enough support outside of the coaching community and would like more information/ data to support such a move. BCAM agreed to continue to gather more data to support the change.

BCAM proposed the implementation of a "Balanced Regional Seeding Proposal" format for selecting District and Regional tournament groupings. The committee discussed at length the pros and cons related to this proposal and voted unanimously to approve BCAM's proposal.

The committee discussed the current issues surrounding the boys' basketball practice start date and potential conflicts with the Thanksgiving holiday moving forward. Committee members shared their experiences with the 2022-23 start date and how it affected their constituents. The committee did not believe there was a need to make changes.

The committee was presented the proposal from HUDL regarding the MHSAA requiring all basketball tournament participant use the HUDL software when exchanging post-contest game film. The committee was not in support of this proposal.

The committee discussed the possible change to MHSAA travel restrictions and which restrictions could be close to changing based on the Fall Update Meeting Survey results. Additionally, the committee discussed their frustration with the perceived lack of use by MHSAA of official's ratings in the tournament official's selection process which, lead to further discussion about the District draft process and how the committee believes MHSAA could make improvements. They also discussed the growing decline in basketball official registrations and what coaches, schools could do to assist MHSAA in changing the current trend.

Recommendation to the Representative Council

Restructure the District and Regional basketball tournament pairings using MPR to rank teams in balanced Regionals, with the purpose of ensuring the top seeded teams meet in the Regional finals. (16-0)