

MICHIGAN HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION, INC.

REPRESENTATIVE COUNCIL MEETING

Video Conference Meeting, August 19-20, 2020

Members Present:

Eric Albright, Midland
Jay Alexander, Detroit
Nicole Carter, Novi
Scott Grimes, Grand Haven
Vicky Groat, Battle Creek
Kyle Guerrant, Lansing
Don Gustafson, St. Ignace
Kris Isom, Adrian
Sean Jacques, Calumet
Karen Leinaar, Bear Lake
Mark Mattson, Maple City
Will McKoy, Romulus
Jason Mensing, Ottawa Lake
Vic Michaels, Detroit
Chris Miller, Gobles
Steve Newkirk, Clare
Chris Riker, Portage
John Thompson, Brighton
Alex Tiseo, Marquette

Also Present:

Scott Eldridge, Lansing
Bill Zaagman, Lansing

Staff Members Present:

Tony Bihn
Jordan Cobb
Sam Davis
Andy Frushour
Nate Hampton
Dan Hutcheson
Cody Inglis
John Johnson
Geoff Kimmerly
Cole Malatinsky
Andi Osters
Tom Rashid
Brent Rice
Adam Ryder
Mark Uyl (Recorder)
Kathy Westdorp

Accounts of Meetings – Motion by Chris Miller, supported by Nicole Carter, to approve the minutes of the Representative Council meeting of Aug. 14, 2020. Adopted.

ONGOING BUSINESS

COVID-19 Update – The Council discussed the following:

- Indoor facilities – swimming and volleyball
- Soccer competition schedule
- Out-of-season coaching for spring sports and football
- Football eligibility update
- Spring football models
- Cross country, golf and tennis
- Upper Peninsula seasons and scheduling

Motion by Steve Newkirk, supported by Karen Leinaar, to approve ten coach-player voluntary contact days (more than four players) for football (helmets only) and spring sports from Sept. 8-Oct. 31. No competition is allowed on any of the ten coach-player contact days; this allowance is for practice sessions onsite at school facilities if the school permits. The four-player rule begins on Nov. 1 for football and spring sports. Defeated.

Motion by Jason Mensing, supported by Jay Alexander, to approve 16 coach-player voluntary contact days (more than four players) for football (helmets only) from Monday, Aug. 24-Oct. 31. Beginning on Tuesday, Sept. 8, allow all spring sports to have 16 coach-player voluntary contact days (more than four players) until Oct. 31. No competition against individuals not enrolled in that school is allowed on any of the 16 coach-player contact days; this allowance is for practice sessions onsite at school facilities if the school permits, and all stated protocols must be followed. The four-player rule continues for winter sports and resumes on Nov. 1 for football and spring sports. Adopted.

Motion by Karen Leinaar, supported by Kris Isom, to allow sideline cheer activities to continue while following the use of masks, physical distancing and no stunting, in keeping this activity in the low-risk group until the preseason downtime on Oct. 25. Adopted.

Motion by Don Gustafson, supported by Karen Leinaar, to move forward with competition in swimming and volleyball. Adopted.

Motion by John Thompson, supported by Karen Leinaar, to adjourn the meeting and resume on Aug. 20 at Noon. Adopted.

Motion by Karen Leinaar, supported by Don Gustafson, to allow competition to take place in soccer, swimming & diving and volleyball in Regions 6 and 8 as those are allowed currently under Executive Order 160. In Regions 1-5 and 7, competition in soccer, swimming & diving and volleyball may begin once future Executive Orders allow indoor facilities (gymnasiums and natatoriums) to open for extra-curricular activities. Soccer competition would be allowed once approval is given under EO 160. Adopted.