

MICHIGAN HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION, INC.

REPRESENTATIVE COUNCIL MEETING

Video Conference Meeting, July 29, 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

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
Karen Yonkers

Accounts of Meetings – Motion by Chris Miller, supported by Don Gustafson, to approve the minutes of the Representative Council meeting of July 15, 2020. Adopted.

ONGOING BUSINESS

COVID-19 Update – The Council was presented material for review and discussed the following:

- MHSAA office reopening schedule and plan.
- Contingency plans as of July 29, 2020.
- Fall sports guidance documents developed by the staff.
- Return to School Advisory Council Report.
- Other levels of sports and other state associations' fall plans.
- MHSAA budget for the current and next fiscal year.
- Budget update.

Motion by John Thompson, supported by Steve Newkirk, to “phase-in” fall sports. Low-risk sports of cross country, golf, swimming & diving and tennis may begin practice on Aug. 12. Competition for girls golf and boys tennis may begin on Aug. 19, and cross country and girls swimming & diving may begin on Aug. 21. This allowance for girls swimming is based on State of Michigan action opening indoor pools. Moderate- and high-risk sports of football, soccer and girls volleyball may begin practice on Aug. 10 (football) and Aug. 12 (soccer and volleyball). Competition and contests may not take place in these sports until at least Thursday, Aug. 20, when updated timelines will be released. Football practice may include helmets, only, during the week of Aug. 10; full equipment may be worn starting on Monday, Aug. 17. Adopted.

Motion by Kris Isom, supported by Nicole Carter, to approve the Fall 2020 contest scheduling limits. There shall be no scrimmages in any Fall sport during the fall of 2020. Fall sports shall have these competition limits in addition to those published in the 2020-21 *MHSAA Handbook*:

Cross Country: No more than 70 runners in a race.

Football: No more than 2 teams at a site.

Golf: No more than 72 competitors at a site (4 golfers per hole x 18) for 18-hole events and 36 golfers for 9-hole events.

Soccer: No more than 4 teams at a site.

Swimming & Diving: No more than 4 teams at a site.

Tennis: No more than 4 teams at a site.

Volleyball: No more than 4 teams at a site.

Adopted.

Future Meeting – The next meeting of the Representative Council is scheduled for Wednesday, Aug. 5, 2020.