

**MICHIGAN HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION, INC.**

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING**

East Lansing, October 4, 2010

Members Present:

Jim Derocher, Negaunee  
Scott Grimes, Grand Haven  
Vic Michaels, Detroit  
Ken Dietz, Watervliet  
Steve Newkirk, Clare

Staff Members Present:

Tom Rashid  
Jack Roberts (Recorder)

Executive Committee Authority and Responsibility – The Executive Committee reviewed its authority under Article VII of the MHSAA Constitution and specifically its responsibility to consider each application for waiver of an eligibility requirement on its individual merits, determining if the regulation serves the purpose for which it was intended in each case or if the regulation works an undue hardship on any student who is the subject of a request for waiver. (These underlying criteria may not be restated for every subject of these minutes.)

The Executive Committee was reminded that it was the responsibility of each member school involved to provide sufficient factual information about the specific request for the Executive Committee to reach a decision without further investigation. If information is incomplete, contradictory or otherwise unclear or has been received too late to be studied completely, the Executive Committee may deny the request for waiver or delay action. Such requests may be resubmitted to the Executive Committee with additional information at a subsequent meeting or appealed to the full Representative Council.

It is possible that some of the information presented as facts to the Executive Committee by school personnel and others may be inaccurate. However, to avoid constant repetition in this report of phrases such as “it was alleged” or “it was reported,” no attempt is made in the introduction of each waiver request to distinguish between truth, allegation, hearsay, opinion, summary or conclusion. If any information provided to the Executive Committee is inaccurate, any decision of the Executive Committee to grant waiver of a regulation shall be null and void.

The Executive Committee is not authorized to approve waiver based on alleged or actual differences between schools based on “environment,” demographics, curriculum or extracurricular offerings. A determination of undue hardship is a matter addressed to the discretion of the Executive Committee within the educational philosophy and secondary role of voluntary extracurricular competitive athletics in the academic environment. The Executive Committee will avoid making exceptions that would create precedent that effectively changes a rule without Representative Council action or local board of education adoption, which would exceed Executive Committee authority. The contract the MHSAA has with member schools obligates the MHSAA to not change rules during the school year.

Students for whom waiver of a particular regulation is approved must be eligible in all other respects under all sections and interpretations of the regulations prior to their participation.

Adoption of these regulations, as well as policies, procedures and schedules of MHSAA tournaments, is a choice schools make locally when they consider their option of MHSAA membership. Consistent with rulings of the Attorney General and Michigan Supreme Court, schools are not bound by the decisions of the Executive Committee, but the association may limit participation in the post-season tournaments it sponsors to those schools which choose to apply rules and penalties as promulgated by the MHSAA and adopted by each member school’s board of education. The MHSAA exercises no independent authority over schools or students.

Berkley High School (Regulation I, Section 1) – A request to waive the enrollment and current academic credit record portions of the eligibility regulation was made on behalf of an incoming 9<sup>th</sup>-grade student who is a resident of Berkley and temporarily enrolled full time at Eaton Academy in Birmingham to resolve academic difficulties. The student previously attended Berkley Schools from grades K-8. Eaton Academy is a non-MHSAA member school with a limited interscholastic athletic program.

The Executive Committee did not approve the request for waiver.

Brighton and East Lansing High Schools (Regulation I, Section 1[F]) – The Executive Committee approved a cooperative program in boys and girls alpine skiing between these two schools whose combined enrollment of 3,200 students will continue placement of one team in the Division 1 tournament. Brighton sponsored skiing previously and will be the primary school. Eight of ten coaches polled from the Mt. Brighton Interscholastic Ski Association supported the agreement. Support from nine school athletic directors was also received.

Clarkston-Everest Collegiate and Waterford-Our Lady of the Lakes High Schools (Regulation I, Section 1[E]) – The Executive Committee approved the addition of girls golf to a cooperative agreement that exists between these two schools in several sports. The combined enrollment of 243 students will place a team in the 2011-12 Division 4 tournament. Neither school sponsored girls golf previously; Everest Collegiate will be the primary school. Support from the Catholic High School League was submitted.

Midland-Dow and Midland High Schools (Regulation I, Section 1[E]) – The Executive Committee approved a cooperative program in boys and girls lacrosse between these two schools of the same district whose combined enrollment of 3,028 students will place a new team in the Division 1 tournament. Neither school sponsored boys lacrosse previously. Dow will be the primary school. Support from eight future opponents was provided.

Muskegon, Muskegon-Mona Shores and Muskegon-Western Michigan Christian High Schools (Regulation I, Section 1[F]) – The Executive Committee approved the addition of Western Michigan Christian to a boys swimming & diving cooperative agreement between Muskegon and Mona Shores High Schools. Since the breakup of agreements in excess of 3,500 students in 2006, one-half of Muskegon High School's enrollment is placed with Mona Shores, the other half with Reeths-Puffer High School. The combined enrollment for classification purposes of 2,225 students will continue placement of a team in the Division 1 tournament. Signatures and approval from the Muskegon Board of Education were received. Support from the OK Conference was also received.

Utica and Sterling Heights-Utica Ford II High Schools (Regulation I, Section 1[F]) –A request was made to waive the 3,500-student enrollment cap for these two high schools of the same district to sponsor a subvarsity boys lacrosse cooperative program to generate greater interest. There are four high schools in the district that formed and dissolved after three years a start-up boys lacrosse agreement which resulted in both Utica Eisenhower and Sterling Heights-Stevenson High Schools sponsoring their own varsity and junior varsity teams. Because there is some interest at Utica and Utica Ford II High Schools, the district would like to sponsor a subvarsity cooperative program (non-tournament, grades 9-11) which would hopefully lead to more teams in the future. The district will complete the application process if the Executive Committee consents to the request.

The Executive Committee approved the request for a non-varsity program for 9<sup>th</sup> through 11<sup>th</sup> graders for three years or until either school establishes a separate varsity boys lacrosse program, whichever occurs first, at which time the matter will be returned to the Executive Committee's agenda for further evaluation.

Port Huron Northern High School (Regulation I, Sections 4 & 5) – A request was made to waive or interpret the maximum enrollment and competition portions of the eligibility regulation to provide eligibility during 2010-11 on behalf of a 12<sup>th</sup>-grade student who suffered a back injury as a 9<sup>th</sup>-grade USAG Level 8 gymnast which eventually led to neurological and cardiac complications, including blackouts. She returned to gymnastics practice a few weeks after the injury but had poor school attendance that school year, especially during the second semester. The student attended school periodically for 11 days during the 2007-08 school year (10<sup>th</sup> grade) when she received no credits; and the student did not participate in school athletics. In 2008-09 (11<sup>th</sup> grade), the student was in attendance for 18 days and received two credits for work completed mostly at home; and the student again did not participate in school sports. In 2009-10 (12<sup>th</sup> grade), the student participated in diving on the school team and received credits in 14 courses.

The Executive Committee did not approve the request to extend the student's eligibility through a ninth and tenth semester during the 2010-11 school year.

Midland High School (Regulation I, Section 7) – A request to waive the previous academic credit record regulation was made on behalf of a 12<sup>th</sup>-grade student who was diagnosed with an illness in November 2009 and who was under treatment through June 2010. The student passed five classes in the first semester of 2009-10 and did not register for second semester classes due to the medical treatments, except that he completed an online government course in the second semester to replace an incomplete grade from the first semester.

The Executive Committee approved the request for waiver.

Ann Arbor-Greenhills High School (Regulation I, Section 9[B]) – A request to waive the transfer regulation and specifically Interpretation 73 (practicing with another school in August) was made on behalf of a 9<sup>th</sup>-grade student who attended Cranbrook-Kingswood High School for two weeks, practiced with the junior varsity soccer team but did not play in a contest or a scrimmage. The student enrolled at Greenhills on Sept. 21, 2010. The request was for subvarsity eligibility.

The Executive Committee approved the request for waiver at the subvarsity level until Jan. 17, 2011.

Atlanta High School (Regulation I, Section 9) – Because the school's 2010-11 MHSAA Membership Resolution had not been submitted and the request lacked necessary documentation, on Sept. 9, 2010, the Executive Committee tabled a request to waive the transfer regulation made on behalf of an 11<sup>th</sup>-grade student who previously attended Milford High School. The student had been living with her mother who died in April of 2007, when the student moved to the residence of her father and step-mother. The student was evicted from that home on July 18, 2010, and has been residing with a cousin in the Atlanta School District since that date. The school's 2010-11 MHSAA Membership Resolution was received on Sept. 14, 2010. Additional information on the student's situation was submitted.

The Executive Committee approved the request for waiver.

Belding High School (Regulation I, Section 9) – A request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of one 10<sup>th</sup>- and three 12<sup>th</sup>-grade foreign exchange students from a CSIET-listed program (Council for Educational Travel-USA, CETUSA) who began the school year at Greenville-Grattan Academy and attended from four to ten days between Sept. 7-20, 2010. The students originally were intending to attend Belding High School but were not accepted due to an anticipated higher enrollment. Subsequently, it was determined that there was room at Belding. Three students enrolled at Belding High School on Sept. 13, 2010 after four days at Grattan Academy; a fourth student enrolled on Sept. 21, 2010 after ten school days at Grattan Academy. The host families live in the Belding School District.

The Executive Committee approved the request for waiver for each student who did not participate in a scrimmage or contest for Grattan Academy.

Belleville High School (Regulation I, Section 9) – A request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of a 12<sup>th</sup>-grade student who attended Belleville High School since the 9<sup>th</sup> grade except for five days from Sept 7-13, 2010 when the student was enrolled at Inkster High School and did not participate in athletics. The student continues to live in the Belleville School District and reenrolled at Belleville on Sept. 14, 2010.

The Executive Committee approved the request for waiver.

Benzonia-Benzie Central High School (Regulation I, Section 9) – A request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of an 11<sup>th</sup>-grade student whose father has been incarcerated since February 2009 and owns a home in the Benzie Central School District. The student has moved from the residence of his mother in Detroit to the home of an aunt who also lives in the Benzie Central School District. The parents never married and the father is not listed on the birth certificate but has sent social security checks to the student through the student's mother in Detroit. An Educational Transfer Form is in process. The student previously attended Detroit-Central High School before moving into his aunt's home in the Benzie Central School District on Sept. 5, 2010, enrolling at Benzie on Sept 7, 2010. The student has stayed periodically with his father in Benzie over some summer breaks and will live with his father when he is released from prison this winter.

The Executive Committee did not approve the request for waiver.

Big Rapids High School (Regulation I, Section 9) – A request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of an 11<sup>th</sup>-grade student who has changed schools due to a difficult home environment. The student previously attended Newaygo High School and now resides with an uncle in Big Rapids who has been granted physical custody. The student has not previously participated in athletics and enrolled to begin the 2010-11 school year.

The Executive Committee did not approve the request for waiver.

Big Rapids-Crossroads Charter Academy (Regulation I, Section 9) – A request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of an 11<sup>th</sup>-grade student who made a full and complete residential change from Connecticut to Reed City and participated in two soccer games with Reed City before school began. The student registered to enroll at Crossroads on Aug 27, 2010, and attended classes on the first day of school at Crossroads Charter Academy because AP classes could now be arranged through Crossroads Charter.

The Executive Committee did not approve the request for waiver.

Cedarville High School (Regulation I, Section 9) – A request was made to waive or interpret the transfer regulation and specifically Interpretation 85 (foreign student's undergraduate standing) to provide eligibility during 2010-11 on behalf of a 12<sup>th</sup>-grade foreign exchange student from a CSJET program who completed three years of a five-year high school program (HAVO) in the Netherlands before coming to Cedarville as a foreign exchange student. The Netherlands' education system requires another year of secondary schooling after this year to enter its university.

The Executive Committee approved the request for this student's eligibility during the 2010-11 school year.

Concord High School (Regulation I, Section 9) – A request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of an 11<sup>th</sup>-grade student who attended Concord Schools since the 1<sup>st</sup> grade and enrolled at Parma-Western High School for most of the 10<sup>th</sup> grade from October 2009 to June 2010. The student reenrolled at Concord to begin the 2010-11 school year due to conflicts with students at Western High School and the environment of the school. The student did not participate in athletics at Western in the first semester of 2009-10.

The Executive Committee did not approve the request for waiver.

Davison High School (Regulation I, Section 9) – A request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of a 12<sup>th</sup>-grade student who previously attended Flint–Powers Catholic High School for three years before withdrawing to attend Davison for her senior year for financial reasons.

The Executive Committee did not approve the request for waiver.

Fennville High School (Regulation I, Section 9) – A request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of a 12<sup>th</sup>-grade student whose parents are in the military and who attended Fennville Schools from Kindergarten through 5<sup>th</sup> grade and school in Texas from grades 7-11. The father has been serving in the Middle East since June 23, 2010. The mother is currently on military leave of absence. While the father is deployed, the mother and son have moved to Fennville, enrolling the student on Sept. 9, 2010. The family is still in possession of the former home in Texas. There are no other siblings. The student and mother are residing with the grandparents.

The Executive Committee approved the request for waiver.

Flint-Kearsley High School (Regulation I, Section 9) – A request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of an 11<sup>th</sup>-grade student who previously attended Flint-Beecher High School and enrolled at Kearsley High School to begin the 2010-11 school year because her former school did not meet Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) Standards.

The Executive Committee did not approve the request for waiver.

Gibraltar-Carlson High School (Regulation I, Section 9) – A request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of 10<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> grade brothers who previously attended Westland-John Glenn High School and were the victims of multiple assaults targeted specifically at the 12<sup>th</sup>-grade student and his younger brother. The family intends to move to Gibraltar and changed schools for safety reasons. The grandmother resides in Gibraltar.

The Executive Committee approved the request for waiver.

Grosse Pointe Woods-University Liggett High School (Regulation I, Section 9) – A request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of a 10<sup>th</sup>-grade student whose mother died suddenly in November 2009 while the student was enrolled at Grosse Pointe North High School and participated in athletics. Following the loss, the student struggled academically, emotionally and socially.

The Executive Committee approved the request for waiver.

Hamilton High School (Regulation I, Section 9) – A request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of an 11<sup>th</sup>-grade student who was removed from her mother's care by the Department of Human Services in May 2009 and placed in foster care with an aunt and uncle in Wayland. In May of 2010, the student was placed with another family in Allegan and enrolled at Allegan High School. In June 2010, it was determined that the student would move to the residence of the sister of her former Allegan foster parents who resides with her husband in Hamilton. The student enrolled at Hamilton High School to begin the 2010-11 school year. The student's father is not in the student's life.

The Executive Committee approved the request for waiver.

Harper Woods High School (Regulation I, Section 9) – A late request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> grade sisters who previously attended Harper Woods High School and whose mother lost her job, causing the family to relocate to Romulus in April 2010. In September 2010, the family moved back to Harper Woods and the students reenrolled at Harper Woods High School.

The Executive Committee tabled the request for waiver.

Ishpeming-Westwood High School (Regulation I, Section 9 & Regulation V, Section 4[B]) – A request was made on behalf of a 12<sup>th</sup>-grade student to waive the transfer regulation and the requirement of forfeiture for playing an ineligible student. The student did not meet a stated exception to the transfer regulation but participated in four varsity football games (three were victories) prior to the school contacting the MHSAA on Sept. 23, 2010. The student was withheld from the game of Sept. 24 and the school notified opponents verbally and the MHSAA in writing on Sept. 28, 2010.

The student attended Westwood for the 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> grades and Ishpeming High School for the 11<sup>th</sup> grade. He was directed to attend its alternative school for the 2010-11 school year. However, the student reenrolled at Ishpeming-Westwood.

The Executive Committee did not approve the requests for waiver.

Leland High School (Regulation I, Section 9) – A request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of a 10<sup>th</sup>-grade student who attended Leland Schools since the 6<sup>th</sup> grade except for two days, Sept. 7-8, 2010, when the student enrolled at Traverse City West High School and did not participate in athletics. The student reenrolled at Leland on Sept. 9, 2010.

The Executive Committee approved the request for waiver.

Middleton-Fulton High School (Regulation I, Section 9) – A request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of an 11<sup>th</sup>-grade student who attended Perry High School as a 9<sup>th</sup> grader until November of that school year and then attended Fulton High School for the remainder of 9<sup>th</sup> grade and all of 10<sup>th</sup> grade. The student moved to the residence of her mother and enrolled for nine days at Perry High School from Sept. 7-20, 2010. The student then returned to her father's home in Middleton and reenrolled at Fulton High School on Sept. 20, 2010. The student was not involved in athletics at Perry this fall.

The Executive Committee tabled the request for waiver.

Montrose-Hill McCloy High School (Regulation I, Section 9) – A request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of an 11<sup>th</sup>-grade student who attended Montrose Schools his entire career except for two days of enrollment at Flushing High School (Sept. 7-8, 2010). The student registered at Hill McCloy on Sept. 9 and reenrolled on Sept. 10, 2010.

The Executive Committee approved the request for waiver.

New Lothrop High School (Regulation I, Section 9) – A request to waive the transfer regulation and specifically Interpretation 61 (public school of residence) was made on behalf of a 10<sup>th</sup>-grade student who attended New Lothrop for the 9<sup>th</sup> grade while living with his divorced mother in Montrose. Over the summer, the student moved to his father's home in Flushing and enrolled at Flushing High School to begin the 10<sup>th</sup> grade. The student is returning to his mother's home in Montrose and re-enrolling at New Lothrop, his former school but not his school of residence. An Educational Transfer Form is in process.

The Executive Committee approved the request for waiver upon completion of the Educational Transfer Form.

Ubyly High School (Regulation I, Section 9) – A request to waive the transfer regulation and specifically Interpretation 61 (public school of residence) was made on behalf of a 10<sup>th</sup>-grade student who previously attended New Baltimore-Anchor Bay High School for the 9<sup>th</sup> grade and whose family of ten siblings moved from Anchor Bay to Bad Axe over the summer. The student was home schooled until the 9<sup>th</sup> grade and played athletics at Anchor Bay. When the father lost his job, the family made a full and complete residential change to Bad Axe where they already owned a rental property. The father graduated from Ubyly, and the grandparents are longtime Ubyly residents and employees of Ubyly Schools.

The Executive Committee approved the request for waiver.

Wakefield-Marenisco High School (Regulation I, Section 9) – A request was made on behalf of three foreign exchange students (two in 12<sup>th</sup> grade and one in 10<sup>th</sup> grade) to waive the transfer regulation and specifically the requirement that immediate eligibility only be granted to programs which are CSIET listed. The Educational Merit Foundation has been CSIET listed in previous years but has not applied due in part to the cost of listing, and it missed the application deadline for possible listing with CSIET this year.

The Executive Committee did not approve the request for waiver.

Wilson-Nah Tah Wahsh Public School Academy (Regulation I, Section 9) – A request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of a 10<sup>th</sup>-grade student who has been at Nah Tah Wahsh Schools her entire career except for four days when the student enrolled at Gladstone High School Sept. 7-10 and did not participate in athletics. The student reenrolled at Nah Tah Wahsh on Sept. 13, 2010.

The Executive Committee approved the request for waiver.

Wyoming-West Michigan Lutheran High School (Regulation I, Section 9) – A request to waive the transfer regulation and specifically Interpretation 61 (closest nonpublic school) was made on behalf of a 12<sup>th</sup>-grade student who is moving between divorced parents and transferring from East Grand Rapids High School, where he attended grades 9-11 and lived with his mother in Kentwood. The student has moved to the residence of his father in Grand Rapids, enrolling at West Michigan Lutheran on April 10, 2010. Grand Rapids Christian High School is 2.5 miles closer to the father's residence than is West Michigan Lutheran. The student attended a local Lutheran middle school for grades 6-8 which is a feeder of West Michigan Lutheran. An otherwise completed Educational Transfer Form was submitted.

The Executive Committee approved the request for waiver.

Wyoming-West Michigan Lutheran High School (Regulation I, Section 9) – A request to waive the transfer regulation and specifically Interpretation 61 (closest nonpublic school) was made on behalf of a 10<sup>th</sup>-grade foreign exchange student from a CSIET-listed program whose host family is a member of one of six supporting Lutheran churches. Wyoming-Tri unity Christian High School is two miles closer to the host family's residence. It was the original intention of the host family that the student attend West Michigan Lutheran, which is the closest Lutheran high school to their residence.

The Executive Committee approved the request for waiver.

Wyoming-West Michigan Lutheran High School (Regulation I, Section 9) – A request to waive the transfer regulation and specifically Interpretation 61 (closest nonpublic school) was made on behalf of a 12<sup>th</sup>-grade foreign exchange student from a CSIET-listed program whose host family is a member of one of six supporting Lutheran churches and who has two children attending West Michigan Lutheran High School. Wyoming-Tri Unity Christian High School is three and a half miles closer to the host family's residence. It was the original intention of the host family that the student attend West Michigan Lutheran which is the closest Lutheran High School to their residence.

The Executive Committee approved the request for waiver.

Subvarsity Waiver Requests Meeting All Conditions of Section 9(B) – The Executive Committee approved immediate eligibility at the subvarsity level for the following transferring 9<sup>th</sup>- or 10<sup>th</sup>-grade students (after entering 9<sup>th</sup> grade, before completing 10<sup>th</sup> grade) **who have not previously participated in an interscholastic scrimmage or contest in any MHSAA sport at the high school level** (whether MHSAA member schools or not) and who do not qualify for one of the 15 stated exceptions to the transfer regulation and have transferred for reasons having nothing to do with athletics, discipline or family finances and would not require Executive Committee evaluation or comparison of school demographics or curriculum:

Requesting High School	Grade	Former High School	Date of Enrollment	Length of Subvarsity Eligibility Status
Bronson	10	Colon	Fall 2010	Jan. 17, 2011
Clawson	10	Pontiac Academy of Excellence	Fall 2010	Jan. 17, 2011
Gibraltar-Carlson	10	Inkster	Fall 2010	Jan. 17, 2011
Holland	9	Home School	Fall 2010	Jan. 17, 2011
Holly	10	Taylor Truman	Fall 2010	Jan. 17, 2011
Macomb-L'Anse Creuse North	10	Fraser	Fall 2010	Jan. 17, 2011
Mancelona	10	Bellaire	Fall 2010	Jan. 17, 2011
Oxford	10	Romulus	Fall 2010	Jan. 17, 2011
Standish-Sterling	10	Hillcrest-Texas	Fall 2010	Jan. 17, 2011
Sterling Heights	10	Troy International Academy	Fall 2010	Jan. 17, 2011
Vestaburg	10	Mt. Pleasant-Sacred Heart	Fall 2010	Jan. 17, 2011
Warren-Cousino	10	Macomb International Academy	Fall 2010	Jan. 17, 2011

Lapeer West High School (Regulation II, Section 11) – A request to waive the scrimmage regulation is made on behalf of a 10<sup>th</sup>-grade student who will be moving with his divorced father from the Lapeer East attendance area to the Lapeer West attendance area the first week of November. The student will finish the trimester at Lapeer East and then enroll at Lapeer West on Nov. 29, 2010, coinciding with the beginning of the second trimester. Because the student plays basketball, he would like to try out with the Lapeer West basketball team before he begins enrollment.

The Executive Committee did not approve the request for waiver.

Marquette High School (Regulation II, Section 11[H]) – Pursuant to Interpretation 233, a request to waive the three/four-player rule for the 2010-11 school year was made on behalf the head boys and girls swimming & diving coach and an assistant who also coach the YMCA Marquette County Swim Team. The program is open to students ages 6-adult and will have approximately 140 participants, including students of various ages from ten different school districts. It is estimated that 15 of the participants are Marquette High School swim team members. The head coach works part time for the YMCA program, in addition to other part-time positions in other jobs. The assistant coach is retired, and her YMCA position is also part time.

The Executive Committee did not approve the request for waiver.

Reese High School (Regulation II, Section 11[H]) – Pursuant to Interpretation 233, a request to waive the three/four-player rule for the 2010-11 school year was made on behalf of the boys and girls bowling coach who is paid by the local bowling center as coordinator of a youth bowling program which runs from October to December. The coach is employed full time with a neighboring school. The program is open to students ages 8-18 and will have approximately 30 participants from six neighboring school districts including Reese (Vassar, Akron–Fairgrove, Buena Vista, Frankenmuth and Caro). It is estimated that 11 of the participants are Reese students in grades 7-12.

The Executive Committee did not approve the request for waiver.

Regulation III, Section 1(C) – Pursuant to 2010-11 *Handbook* Interpretation 258, waiver of the enrollment regulation was approved for the following junior high/middle schools to permit 6<sup>th</sup>-grade students to participate with and against 7<sup>th</sup> and/or 8<sup>th</sup> graders for the sports listed in the 2010-11 school year only.

<b>Junior High/ Middle School</b>	<b>Sport(s)</b>	<b>High School Enrollment</b>	<b>Middle School Enrollment</b>
Lake Leelanau- St. Mary	boys & girls basketball	68	15 7th graders 16 8th graders
Watervliet-Grace Christian	girls volleyball, boys & girls basketball, boys & girls soccer	66	28 7th & 8th graders

Holland Christian and Zeeland Christian Middle Schools (Regulation III, Section 1[D]) – The Executive Committee approved the addition of girls tennis to a cooperative agreement which has existed in football, competitive cheer, boys tennis, boys and girls cross country and boys and girls swimming & diving since 2003. Holland Christian will be the primary school.

Colon Middle School (Regulation III, Section 7) – A request to waive the previous academic credit record regulation was made on behalf of a 7<sup>th</sup>-grade student who is repeating the 7<sup>th</sup> grade due to academic deficiencies brought on by a diagnosed disorder which prevented the student from attending school. The student is undergoing counseling and medication.

The Executive Committee approved the request for waiver.

Next Meetings – The next meetings of the Executive Committee are scheduled for Wednesday, Nov. 3, 2010, at 8:30 a.m. in East Lansing; Wednesday, Dec. 8, 2010, at 1:30 p.m. in East Lansing (with Representative Council meeting Dec. 9); Wednesday, Jan. 12, 2011, at 8:30 a.m. in East Lansing; Wednesday, Feb. 23, 2011 at 8:30 a.m. in East Lansing; and Thursday, March 24, 2011, at 1:30 p.m. in East Lansing (with Representative Council meeting March 25).