

MICHIGAN HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION, INC.
SWIMMING COMMITTEE MEETING
February 10, 2015

Members Present:

Karl Dahlke, Elsie
John Du Bois, Plainwell
Ben Farkas, Holland
Maureen Isaac, Ann Arbor
Nicole Norris, Corunna
John Roberts, Adrian
Rick Schmidt, Holt
Corey VanFleet, Manistee

Marc VanSoest, Zeeland
David Zulkiewski, Bloomfield Hills
Shawn Kornoelje Oakland Univ. (advisory)

Members Absent:

John Norton, Bridgman
Amy Wey, St Clair Shores

The MHSAA Swimming and Diving Committee met on February 10, 2015 at the MHSAA office. The Committee was reminded of its responsibility and of the process for rule changes. The following action was taken.

Requests for MHSAA

1. Create a school abbreviation list for swim entries, with a maximum of 5 characters. (for Hy-Tek). Maintain and update the list as schools drop/add sponsorship and form/dissolve a coop.
2. Clarify that at each Final site, a 5-minute break will happen each day after the 200 M.R.
3. Continue the interpretation on GoPro that a GoPro cannot be used at the finish end of the pool during a meet and this includes – “during warm-up prior to the meet”.
4. Starting platforms with a wedge – The NFHS Swim Rule Book allows any participant to use a platform with a wedge. Therefore if a Final site has such equipment, the wedge may be used (or the swimmer could pull the wedge back) and the platform would be a standard starting platform. The key is to be pro-active and educate your swimmers on how to use or how to adjust the wedge.
5. Look for opportunities to recruit former swimmers and divers to be swim referees. There is a sentiment that former swimmers are hesitant about diving so create dive clinics across the state to help educate current and potential officials.
6. Allow TIVO to be used during competition as long as the “clip” is viewed after the dive and score and each participating athlete given access.

Comments on NFHS Swim Proposals

1. Support the proposal submitted to the NFHS to eliminate the jewelry rule for swimming and diving.
2. Do not support the proposal to eliminate the penalty when a swimmer does not show up for an event (during a championship meet) unless they follow the procedure outlined in the body of the rule.

Discussions Items – No Action

1. Mandate all Regional Dive Meets begin at 5pm. (with first bounce for warm-up at 3pm)
2. Concern about privacy with sport physicals.
3. Website Concerns – the location of entry materials is not on the swim page; users have to click on ‘participating schools’ to find Final meet information.

Regional Dive Sites for 2015-16

Division 1
R1 - AA Pioneer
R2 – L’Anse Creuse North
R3 – East Kentwood

Division 2
R4 – Groves
R5 – Fenton
R6 – Forest Hills Central

Division 3
R7 – Cranbrook
R8 – DeWitt
R9 – East GR

Projected Final Sites for 2015-16

Division 1- Holland Aquatics

Division 2 –Oakland University

Division 3 – EMU

No Recommendations to the Representative Council