

MICHIGAN HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION, INC.

REPRESENTATIVE COUNCIL MEETING

Video Conference Meeting, August 14, 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 Steve Newkirk, supported by Karen Leinaar, to approve the minutes of the Representative Council meeting of Aug. 5, 2020. Adopted.

ONGOING BUSINESS

COVID-19 Update – The Council discussed the following:

- Athletic director survey data.
- Status of bordering states/college sports impact.
- Fall sports proposal and plan for Aug. 14-19.
- Continued football phase-in plan.
- Status of indoor facilities in Phase 4 areas and volleyball/swimming.
- Soccer.
- Cross country, golf and tennis.
- Communication plan.

Staff presented options to the Council that consisted of a continued “phase-in” approach to football with updated timelines for padded practices and games, along with timelines for competition for other fall sports. Discussion took place on these options along with the most recently received information from state government and health department officials. Results from the survey of athletic directors were shared and discussed as well.

Motion by Jason Mensing, supported by Kris Isom, to proceed with the “Continued Phase-In Approach to Football” with tentative timelines for competition for all fall sports including football. Defeated.

Motion by John Thompson, supported by Steve Newkirk, to postpone football to the spring of 2021 and move forward with all other fall sports with decisions on competition in soccer, swimming and volleyball by Aug. 20. Adopted.

Future Meeting – The next meeting of the Representative Council is scheduled for Wednesday, Aug. 19, 2020.