

Missouri State High School Activities Association

Officials Advisory Meeting

March 29, 2017

MSHSAA Office
10:00 AM

HISTORY OF ADVISORY COMMITTEES

The MSHSAA Board of Directors in the late 1950's was concerned with comments from coaches, music and speech directors indicating they had little voice in the administration and regulations of the respective activities they directed in their schools. To address this issue, the Board was to appoint advisory committees for music and speech to assist the executive director and Board of Directors in planning and administering the various activities.

The MSHSAA Constitution, after a vote of the member schools, included provisions for music and speech advisory committees. However, specific procedures for implementing the committee recommendations were not addressed. In 1959 the Music Advisory Committee was the first to become active and met with the executive director to review the regulations applied to music festivals and to make recommendations to the Board via the executive director for improvements in the program.

Shortly after the Music Advisory Committee became active the Speech Advisory Committee followed suit. The first significant recommendation was to include all speech activities, rather than debate only, under the jurisdiction of the MSHSAA.

The hard work and promising recommendations made by these two advisory committees prompted the Board of Directors to establish similar advisory committees in each activity under the MSHSAA jurisdiction. As new activities have been added or expanded, advisory committees have continued to be developed to meet this growth.

PURPOSE OF ADVISORY COMMITTEES

The advisory committees serve to provide increased communication from the "grass roots" level between the MSHSAA member schools and the MSHSAA Board of Directors. The committees shall act in an advisory capacity with the MSHSAA Board of Directors reserving the right to accept, reject or amend committee recommendations.

AGENDA

I. Old Business

Welcome – Introductions

New Members:

- A. Financial and Contact Information
- C. Role of Advisory Committees
- D. Approval of minutes for March 23, 2016 Meeting
- E. Officials Manual – Seifert

II. New Business

A. Basketball:

1. Basketball Mechanics– use 2 hands to indicate foul (Raashad Thompkins)
2. Reformatting assignments for district basketball officials (Don Lawrence)
3. Uniform infractions and enforcement of the rule (Rick Schmidli)
4. Go opposite the table after reporting a foul (Tim Harmon)
5. Block/Charge Circle out in front of the basket. Eliminate a “gray” area on what to call if a player is under the basket trying to draw a charge (Tim Harmon)
6. Do not allow coaches to call timeout during a live ball. Ball is loose and every coach yells timeout – leads to confusion on officials part. (Tim Harmon)
7. Remove the seat belt rule after a technical foul on a coach. Let coaches continue to do their job without officials worrying if they are standing. (Tim Harmon)
8. Extend the coaches box from the 28 feet mark to the baseline. (Tim Harmon)
9. Make it mandatory that each district utilize 3 officials in every game starting at the district semifinal games and forward. (Jamie Dunn)
10. Consider only allowing each official to work one game per night, instead of two, starting at the district semifinal games and forward. (Jamie Dunn)
11. Eliminate the requirement to report all unsporting technical fouls. Only report technical fouls that would result in an ejection of a player or a coach. The special report option would be available to report behavior or situations that needed to be addressed if the official deemed necessary, i.e. (fan behavior, lack of game administration, etc.) (Jamie Dunn)
12. Since we’ve started implementing illegal contact on the ball handler/dribbler. I wish we had an “arm bar” mechanic. (Jamie Dunn)

B. Softball and Baseball:

1. Umpire uniforms for high school baseball be changed from navy blue to black. (Larry Donovan)

C. Football:

1. Arrive at game site 1 hour before game time vs. 1-1/2 hours before. (Tim Harmon)

D. Volleyball:

1. Use of black short by officials (Seifert)
Submitted by David Arthur (VB Official) – Working in heat for long periods of time

E. General:

1. Appealing of Ejections: Forwarded from April-2016 MSHSAA Board Meeting. See letter of request from Penney High School. (Seifert)
2. Officials Evaluations/Ratings: See information (Seifert)
3. Prohibit posting on social media by players, coaches or school personnel prior to games. (Larry Donovan)
4. Arbiter pay and arbiter (Mark Mundell)
5. Game Day on-site official's hosting recommendations (Kelly Martin)
6. Using Jamborees as Mechanics Clinics for that specific sport (Rick Schmidli)

F. Open Agenda

G. Closing

**-Outgoing Members: Larry Donovan (St. Louis), Rick Schmidli (Central)
Jamie Dunn At Large (Southwest) Raashad Thompkins At Large Northeast**

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