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January 19, 2022

TO: MHS A MEMBER SCHOOLS
FROM: MARK BECKMAN, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
RE: EXECUTIVE BOARD ACTION

On Saturday, January 15th, and again on Monday, January 17th the MHSA Executive Board conducted its regularly scheduled meeting. Following is a synopsis of the major items:

- The Executive Board reviewed fall sports post season financial reports
- The 2021-2022 Class B-C State Tennis Tournament was awarded to Bozeman
- The 2022-2023 State Cross Country Meet was awarded to Missoula
- The Board approved a revised COVID Return to Play Form aligning with the current CDC guidelines - [COVID Return to Play](#)

Final action was taken on the following items from their November meeting after two-week notice:

- Volleyball – a) Bench Rotation – No switching sides; b) Warm-ups Sub Varsity – 15 minutes
- Wrestling – a) Weigh-ins night before – regular season tournaments; b) Bracket switch
- Swimming - a) Guidelines for state meet
- Golf - a) Schools provide two markers – post season events; b) Spectators – six years old and above – post season events
- Track and Field -a) Starting heights adjusted Monday after divisional; b) Relay cards

Final action was taken on the following realignment items from previous meetings:

- [Six Player Football Placement & Alignment Link](#)
- [Eight-Player Football Placement & Alignment Link](#)
- [Class B Football Realignment Link](#)
- [Class B-C Tennis Realignment – Revised Proposal from the November approval Link](#)
- [Class C Southern Division Realignment – Basketball and Track and Field Link](#)

Other items for your information

MHSA Annual Meeting

Proposals

The 2022 Annual Meeting was conducted in Butte on January 17, 2021. The proposals approved by the membership at that time were:

Effective in 2022-2023 MHSA Eligibility By-Laws were amended to allow eighth grade participation at the school's discretion for all MHSA sanctioned sports except football.

Effective in 2022-2023, the membership approved a 35 second shot clock for girls' and boys' basketball.

Effective in 2022-2023, the penalty for a school found guilty of recruiting was amended.

Effective in 2022-2023, the basketball profit distribution for Class A, Class B and Class C was amended.

Effective in 2022-2023, the membership approved adding baseball as an MHSA sanctioned sport.

Awards

The following awards were presented at the 2022 Annual Meeting:

NFHS State Music Award

Kim Lorengo Anaconda High School

Mildred Adams Award

Janet Swanson, Scorekeeper for Belfry and Forsyth High Schools

MHSA Service Citations

Larry Cady, Activities Director, St. Labre Catholic High School

Larry Crowder, Superintendent, Culbertson Public Schools

Dan Sturdevant, Activities Director, Jefferson High School

James C. Haugen Meritorious Service Award

Pat Lynch, Activities Director, Manhattan High School

Dinny Bennett, Superintendent, Forsyth Public Schools

If there are any questions, please feel free to contact the MHSA office.