

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD
OF THE MONTANA HIGH SCHOOL ASSOCIATION**

MHSA Office Building
April 20-21, 2026

ATTENDANCE

Krystal Zentner, Bridger
John Fitzgerald, Red Lodge
Kara Triplett, Lambert
Dan Mills, Bozeman
Travis Blome, Hamilton
Dustin Gordon, Fairfield
Jimmy Patelis Billings
Joe McElroy, Missoula
Dee Pretty On Top, Lodge Grass
Brian Michelotti, Helena
Kip Ryan, Helena
Scott Wilson, Helena
Greta Buehler, Helena
Jenise Cockhill, Helena
Amy Bartels, Helena
Ryan Richards, Helena

Delegations

Abby Snipes, Kalispell
Grady Bennett, Kalispell
Matt Porrovecchio, Bigfork
Tom Stack, Bigfork via Zoom
Tony Biesot, Darby
Sarah Griffin, Darby
Dakota Norris, Anaconda
Erik Wilkerson, Boulder
Mike Moodry, Boulder
Sarah Layng, Boulder
Mitch Ward, Park City
Levi Collins, Cascade
Tyler Pollock, Cascade
Jacob Bosley, Arlee via Zoom
Nate McCarthy, Helena
Kady Bartsch, Helena

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Fitzgerald at 8:31 a.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

REVISIONS/ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Mr. Fitzgerald stated that we need to appoint a Class A representative. Ms. Zentner made a motion to appoint Mr. Blome to the Executive Board. Mr. Patelis seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously. Mr. Fitzgerald welcomed Mr. Blome to the Executive Board. Mr. Michelotti stated nothing new was added to the revised agenda that was not already printed and/or sent out electronically to the Executive Board and MHSA Staff.

PUBLIC INPUT STATEMENT

Mr. Fitzgerald read the public input statement to the delegation. There were no public comments.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. Patelis motioned to approve the regular meeting minutes for January 17, 2026 and the Annual Meeting minutes for January 19, 2026. Mr. McElroy seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

DELEGATIONS/APPEALS

FORMAL PROTEST OF GLACIER HIGH SCHOOL – BIGFORK HIGH SCHOOL

Mr. Wilson introduced Mr. Porrovecchio, Ms. Snipes, Mr. Bennett to the Executive Board in person and Mr. Stack via Zoom. The MHSA Executive Board introduced themselves to the delegation. Mr. Fitzgerald summarized the formal complaint as a violation of Article II, Section 17.1 (Recruiting Prohibited) from the MHSA Handbook by Glacier High School. Mr. Fitzgerald informed the delegation to please refrain from mentioning student names in this hearing. Mr. Porrovecchio voiced concerns about cross district communications that can be characterized as recruiting not only by Glacier but around the state. He furthered that in this instance the student was currently enrolled in Bigfork High School when communications with Glacier High School football coaching staff began. Mr. Stack lamented that this is an ongoing issue in the state with larger schools recruiting players from smaller communities. Ms. Snipes explained that in this case, all communications were initiated by the student. She furthered that the student had already made the decision to transfer to Glacier High School for academic reasons and had been communicating with counseling staff at Glacier High School at the time communications with the coach ensued. Mr. Bennett stated that he has been historically accused of recruiting, which has made him careful to act in a way that cannot be construed as recruiting. He contends that he has not recruited any players and in fact, Glacier High School has lost students to other programs as well. Mr. Fitzgerald read the Article and Section in question before opening to the Executive Board for questions. The Executive Board asked multiple questions and all parties discussed the details of the case. Mr. McElroy motioned to find Glacier High School in violation of Article II, Section 17.1 of the MHSA Handbook; Mr. Patelis seconded the motion and after a roll call vote, it passed unanimously. In accordance with Article II, Section 17.3, Ms. Triplett made a motion to assess a regularly scheduled 2-game suspension of varsity contests and a private reprimand which includes a fine of \$100.00. Ms. Zentner seconded this motion. Before voting, Mr. Mills brought forth an amendment to include a private reprimand with \$100.00 fine and no varsity contest suspension. Then amendment failed with a vote of 6-2. The original motion passed with a vote of 6-2. Mr. Bennett will be assessed a 2-game suspension of the regularly scheduled varsity contests and Glacier High School will be issued a private reprimand which includes \$100.00 fine.

RECLASSIFICATION APPEALS

Darby High School

Ms. Buehler introduced Mr. Biesot and Ms. Griffin to the Executive Board. The MHSA Executive Board introduced themselves to the delegation. Mr. Biesot presented information about projected enrollment, and the effects of the Harmony program and an extended IEP eligibility student has on that enrollment. He furthered with statistics and details regarding competition in basketball and volleyball. Mr. McElroy made a motion to keep Darby High School in Class B. Mr. Patelis seconded, and after a roll call vote, the motion passed and Darby High School will remain in Class B.

Anaconda High School

Mr. Wilson introduced Mr. Norris to the Executive Board. Mr. Norris explained that Anaconda has a significant dropout rate due to the Discovery House. Additionally, they have transient students from Warm Springs. These numbers affect their enrollment numbers. He also addressed the successful relationships that come from continuity of remaining in Class B. Mr. McElroy made a motion to keep Anaconda High School in Class A as the reclassification process dictates. Mr. Patelis seconded, and after

a roll call vote, the motion passed and Anaconda High School will move to Class A beginning with the 2027-28 academic year.

Jefferson High School

Ms. Buehler introduced Mr. Wilkerson, Mr. Moodry and Ms. Layng to the Executive Board. Mr. Moodry appealed to the Board to remain in Class B. He explained where the enrollment numbers come from and that they expect their numbers to decline with the completion of the new Helena High School as they have quite a few Montana City students that have historically enrolled at Helena High. Ms. Layng spoke about the competitive history and predicted competitiveness regarding predicted enrollments. Mr. Blome made a motion for Jefferson High School to move up to Class A. Ms. Triplett seconded, and after a roll call vote, the motion passed and Jefferson High School will move to Class A beginning with the 2027-28 school year.

Park City High School

Mr. Wilson introduced Mr. Ward to the Executive Board. The MHSA Executive Board introduced themselves to the delegation. Mr. Ward appealed to the Executive Board to stay in Class C citing open enrollment laws that have an undulating effect on their enrollment numbers. He furthered that the consistent movement between Class C and Class B has a negative effect on the athletes and coaches as they prepare for competition. In addition, he states the facilities cannot safely accommodate the spectator numbers that come with Class B participation. Mr. McElroy made a motion for Park City High School to move to Class B. Mr. Blome seconded, and after a roll call vote, the motion passed and Park City High School will move to Class B beginning with the 2027-28 school year.

Cascade High School

Ms. Buehler introduced Mr. Collins and Mr. Pollack to the Executive Board. Mr. Pollack appealed to the Executive Board to stay in Class C. He spoke to projected enrollment and stated that competitively they are a fit for Class C. He also explained that moving back and forth from Class B to C in past years has affected their participation rates. Additionally, they have a lot of coaching and administrative turnover that has hurt their participation. There has been a positive change with more stability in these positions, and they are seeing increased participation. Mr. Collins states that projected enrollment would have them going in the direction of moving up but feel they are not quite there yet. Mr. McElroy made a motion for Cascade High School to move to Class B. Mr. Pretty On Top seconded, and after a roll call vote, the motion passed unanimously and Cascade High School will move to Class B beginning with the 2027-28 school year.

OTHER DELEGATIONS

Annual Audit Report

Ms. Buehler introduced Mr. McCarthy and Ms. Bartsch of WipFli Advisory, LLC to the Executive Board. The MHSA Executive Board introduced themselves to the delegation. Mr. McCarthy summarized how the audit procedure went and went into some detail about the new accounting method. He furthered that the Association is in good financial standing with good accounting practices. A motion was made by Mr. Blome to approve the audit report for fiscal year 2024-25. Mr. Mills seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

District Realignment – Arlee High School

Mr. Wilson introduced Mr. Bosley to the Board via Zoom. The MHSA Executive Board introduced themselves to the delegation. Mr. Bosley stated that considering the reclassification of Anaconda and Darby, that it does not make sense to proceed with his previous request to redistrict Arlee High School.

REQUESTS

8-Player Football Bracket

Mr. Wilson reported that 8-Player football has voted in favor to change their bracket rotation beginning with the 2026-27 academic year through 2029-30. Ms. Zentner made a motion to approve the bracket implementation, Ms. Triplett seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

June Board Meeting Change

Mr. Michelotti proposed moving the scheduled Executive Board Conference Call from June 18, 2026, to June 23, 2026. Mr. Mills made a motion to approve the conference call date change, Mr. Patelis seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

Wrestling Coop Dissolution

Mr. Michelotti presented materials from Three Forks requesting their cooperative sponsorship with Ennis be allowed to dissolve. Three Forks and Ennis both would be placed in the Western division of B/C wrestling. Mr. Patelis made a motion to approve the coop dissolution. Mr. Blome seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

Baseball Handbook Change

Mr. Wilson proposed a handbook change to reflect that state baseball tournament is a single elimination tournament with a consolation bracket. Mr. Patelis made a motion to approve the handbook change as proposed; Mr. McElroy seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

B/C Tennis Alignment

Ms. Buehler proposed B/C tennis realignment to accommodate schools that have both boys' and girls' tennis so that both of those teams are in the same division. The proposed realignment makes for equitable distribution of boys' and girls' teams per division. Ms. Triplett made a motion to approve the alignment changes; Mr. Patelis seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

Class C – Southern Division Handbook Change

Mr. Ryan explained that the handbooks needs to be corrected to show that there are now two districts rather than three for the Southern C Division in Track and Field. Ms. Zentner made a motion to approve the handbook change as written. Ms. Triplett seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

MHSA Handbook Language Regarding Catastrophic Insurance

Mr. Michelotti explained that the MHSA Handbook currently reads that the lifetime benefit maximum for catastrophic insurance claims is two million. This was changed by Mr. Beckman some time ago and the handbook needs to reflect the change of lifetime maximum coverage to one million dollars per catastrophic claim. Mr. Patelis made a motion to approve the handbook change to one million. Mr. Blome seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

MHSA Wrestling Committee

Handbook Changes

Mr. Wilson explained the changes proposed for the handbook regarding the +2-pound weight allowance. The committee proposed changing the time frame to eliminate Wednesday and allowing it only to happen in December, never exceeding +3 pounds. Ms. Zentner made a motion to approve the handbook change to the weight allowance. Mr. Blome seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Wilson also explained there is a proposal to add handbook language for the night before weigh-ins that allows for less waiting time for the athletes. Mr. Patelis made a motion to approve the handbook change to the weigh-in procedure. Mr. Pretty On Top seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Wilson stated that there is also a proposed handbook change regarding weight certifications prior to leaving for Christmas break. The change allows the athlete to certify his/her weight on or before the 3rd

Wednesday of December with a WR1 form. Mr. Blome made a motion to approve the handbook change to the weight certification. Mr. Patelis seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

Girls Wrestling

Mr. Wilson explained that the committee proposed changing the girls' bracket to a 16-person bracket. They would keep the 6 divisional/seeding tournaments, and the state wrestling tournament schedule would be finalized later. The committee will work towards a 3-year plan with a goal to move girls' wrestling to three classifications (AA, A and B/C). Mr. McElroy made a motion to approve the proposed changes for girls' wrestling. Mr. Patelis seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

Boys' Wrestling Weight Classes

Mr. Wilson reported on a survey that was sent out to the membership regarding a possible change to National Federation weight classes for boys' wrestling. It was nearly half split in keeping the current weight classes versus following National Federation weight classes. Lengthy discussion was had about the pros and cons of each. Mr. Patelis made a motion to adopt the National Federation weight classifications for the 2026-27 academic year. Mr. Mills seconded, and the motion passed with one dissenting vote.

Wrestling Match Limitation

Mr. Wilson reported on survey results to remove the 50-match limit. He also shared data from surrounding states as well as states within our NFHS Section 7 and 8. Comparatively, Montana already allows more matches and more tournaments than the other states. Mr. McElroy made a motion to increase the match limit to 55. Mr. Mills seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

MHSA Speech Committee

Ms. Bartels explained that the committee is looking to add another member. They will come back in August with a final recommendation. She further explained that they are proposing a handbook change to allow top 8 placement in the Southern, Northern and Eastern divisions for the Class B/C postseason. Ms. Triplett made a motion to approve the MFEA Handbook as revised, Mr. McElroy seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

Sports Medicine Advisory Committee Timeout Proposal

Ms. Buehler reported that the NFHS suggests that a medical timeout happens prior to competition. The medical timeout will be a quick 30-60 second meeting with coaches, officials, trainers and game administrators to summarize where the AED is and where to find the administrator and medical personnel for medical emergencies as well as any spectator control issues. Butte and Missoula did a pilot program for it, and the officials had positive feedback. The committee is proposing that the medical timeout become mandatory for regular season competitions as well as one time at the beginning of a tournament. Mr. Pretty On Top made a motion to approve the adoption of the medical timeout rule. Mr. Mills seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

Coaches Education Requirements

Ms. Buehler explained that last year it was decided by the Executive Board that a different course be offered and rotated every year for coaches' education. The Sports Medicine Advisory Committee is proposing the mandate of adding the NFHS Learn Coaching Mental Wellness Course. Ms. Triplett made a motion to approve the adoption of the NFHS Mental Health Course as the additional requirement for coaches' education for the 2026-27 academic year. Ms. Zentner seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

Master Basketball Schedule Sunset

Ms. Buehler stated the challenges, as well as the benefits of the Master Basketball schedule. Mr. Blome made a motion for each classification to form a committee and create their own Master Basketball

schedules, beginning with the 2027-28 schedule. Mr. McElroy seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

FINANCES

Mr. Michelotti discussed the bills paid January 1 – March 31, 2026. Mr. Patelis motioned to approve the bills paid. Mr. Mills seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Michelotti reviewed the financial statement as of March 31, 2026. Ms. Zentner motioned to approve the financial statement. Mr. Patelis seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

GENERAL OFFICE REPORT

Mr. Michelotti summarized the insurance overview for the MHSA office. Mr. Michelotti updated the Executive Board on recent and upcoming events and sportsmanship issues within the membership. NFHS viewership, Arbiter and technology were also discussed. Other topics discussed were late bills and credits coming up for the construction of the building, as well as potentially utilizing only electronic rules books with the Montana Officials Association.

POSTSEASON FINANCES

Ms. Buehler discussed the basketball financial summary. Mr. Wilson reported on the state wrestling financial summary. Mr. Ryan reported on the state swimming financial summary. Mr. Ryan also summarized the Annual Meeting financial report. Mr. Wilson reported on the revenue shares received from the NFHS Network and how they will be distributed. Mr. Michelotti explained the revenue shares from GoFan ticketing, and that it is typically a small amount that fluctuates from spring to fall every year. He proposed that this amount be utilized to offset the costs of the AD Mentor program. Mr. Patelis made a motion to apply the GoFan ticketing revenue shares to the cost of the AD mentor Program moving forward. Mr. Mills seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

OFFICE ACTION

The Board reviewed waivers of the transfer rule and the violations and fines and fees summaries. There were no waivers for the age rule. There have been no additional academic appeals for this school year since our last Executive Board meeting.

RECESS

The meeting was recessed at 2:45 pm on April 20, 2026.

MEETING RECONVENES

At 8:09 am on April 21, 2026, the meeting reconvened.

LEGAL

Mr. Michelotti explained the legal expenses thus far for this year, with some outstanding action on an old appeal. Mr. Michelotti also shared what he learned at the NFHS Legal Meeting in Indianapolis earlier this month.

REPORTS

State Speech and Drama Meet

Ms. Bartels reported that it all went very well at the Class AA and B-C events. Ms. Bartels stated that although she was not present at the Class A event, it was reported to her that it went well.

State All-Class Wrestling Tournament

Mr. Fitzgerald reported that it went well and it was exciting to see the girl's success. Mr. Wilson reported on the damage done to a locker room by wrestler(s) for which the MHSA was held liable. The MetraPark

has stated that if this type of damage happens again, they will shut down the locker rooms for the student-athletes use at future tournaments.

State Swim Meet

Mr. Ryan stated that there was a record high number of administrators present at this year's event. The swimmers were excited about this. There are some changes that will be happening in the sport regarding the current Rules Interpreter potentially stepping away as well as some significant coaching changes.

State Basketball Tournaments

Mr. Mills reported on the AA tournament in Billings stating that he attended Saturday and commended Ms. Buehler on running the tournament. Ms. Buehler reported that Mr. Mark Sulser provided a lot of support in conjunction with the Billings School District staff. Ms. Bartels reported on the Class A tournament in Great Falls. She commented on lower-than-expected attendance, possibly due to weather. Mr. Fitzgerald reported on the Class B tournament in Bozeman, and he commended Montana State University and Mr. Chris Hayden in the way that they continue to manage that facility. Mr. Ryan echoed the sentiments of Mr. Fitzgerald and added that there were minimal issues except for fans saving seats with blankets. Mr. McElroy reported on Class C in Missoula commending Mr. Wilson on a well-run tournament. Mr. Wilson furthered that there were a small number of fan issues but nothing out of the ordinary.

Ejections

Ms. Bartels reported we have had 63 ejections thus far this year with 27 of those being spectators, 32 being students and 4 being coaches. The total number of fans ejected reflects the new spectator policy.

Spring Sports Rules Clinics

Mr. Michelotti reported there are still some reporting issues to be worked out with Arbiter regarding coaches compliance and it is a work in progress.

AIM Higher

Mr. Wilson presented the dates for the upcoming year's AIM Higher events that will be held in Kalispell, Missoula, Butte, Great Falls and Billings. Sidney was added into the rotation again this year and will be in every other year rotation. A mental health component has been added into the program that is presented to the students.

2026-27 Bids for State Events

Mr. Fitzgerald presented the bids received and those still left open for the 2026-27 academic year. He read the list of recommended sites and those remaining open. All empty slots have been filled except for State Class A-B Baseball, which will be filled as soon as possible. Mr. Patelis made a motion to approve all listed sites for the 2026-27 year. Ms. Zentner seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

2027-28 Bids for State Events

Mr. Fitzgerald presented the recommendations from the Bid Subcommittee for 2027-28 State events. Mr. McElroy motioned to request a status report from the Butte Civic Center regarding other events and their efforts to utilize better ticket control. Mr. Patelis seconded, and the motion passed unanimously. Mr. Pretty On Top motioned to approve the Bid Subcommittee's recommendations for 2027-28 state events. Ms. Triplett seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Annual Meeting Placement

Mr. Wilson reviewed the bids for the Annual Meeting for 2028 and for 2029. He summarized the bids that have come in. He recommended that the Annual Meeting be placed in Helena in 2028-29 due to legislative schedules and in Billings for the 2029-30 year. Ms. Zentner motioned to approve the Helena Delta Hotel

as the site for the 2028 MHSA Annual Meeting and the Billings Hotel and Convention Center as the site for the 2029 MHSA Annual Meeting. Mr. Patelis seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

Audit Report

Mr. Michelotti introduced Mr. McCarthy and Ms. Bartsch from Wipfli Advisory, LLC. Mr. McCarthy presented the findings to the Executive Board for the fiscal year 2024-25 and that the switch to a more efficient accounting method has worked well. He also summarized that the association is in a good position financially. Mr. Blome motioned to approve the audit report. Mr. Mills seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

MTATA Award

Mr. Michelotti reported that the MHSA has received the Montana Athletic Trainers Association State Recognition Award this year. This award recognizes individuals or organizations, who have made and/or are making a significant contribution of their time and energy to the state-wide membership of the MTATA.

Student Advisory Council Report

Ms. Bartels reported that they are continuing the application process for new student representatives. The current council is working on social media, radio and NFHS public service announcements for MHSA regular season and postseason events.

AD Mentor Program Report

Mr. Ryan reported that they have met as a group several times and have come up with a program to provide to new Athletic Directors. There are roughly 60 slides in the presentation with a lot of information. Mr. Wilson summarized the information and the proposed direction of the program. After significant discussion, Mr. Patelis motioned for a mandated introductory presentation for first year Athletic Directors available in the summer months at caucus meetings and/or the MCA coaches meeting. The last portion of this presentation will be an offer to opt in to the Mentor Program at a cost of \$200.00 for the upcoming school year. Ms. Zentner seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously. Finite details will be worked out later.

Corporate Sponsor Report

Mr. Richards summarized the total corporate sponsors, and he reported on a couple proposals that are out with potential new sponsors. Additionally, he is working through some renewals with our major sponsors.

Club/Academy Coaching Interpretation

Ms. Buehler explained the challenges that have arisen from Academy and Club coaches that may also be a high school coach, thus potentially violating coaching rules. Mr. McElroy made a motion to put an interpretation into place that people that coach at an Academy, Club or Coaching Business and have access to high school athletes cannot coach a high school team. Mr. Patelis seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

MHSA STANDING COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS

Staff Recommendations

Mr. Ryan reported on current committees and the need for appointees in some areas.

Coaching In Season and Out of Season Committee

Mr. Michelotti summarized the work that this committee has done. He outlined the initial goals of the committee and the subsequent discussions at past meetings. The proposals from this committee are as follows: 1) Allowing high school coaches up to 3-4 total hours per week for Organized Team Activities (OTA) outside of their sports defined season. OTA is defined as 'any time a coach is present with student

athletes in an organized setting' and examples may include but are not limited to open gym/field, skill sessions, film sessions, chalk talks or any other organized team activity involving a coach. Hour limits would apply per program, not per individual coach; 2) Not changing current summer coaching rules and June and July would continue to allow full team coaching opportunities; 3) Dead periods when out of season coaches may not conduct OTA with teams or athletes in that sport. These dead period dates would be August 12 through the start of fall sports for all programs, and from the first day of practice through 2-3 weeks into a season for out of season coaches; 4) Students in active postseason participation cannot participate in OTA of another sport; 5) All OTA is voluntary and not mandatory. No recommendations currently for individual sports. After discussion, it was decided that this topic would go to the summer caucuses for more discussion and feedback from each classification.

RECLASSIFICATION OF SCHOOLS

Mr. Michelotti reported that Butte Central High School has petitioned to remain in Class A. Additionally, Fairview High School and Plentywood High School have been recognized to move from Class B to Class C and they have not appealed. Mr. Mills made a motion to approve Fairview and Plentywood High Schools moving to Class C and Butte Central to remain in Class A for two years. Mr. Patelis seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

PERSONNEL AND NEGOTIATIONS

The meeting was closed. When the meeting reopened, Ms. Triplett motioned to approve a healthcare premium cap at \$2000.00 monthly with any premiums over this amount paid pre-tax by the employee. If the employee waives healthcare coverage, they would not be additionally compensated but could receive dental and vision benefits monthly paid by the association if not currently covered by another plan. To reflect the rising cost of healthcare, the association would allow for \$2000.00 distributed annually to the employees HSA in monthly payments of \$167.00 and a 6% salary increase. In addition, due to the new phone operating system, the association will reimburse the employee \$500.00 annually for the purchase of a new cell phone with verification. This can be done every other year and does not exceed \$1000.00 per two years. Mr. Patelis seconded and the motion passed unanimously. The association is unable to find healthcare coverage that allows retirees to be covered. Due to this, Mr. Mills made a motion to change the current Retiree Policy from paying premiums at the rate at the time of retirement to allotting that same amount for employee HRA instead. Mr. Mills motioned to approve the change to retiree policy. Mr. Blome seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

BOARD REORGANIZATION

Mr. McElroy nominated Ms. Triplett as the new Executive Board President, Ms. Zentner seconded, and the motion passed unanimously. Ms. Zentner nominated Mr. McElroy as the new Executive Board Vice President. Mr. Mills seconded, and the motion passed unanimously. Mr. Pretty On Top made a motion to seat Mr. Gordon as the Class B representative, Mr. Mills seconded and the motion passed unanimously. Ms. Triplett welcomed Mr. Gordon to the Executive Board.

ASSIGNMENT TO SPRING ACTIVITIES

Ms. Triplett assigned executive board members to spring events.

NATIONAL AND REGIONAL MEETINGS

The NFHS Summer Meeting will be held in Salt Lake City from June 26th through the 29th. Arbiter Huddle will take place on June 30th. The Section 7/8 Meeting will be held in Cody, Wyoming September 20-22, 2026.

2026-27 EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING DATES

Mr. Wilson proposed the following dates for 2026-27 Board Meetings: September 14, November 23-24, January 16 & 18 (Annual Meeting), and April 19-20. Mr. Mills motioned to approve the proposed meeting dates. Mr. Blome seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

ADDITIONAL ITEMS

Mr. Michelotti discussed the upcoming summer classification meetings with Class AA being in Helena, Class A and B both in Big Sky and Class C in Billings.

NEXT MEETING

The next scheduled Executive Board meeting will be held on September 14, 2026, at the MHSA Office Building in Helena, MT.

ADJOURNMENT

Ms. Zentner made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Blome seconded, there being no further business to discuss, Ms. Triplett adjourned the meeting at 1:23 pm.