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TO: MOA MEMBERSHIP
FROM: BRIAN MICHELOTTI, MHSA EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR/MOA COMMISSIONER
RE: APRIL BOARD ACTION

The Montana Officials Regional Directors Board conducted a regularly scheduled meeting on April 27 – 28, 2026. Following is a synopsis of the major items:

1. The Board approved Flag Football to be added as an MOA sport. Currently, Girls Flag Football is an emerging sport through the MHSA. The MHSA/MOA involvement will create structure for the future of sports before it becomes sanctioned.
2. The Board approved the MOA social media Policy – [MOA Social Media Policy and Social Media Guidelines](#)
3. MOA Uniform Updates: The Board approved the following changes.
 - i. Softball – will add the bright blue umpire shirt, the midnight navy umpire shirt and the midnight navy/bright blue convertible pullover umpire jacket.
4. The Board approved adding language to the 2026–2027 MHSA Handbook regarding new softball uniform additions and NFHS softball uniform changes for 2026-27.
5. The Board approved that all MOA pools will be required to use Arbiter for assigning beginning with the 2027–2028 season across all sports.
6. The Board approved the following MOA Regional Director meeting dates:
 - August 17, 2026 (via Zoom)
 - December 6–7, 2026
 - May 2–3, 2027

If you need additional information, please feel free to contact the MHSA/MOA office.