

CAAC ATHLETIC DIRECTOR MEETING MINUTES OCTOBER 12, 2022 – SAWDON ADMINISTRATION BLDG.

Schools Represented: Charlotte, Dewitt, East Lansing, Eaton Rapids, Fowlerville, Grand Ledge, Haslett, Holt, Ionia, Lansing Catholic, Lansing Eastern, Lansing Everett, Lansing, Okemos, Sexton, Mason, Portland, St. Johns, Waverly, Williamston. Absent: Haslett

The meeting was called to order by Scott Casteele at 9:35 AM The September 14, 2022 meeting minutes were approved

The CAAC welcomed our new schools and Athletic Administrators, Mike Quinn form Lakewood High School and Matt Seidl from Olivet High School.

Ken Sudall shared the state of baseball and softball umpiring with the group. As expected, the pool of available officials is extremely low and the average age of the officials is getting higher. We must do a better job of getting schedules in the hands of assignors sooner or run the risk of not having officials to conduct contests. Pay scales need to be adjusted.

The application of Battle Creek Pennfield was discussed at length. The approval of BCP would put the CAAC at an even number of 22 schools but division make-up would be an obstacle. The options exist to dictate division and the year in which Pennfield would begin play. A motion to table the application was made by Portland, supported by Fowlerville. Motion carried. It will be put on the November agenda.

A sub-committee of CAAC Athletic Directors met with representatives from the CAOA. Both groups have a better understanding of the challenges and barriers that impact the relationship. The sub-committee will meet again and bring recommendations back to the group. A significant part of the recommendation will include an adjustment to officials fees. Some schools need to improve on how they host officials.

Boys Soccer Cup Tournament was a success. The overwhelming majority of coaches support the tournament and format. Changes will need to be made to accommodate 21 schools. AD's need to consult coaches and get input.

Tom H and Scott C will attend league summit at Grandville High School on Thursday, October 13th.

The Principals meeting is cancelled for October 19th. Mark Dobson from St. Johns will try to facilitate a meeting.

Scheduling meeting is set for October 19th at Haslett High School.

Next Meeting is November 9th, 9:30 AM at the MHSAA Office.