

MHSIBCA Executive Board Meeting
March 29, 2009
Awards Committee Report
(All State, Coach of the Year, Hall of Fame and Historical Records)

I would like to start off by thanking my committee members (Judy Jaeger, Bob Solomon, Keith Krueger) for their hard work and their loyalty. We are, without a doubt, the hardest working group dedicated to seeing our job is done right. We field numerous questions from parents and coaches on how the selection process works – why the athlete does or does not make these teams. We are continually reevaluating the selection process for all of the above to make the forms easier to understand. No matter what we do, not everyone will be happy with the results.

In regard to All State, we have had numerous calls from parents making sure their coaches have filled out the correct paperwork so their sons and daughters may have the opportunity to be selected to one of these teams. We also have angry parents whose sons and daughters had no forms submitted either due to the fact the coach was not a member or the coach did not fill out forms. Coaches are missing deadlines expecting us to bail them out – not by a couple of days but by weeks.

We also have parents questioning the All State Committee's process for determining placement of their son or daughter on these teams. It has been suggested that we should post all point totals. In my opinion this would create more problems – by making the point totals known they would try to reevaluate why their son or daughter did not place in the position where they thought they may have finished. If forms submitted were not correct or information was not correct or forms not submitted to support all point totals, this would create more confusion and anger toward the coaches or committee.

Regarding Coach of the Year and Hall of Fame, we have very few nominees once again this year. We do not know how we can correct this problem; we nominate people just so we have people on the ballot to vote for..... Anyone have any suggestions?

We are getting ready to pick the scholarship winners from the applicants from All Academic teams.

Tom Stockton
Chairperson