

Minutes
Board of Education
Athletic Committee
Marshall C.U.S.D. C-2
Thursday, November 9, 2023
4:30 P.M.
Unit Office
(Mr. Gard, Mr. Maurer, Mrs. Rayhel)

The Athletic Committee, which includes Mrs. Rayhel, Mr. Maurer, and Mr. Gard, met prior to the regular board meeting along with Mr. Ross, Mr. Ritchey, Mr. Keown, Mr. Maxwell, and Mrs. Lake. Also in attendance were coaches, Dolan Whitaker, Ryan Arthur, Mike Farrell, Sarah Morgan, and Heidi Miller.

The committee discussed ...

limitations in changing athletic conferences, with the caveat that most conference moves are dictated by football, and the IHSA is working on a proposal for IHSA dictated football divisions that would decrease conference movement.

Coach Morgan discussed the possibility of a 5th and 6th Grade Volleyball program.

The committee recommends that the practice of 6th grade students participating in MJHS athletics and 7th graders participating on 8th grade teams only when there are low numbers be memorialized in writing as part of the athletic code. This will be brought to the board to review and approved in December. Low numbers historically have occurred most often in JH Girls Basketball and more recently in XC and track. It is a rare occurrence if ever in JH VB or JH Boys Basketball. Mr. Ross reminded the board that in XC, Baseball, and Softball there is only one team comprised of 7th and 8th graders, and for all other sports the teams are by grade level.

Coach Miller expressed concern regarding parents following the code of conduct.