



Track and Field Clinic – 2009
Business Meeting Questionnaire

262 Ballots cast

Items with a vote of 70% or greater will advance to the MHSAA Rules and Regulations Committee

<p><i>At the 2008 MITCA Track & Field Business Meeting, 80% of the coaches polled stated that they believe that “The MHSAA should follow National Federation regulations and have all regional “hand timed” times be recorded to 0.1 seconds.”</i></p> <p>If the MHSAA were to revert back to following this National Federation guideline (as it did prior to the 2007 season), the Head Meet Referee should be officially responsible for verifying the results at the completion of the Regional Finals and make sure that all hand times were properly rounded up to the next higher tenth of a second. If the times were not properly rounded, the Head Meet Referee will make sure that all of those times are properly rounded <u>before</u> they are finalized and submitted to the MHSAA for State Finals Seeding</p>	<p>Agree 92%</p>	<p>Disagree 8%</p>
<p>The MHSAA should set an official goal of having all Regional Championships use Fully Automatic Timing by the year 2014 (5 years).</p>	<p>Agree 93%</p>	<p>Disagree 7%</p>
<p>The MHSAA should allow Regional hosts to use Fully Automatic Timing if it is available to them.</p>	<p>Agree 90%</p>	<p>Disagree 10%</p>
<p>If some Regions were to use Fully Automatic Timing, the performances for State Qualifying performances recorded as Hand Times should be adjusted by a pre-established “conversion” factor <u>for the purpose of seeding</u> at the state finals.</p>	<p>Agree 89%</p>	<p>Disagree 11%</p>
<p>If the MHSAA begins allowing Fully Automatic Timing at Regional Finals, they should establish a list of Additional Qualifying performances (AQ’s) for both Hand Times and Fully Automatic Times (FAT) so that Regional hosts can utilize accurate FAT timing without penalizing those athletes. Until the majority of Regionals begin utilizing FAT, the existing Hand-Timed AQ’s should be modified by adding 0.4 seconds to existing hand-times to create the FAT-AQ times.</p>	<p>Agree 84%</p>	<p>Disagree 16%</p>
<p>The MHSAA should sanction (not host or sponsor) “Certified Pre-Qualifying Invitationals” whereby athletes can automatically qualify to the State Finals by attaining pre-established performance standards at sanctioned invitationals in the weeks immediately prior to Regionals. In order to be sanctioned as a pre-qualifying meet, hosts would be required to register their meet with the MHSAA, properly utilize an FAT system and wind gauges and adhere to all regulations regarding their usage. Hosts would also be responsible for acquiring specified numbers and types of registered officials who closely monitor the operation of the meet as well as the validity of any Pre-Qualifying performances that might be attained at that meet. Anyone would be allowed to host a Certified Pre-Qualifying Invitational as long as they are able to meet all of the established requirements.</p>	<p>Agree 78%</p>	<p>Disagree 22%</p>