

# VOLLEYBALL

*All business conducted by sport committees must be submitted as recommendations to the Administrative Committee.*

## **I. Regular Season**

### **A. Schedule**

1. Teams must schedule each conference opponent for a 3-out-of-5 match during the assigned week of the season (Refer to master schedule). Both coaches must agree upon the assigned date. If both coaches cannot agree on the date, then the MCC conference volleyball chair will serve as a mediator to resolve the date conflict.
2. The master schedule will serve as the guide for scheduling conference matches.
3. The conference recommends a 7:00 pm start time for weeknight conference matches. An earlier start time could be agreed upon by competing institutions. Both coaches and both athletic directors must agree to the time change.
4. The round-robin season play results will determine the final conference regular season standings (first through ninth) for points toward the MCC All-Sports Trophy.

### **B. Match Protocol**

1. All teams hosting conference matches and/or conference tournament matches will have the locker room(s) and training facilities available one and a half hours before match time.
2. The locker room(s) will be free from all other activity for the visiting team(s).
3. The court will be set up and available no less than one hour before match time.
4. The conference match warm-up protocol will be shared court at the hour prior until match time, and the standard 4-4-5-5 alternating full court warm-up nineteen minutes before match time.
5. If a host team does not adhere to pre-match protocol, the match starting time may be delayed to compensate for the delay to the visiting team. Reports of such infractions will be made to the volleyball chair who will then contact the MCC Commissioner and the host school athletic director.

## **II. Rules Governing Play** – NCAA volleyball rules will be followed, with NAIA modifications.

## **III. Official Balls** – In regular season play, MCC schools may use the ball of their choice, but the official NAIA championship ball (Tachikara) is recommended. The official NAIA championship ball (Tachikara) will be used during the MCC postseason tournament. The host school(s) will be responsible to provide the official NAIA championship ball (Tachikara). If available by contract these balls may be supplied by the NAIA National Office.

## **IV. Officials**

- A. Terry Miller will be responsible for assigning officials for the 2009 season.  
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- B. Please note the MCC schools will be using a voucher system for all officials' payments.
- C. Officials for all conference competitions will have either an NAGWS or a USVBA rating. In case of an emergency, a mutually agreed upon person may be used or the match may be played with one official.
- D. Officials for conference matches will be assigned by the MCC volleyball supervisor of officials. The supervisor of officials will be determined by the MCC Administrative Committee and contracted by the Commissioner of the MCC. The conference is responsible for the stipend of the supervisor of volleyball officials.
- E. Exhibit C (see attached) will be used along with the entire schedule by each school for assigning officials. Volleyball assignor—Terry Miller—should receive Exhibit C by March 15 of each year. Scan and e-mail to [set4me2@aol.com](mailto:set4me2@aol.com) OR mail to: Terry Miller, 13321 LaSalle, Mishawaka, IN, 46545.
- F. The following rates will be paid to officials for conference matches:
  - 1. \$95.00 per single match
  - 2. \$85.00 per tri-match played on a single day
  - 3. All quadrangular and tournament matches will be \$75.00 for each individual match that is officiated.
  - 4. MCC Conference Tournament Semifinal and Finals matches will be \$95.00 plus two (2) linesmen will be hired for the MCC Conference Tournament semifinals & finals @ \$65.00 per match per linesmen.
- G. Officials for conference matches will stay in their assigned positions. A change from their assigned position must be agreed upon by both coaches. Exceptions to this rule may be considered under the following circumstances:
  - 1. An assigned official cannot fulfill an assigned contract and a substitute official must be found.
  - 2. A substitution is made by an official without the host coach's knowledge or approval.

## V. Conference Tournament

- A. The top eight (8) teams in the final conference standings will compete in the single-elimination conference tournament.
- B. Standings at the end of regular season play will be used for determining seeding for the Conference Tournament and for All-Sports Trophy purposes.
- C. In the event of a tie in the final conference standings, the following tie-breaker procedure will be used for the purpose of seeding teams into the conference tournament.
  - 1. Head-to-head competition
  - 2. Percentage of sets won among tied teams (conference sets between tied teams only)
  - 3. Percentage of points won among tied teams (conference sets between tied teams only)

## **D. Playoff Structure**

**First Round:** #1 vs. #8 | #4 vs. #5 | #2 vs. #7 | #3 vs. #6  
November 10, 2009 – 7:00 pm

**Semifinals:** #1/#8 Winner vs. #4/#5 Winner | #2/#7 Winner vs. #3/#6 Winner  
November 12, 2009 – 7:00 pm

**Championship:** Semifinal Winners  
November 14, 2009 – 1:00 pm \*

\*It is preferable that the 1:00 pm championship match time be followed. However, the 1:00 pm match time may be modified IF both athletic directors of the teams represented agree to a time adjustment that will benefit the MCC through additional gate revenue and provide a better opportunity to staff the MCC Volleyball Tournament appropriately. In addition, the Conference Commissioner must approve the time change. If modifying the match time is mutually agreeable and benefits the Conference, the time will be adjusted accordingly. It is important that the game time be established as soon as possible after the match is determined.

- E. The conference chairperson will determine the tournament seeding, and then fax or e-mail the results to all schools by Monday noon prior to the conference tournament.
- F. First round games will be played at the home of the higher seeded team. Semifinals and Finals matches will be hosted by the highest remaining seed in each match.
- G. The conference chairperson will serve as tournament director.
- H. The conference chairperson will work with the MCC volleyball supervisor of officials to assign officials to the host schools:
  - 1. Assignment will be based on rating feedback, preferences, and location.
  - 2. Host schools will receive officials' assignments by Tuesday noon prior to the conference tournament for the first round. The host schools will contact and pay the officials.
  - 3. Semifinals and final round officials will be determined by rating feedback and preference. Certified officials will be used as linesman for the semifinal and final rounds. The conference will contract and pay the officials.
  - 4. The conference will pay the following rates for the tournament matches
    - a. \$95.00 per match for officials
    - b. \$65.00 per match for linesman (semifinals and finals only)
- I. The coach(es) of the host school(s) will be responsible for the following:
  - 1. Securing scorekeepers and line judges (only for the first round)
  - 2. Securing facility for the appropriate time(s)
  - 3. Securing the staff to take gate receipts.
- J. The host athletic director in conjunction with the volleyball chair will coordinate the MCC Volleyball Tournament.

- K. **Financial Report Form** - Host school(s) for all MCC Postseason contests will use the supplied Financial Report Form to report expenses and gate revenues to the Conference Commissioner. Revenue (net) and the Financial Form are to be forwarded to the Conference Office one week after the MCC postseason is complete.

**VI. NAIA Postseason Qualification** – The winner of the MCC Tournament will receive an automatic bid to the 2009 NAIA Volleyball National Championship.

**VII. All-Conference Teams**

- A. Each coach or his/her representative may nominate a maximum of four players for the All-Conference Team. Nominations should be sent to the conference chairperson by a pre-specified deadline.
- B. The entire nomination list will be forwarded from the conference chairperson to each conference coach. Each coach will rank 12 players (including their own) on the nomination list. The rank of 12 should be designated for the MCC Player of the Year.
- C. Each coach's ranking sheet will be brought to the conference coaches meeting in November and discussed.
- D. The All-Conference First Team will consist of 12 players, including the MCC Player of the Year. The All-Conference Second Team will also consist of 12 players.
- E. The Freshman, Libero, and Setter of the Year will be nominated prior to the meeting and then the coaches will come to a consensus on the winners at the conference meeting. These nominations are not limited to the four nominated for All-Conference.
- F. Each coach or his/her representative may nominate a maximum of two freshman players for the All-Freshman Team prior to the meeting. A total of six players will receive this recognition and will be voted upon at the conference meeting.
- G. Coach of the Year – The volleyball coaches will cast ballots for the Coach of the Year, with the majority vote-getter receiving the award. In case of a tie, a second vote will be taken just between the two tied coaches. The vote will include all coaches, not just the two coaches in the finals of the tournament.
- H. Voting results for All-Conference teams will be made available to all MCC Volleyball coaches. If votes are taken by ballot, the ballot results will be shown to all MCC Volleyball coaches. If the votes are taken verbally, the verbal results will be documented for all MCC Volleyball coaches to see.

**VIII. Official Volleyball Meetings**

- A. The voting for All-Conference teams will occur at 9:00 am on the Saturday of the tournament finals. Any coach not present or represented will forfeit eligibility for conference honors for themselves and their athletes.
- B. The official volleyball meeting will not be held at this time. It will be scheduled for a spring date determined by the conference chairperson.

**IX. “Pink Out” Nights**

- A. Every team is strongly encouraged to host a “Pink Out” breast cancer awareness night during the month of October. Coordination of the event will occur between the head coaches. This event may take place at a conference match only with the agreement of both head coaches.

**X. Sports Information**

- A. The home team will keep “live” in-game statistics for both teams using a computer, palm pilot, or other electronic device. A printed box score should be made available to both teams within 15 minutes of the conclusion of the match.

**XI. Sport Details – Other**

- A. **Scouting Procedures** – By agreement of conference coaches, no scouting information (including game film) will be given to non-conference schools in reference to conference schools.
- B. **Conference Rating Procedures**
  - 1. A conference rating committee will be established at the spring conference meeting that will consist of the conference rater, conference chairperson and an additional head coach.
  - 2. The conference rating committee will be responsible for all weekly ratings of the conference, beginning with the pre-season rating and concluding with the final rating after the conference tournament.
  - 3. All ratings will be sent to an oversight committee as outlined by the NAIA. The oversight committee will consist of two athletic directors as voted on by the coaches, and another committee member affiliated with the conference as voted on by the coaches.
  - 4. Conference ratings will be distributed to all coaches via email by the conference rater or a member of the committee. Coaches are encouraged to call a member of the committee with any questions on the rating.

- XII. Sport Chair** - The position of Sport Chair will be voted upon every two years. No term limitations will be set, but individuals must be nominated and voted into the position of Sport Chair every two years.

**MID-CENTRAL COLLEGE CONFERENCE  
2009 VOLLEYBALL TOURNAMENT  
FINANCIAL REPORT FORM**

**DATE:**

**LOCATION:**

**OPPONENTS:**

**Please Circle Session:                      First Round                      Second Round                      Final**

**INCOME**

**Students: \_\_\_\_\_ (Number of students) @ \$2.00 each                      \$ \_\_\_\_\_**

**Adults: \_\_\_\_\_ (Number of adults) @ \$5.00 each                      \$ \_\_\_\_\_**

**TOTAL INCOME                      \$ \_\_\_\_\_**

**EXPENSES**

**Officials:                      2 @ \$95.00 per match                      \$ \_\_\_\_\_**

**Linesman:                      2 @ \$65.00 per match                      \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
(Semi Finals and Final Only)**

**TOTAL EXPENSES                      \$ \_\_\_\_\_**

**REVENUE (Net)                      \$ \_\_\_\_\_**

**Host schools are responsible for all expenses other than officials. Officials' fees should be deducted from the gate.**

**Gate receipts and the financial report form are to be forwarded to the Conference Office one week after the tournament is completed.**

**COMMENTS:**

School \_\_\_\_\_  
 Coach \_\_\_\_\_  
 Home Phone (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_  
 Work Phone (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

**EXHIBIT C  
 MCC CONFERENCE  
 OFFICIALS ASSIGNMENT SHEET  
 DUE FEBRUARY 1 TO MCC CHAIR**

<u>Day</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Opponent</u>	<u>Starting Time</u> No TBA's 7:00pm start	<u>Officials Assigned*</u>
<b>HOME CONFERENCE MATCHES:</b>				
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**OTHER HOME MATCHES: (Please fill out this area if you want Dan to also assign officials for these matches.)**

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**\*Please indicate name if you have previously assigned officials.**

**PREFERRED OFFICIALS**

**NOT SO PREFERRED OFFICIALS**

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_____	_____
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## VOLLEYBALL OFFICIAL RATING SHEET

Site and date of match:

Teams:

Name and position of Official:

	Excellent	Good	Fair	Poor
1. Punctuality				
2. Personal appearance and uniform				
3. Professionalism and courtesy				
4. Knowledge of rules				
5. Application of rules				
6. Whistle authority				
7. Signals				
8. Decisiveness				
9. Demeanor				
10. Consistency				

Strengths:

Weaknesses:

Overall Evaluation:

Signature and Date:

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