



## **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MINUTES**

**May 18, 2016**

### **To Be Considered for the Agenda**

- 4.8 **ACTION ITEM:** Approval of the 2016 Football Federation Alignment

*Motion to add "4.8 **ACTION ITEM:** Approval of the 2016 Football Alignment" to the agenda*  
**CARRIED**  
*Fallacaro/Spanbauer*

### **Correction to the Agenda**

- 5.1 #10. Bowling B/G, Allegany Limestone, Olean, Portville, Varsity 2016-17

### **Actions Items**

- 3.1 **CARRIED** April 7th, 2016 Section VI Executive Committee meeting minutes

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## EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MINUTES

### 1.0 CALL TO ORDER

Commenced: 9:37am

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### 3.0 MINUTES

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- 3.1 **Motion to approve of the April 7th, 2016 Section VI Executive Committee meeting minutes**  
**CARRIED**  
**Wendt/Gens**

### 4.0 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

T. Slade  
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#### 4.1 Drones

Section VI has received reports of drones filming over bleachers/spectator sections during athletic contests. Currently, there is no policy in place regarding the use of drones. Council representatives will be asked to discuss with their leagues if Section VI should institute a policy regarding the use of drones around playing areas and/or on school district property.

#### 4.2 APP Altered Language

NYSED will be adding language to the APP to more clearly define tanner scores as "recommendations" and not "requirements." The following language is a portion of the information that will be added to the APP document:

*"The Tanner scores on (chart H found in the APP document) are no longer required numbers, as was the case in the previous Selection Classification Process but, are now recommended numbers for the APP. Please note: The recommended Tanner scores are based on the average Tanner score of the average aged male or female that typically competes at those levels. Tanner scores are higher for females compared to males at the same levels, which more accurately reflects the earlier ages that females achieve physical maturity."*

#### 4.3 East Aurora XC Invitational

The following is an action item for the athletic council meeting:  
Approval of the East Aurora XC Invitational

Approval is needed due to the inclusion of modified. Also, East Aurora was notified to revise their invitation to participate as modified cannot receive t-shirts; this level is only allowed ribbons as per the NYSPHSAA.

#### 4.4 Timm Slade as Section VI Proxy at NYSPHSAA Meetings

The following is an action item for the athletic council meeting:  
Approval of Timm Slade, Executive Director, as Section VI Proxy at NYSPHSAA Meetings

The proxy will be allowed to vote in place of any Central Committee representative who is unable to attend a NYSPHSAA meeting.

#### 4.5 Combined Teams after Appeals Decision

- a) Bennett, Olmsted, East, and Middle Early College in Class B, Football, 2016  
On April 25, 2016, the Appeal Panel of the New York State Public High School Athletic Association upheld Section VI's denial of the combined football team comprised of Bennett, Olmsted, East, and Middle Early College in Class B. As a result, Buffalo Public Schools is requesting approval (action item 5.1 #2 for the following athletic council meeting) of the combination of Bennett, Olmsted, East, and Middle Early College in Class A, Football, for the 2016 season.

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b) Chautauqua Lake and Maple Grove in Class C, Football, 2016

On April 25, 2016, the Appeal Panel of the New York State Public High School Athletic Association upheld Section VI's denial of the combined football team comprised of Chautauqua Lake and Maple Grove in Class C. As a result, Chautauqua Lake and Maple Grove are requesting approval (action item 5.1 #3 for the following athletic council meeting) of the combination of Chautauqua Lake and Maple Grove, JV Only, Class C, Football, for the 2016 season.

4.6 Section VI Hall of Fame Golf Tournament

The Section VI Hall of Fame Golf Tournament deadline to sign up has been extended to June 1, 2016. Currently, 14 foursomes have committed; 20 teams are the goal.

4.7 Boys Ice Hockey

The following is an action item for the athletic council meeting:

Approval of Williamsville North and Niagara Wheatfield moving to Division I, Boys Ice Hockey 16-17

4.8 Football Federation Alignment

The following is an action item for the athletic council meeting:

Approval of the 2016 Football Federation Alignment

5.0 COMMUNICATIONS

*T. Slade*  
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5.1 The following combining of schools applications are action items for the athletic council meeting:

1. Football, **Barker**, Royalton-Hartland, JV & V, 2016-17
2. Football, **Bennett**, Olmsted, East, MEC, JV & V, Class A, 2016-17
3. Football, **Maple Grove**, Chautauqua Lake, JV Only, 2016-17
4. Cross Country B/G, **Franklinville**, Ellicottville, Varsity & 7/8/9<sup>th</sup> 2016-17
5. Soccer B, **Catt/LV**, Salamanca, Varsity, 2016-17 (pending league approval)
6. Soccer B, **Oracle**, WNY Maritime, Varsity, 2016-17
7. Basketball B, **Ellicottville**, West Valley, Varsity, JV, 7/8<sup>th</sup> 2016-17
8. Basketball G, **Ellicottville**, West Valley, Varsity, JV, 7/8<sup>th</sup> 2016-17
9. Bowling B/G, **Clymer**, Sherman. Varsity 2016-17
10. Bowling B/G, **Olean**, Allegany/Limestone, Portville, Varsity 2016-17
11. Bowling G, **West Seneca West**, West Seneca East, Varsity, JV, 7/8<sup>th</sup>, 2016-17
12. Ice Hockey Girls, **Amherst**, Clarence Sweet Home, V, 2016-17
13. Ice Hockey Girls, **Kenmore East**, Kenmore West, Grand Island V, 2016-17
14. Ice Hockey Girls, **Lancaster**, Iroquois, Depew, V, 2016-17
15. Ice Hockey Girls, **Frontier**, Orchard Park, V, 2016-17
16. Ice Hockey Girls, **West Seneca West**, Hamburg, West Seneca East, V, 2016-17
17. Ice Hockey Girls, **Williamsville East**, Williamsville, North, Williamsville South, V, 2016-17
18. Indoor Track B/G, **Dunkirk**, Silver Creek, V, 2016-17
19. Rifle, **Kenmore East**, Kenmore West, V, 2016-17
20. Skiing, **Ellicottville**, Olean, West Valley, Varsity, 7/8<sup>th</sup>, 2016-17
21. Swim Boys, **Dunkirk**, Fredonia, Forestville, Silver Creek, Cassadaga Valley, Varsity, 2016-17
22. Swim Boys, **Frewsburg**, Pine Valley, Southwestern, Varsity, 2016-17 (pending league approval)
23. Swim Boys, **West Seneca West**, West Seneca East, Varsity, 2016-17
24. Wrestling, **Chautauqua Lake**, Panama, Westfield, Varsity, JV, 7/8<sup>th</sup>, 2016-17 (pending league approval)
25. Wrestling, **Depew**, Cleveland Hill, Varsity, JV, 7/8<sup>th</sup>, 2016-17 (pending league approval)
26. Wrestling, **Dunkirk**, Silver Creek, Forestville, Varsity, JV, 7/8<sup>th</sup>, 2016-17
27. Wrestling, **East Aurora**, Holland, Varsity, JV, 7/8<sup>th</sup>, 2016-17 (pending league approval)
28. Wrestling, **Franklinville**, Ellicottville, West Valley, Varsity, JV, 7/8<sup>th</sup>, 2016-17
29. Wrestling, **Olean**, Allegany-Limestone, Varsity, JV, 7/8<sup>th</sup>, 2016-17
30. Wrestling, **Royalton-Hartland**, Barker, Varsity, JV, 7/8<sup>th</sup>, 2016-17

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- 5.2 The following Outside Agency applications are action items for the athletic council meeting:
- a) Girls Volleyball BNCC JV/V Scrimmage Tournament 8/24/16 co-sponsored West Seneca Central (application pending, insurance received)
  - b) Boys Volleyball BNCC JV/V Scrimmage Tournament 8/25/16 co-sponsored West Seneca Central (application pending, insurance received)
  - c) Girls Volleyball BNCC JV/V Tournament 10/15/16 co-sponsored West Seneca Central (application pending insurance received)
  - d) Boys & Girls Basketball, Randolph Holiday Classic, 12/29/16 & 12/30/16 at JCC (pending updated insurance 7/1/2016)
- 5.3 The following Senior All Star Applications are action items for the athletic council meeting:
- a) Girls Lacrosse Senior All Star Game at Sweet Home HS 6/14/16.
  - b) Chautauqua vs. Cattaraugus Sr. All Star Baseball 6/15/16 at Diethrick Park, Jamestown, NY
  - c) Chautauqua vs. Cattaraugus Sr. All Star Softball 6/16/16 at Prommenschenkle Stadium, Dunkirk, NY
  - d) Chautauqua Co. B & G Soccer Senior All Star 11/13/16 pending insurance (Section VI) due 9/1/2016
- 5.4 The following Friends and Neighbors (2016-2018) applications are action items for the athletic council meeting:
- a) New Life Christian
  - b) Elmwood Franklin
  - c) Southern Tier Catholic
  - d) St. Mary's School for the Deaf

## 6.0 **STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS**

### 6.1 Combining of Schools Committee

*J. Rabey*

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The Combining of Schools Committee will reconvene after the spring season to review the spring 2016 end of season reports. Also, the combined schools timeline will be modified to accelerate the process, providing sufficient time for potential appeals and to not delay the creation of schedules. J. Rabey will introduce a new Fall End of Season Report and Fall Combining of Schools Application due date of November 30 at the following athletic council meeting.

### 6.2 Finance Committee

*D. Scholla*

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#### 6.2.1 Treasurer's Report

No issues or concerns were presented.

#### 6.2.2 State Championship Funding

Concern was expressed regarding the potential for considerably reducing the fund balance due to the state championship travel policy. Currently, Section VI averages \$28,000 annually in costs for state championship meals. Depending on the location of state championships and the number of schools participating, the cost of meals can increase significantly. D. Scholla and T. Slade are investigating possible future changes.

#### 6.2.3 NFL Representative Vacancy

Current Niagara Frontier League (NFL) Finance Committee Representative John Forcucci will retire from the Niagara Falls Athletic Director position at the end of this school year. The NFL is in discussions regarding his replacement.

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### 6.3 Sectional/Intersectional

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#### 6.3.1 CSAT League Membership

CSAT has left the NO League and is now an approved member of the NFL League.

#### 6.3.2 NFL Representative Vacancy

Current Niagara Frontier League (NFL) Sectional Intersectional Committee Representative John Forcucci will retire from the Niagara Falls Athletic Director position at the end of this school year. The NFL is in discussions regarding his replacement.

### 6.5 Modified Report

K. McGowan/M. Librock  
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#### 6.5.1 XC & Track Travel Policies

East Aurora is proposing to align the Cross Country state travel policy with the Track state travel policy. More specifically, to allow Cross Country teams, as there is flexibility for Track teams, to opt out of transportation, but still participate in Section meals and lodging.

### 6.7 State Executive Committee/Central Committee

#### a) Superintendent

M. Wendt  
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*Nothing to report*

#### b) Principal

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*Nothing to report*

#### c) Boys Rep./Girls Rep.

J. Graczyk/M. Fallacaro  
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J. Graczyk, Boys Representative, and Girls Representative, Marisa Fallacaro will be given direction at the athletic council meeting regarding the following items:

- Elimination of .22 from rifle regionals and replace with 3 position air rifle, beginning with the 2017 season
- Eliminate the Code of Conduct form
- Revision of the NYSPHSAA Scholar Athlete Award program. Currently an average is taken of a certain number of student athletes on the roster. The proposal includes using the entire roster.
- Boys Lacrosse classification cut-off numbers (new proposal). Note: The Section VI Boys Lacrosse Representative is in favor of the proposal.
- Heads Up Football Head Tackling Program (Section VI already participates)
- Prohibiting artificial noisemakers at all indoor/outdoor athletic contests

Note: There will no longer be a coin toss for Softball, Regionals. The host team is the home team.

### 6.10 Transfer/Foreign Student

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*Reports were emailed*

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## 6.11 Sportsmanship

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### 6.11.1 Sportsmanship Promotion Survey Results

D. Ames to report at the following athletic council meeting.

## 6.14 Nominations

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### 6.14.1 Safety Chairman

The following is an action item for the athletic council meeting:

Approval of Brian Wild, Lancaster Athletic Director, as Safety Chairman

### 6.14.2 Girls Gymnastics Chair

The following is an action item for the athletic council meeting:

Approval of Joe Buscaglia as Girls Gymnastics Chairman

### 6.14.3 Girls Swim Chair Position

A. Gens is in the process of interviewing for the Girls Swim Chairman position.

## 6.16 Hall of Fame

J. Dunnigan/B. Banker  
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### 6.16.1 Applications

Today, May 18, is the due date for the 2016 Hall of Fame applications.

## 7.0 SPECIAL COMMITTEE REPORTS

### 7.1 All WNY Scholar Athlete

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#### 7.1.1 All WNY Spring Scholar Athletes

G. Kaszubski to report at the athletic council meeting.

## 7.2 Charter Schools

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### 7.2.1 Independent Schedules

The following is an action item for the athletic council meeting:

Approval of the 2016-2017 independent schedules

## 8.0 STATE & SECTION SPORT COMMITTEE REPORTS

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|----------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| 8.1 Girls Volleyball | D. Schrufer               | <a href="#">State Meeting Report</a> |
| 8.2 Football         | K. Stoldt                 | <a href="#">State Meeting Report</a> |
| 8.3 Wrestling        | M. DeBarbieri/I. Martinez | <a href="#">State Meeting Report</a> |

## 9.0 GUEST REPORTS

### 9.1 NYSPHSAA

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J. Agostinelli to report at the following athletic council meeting.

### 9.2 NYSAAA Report

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*Nothing to report*

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10.0 **SPORTS REPORTS**

10.1 Pre-Season Reports

The following is an action item for the athletic council meeting:  
Approval of the Fall 2016 pre-season reports

11.0 **OLD BUSINESS**

11.1 Seeding Procedure (CCAA Proposal)

League representatives will be asked to report on league findings regarding the Seeding Procedure Proposal at the following athletic council meeting.

12.0 **NEW BUSINESS**

12.1 Annual Athletic Council Photo

13.0 **GOOD OF THE ORDER/ADJOURNMENT**

*Motion to adjourn*

**CARRIED**

*Wendt/Rabey*

Respectfully Submitted,



Beth Fadeley  
Recording Secretary

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