

**SECTION VI  
ATHLETIC COUNCIL MEETING  
MARCH 25<sup>th</sup>, 2015**

**HIGHLIGHTS**

- 3.1 **CARRIED** *January 21<sup>st</sup>, 2015 Section VI Athletic Council meeting minutes*
- 4.4 **CARRIED** *2015 proposed football alignments*
- 5.1 **CARRIED** *Combining of Schools applications (a) through (v)*
- 5.3 **CARRIED** *Senior All Star contest application (a)*
- 5.4 **CARRIED** *Outside Agency contest applications (a) through (d)*
- 6.1.1 **CARRIED** *Treasurer's report as presented*
- 6.4.1 **CARRIED** *Direct the Section VI Modified Committee Representatives, K. McGowan and M. Librock, to support the following language change proposed by the NYSPHSAA Modified Committee: "With section/league approval, the boys and girls modified volleyball rotation may be adjusted so that when a modified athlete successfully serves five (5) consecutive serves that are not returned, the team rotates to its next server".*
- 6.4.2 **CARRIED** *Motion to direct the Section VI Modified Committee Representatives, K. McGowan and M. Librock, to support the following language change proposed by the NYSPHSAA Modified Committee: "A contestant (or team) may participate in competitions not to exceed 14 points during the season".*
- 10.1 **OPPOSED** *2014 fall post season reports as presented*
- 10.1 **CARRIED** *2014 fall post season reports with the exception of Boys Soccer*
- 10.2 **CARRIED** *2015 Boys Tennis pre-season report*

# SECTION VI

## ATHLETIC COUNCIL MEETING

### MARCH 25<sup>th</sup>, 2015

#### Roll Call (\* indicates attendance)

#### EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

President	Brett Banker *
President-Elect	Al Gens*
Past President	Jeff Rabey*
Supt. Rep.	Mike Wendt*
Principals Rep	Jim Spanbauer*
Boys Rep	Jim Graczyk*
Girls Rep	Marisa Fallacaro*
Executive Director	Timm Slade*
Treasurer	Don Scholla*

#### COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSONS

Chem. Awareness	Matt McKenna
Extended Eligibility	Jerry Baldelli
Finance	Steve Penhollow*
Modified (Boys)	Matt Librock*
Modified (Girls)	Katie McGowan
NYSAAA	Brett Banker*
Policy Handbook	Marisa Fallacaro*
Safety	Fred Thornley*
Sect./Intersectional	Timm Slade*
Sportsmanship	Doug Ames*/J. Graczyk*
Transfer Chairman	Timm Slade*
Veterans	Jim Trampert
Nominations	Al Gens*

#### Guests

M. LaMorticella\*  
See agenda item 2.0\*  
Anthony Ruffalo\*

#### BUFFALO LEAGUE

Superintendents Rep/AD  
Principals Rep  
Girls Rep  
Boys Rep

#### REPRESENTATIVE

Aubrey Lloyd, Emerson\*  
Dave Thomas Jr., Intl. Prep  
Andrea Norton, City Honors\*  
TBA

#### ALTERNATE

TBA  
TBA  
TBA  
TBA

#### CHAUTAQUA CATTARAUGUS ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION (CCAA)

Superintendents Rep  
Principals Rep  
Girls Rep  
Boys Rep

Steve Penhollow, Falconer\*  
Mike Cipolla, Southwestern  
Paul Ksionzyk, Olean\*  
Rick DeKay, Retired\*

TBA  
TBA  
Lynne Bemis, Clymer\*  
Mel Swanson, Sherman

#### ERIE COUNTY INTERSCHOLASTIC CONFERENCE (ECIC)

Superintendents Rep  
Principals Rep  
Girls Rep  
Boys Rep

Sandy Anzalone, Eden\*  
David Lilleck, Orchard Park  
Bobbi DelBello, JFK\*  
Greg Kaszubski, Clarence\*

TBA  
Mark Graff, Eden  
TBA  
Chris DeMarco, Sweet Home

#### NIAGARA FRONTIER LEAGUE (NFL)

Superintendents Rep  
Principals Rep  
Girls Rep  
Boys Rep

Dr. Teresa Lawrence, Grand Island  
Paul Casseri, Lew-Port  
Jon Roth, Grand Island\*  
Patrick Burke, Lockport\*

Cynthia Bianco, Niagara Falls  
Todd Sukdolak, Lockport  
Scott Townsend, Lew-Port  
Jon Roth, Grand Island

#### NIAGARA ORLEANS (NO)

Superintendents Rep  
Principals Rep  
Girls Rep  
Boys Rep

Jeff Evoy, Medina\*  
Mark Kruzynski, Medina\*  
Joel Reed, CSAT\*  
Doug Ames, Newfane\*

Michael Bonnewell, Albion  
Leslie Stauss, Albion  
Randy Knaak, Albion  
TBA

#### Superintendent Representation by BOCES

Erie 1 BOCES  
Erie 2 BOCES  
ON BOCES  
CA BOCES

Adam Stoltman, Alden\*  
Maureen Donahue, Southwestern  
Michelle Bradley, Lockport\*  
Mark Ward, Ellicottville

TBA  
TBA  
TBA  
TBA

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**MINUTES**

- 1.0 **CALL TO ORDER** B. Banker [bbanker@ktufsd.org](mailto:bbanker@ktufsd.org)  
1.1 Pledge of allegiance
- 2.0 **INTRODUCTIONS & AWARD PRESENTATIONS** B. Banker [bbanker@ktufsd.org](mailto:bbanker@ktufsd.org)  
2.1 Wrestling State Champion - Kellen Devlin, Amherst  
Kiel Illg, Amherst Athletic Director, Dennis Bauer, Coach, and Kellen Devlin  
2.2 Boys Swimming State Champion - Matt Marsh, Jamestown  
Nancy Feenstra, Coach, and Matt Marsh  
2.3 Rifle State Champion - Noah Fox, Alden  
Matt Librock, Alden Athletic Director, Paul Borkowski, Coach, and Noah Fox  
2.4 Long Jump State Champion – McKyla Brooks, Frontier  
Rich Gray, Frontier Athletic Director, and McKyla Brooks  
2.5 Section VI Girls Bowling Team State Champions  
Dan Kaplan, Boys Bowling Chairman, Ed Ventry, Girls Bowling Chairman, Jerry Carroll, Section Team  
Coach, John Forcucci, Niagara Falls Athletic Director, Angela Gabriele, Brian Wilson, Depew Athletic  
Director, Rick Wargala, Depew Coach, Sara Snyder, Scott Townsend, Lew-Port Athletic Director, Alexis  
Wade, Kevin Lester, Williamsville South Athletic Director, Haley Carroll, Pat Burke, Lockport Athletic  
Director, Marion Singleton, Lockport Coach, Lauren Pieroni, and Julia Brown (Niagara Wheatfield).  
2.6 G & G Fitness  
Anthony Ruffolo, Commercial Account Manager
- 3.0 **MINUTES** B. Banker [bbanker@ktufsd.org](mailto:bbanker@ktufsd.org)  
3.1 ***Motion to approve the January 21<sup>st</sup>, 2015 Section VI Athletic Council meeting minutes***  
**CARRIED**  
***Fallacaro/Norton***
- 4.0 **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT** T. Slade [tslade@e1b.org](mailto:tslade@e1b.org)  
4.1 WNYSO Contract Update  
Section VI negotiating team representatives, T. Slade and R. Breidenstein, are scheduled to attend  
arbitration on May 15<sup>th</sup>, 2015 in Albany.  
4.2 Fall Sports' Chairs Update  
The fall sports' chair terms expire June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2015. All applications were due to the Section VI office by  
Friday, March 20<sup>th</sup>, 2015. All incumbents, except the Boys and Girls Cross Country chairmen who do not  
wish to renew their terms, submitted applications, requesting term renewals. Two first time applicants, one  
for Boys Cross Country and one for Girls Cross Country, will be interviewed by the Section VI Nominations  
Committee in April. The committee will then make candidate recommendations for approval at the May 13<sup>th</sup>,  
2015 Section VI Athletic Council meeting.

#### 4.3 Conflict of Interest Policy

Athletic council members were asked to review the proposed Section VI Conflict of Interest Policy with their respective leagues as it will be an action item at the May 13<sup>th</sup>, 2015 Section VI Athletic Council meeting. The policy will ensure that Section VI's covered personnel act in the Section's best interest and comply with the applicable regulations set forth under New York State Not for Profit Law and Section VI's Constitution and By-laws.

#### 4.4 Proposed Football Alignments

**Motion to approve the 2015 proposed football alignments**

**CARRIED**

**Rabey/Ames**

#### 4.5 NYSPHSAA Ball Adoption

The NYSPHSAA sent correspondence detailing the offer to Section VI regarding the ball adoption program. The program's intention is to provide consistency across the state for student-athletes and member schools, while also generating revenue to use at each sections' discretion. The NYSPHSAA is recommending Spalding to be its official ball for a five year period, beginning with the 2016-2017 school year. If Section VI agrees to use the Spalding ball for sectional soccer, volleyball, football, basketball, baseball, and softball, it will receive the following:

- \$42,862 in "annual" rights fees for the five year period (beginning with the 2016-2017 school year).  
- Total Section VI rights fees (2016-2017 – 2020-2021): \$214,310
- \$4,946 in retail product credit "annually" to purchase Russell/Spalding apparel (product to be selected from any Russell Brands, LLC trademark companies' catalogs)
- \$6,925 in "annual" product quantities for sectional finals and sectional events staged at a neutral site hosted by Section VI; the host school for other sectional events will be responsible for providing the adopted ball for play.

\*These above fees are dependent upon ALL 11 sections agreeing to be a member of the statewide NYSPHSAA ball adoption program. If one or more sections decides not to be a part of the program, each sections' rights fee amount will be reduced.

R. Zayas, NYSPHSAA Executive Director, has asked each section to respond to the offer by Friday, April 17<sup>th</sup>, 2015. Athletic council representatives were asked to review the offer with their respective leagues as an e-mail vote will be taken on Wednesday, April 15<sup>th</sup>, 2015.

If the offer is approved by the Section VI Athletic Council, the "annual" rights fees will be allocated towards the state championship fund for individual sports.

#### 4.6 Advanced Placement Process Update

The newly approved Athletic Placement Process (APP) is scheduled to be implemented in the fall of 2015. The following includes the NYSPHSAA's concerns and the NYSED's responses regarding the newly approved APP:

**NYSPHSAA:** *Lack of waivers in the APP and the role of the medical director.*

**NYSED:** *"NYSED will no longer have a role in making decisions on waivers and will be discontinuing this practice. If someone disagrees with a selection/classification determination, a 310 appeal process is always available. A school district's medical director can't be the authority or final decision maker either. This would place undue pressure on an individual whose position is paid for by the school district."*

**NYSPHSAA:** *Missing guidelines for Mixed Competition.*

**NYSED:** *"The Guidelines for Mixed Competition are being updated and NYSED will address this."*

**NYSPHSAA:** *Tanner score requirements for boys and girls are different for the same sport and level.*

**NYSED:** *"The Tanner Scores for APP are recommended scores and not required. These recommendations were made by a Committee of individuals, including professionals from the Office of Student Support Services and the Department of Health, and a physician consultant."*

*In the document, Tanner scores for Boys basketball are 3 4 5. For girls basketball they are 4 5 5. The reason for the differences is due to the fact that girls develop 2 years earlier than boys. At age*

14. 90% of girls will have completed development and be a Tanner 5, whereas boys will not complete development (Tanner 5) until approximately age 16-17. Both DOH physicians and our consultant pediatrician that we worked with agreed to the recommended Tanner stages on the chart (Appendix J)."

- **NOTE:** NYSPHSAA is continuing to request further clarification from NYSED on "recommendation" or "requirement" of tanner scores because step 4 (page 6) of the APP states: "If the student is determined to **not** have attained an appropriate physical maturity level for the desired sport and level, **the process stops.**"

The four major differences between the Selection Classification Process and the Athletic Placement Process include:

Selection Classification (Current)	Athletic Placement Process (Fall 2015)
<p><b>Waivers:</b> Waivers of maturation permitted by school medical director. Waivers of physical fitness test permitted by NYSED. If a student does not meet the maturation or physical fitness test, the student could apply for a waiver.</p>	<p><b>Waivers:</b> There are no waivers. A student must meet the appropriate standards of physical and emotional maturity, size, fitness, and skill, in order to qualify. If a student does not meet the maturation or physical fitness test, the process stops; the student cannot go any further.</p>
<p><b>Approval:</b> Students were not required to receive administrative approval to selectively classify.</p>	<p><b>Approval:</b> The athletic administrator should confirm that the student is suitable for consideration, which includes the likelihood that the student would play in at least 50% of the games. Additionally, because of the increased time demands of participation at the high school level, the student's academic performance (as determined at the local level) should be at or above grade level. Furthermore, administration should assess the student's emotional readiness to socialize with high school-aged students. If the student is not academically or socially ready, the student should not proceed through the APP.</p>
<p><b>Medical Clearance:</b> The district medical director determines a student's physical maturity level.</p>	<p><b>Medical Clearance:</b> The district medical director will determine a student's physical maturity level, <b>and</b> compare the physical size of the student in relation to that of the students against whom the student wishes to compete. If the student is determined to have attained the appropriate physical maturity level and comparable physical size for the desired sport and level, the student may proceed with step 5.</p>
<p><b>Physical Fitness Test:</b> Student had to meet 5 of 5 sport specific test components. If the student did not meet 5 of 5, the student could apply for a waiver.</p>	<p><b>Physical Fitness Test:</b> The President's Physical Fitness Test has been selected as the test for this process (there is no longer sport specific test components), and the student must meet the 85<sup>th</sup> percentile level for their age in 4 out of 5 test components. If the student does not meet 4 of 5, the student cannot apply for a waiver.</p>

Note: Section VI representatives will request language clarification in the "FAQ APP cheat sheet" regarding student athletes only needing to meet 4 out of the 5 physical fitness test components.

#### 4.7 Transfer Rule Litigation

Two lawsuits have been filed against the NYSPHSAA regarding the newly approved changes to the transfer rule. Updates will be shared as they become available.

#### 4.8 NYSED Duration of Competition Regulation Amendment Revision

As approved at the New York State Education Department's Board of Regents January 2015 meeting, the Commissioner's Duration of Competition Regulation will no longer permit an extension of eligibility based upon "other similar circumstances beyond the control of the student". Effective immediately, students may only be granted an extension of eligibility based upon an illness or accident, which will require the student to attend school for one or more additional semesters in order to graduate.

#### 4.9 FBI Student Leadership Conference

A student leadership conference will be conducted by the FBI on May 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2015 at the ECC South campus. Each Section VI member school will be asked to select representatives, one male and one female high school junior, to attend the conference. More detailed information will be emailed to member schools as it becomes available.

#### 4.10 Nichols' Football

Section VI is in receipt of a letter, from an attorney representing Nichols High School, wherein a claim of right by Nichols to be included in the Section VI football schedule is made. T. Slade will contact the appropriate parties to notify them that there is no obligation by Section VI to include Nichols in the Section VI football schedule. However, Nichols may be given games based on availability within the confines of the schedule.

### 5.0 COMMUNICATIONS

T. Slade

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#### 5.1 ***Motion to approve combining of schools applications (a) through (v)***

- a) 2014-2015 Boys Golf, Pine Valley with Forestville, Varsity
- b) 2015-2016 Football, Clymer & Panama with Sherman, Varsity and JV
- c) 2015-2016 Football, Forestville with Silver Creek, Varsity and JV & Mod
- d) 2015-2016 Cross Country B & G, Forestville with Silver Creek, Varsity
- e) 2015-2016 Soccer Boys, Forestville with Silver Creek, Varsity and JV & Mod
- f) 2015-2016 Soccer Girls, Forestville with Silver Creek, Varsity and JV & Mod
- g) 2015-2016 Soccer Boys, West Valley with Ellicottville, Varsity
- h) 2015-2016 Soccer Girls, West Valley with Ellicottville, Varsity
- i) 2015-2016 Volleyball Girls, West Valley with Ellicottville, Varsity
- j) 2015-2016 Cheerleading, West Valley with Ellicottville, Varsity
- k) 2015-2016 Football, Falconer with Cassadaga Valley, Varsity and JV
- l) 2015-2016 Girls Swim Dunkirk, Forestville, Silver Creek with Fredonia, Varsity
- m) 2015-2016 Football, Holland with East Aurora, JV
- n) 2015-2016 Football, Holland with East Aurora, Varsity
- o) 2015-2016 Cross Country B & G, Cassadaga Valley with Falconer, Varsity
- p) 2015-2016 Soccer Boys, Cassadaga Valley with Falconer, Varsity and Mod
- q) 2015-2016 Boys Swim, Fredonia, Forestville, Silver Creek with Dunkirk, Varsity
- r) 2015-2016 Wrestling, Forestville, Silver Creek with Dunkirk, Varsity
- s) 2015-2016 Girls Swim, Clymer with Panama, Varsity
- t) 2015-2016 Girls Soccer, Clymer with Panama, Varsity
- u) 2015-2016 Golf Boys, West Seneca East with West Seneca West, Varsity
- v) 2015-2016 Golf Boys, Holland with East Aurora, Varsity

**CARRIED**

**DeKay/Reed**

#### 5.2 Combining of Schools/Classification Ad Hoc Committee

The athletic council requests that the Section VI Combining of Schools Ad Hoc Committee reconvene to further define/redefine "dominant" teams. Dr. J. Rabey, Chairman of the Section VI Combining of Schools Ad Hoc Committee will schedule a meeting in the near future.

#### 5.3 ***Motion to approve Senior All Star contest application (a)***

- a) Boys Basketball, Silver Hoops, at Grabiarez BPS, 3/28/15, co-sponsored by BPS, P.A.L., and Butler Mitchell Alumni

**CARRIED**

**Lloyd/Burke**

#### 5.4 **Motion to approve Outside Agency contest applications (a) through (d)**

- a) Cheer, Winter Break Nationals, 2/22/15, at Dunkirk High School, co-sponsored by Chautauqua Lake Central Schools, co-sponsor Cheer Starz, Jeri Summerville (retroactive approval)
- b) Rock the Falls Championship, (Cheer & Dance) Co-ed Cheerleading, 2/21/2015, at Niagara Falls Convention Center, co-sponsored by Tonawanda High School Jessica Stuart coach, co-sponsor Shout! Cheer and Dance, Diane Ringer (retroactive approval)
- c) Patty Shelly Memorial Championship (Co-Ed Cheerleading), 3/8/15, at Tonawanda High School, co-sponsor Shout! Cheer and Dance, Diane Ringer (retroactive approval)
- d) Baseball Showcase, 4/24/15 & 4/25/15, at Diethrick Park, co-sponsored by Falconer Central Schools and Chautauqua County Baseball Umpires Association.

**CARRIED**

**Rabey/Ksionzyk**

#### 6.0 **STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS**

##### 6.1 Finance Committee

D. Scholla

[dscholla@e1b.org](mailto:dscholla@e1b.org)

##### 6.1.1 Treasurer's Report

**Motion to receive the treasurer's report as presented**

**CARRIED**

**Spanbauer/Burke**

##### 6.1.2 Fall 2014 Financial Reports

Some items are still outstanding with regards to the fall 2014 post season.

##### 6.1.3 Winter 2014-2015 Financial Reports Status

Currently, the Section is in the process of receiving and distributing payments for the winter sports' season. T. Slade and D. Scholla, Section VI Treasurer, plan to meet with venue representatives from ECC, Buffalo State, etc. regarding increasing rental costs.

##### 6.1.4 Cheerleading Dues 2015-2016

Member schools cheerleading participation fees will be implemented beginning with the 2015-2016 school year. Section VI Cheerleading Invitational participation fees will be discussed at the April 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2015 Section VI Finance Committee meeting.

##### 6.2 Sectional/Intersectional

T. Slade

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##### 6.2.1 Section VI Sports Season Calendar

Although the NYSPHSAA standard calendar was approved, there is still a need for a Section VI Sports Season Calendar. The Section VI Sports Season Calendar form will continue to be distributed to member schools annually. However, athletic council approval of the form is no longer needed. In addition, state approved dates may be amended with Section/League approval.

##### 6.2.2 Sectional Contest Change Requests/Seeding Meetings

Any sectional contest change requests need to be submitted before the seeding meeting for that respective sport is complete.

##### 6.2.3 Boys Gymnastics Status

As per the May 2014 Section VI Athletic Council meeting, the following was discussed and approved:

##### 6.2.2 *Section VI Boys Gymnastics*

*Only 4 teams (Hamburg, Williamsville North, Williamsville South, & Williamsville East) are participating in boys gymnastics for the 2014 fall season.*

*As per the Section VI Policy Manual (220.2):*

*In order to have classification matches, meets, or tournaments, there must be a minimum of five (5) teams per classification. All exceptions to the minimum number must be approved by the Athletic Council.*

- *There are no regional or state championships for boys gymnastics.*
- *Although minimal, there is a cost to the Section (ticket takers, awards, officials, etc.).*

*Motion to approve a waiver from the Section VI Policy Manual regarding Boys Gymnastics, (Policy 220.2 Sectional Activities Requirements), for the 2014-2015 school year.*

*Graczyk/Bradley  
CARRIED (7 opposed)*

Boys Gymnastics is in violation of the Section VI sectional activities requirements policy for the 2015 season as only 4 teams are scheduled to participate in 2015 Boys Gymnastics. Therefore, Boys Gymnastics will be an action item at the May 13<sup>th</sup>, 2015 Section VI Athletic Council meeting.

#### 6.2.4 Boys Volleyball Proposal

The 2015 Boys Volleyball proposal, the usage of a two-libero system, will be decided at the state level.

### 6.3 Safety

F. Thornley [fthornley@eastauroraschools.org](mailto:fthornley@eastauroraschools.org)

#### 6.3.1 USA Football

The USA Football National Conference was held February 19-21, 2015 in Indianapolis, Indiana. Included workshops addressed safety; focusing on Heads Up Blocking, Heads Up Tackling, Concussion Awareness, Heat/Hydration Issues, Equipment Fitting, and Practice Organization.

USA Football's annual membership is \$25 per person (coach). Section VI Football Chairman, K. Stoldt, has expressed interest in increasing the number of USA Football clinics to Section VI coaches and parents during the spring and summer of 2015.

#### Football Contact Limitations

The NYSPHSAA Football Committee presented a proposal to consider limiting contact in the sport of football for high school and modified teams to no more than two "full-contact practices" per week during the season; with no "full-contact" session to exceed 90 minutes. If recommended by the NYSPHSAA Safety Committee, this proposal will be an action item at the May 2015 NYSPHSAA meeting.

### 6.4 Modified Report

M. Librock [milibrock@aldenschools.org](mailto:milibrock@aldenschools.org)  
K. McGowan [kmcgowan@wilsoncsd.org](mailto:kmcgowan@wilsoncsd.org)

#### 6.4.1 Modified Volleyball Serving Rotation

***Motion to direct the Section VI Modified Committee Representatives, K. McGowan and M. Librock, to support the following language change proposed by the NYSPHSAA Modified Committee: "With section/league approval, the boys and girls modified volleyball rotation may be adjusted so that when a modified athlete successfully serves five (5) consecutive serves that are not returned, the team rotates to its next server".***

***CARRIED***

***Stoltman/Roth***

#### 6.4.2 Increase in Maximum Number of Points for Modified Wrestling

***Motion to direct the Section VI Modified Committee Representatives, K. McGowan and M. Librock, to support the following language change proposed by the NYSPHSAA Modified Committee: "A contestant (or team) may participate in competitions not to exceed 14 points during the season".***

***CARRIED***

***Ksionzyk/Penhollow***

This would be an increase from 12 points which is allowed at this time. The rationale behind this motion is to be consistent with the maximum number of games allowed at the modified level as it relates to the high school level. Currently other sports are at a higher percentage as it relates to the total number of games allowed when compared to the high school level. This would bring the sport of wrestling up to the other sports.



- 6.5 Policy  
*Nothing to report* M. Fallacaro [mfallacaro@edencsd.wnyric.org](mailto:mfallacaro@edencsd.wnyric.org)
- 6.6 State Executive Committee/Central Committee
- a) Superintendent  
*Nothing to report* M. Wendt [mwendt@wilsoncsd.org](mailto:mwendt@wilsoncsd.org)
- b) Principal  
*Nothing to report* J. Spanbauer [jspanbauer@nfschools.net](mailto:jspanbauer@nfschools.net)
- c) Boys Rep J. Graczyk [jgraczyk@pioneerpsd.org](mailto:jgraczyk@pioneerpsd.org)  
Girls Rep M. Fallacaro [mfallacaro@edencsd.wnyric.org](mailto:mfallacaro@edencsd.wnyric.org)
- 6.6.1 Max Number of Contests Update  
On January 30<sup>th</sup>, the NYSPHSAA Executive Committee approved a method to balance the maximum number of contests based on actual length of the three respective sport seasons, starting with the 2015-2016 school year.  
**Approved Maximum Contest:**  
**Fall:** 9 Contests (Football)  
16 Contests (Field Hockey, Soccer, XC, Girls Swimming & Diving, Girls Tennis)  
20 Contests (Volleyball)  
**Winter:** 12 Contests (Cheer)  
16 Contests (Rifle, Skiing, Boys Swimming & Diving, Indoor Track & Field)  
20 Points (Wrestling)  
20 Contests (Basketball, Ice Hockey, Bowling)  
**Spring:** 16 Contests (Golf, Lacrosse, Outdoor Track & Field, Boys Tennis)  
20 Contests (Baseball, Softball)
- 6.6.2 Standard Calendar Update  
On January 30<sup>th</sup>, the NYSPHSAA Executive Committee approved the NFHS standardized procedure for numbering calendar weeks to ensure consistency and uniformity in establishing NYSPHSAA championship dates and a common sport season start date. The consistent method for establishing annual calendar events (regional and state championship dates, start and end dates, meeting dates, etc.) will begin with the 2015-2016 school year.
- d) NYSPHSAA Ad Hoc Committee
- Cheerleading M. Ziegler [mziegler@lancasterschools.org](mailto:mziegler@lancasterschools.org)  
The 2015-2016 Section VI Cheerleading Invitational will be held Sunday, February 7<sup>th</sup>, 2016 at Buffalo State.
- 6.7 Extended Eligibility  
*Nothing to report* G. Baldelli [balduche@aol.com](mailto:balduche@aol.com)
- 6.8 Chemical Awareness  
*Nothing to report* M. McKenna [mmckenna@lackawanna.wnyric.org](mailto:mmckenna@lackawanna.wnyric.org)
- 6.9 Transfer/Foreign Student  
*Reports were e-mailed* T. Slade [tslade@e1b.org](mailto:tslade@e1b.org)
- 6.10 Sportsmanship J. Graczyk [jgraczyk@pioneerpsd.org](mailto:jgraczyk@pioneerpsd.org)  
D. Ames [dames@newfane.wnyric.org](mailto:dames@newfane.wnyric.org)

6.10.1 Winter Sportsmanship Winners  
J. Graczyk and D. Ames, Section VI Sportsmanship Chairmen, e-mailed Section VI sports' chairmen a reminder to submit winter 14-15 sportsmanship winners.

6.11 Veterans J. Trampert [itramOPspt@aol.com](mailto:itramOPspt@aol.com)  
*Nothing to report.*

6.12 Mixed Competition J. Spanbauer [jspanbauer@nfschools.net](mailto:jspanbauer@nfschools.net)  
*Nothing to report*

6.13 Nominations A. Gens [agens@dunkirk.wnyric.org](mailto:agens@dunkirk.wnyric.org)  
6.13.1 Fall Sports, Chairperson Positions Update  
An update was given during the Executive Director's report.

6.14 Corporate Partners T. Slade [tslade@e1b.org](mailto:tslade@e1b.org)  
*Nothing to report*

6.15 Hall of Fame J. Dunnigan [jdunnigan@ktufsd.org](mailto:jdunnigan@ktufsd.org)  
B. Banker [bbanker@ktufsd.org](mailto:bbanker@ktufsd.org)  
The 2015 Section VI Hall of Fame ceremony will be held Friday, December 4<sup>th</sup>, 2015 at The Columns Banquets in Elma, NY. The application deadline for this year's candidates is June 15<sup>th</sup>, 2015. Nomination forms and instructions are posted on the Section VI website. Inductees will be announced at the September 2015 Section VI Athletic Council meeting.

## 7.0 SPECIAL COMMITTEE REPORTS

7.1 All WNY Scholar Athlete G. Kaszubski [kkaszubski@clarenceschools.org](mailto:kkaszubski@clarenceschools.org)  
The winter 2014-2015 All-WNY Scholar Athlete winners were recently selected. Of the 494 nominations; there were 31 repeat winners, 129 winners, and 334 honorable mentions.

Kevin Salisbury, Southwestern Athletic Director, joined the All WNY Scholar Athlete committee representing the CCAA.

7.2 Charter Schools T. Slade [tslade@e1b.org](mailto:tslade@e1b.org)  
7.2.1 Charter Schools Ad Hoc Committee Annual Meeting  
The annual Section VI Charter Schools Ad Hoc Committee meeting will be held Monday, April 20<sup>th</sup>, 2015.

## 8.0 STATE and SECTION SPORT COMMITTEE REPORTS

Girls Tennis	Kristin Janese	State Meeting Report 1/20/2015
Boys Lacrosse	Ed Greenway	State Meeting Report 1/23/2015
G&B Soccer	Chris Durr/Todd Marquardt	State Meeting Report 2/3/2015

\*Once received, state sport committee meeting reports are posted on the Section VI website.

## 9.0 GUEST REPORTS

9.1 NYSPHSAA  
*Nothing to report*

9.2 NYSAAA Report

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The NYSAAA Conference was held March 18-20<sup>th</sup>, 2015 in Saratoga, NY. The NYSAAA award recipients and student essay winners will be recognized at the May 13<sup>th</sup>, 2015 Section VI Athletic Council meeting.

10.0 **SPORTS REPORTS**

10.1 2014 Fall Post Season Reports

***Motion to approve the 2014 fall post season reports as presented***

**OPPOSED**

***Ksionzyk/Spanbauer***

***Motion to approve the 2014 fall post season reports with the exception of Boys Soccer***

**CARRIED**

***Kaszubski/Reed***

The Section VI Boys Soccer Chairman, T. Marquardt, will be contacted and requested to amend numbers 4 & 5 under "problems encountered/concerns" of his post season report.

10.2 2015 Boys Tennis Pre-Season Reports

***Motion to approve the 2015 Boys Tennis pre-season report***

**CARRIED**

***Reed/Ksionzyk***

11.0 **OLD BUSINESS**

*Nothing to report*

12.0 **NEW BUSINESS**

12.1 NFHS Coach of the Year

Mel Swanson – Girls Basketball

13.0 **GOOD OF THE ORDER/ADJOURNMENT**

***Motion to adjourn***

**CARRIED**

***Wendt/Gens***

Respectfully Submitted,



Beth Fadeley