

Athletic Council Meeting November 19th, 2013

**SECTIONAL/ INTERSECTIONAL COMMITTEE
October 31st, 2013 REPORT
Chairperson: Timm Slade**

Action Items for the Athletic Council

- 4.1 Approve the 2014 Spring Pre-Season reports as presented with the exception of the Girls Lacrosse report and the coin toss in Softball for sectional finals.
- 5.2 Approve the 2014-2015 Section VI starting dates as presented

SECTIONAL/INTERSECTIONAL COMMITTEE MINUTES October 31st, 2013

Attendance (* indicates present)
Sect/Insect: Buff: Aubrey Lloyd CCAA: Ben Drake* ECIC: Jim Graczyk*
NFL: P.Burke* NO: Doug Ames* (for Dave Carson)

Section Representatives: Timm Slade*, Chair, Mark DiFilippo, Treasurer,
Don Scholla*, Boys Rep., Cindy Bullis*, Girls Rep.

1.0 **Sports Concerns:**

1.1 **WNYSO Contract Negotiations**

T. Slade has notified R. Stulmaker, NYSPHSAA Assistant Director, of the section's current status regarding the WNYSO contract negotiations. The WNYSOs rejected a five year deal proposed by Section VI. Therefore, the Fact Finding process will begin once the state office receives payment in the amount of \$100 from both Section VI and the WNYSOs. T. Slade to update the Section VI Sectional Intersectional Committee and the Section VI Athletic Council as the process moves forward.

2.0 **Section Concerns**

2.1 **Sectional Playoff Concerns**

T. Slade to share with Section VI Sports Chairpersons issues concerning conflicting sectional playoff schedules. T. Slade to express sectional intersectional committee support of post season schedules created with the intention to avoid potential conflicts, specifically pertaining to neutral sites.

T. Slade to investigate assignment of the same officials for playoff contests on the same day and site, one following the other.

3.0 **NYSPHSAA Concerns:**

3.1 **Future Executive Committee Agenda Items**

At the last scheduled NYSPHSAA Executive Committee/Central Committee meeting it was requested for representatives to ask for direction from their respective sections regarding changing the NCAA 30-second shot clock rule to 35 seconds for girls' basketball as it will be an action item at the May 2014 state meeting. As discussion ensued, an additional motion was received approving representatives to seek direction from their respective sections as to whether NCAA rules (current) should be replaced with NFHS rules.

4.0 **Athletic Council Action Items**

4.1 **Spring 2014 Pre-Season Reports**

a) **Boys Tennis:**

- Buffalo is not fulfilling their allotted slots (3) for singles and doubles in the section tournament. The boys tennis committee requests to move forward with filling the slots with players from other leagues who 'qualify' if Buffalo does not enter any participants.

b) **Baseball:**

- J. Conley, baseball chair, seeking to mandate that all schools enter rosters by April 1st and league game results within 24 hours after the game or risk not being able to participate in sectionals.
- T. Slade to contact J. Conley to attempt to resolve a scheduling conflict between boys golf state qualifier date and baseball play in game date.

c) **Softball:**

- T. Slade to inform J. Hall, softball chairman that the sectional intersectional committee is not in favor of the flipping of the coin in sectional finals.

d) **Track & Field:**

- No concerns

e) **Boys Lacrosse:**

- See girls lacrosse below

f) **Girls Golf:**

- No concerns

g) **Girls Lacrosse:**

- T. Slade informed R. Schmitt, girls lacrosse chairman, that it is unnecessary for the A's and the C's to stop league contests at the same time as the B's as they have a different time frame to play contests.
- R. Schmitt inquired as to whether the NFL schools would be willing to revert back to the A, B, C format regarding the creation of schedules. R. Schmitt to be asked to submit written changes to P. Burke so that a presentation may be made at the NFL league meeting scheduled for next Tuesday, November 5th, 2013. The girls lacrosse report will be held from approval until a creation of schedules approach is determined.
- Concern was expressed regarding a lack of fairness where boys' lacrosse schedules are distributed months in advance of girls lacrosse schedules. T. Slade to contact E. Greenway and R. Schmitt to address the issue.

Recommendation: to accept the spring 2014 pre-season reports with the exception of the Girls Lacrosse report and the flipping of the coin in softball sectional finals.

5.0 **Old Business**

5.1 **Winter Sports**

a) Wrestling

- The wrestling section championships are scheduled to be held at the State University at Buffalo on Sunday, February 16th, 2014. T. Slade to share with the wrestling chairman the recommendation to revise the awards presentation.

b) Girls Basketball

- In order for the girls to have the same opportunity as the boys, sectional championship games will be scheduled on Sunday's in an annual rotation.

c) Indoor Track

- Brockport was a venue of interest for sectional championships, however due to several conflicts, Fredonia State will remain the venue site.

5.2 **2014-2015 Starting Dates**

No issues or concerns.

Recommendation: to approve the 2014-2015 Section VI starting dates as presented.

5.3 **Section VI Cheerleading Invitational**

M. Ziegler, cheerleading chair, is moving forward with a 2014-2015 winter cheerleading invitational. A meeting is scheduled, in the near future, with league representatives to begin the planning process.

5.4 **Wall of Fame Update**

The Section VI Wall of Fame Committee (B. Banker & J. Dunnigan) began the process to develop the Section VI 1st Annual Wall of Fame ceremony. One potential venue being reviewed by the committee includes the 2014-2015 Football Championships at Ralph Wilson Stadium. T. Slade has contacted league presidents requesting representatives to serve on the nominating committee.

5.5 **Wrestling Skin Infection Form**

The sectional intersectional committee is asked to remind their respective leagues to use the proper wrestling skin infection form for the upcoming 2013-2014 winter season.

6.0 **New Business**

Nothing to report.

7.0 **Good of the Order**

7.1 **Section VI Treasurer Position Update**

The Section VI Executive Committee directed the finance committee to make a recommendation regarding the treasurer position. A job posting and description were posted, and applications were accepted through October 30th, 2013. Interviews are scheduled for Wednesday, November 13th, 2013. The interview committee consists of: J. Rabey, Section VI President, T. Slade,

Section VI Executive Director, S. Penhollow, chairman of the finance committee, B. Banker, chairman of the nominations committee, P. Turski, Section VI Administrative Assistant, and L. Ratajczak, former Section VI Treasurer.

7.2 Deadline to Opt-Out of Sectional Play

Currently a week's notice is required to opt-out of sectional play. T. Slade to inquire with Section VI sports chairpersons as to why they feel it necessary to keep this requirement.

Respectfully Submitted,



Beth Fadeley

<p>Dates for the 2013-2014 teleconference meetings 9:00am: (THURSDAYS): Sept. 12th, Oct. 31st, Jan. 9th, Feb. 27th, Apr. 24th</p>
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