

FOOTBALL  
NYSPHSAA STATE MEETING  
Monday, March 25, 2013  
MINUTES

Dick Cerone

- 2012 Playoff Results (refer to handout)
- Tournament Handouts (refer to handout)
- Scouting – in accordance to the 2006 minutes teams in the playoffs are required to send tapes of their last two games played to the opposing opponent’s team and vice versa. This item will be contained in the 2013 State Playoff brochure.
- Dick requested that the
- Dick requested that the Section Chairperson for the teams from their section playing in the tournament be present at the Dome for their school’s games. They will be involved in a myriad of duties in the facilitation of the games.
- NFHS – Dick reported at the meeting that a discussion concerning double practices and possible regulations on the amount of time for doubles, wearing of pads at these practices, etc. Committee is requested to send any recommendations to Dick Cerone for possible changes.

Update Committee Roster – Neil Zwierlein

- Update Roster (will be sent with minutes)
- Addition John Ford [john.ford@davtronics.com](mailto:john.ford@davtronics.com)

Executive Director – Robert Zayas

- Robert had no particular report but appreciated the hard work and dedication of this committee throughout the Sections.
- Robert also announced the “NEW” changes on the State web site beginning Summer 2013. These changes will be user friendly, news worthy, better team and sport coverage, information on games, link to web site, etc.

Finance – Bob Stulmaker

- Financial report will be contained in the minutes however, football made \$75,290.
- There will be a freeze on the rental for the Dome for the next three years.
- Each sport coordinator will be asked to develop a proposed budget for their particular sport in the near future.
- Discussion concerning articles relating to heat acclimatization, double sessions, etc.
  - Todd Nelson – some states illuminating double sessions
  - Gary VanDerzee – discussion of the timeliness of the article and whether it is supported by current data.....Sections already have heat restrictions in place.....legislate bad coaches.....Is this a football concern only?.....If anything is legislated it should contain the word, “recommended” in the body of the proposal.....

- Dick Cerone – NFHS meeting discussion with data to support their concern.....
- Chuck Scarpula – timeline in discussion stages without specifics coaches should look at article for input....
- Mike Palermo – officials perspective on what should be done during the course of the games be included for consideration in Section’s discussion.....
- Bob Campese – heat index.....
- Robert Zayas – will survey states with regulations pertaining to heat acclimatization, double sessions.....this is a safety issue and must be addressed.....
- Dick Cerone – will keep us posted on what the Federation is recommending and possibly implement.....
- Todd Nelson – intensity of practices in early season monitored.....
- Robert Zayas – informed him of limiting the number of days of contact prior to a game....decrease the number of contact days relative to head injuries.....
- Chuck Scarpula – already limiting the number of contact days dictated by the schedule...
- Gary Vanderzee – written rule to follow, will it curtail practices?.....
- Todd Nelson – days will be determined based on the definition of “contact” .....
- Robert Zayas – five days of contact?.....

#### Sponsors – Joe Altieri

- No report

#### New Rules – Mike Palermo (refer to handout)

- Need to address rule changes with coaches accompanied by some form of training.....
- Rules overview....
- Rules posted on NFHS web site

#### Football Officials Report – Ric Hamblin

- Things are good overall.....
- Observed watching all five games, said there were some difficulties especially in covering positions....
- Pre-game meetings a plus for officials.....
- Poor mechanics relative to calling penalties, etc. this is based on officials officiating out of position.....
- Refer to handout for chart....
- Chuck Scarpula – evaluation chart with information is good but need additional information for their individual Section.... Ric will send forms to Sectional Chairs.....
- Ric – not a reward system for officials and officials must be selected by position!!!!

- Robert Zayas – best kids, best teams therefore, need best officials.....this has happened in other sports specifically basketball this past year.....

#### Classification – Neil Zwierlein (refer to handout)

- Hot topic based on the combining of teams implementation for two years based on percentages.....
- Committee is asked for Classification numbers for 2014 relative to breakdown of teams within classifications and the 20 % guideline.....
- Ken Stoldt – consideration of a DD Classification.....
- Todd Nelson – no consideration for expansion of tournament.....cost....
- Ken Stoldt – BED's numbers out earlier....do w/o special education included in BED's numbers.....Classification numbers good for two years.....
- Robert Zayas – trying to get numbers earlier but State is very reluctant....

#### Section 8 & 11 Playoffs – Pat Pizzarelli

- No Report

#### Section Reporting

##### Section I

- Prefer face to face meeting versus teleconferencing.....Robert Zayas – meeting at State Championship a possibility.....

##### Section II

- Face to face meeting preferred.....
- Safety rules where are they coming from?....

##### Section III

- Kickoff Classic September 6,7,8, 2013.....
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- One long session versus double session, how do we legislate this?.....

##### Section V

- No Report

##### Section VI

- Prefer face to face meeting.....

##### Section VII

- No Report

##### Section IX

- No report

##### Section X

- No Report

Meeting Adjourned 12:15 p.m.