

NYS Girls Basketball Committee Meeting

Friday, October 11, 2013
9:30 a.m. – Phone Conference

Attendance: Pete Bly (State Coordinator); Stephen Young (Section 1); Dan Hytko (Section 2); Larry Stockwell (Section 3); Kurt Ehrensbeck (Section 4); Tim Lincoln (Section 5); Chris Durr (Section 6); Greg Waters (Section 7); Stephanie Joannon (Section 8); Amber Wilcox (Section 10); Kevin O'Reilly (Section 11); Robert Stulmaker (NYSPHSAA – Asst. Director); Todd Nelson (NYSPHSAA – Asst. Director); Jim Miller (NYSPHSAA Modified Coordinator); Joe Agostinelli (NYSPHSAA Media Content Coordinator); Leo Kaminsky (Tournament Officials); Louie Stellato (Officials President); Mike Block (NYSPHSAA Intern); Steve McWhorter (Secretary)

Minutes

I. **Introductions** Pete welcomed everyone. Everyone introduced themselves. ☐ Next Meeting -Thursday, March 13, 2014 at 5:00 pm
Barnsider Restaurant, 480 Sand Creek Road, Albany, NY

II. **March 2013 Meeting Minutes** – Coordinators received minutes prior to meeting.

- MOTION made to waive the reading of minutes and accept them. (Hytko / Young) Vote: PASSED

III. **NCAA Rules Interpretation** – Louie Stellato

- Louie read through the girls basketball rule changes that have been implemented for the 2013-14 season. Pete emailed a copy of the rule changes to the committee on September 12, 2013
- 10 second backcourt rule (Modified basketball) – Discussion between Todd Nelson, Jim Miller and the Committee clarified that Modified basketball would follow the new 10 second rule since it is not specifically addressed in the NYSPHSAA modified handbook. It was suggested that a recommendation be sent to the Executive Committee to allow a Section/League to determine whether or not to adopt the 10 second rule at the Modified level. A roll call with the Section Coordinators provided information regarding the pros and cons of the 10 second rule. They were all in favor of allowing each individual section the choice of adopting the 10 second rule at the Modified level.
- MOTION made to send a recommendation to the Executive Committee that with Section / League approval the 10 second backcourt rule will be allowed at the Modified level. (Young / Stockwell) Vote: PASSED
- Pete asked Louie if it would be beneficial to bring in all officials on Thursday before the State Tournament. Louie replied “absolutely, without a doubt”. Bob Stulmaker stated there would be no problem bringing in the officials as long as there is justification (rules interp, mechanics, etc). Louie and Leo will collaborate and provide Bob with written justification.

IV. **NYSPHSAA Report** – Bob Stulmaker □ New awards vendor – Crown Awards (3 yr contract)

- New Media Content Coordinator – Joe Agostinelli New “state of the art” website, Joe is currently finalizing info for Fall sports and working on the Winter content. Joe informed the Committee that all the Athletic Directors in the state have an access code to MaxPreps to submit rosters and pictures for the championship programs. A website link will be located under Championship Central. The Tournament tri-fold brochure will be available on the website as a PDF document.
- New vendor for championship programs and merchandise – CP Sportswear (Rochester)
A single vendor for all sports to maintain consistency throughout the year.

V. **Official’s Committee Report** – Leo Kaminsky

- Leo and Louie are working together to provide evaluations approximately 2-3 weeks after the conclusion of the 2013-14 tournament. This will be an improvement from last year.
- Deadline for submitting tournament officials – February 14th at 10am The 10am deadline will allow Leo the opportunity to find replacement officials if a Section misses the deadline. Schools are on vacation the next week which makes it challenging for Leo to contact the necessary individuals.
- Leo acknowledged that not all the official’s information was provided when the official’s name was submitted. He asks the Coordinators to inform those involved with the evaluation and selection process to be aware of the Feb 14th (10am) deadline and the importance of providing all the necessary contact information.
- Leo will continue using the contracts. The contracts must come from the 11 Coordinators. The contracts are not to be passed through BOCES, board of officials, etc. The Coordinators are responsible for getting the contracts to the selected officials. There may be some slight changes to the contract but the basic structure of the form will be the same as last season. A list of necessary contact information (from the tournament official) that needs to be submitted will be indicated on the form.

VI. **NYSPHSAA Official’s Contract**

- This is the last year of the current contract. (Expires June 30, 2014) If you have anything to input into the contract procedure notify Pete via email. Check the information within the tournament tri-fold to determine if changes need to be made. Deadline to submit suggestions is January 1st.
- Bob Stulmaker has sent a form to every State Sport Coordinator and Section Executive Director. Any changes to fees or policies need to be submitted by January 1st. All data is tabulated and compiled and sent to the Championship Advisory Committee in April. The information is reviewed and the CAC makes a recommendation to the Executive Committee in May.

VII. **2014 Tournament Dates** 2014 Regionals: March 3 – 8, 2014 NYS Tournament: March 14 – 16, 2014 Federation Tournament: March 21 – 23

VIII. **2015 Tournament Dates** 2015 Regionals: March 9 – 14, 2015 NYS Tournament: March 20 – 22, 2015 Federation Tournament: March 27 – 29

2014 NYS Brackets Region 3 vs Region 1 Region 2 vs Region 4

Regional Concerns

- Re-visiting the concern with the Class D section/region alignments. The deadline has passed for any possible changes to occur for the 2014 Tournament. The discussion of re-alignment was initiated by Section 9 at the 2013 March meeting.
- In Class D, Region 1 (Section 1-8-9-11) – Sections 1 and 8 have no D schools, while section 11 's status of having a D school is on a year to year basis. This leaves Section 9 as the only section that consistently has a D school in Region 1. Re-alignment has been discussed to make the Class D set-up more equitable.
- Pete would like to come up with a Class D re-alignment solution at the 2014 March meeting so a recommendation can be sent to the Championship Advisory Committee for their meeting in April. He hopes to have a permanent solution in place for the 2015 tournament.

XI. **2014 Regionals** Larry will finalize 2014 Regional award and certificate order form and send it out. Dates, sites and times needed ASAP

XII. **2014 Federation Bracket** Brackets have been finalized and will be sent to Pete to include in the minutes

XIII. **Section Concerns** -NONE

XIV. **Old Business** -NONE

XV. New Business

- Todd Nelson informed the committee that at the Oct 24th Executive Meeting there will be a discussion in regards to allowing individual Sections to adopt the use of the 3-pt shot for boys and girls modified. This topic was discussed in a recent Modified committee meeting and a tie vote prevented it from moving forward. Coordinators are encouraged to talk to their Executive Committee Reps and express their opinions.
- Amber asked the other Coordinators what their sections do for defense (Man-to-man or zone) at the modified level. Amber stated that her section is currently man-to-man only and coaches were expressing an interest of using zone. A roll call was done to gather that information. A majority of sections indicated that it was a league by league decision with a majority of the leagues using man-to-man the first half of the season and the option to use zone the second half of the season.

XVI. MOTION made to adjourn – 10:35am (Hytko / Wilcox) Vote: PASSED

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