Executive Committee Meeting Summary

Sunday, October 21, 2012



The New York State Public High School Athletic Association Executive Committee met in regular session on Sunday, October 21 at the state association office in Latham, New York.

The meeting minutes are being prepared; this summary should serve as a quick reference of the "major" action which occurred during the meeting.

Robert Zayas, NYSPHSAA Executive Director, reported that an ad hoc committee would be meeting in early November, via teleconference, to discuss the combining of teams. Each section Executive Director has been requested to select one individual to serve on this committee. The committee will bring a proposal to the Executive Committee for action at the January meeting. Action is required in January to impact the 2013-2014 school year.

Robert Zayas also reported that he is focused on having the association website redesigned in preparation of the 2013-2014 school year.

The Executive Committee <u>did not</u> approve a team sport coordinator and an individual sport coordinator to attend Executive/ Central Committee meetings.

The Executive Committee also discussed a proposal to continue the fiscal reductions for the next four years. The Executive Committee determined that this topic should go back to the sections for discussion with possible action at the January Executive Committee meeting.

Please make reference of the following noteworthy items which were approved by the Executive Committee:

- Eligibility standard #31 on page 94 of the handbook was modified with the following:
 "Any member school which institutes an unsuccessful legal action <u>or appeal to the courts</u> or the
 Commissioner of Education, to overturn, stay or enjoin an eligibility ruling or rule or
 rules of the NYSPHSAA....."
- The modified regulations were clarified with the following editorial change: "Ninth grade contestants promoted at the end of their modified seasons should practice with the varsity team and are limited to post <u>season</u> contests."
- The wrestling modified weight variance rules were revised to allow a contestant to compete against a competitor who is either in a lower or higher weight group, as long as both wrestlers stay within the six pound variance (i.e. a wrestler in the 70-80 lbs. group who weighs 78 lbs. can compete with a wrestler in the 80-90 lbs. weight group, as long as the heavier wrestler does not weigh more than 84 lbs.).

Other editorial changes in the handbook were approved and will be noted in the minutes.