

ATHLETIC COUNCIL MINUTES

March 21, 2018

HIGHLIGHTS

January 17, 2018 Section VI Athletic Council meeting minutes

3.1 **CARRIED**

	4.2	CARRIED	2018 Football Alignment			
	5.1	CARRIED	Combining of Schools applications, numbers (1) through (9) and (11) through (13)			
	5.1	DEFEATED	Combining if Schools applications, number (10)			
	5.2	CARRIED	Senior All Star Contests, letter (a)			
	6.2.1	CARRIED	Charter School Committee members and Combining of Schools Committee members to serve on the Charter Schools Classification Committee			
	6.3.1	CARRIED	Treasurer's Report			
	6.4.1	DEFEATED	Run Rule, where the game will end with a run differential of 10 runs after 5 innings (or $4 \frac{1}{2}$ if the home team is winning), for regular season play only. Two-year pilot (trial) at the high school level.			
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	6.4.3	CARRIED	Track Super Standard Proposal			
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6	6.14.3	CARRIED	Fall Sports Chairs Candidates, Term 2018-2021			
1	0.1	CARRIED	Fall 2018 Pre-Season Reports			
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ATTENDANCE (*indicates present)

Executive Committee		Committee Chairpersons		Sportschairs
President	Al Gens	Chemical Awareness	Jeff Alger	
President-Elect	Adam Stoltman*	Extended Eligibility	Timm Slade*	
Superintendents Rep.	Jeff Rabey*	Finance	Steve Penhollow*	
Principals Rep.	Jim Spanbauer*	Boys' Modified	Matt Librock*	Guests
Boys Rep.	Jim Graczyk*	Girls' Modified	Julie Arnold*	C. Joyce, NYSPHSAA
Girls Rep.	Marisa Fallacaro*	Nominations	Adam Stoltman*	M. LaMorticella
Past President	Brett Banker*	NYSAAA	Mark DiFilippo*	P. Burke
Executive Director	Timm Slade*	Policy Handbook	Marisa Fallacaro*	
Treasurer	Don Scholla*	Safety	Brian Wild*	
		Sectional Intersectional	Timm Slade*	
		Sportsmanship	Doug Ames*/Jim Graczyk*	
		Transfer	Timm Slade*	
		Veterans	Jim Trampert	
		Hall of Fame	Jim Dunnigan	
		Combining of Schools	Jeff Rabey*	

League	Representative	Alternate
BUFFALO		
Superintendents Rep./AD	Aubrey Lloyd, Emerson*	TBA
Principals Rep.	Dave Thomas Jr.	TBA
Girls Rep.	Andrea Norton, City Honors	TBA
Boys Rep.	TBA	TBA
CHAUTAUQUA CATTARAU	SUS ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION (CO	AA)
Superintendents Rep.	Steve Penhollow, Falconer*	TBA
Principals Rep.	Jason Halpainy, Randolph*	TBA
Girls Rep.	Carol Zirkle, Fredonia*	Lynne Bemis, Clymer
Boys Rep.	Rick DeKay, Retired	Kevin Salisbury, Southwestern*
ERIE COUNTY INTERSCHO	ASTIC CONFERENCE (ECIC)	
Superintendents Rep.	Sandy Anzalone, Eden*	Jeff Rabey, Depew
Principals Rep.	Scott Zipp, Cheektowaga	Steve Smith, Alden
Girls Rep.	Kiel Illg, Amherst*	Daryl Besant, Lake Shore
Boys Rep.	Greg Kaszubski, Clarence*	Mark DiFilippo, Williamsville East
NIAGARA FRONTIER LEAG	JE (NFL)	
Superintendents Rep.	Paul Casseri, Lew-Port	TBA
Principals Rep.	Chris Ginestre, Hoover Middle*	TBA
Girls Rep.	Jon Roth, Grand Island*	Matt McKenna, Niagara Wheatfield
Boys Rep.	Todd Sukdolak, Lockport*	Jon Roth, Grand Island
NIAGARA ORLEANS LEAG	IE (NO)	
Superintendents Rep.	Mike Baumann, Newfane*	Mark Kruzynski, Medina
Principals Rep.	Joe Lucenti, Akron*	Steve Dimitroff, Akron
Girls Rep.	Jeff Roth, Wilson*	Randy Knaak, Albion
Boys Rep.	Doug Ames, Newfane*	Dave Carson, Barker
SUPERINTENDENT REPRE	ENTATION (BOCES)	
Erie 1 BOCES	Jon MacSwan, Cleveland Hill*	TBA
Erie 2 BOCES	Maureen Donahue, Southweste	ern TBA
ON BOCES	Michelle Bradley, Lockport*	TBA
CA BOCES	Robert Breidenstein, Salamanc	a TBA

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1.0 CALL TO ORDER

A. Gens

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Commenced: 11:37am

1.1 Pledge of Allegiance

2.0 INTRODUCTIONS & AWARD PRESENTATIONS

A. Gens

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2.1 Fall State Champions

a) West Seneca West, Football, Class A – represented by Athletic Director Vinny Dell'Oso, Coach Mike Vastola, and Student-Athletes Matt Myers, Vinny Draper, and Jesse Broad

3.0 MINUTES

A. Gens

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3.1 Motion to approve the January 17, 2018 Section VI Athletic Council meeting minutes CARRIED

Graczyk/Rabey

4.0 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

T. Slade

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4.1 Indoor Track and Field Timing System

John Montalbo, owner and operator of the timing system used by Section VI for Indoor Track and Field, has announced his retirement. As such, Section VI will need to acquire its own timing system or utilize one that may be provided by a member school district.

4.2 Motion to approve the 2018 Football Alignment

CARRIED

Kaszubski/Lucenti

4.3 ArbiterPay Update

Implementation of ArbiterPay is scheduled for the Fall of 2018, with one league potentially beginning in the spring of 2018.

5.0 COMMUNICATIONS T. Slade tslade @e1b.org

- 5.1 Motion to approve Combining of Schools applications, numbers (1) through (9) and (11) through (13) Spring 2017-2018
 - 1. Boys Lacrosse, <u>City Honors</u>, Hutch Tech, McKinley, Olmsted, Riverside, Varsity, JV & 7/8th. 2017-18 Fall 2018
 - 2. Football, <u>Franklinville</u>, Ellicottville & West Valley, V & JV <u>with request for Class C placement</u> Tabled from February Executive Meeting
 - 3. Cross Country B/G, Newcomer at Lafayette, Lafayette International, V & JV
 - 4. Cross Country B/G, Riverside, Riverside Academy, V & JV
 - 5. Soccer B/G, Newcomer at Lafayette, Lafayette International, V & JV
 - 6. Soccer B/G, Riverside, Riverside Academy, V & JV
 - 7. Volleyball B/G, Newcomer at Lafayette, Lafayette International, V & JV
 - 8. Volleyball G, Riverside, Riverside Academy, V & JV
 - 9. Swimming G, Chautauqua Lake, Westfield, V & JV
 - 10. Girls Volleyball, Eden, North Collins, V & JV, Class C
 - 11. Cross Country, Fredonia, Westfield, V
 - 12. Girls Swim, Fredonia, Silver Creek, Forestville, Brocton, V

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13. Football, Medina, Lyndonville, add Barker, V & JV, Class B (no change in classification w/ addition of Barker **CARRIED**

Spanbauer/Banker

Motion to approve Girls Volleyball, Eden, North Collins, V & JV, Class C DEFEATED

Spanbauer/Sukdolak

A. Lloyd, Buffalo Public Schools Athletic Director, provided clarification regarding the location (buildings) where each school in the Buffalo Public Schools combinations are housed.

The following campuses house multiple schools within one building:

Bennett Campus – Louis J. Bennett (9 & 10th grade), Middle Early College

Lafayette Campus - Lafayette Traditional (will no longer exist at the end of the 17-18 school year), Lafayette International, and Lafayette Newcomer

Riverside Campus – Riverside Academy, Riverside Institute, Riverside Traditional (will be phased out at the end of the 17-18 school year)

5.2 Motion to approve Senior All Star Contest, letter (a)

Chautaugua County All-Star Game, Boys & Girls Basketball March 21, 2018 at Fredonia High School, co-sponsored by Chautauqua County Board of Basketball Officials Insurance pending **CARRIED**

Penhollow/Baumann

6.0 STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

6.1 Combining of Schools Committee

J. Rabey

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The combining schools winter 2017-2018 end of season reports were due Tuesday, March 20. A reminder will be emailed to those who have yet to submit their report(s).

6.2 Charter Schools Classification Committee

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6.2.1 Motion to approve the Charter School Committee members and Combining of Schools Committee members to serve on the Charter Schools Classification Committee **CARRIED**

Zirkle/Sudolak

6.3 Finance Committee

D. Scholla

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6.3.1 Motion to approve the Treasurer's Report **CARRIED**

Fallacaro/Jon Roth

6.4 Sectional/Intersectional

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6.4.1 Motion to approve of the Run Rule, where the game will end with a run differential of 10 runs after 5 innings (or 4 ½ if the home team is winning), for LEAGUE regular season play only. Two-year pilot (trial) at the high school level. **DEFEATED**

Fallacaro/Zirkle

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6.4.2 Motion to approve the Softball Seeding Proposal

CARRIED

Fallacaro/Rabey

Current Policy:

If teams have identical power ratings, the following criteria will be used to break the tie:

- The team with the most league/division wins will be the higher seeded team. If still tied:
- The team with the fewest league league/division losses will be the higher seeded team. If still tied:
- The team with the higher winning percentage of games scheduled will be the higher seeded team. Determined by total league
 wins divided by total league/division games scheduled. If still tied:
- If teams are in the same league/division, use head-to-head results. If still tied:
- A toss of a coin will determine the higher seeded team.

Proposal: The addition of:

If 3 or more teams are tied, teams will be drawn out of a hat.

1st draw is the highest seed 2nd draw is the next seed Last draw is the next seed

Rationale: The current seeding policy has written documentation of how to handle a tie for two teams but not a 3-way tie.

6.4.3 Motion to approve the Track Super Standard Proposal

CARRIED

Baumann/Ginestre

The NYSPHSAA Track & Field Committee is proposing a super standard to qualify to the NYSPHSAA Track & Field Championship Meet.

Currently, each section is allowed one athlete & one team relay from each division to qualify for the NYSPHSAA Track & Field Championship. In addition, each Section is allowed a second qualifier for each division if they meet a state standard. This standard is based on an average of the 6th place finisher at the state meet for the past 5 years. Each year, athletes are left at home because the limit from each section is a maximum of two per division. There have been times over the years where an individual Section has three athletes that could qualify and actually place in the top four in the state meet in their event. Unfortunately, these athletes cannot participate in the State Meet let alone receive a state medal.

The State Committee is proposing the use of a Super Standard for a possibility of a third athlete to compete at the State Meet. By using the average of the 4th place finisher over the last five year, an additional athlete from a Section could compete. This standard can only be achieved at the State Qualifier meet held by each Section. Thus, all three athletes would have to meet the Super Qualifier Standard at that Sections State Qualifier meet. Looking back at the sectional state qualifier meets, this would add approximately 8 to 12 athletes to the State Meet. The cost for the State would be minimal – extra athlete's tags. The cost for the individual Sections or the individual schools depends upon whether the section pays for any of the costs of transportation, food and/or lodging. As Section VI pays those costs it would translate to 0 to maybe 4 additional athletes a year.

Over the past years, very few athletes from Section VI would have made these qualifying standards. Unfortunately, some athletes would have been able to meet the Super Qualifier standards and have been left behind.

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	BOYS		GIRLS
100-D1	10.89	100-D1	12.41
100-D2	11.09	100-D2	12.61
200-D1	22.04	200-D1	25.11
200-D2	22.51	200-D2	25.61
400-D1	48.92	400-D1	56.81
400-D2	50.28	400-D2	57.61
800-D1	01:54.0	800-D1	02:12.0
800-D2	01:56.0	800-D2	02:13.0
1600-D1	04:13.0	1500-D1	04:29.0
1600-D2	04:19.0	1500-D2	04:42.0
3200-D1	09:13.0	3000-D1	09:46.0
3200-D2	09:31.0	3000-D2	10:12.0
STEEP-D1	09:26.0	STEEP-D	1 06:55.0
STEEP-D2	09:43.0	STEEP-D	2 07:17.0
110H-D1	14.8	100H-D1	15
110H-D2	14.95	100H-D2	15.5
400H-D1	54.84	400H-D1	62.9
400H-D2	56.37	400-D2	65
L J-D1	22'7"	LJ-D1	18'4"
L J-D2	22'2"	LJ-D2	17'4"
T J-D1	46'9"	T J-D1	38'1"
T J-D2	45'3"	T J-D2	36'10"
H J-D1	6'4"	H J-D1	5'4"
H J-D2	6'4"	H J-D2	5'3"
P V-D1	14'3"	P V-D1	11'6"
P V-D2	14'	P V-D2	10'9"
S P-D1	55'2"	S P-D1	40'10"
S P-D2	49'10"	S P-D2	37'4"
DISC-D1	162'3"	DISC-D1	124'
DISC-D2	147'5"	DICS-D2	115'
PENT-D1	3171	PENT-D1	3060
PENT-D2	3115	PENT-D2	2750

THESE NUMBERS ARE FROM A 5 YEAR AVERAGE FOURTH PLACE FINISH In a normal year---between 8-12 athletes would advance to State competition

6.5 Safety

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6.5.1 Concussion Article

The FDA has approved of a blood test to aid in concussion evaluation. Known as Banyan BTI (Brain Trauma Indicator), the new test measures levels of two protein biomarkers that are released from the brain into blood within 12 hours of head injury. Levels of these blood proteins after mTBI can help predict which patients may have intracranial lesions. The NFHS does not approve of the use of the Banyan BTI and recommends to continue current protocol to determine concussion.

6.6 Modified Report

M. Librock/J. Arnold

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6.6.1 Modified Sports Review Process Update

At the next scheduled Modified Sports Committee meeting, all data collected regarding modified rules and regulations will be reviewed to see if/where changes are needed to better prepare student-athletes for the transition to the JV and varsity levels.

6.7 State Executive Committee/Central Committee

a) Superintendent

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Nothing to report

b) Principal J. Spanbauer | ispanbauer@nfschools.net

Nothing to report

c) Boys Rep./Girls Rep.

J. Graczyk/M. Fallacaro

• The cutoff numbers **approved** for the 2018-19 school year:

<u>Class</u>	Cut-Off	# of Schools	<u>Percentage</u>
AA	965 – UP	107	13.40%
Α	500 - 964	169	21.20%
В	270 - 499	185	23.20%
С	150 - 269	171	21.70%
D	149 – DOWN	162	20.40%

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CARRIED

Baumann/Spanbauer

- Regional Rotation for Volleyball
 - The NYSPHSAA Girls Volleyball Committee is proposing a Regional rotation for the Fall of 2018. The current rotation ended in 2017. A six-year rotation is followed. The committee is only interested, at this point, with a rotation for 2018 in order to review the effect of the new classification numbers on the Class D teams. This year, in the Section 1,9,11 bracket, Section 9 received an automatic bid into the state tournament. The committee wants to avoid automatic bid for any Section. If the new classification numbers alleviate automatic bid, then a recommendation for rotation will be made for the next two years (2018, 2019). Otherwise, an alternate rotation will be proposed for 2019.
- Motion to direct M. Fallacaro, Girls Representative, and J. Graczyk, Boys Representative, to support the following revisions to the NYSPHSAA Community Service Challenge; 1. Utilize the TeamUp4Community Platform for submissions which provides: a. Ability to add video and pictures b. Data on the impact student-athletes and athletics are having on communities c. Ability for schools to share information d. A platform producing an analytical document on community service 2. Allow student-athletes, coaches, and athletic directors to apply 3. Add an option for specific teams to be recognized. Entire athletic departments will still be able to apply as well. 4. Sections will no longer need to determine a Section winner. The NYSPHSAA SAAC will determine the winner using the attached

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rubric. 5. A winner will be chosen each season (i.e. Fall, Winter, and Spring). Teams do not necessarily need to be in their championship season to apply.

CARRIED

Fallacaro/Sukdolak

6.8 Extended Eligibility

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Nothing to report

6.9 Chemical Awareness

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Nothing to report

6.10 Transfer/Foreign Student

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Reports were emailed

6.11 Sportsmanship

J. Graczyk/D.Ames

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- · Council members were asked to remind their respective leagues to submit coaches' nominations for recognition.
- Good Sports Promotion Survey closes April 16, 2018
- Coaches Appreciation Day is Wednesday, May 16, 2018

6.12 Veterans

J. Trampert

Nothing to report

6.13 Mixed Competition

J. Spanbauer

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Nothing to report

6.14 Nominations

A. Stoltman astoltman@aldenschools.org

6.14.1 President-Elect Position

Applications for the President-Elect position are due today. Resumes and letters of interest will be requested of each candidate. A vote to determine the President-Elect will be conducted at the May 16, Athletic Council meeting.

6.14.2 Boys Representative Position

May 16, 2018 is the deadline to submit applications for the Boys Representative position.

6.14.3 Motion to approve of Fall Sports Chairs candidates, Term 2018-2021 - Kristin Janese (Girls Tennis), Ken Hans (Boys Cross Country), Nancy Bennett (Girls Cross Country), Jude Otto (Field Hockey), Ken Stoldt (Football), Adam Stoltman (Asst. Football), Joe Buscaglia (Girls Gymnastics), Todd Marquardt (Boys Soccer), Chris Durr (Girls Soccer), Joanna Fildes (Asst. Girls Soccer) Doug Cassidy (Girls Swimming), Walt Stefani (Boys Volleyball), and Deb Schruefer (Girls Volleyball)

CARRIED

Rabey/Graczyk

6.15 Corporate Partners

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Nothing to report

6.16 Hall of Fame

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2018 Hall of Fame nominations are due no later than May 17, 2018.

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7.0 SPECIAL COMMITTEE REPORTS

7.1 All-WNY Scholar Athlete G. Kaszubski

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To accommodate spring break, The Buffalo News is offering a winter 2017-2018 scholar-athlete photo session for March 22, 2018 from 3:30pm to 6pm.

7.2 Charter Schools

T. Slade

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Section VI anticipates a request from the Independent schools to form a League within Section VI in the near future.

8.0 STATE & SECTION SPORT COMMITTEE REPORTS

Softball Jay Hall <u>December 18, 2017</u>
Field Hockey Jude Otto <u>January 5, 2018</u>
Baseball Robert Parry January 10, 2018

9.0 GUEST REPORTS

9.1 NYSPHSAA Report Chris Joyce cioyce @nysphsaa.org

9.1.1 BEDS Enrollment Process

- The numbers published in January 2018 (grades 9, 10,11) will be used for 2018-2019
- The numbers to be published in June (grades 9,10, and the average of those two years) will be used for 2019-2020
- Every year thereafter, the numbers published in June will be used for the school year two years after that

9.1.2 Graduated Scale for Combined Teams

2018-2019 Formula

Class AA = 100%

Class A = 100%

Class B = 100%

Class C = 40%

Class D = 30%

9.1.3 Cheer Championships

Revisions to the championships are being discussed. A formal proposal will be presented in the near future.

9.1.4 Participation Survey

A reminder was given to complete the Participation Survey.

9.1.5 Student Athlete Advisory Council

Application deadline - May 14, 2018

9.2 NYSAAA Report

M. DiFilippo

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NYSAAA, in conjunction with the State Education Department, has presented a proposal seeking certification for athletic directors through NYSAAA regarding LTC classes. Four classes will be offered August 20, 2018 and August 23, 2018. More information will be provided when available.

10.0 SPORTS REPORTS

10.1 Motion to approve the Fall 2018 Pre-Season Reports

CARRIED

Graczyk/Spanbauer

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^{*}Team Sports – The graduated scale is to be used for up to 3 team mergers. 100% of all schools in a combination is used for 4 or more teams.

11.0 OLD BUSINESS

11.1 Unified Bowling

D. Ames, Unified Bowling Chairmen, reported a successful season with participation by 13 member schools. Future growth is anticipated for the program.

12.0 NEW BUSINESS

12.1 Cheerleading Concerns-ECIC

ECIC Athletic Council Representatives are invited to attend the April 11, 2018 Executive Committee meeting where their concerns in the sport of Cheerleading will be addressed. T. Slade will provide the names and associated schools of the members of the Cheerleading Committee.

- 12.2 A presentation by Tim Conners will be held at Erie 1 BOCES on September 21, 2018. More information will be distributed when available.
- 12.3 Cheer Proposal

Concerns were expressed regarding the open format of the forthcoming State Cheerleading Proposal.

12.4 Wrestling

The elimination of honor weigh-ins is being discussed at the state level.

13.0 GOOD OF THE ADJOURNMENT

13.1 Motion to Adjourn CARRIED

Lucenti/Rabey

Respectfully Submitted,

Beth Fadeley

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Recording Secretary