



## **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE Minutes**

**September 13, 2017**

### **Highlights**

- 3.1 **CARRIED:** Approval of the June 14, 2017 Section VI Executive Committee meeting minutes

### **Action Items for the Athletic Council**

- 3.1 **ACTION ITEM:** Approval of the May 17, 2017 Section VI Athletic Council meeting minutes
- 4.9 **ACTION ITEM:** Approval of Holland Boys Volleyball 2017 Independent Schedule
- 4.10 **ACTION ITEM:** Approval of Hutch Tech Boys Volleyball 2017 Independent Schedule
- 5.1 **ACTION ITEM:** Approval of Combining of Schools Applications
- 5.2 **ACTION ITEM:** Approval of Outside Agency Applications
- 5.3 **ACTION ITEM:** Approval of Senior All Star Applications
- 5.4 **ACTION ITEM:** Approval of Friends and Neighbor Applications
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- 6.7c2 **ACTION ITEM:** Approval to direct the Girls and Boys Representatives to support the following proposal: As a result of the AD Hoc Committee on Classification a proposal, which was approved. Since that time, there seems to be a misunderstanding that needs clarification. The language should say presented for review to CAC as they are a recommending body only. Secondly, in the Handbook, the language does not include voted on at the "May" meeting. The numbers should be voted on and then the earliest implementation should be fall of the next school year-May 2017 vote, September 2018 earliest implementation.
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- 6.7c17 **ACTION ITEM:** Approval to direct the Girls and Boys Representatives to support, in the sport of Baseball, adjusting the Regional rotations when a section, because of byes, would go directly to the State Semifinals. Establish May 18, 2018 as a final date to inform the state coordinator of intent to pull out of the regionals and state tournament. Effective Start Date: Spring 2018
- 6.7c18 **ACTION ITEM:** Approval to direct the Girls and Boys Representatives to support limiting alternates for relays at the Boys & Girls Swimming State Championship Meets. A school may bring ONE ALTERNATE ONLY FOR A RELAY; AND ONLY IF THE SCHOOL HAS NO OTHER INDIVIDUAL MEMBER PARTICIPATING IN THE STATE CHAMPIONSHIP MEET IN AN EVENT THAT THEY MAY USE IN CASE OF ILLNESS OR INJURY. Effective Start Date: August 14, 2017.
- 10.1 **ACTION ITEM:** Girls Basketball 2016-2017 Post Season Report
- 10.2 **ACTION ITEM:** Winter 2017-2018 Pre-Season Reports
- 10.3 **ACTION ITEM:** Spring 2017 Post Season Reports

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# EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MINUTES

## 1.0 CALL TO ORDER

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Commenced: 9:40am

## 3.0 MINUTES

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### 3.1 *Motion to approve of the June 14, 2017 Section VI Executive Committee meeting minutes*

**CARRIED**

*Rabey/Graczyk*

## 4.0 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

T. Slade

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### 4.1 Boys Federation Ice Hockey

T. Slade to address multiple issues regarding the BICE Federated program, including but not limited to the disparity in the number games played by Section VI schools as compared to Monsignor Martin schools. Updates will be given when available.

### 4.2 Section VI Policy Chairman

The Section VI Girls Representative will no longer be responsible for updates to the policy manual. Moving forward, Section VI office Staff will update the manual.

### 4.3 Charter School Liaison Vacancy

J. Reed is no longer the CSAT athletic director; therefore he no longer holds the Charter School Liaison position. The need for the position will be evaluated as M. LaMorticella, Tapestry Athletic Director, already attends all Athletic Council meetings.

### 4.4 Baseball Chairman Position

Approval of R. Parry (Depew) as the Baseball Chairman will be sought at the following Athletic Council meeting.

### 4.5 Section VI President-Elect Position (Term July 2018 – June 2020, North)

A. Stoltman, current Section VI President-Elect, will become Section VI President on July 1, 2018. As per the Constitution, the next president-elect candidate must hold an NFL or NO position. Approval of the selected candidate will be requested at the May 16, 2018 Athletic Council meeting. Interested parties should submit an application to the Section VI office (posted online, [www.section6.e1b.org](http://www.section6.e1b.org)), *Bulletin Board*)

### 4.6 Section VI Boys Representative Position (Term Expiration June 2018)

J. Graczyk's term expires June 2018. The incumbent has expressed interest in staying on in the position.

### 4.7 Combined Schools Graduated Scale Revision (Implementation 2018-2019)

The NYSPHSAA Central Committee approved (July 2017) a revision to the graduated scale for combining of teams. The revision increases the percentages for Class AA, A, and B to 100%, while Class C will now be 40%, and Class D having 30%. The Membership of NYSPHSAA had concerns the previous graduate scale was too low and resulted in unintended consequences. Implementation begins 2018-2019.

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### Current Numbers

Class AA = 50%  
Class A = 40%  
Class B = 30%  
Class C = 30%  
Class D = 20%

### 2018-19 Numbers

Class AA = 100%  
Class A = 100%  
Class B = 100%  
Class C = 40%  
Class D = 30%

The graduated scale will be used for up to 3 “team” mergers and mergers with 4 or more “teams” would take 100% of their BEDS; this would ONLY be for team sports.

#### 4.8 ArbiterPay Update

Returned ArbiterPay surveys indicate the majority of members schools are not interested in adopting ArbiterPay. In the near future, Section VI will hold an ArbiterPay presentation for those interested or who need more information.

- 4.9 **ACTION ITEM** (Athletic Council): Approval of Holland Boys Volleyball 2017 Independent Schedule  
No issues or concerns were presented.

- 4.10 **ACTION ITEM** (Athletic Council): Approval of Hutch Tech Boys Volleyball 2017 Independent Schedule  
No issues or concerns were presented.

#### 4.11 NYSPHSAA Championship Bids

Section VI has submitted a bid to host the NYSPHSAA Alpine Skiing Championships, Boys Ice Hockey and Wrestling bids are currently being worked on by the chairmen, and the Bowling Committee is not interested in hosting a state championship. Section VI was approved and is scheduled to host the NYSPHSAA Field Hockey Championships for the 2018, 2019, and 2020 seasons.

#### 4.12 Modified Female Representative Vacancy

Council members will be asked to notify their respective Leagues of the Modified Female Representative position vacancy. Interested parties should submit an application to the Section VI office (posted online, [www.section6.e1b.org](http://www.section6.e1b.org)), *Bulletin Board*)

#### 4.13 Implementation Unified Bowling, Winter 2018

D. Ames will report on Unified Bowling at the following Athletic Council meeting.

#### 4.14 Transfer Rule / “Residency Change”

T. Slade will request clarification of the transfer rule process at the October 11, 2017 NYSPHSAA Executive Committee meeting,

#### 4.15 Emergency Combining of Teams Procedure

The current process is working as instituted, therefore the Section will continue to proceed in this manner.

#### 4.16 8 Man Football

At present, no interest has been indicated.

### 5.0 COMMUNICATIONS

T. Slade

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- 5.1 **ACTION ITEM** (Athletic Council): Approval of Combining of Schools Applications

1. Cross Country B/G, **Fredonia**, Westfield, JV & V
2. Field Hockey, **West Seneca West**, West Seneca East, Modified
3. Soccer Boys, **Oracle**, WNY Maritime, V
4. Swimming Girls, **Allegheny-Limestone**, Franklinville, V (*Pending league signature*)
5. Swimming Girls, **Fredonia**, Dunkirk/Forestville/Silver Creek, ADD BROCTON, V
6. Basketball (G), **Westfield**, Brocton, V/JV
7. Ice Hockey (G), **Frontier**, Orchard Park, Lake Shore, V

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8. Wrestling, **Fredonia**, Brocton, V/JV
9. Baseball, **Ellicottville**, West Valley, V/JV, Modified
10. Golf B/G, **Chautauqua Lake**, Westfield, Sherman, V
11. Golf B/G, **Ellicottville**, West Valley, V
12. Softball, **Brocton**, Westfield, V/JV, 7/8/9
13. Softball, **Ellicottville**, West Valley, V/JV, Modified
14. Tennis Boys, **Eden**, North Collins, V
15. Track (B/G), **Eden**, North Collins, V
16. Track (B/G), **Franklinville**, Ellicottville, West Valley, V/JV, 7/8/9
17. Track (B/G), **Westfield**, Brocton, V/JV, 7/8/9

5.2 **ACTION ITEM** (Athletic Council): Approval of Outside Agency Applications

- a. NY Icon Revolution Cheerleading, 10/21/17 at Maryvale HS, Co-sponsored by Maryvale HS & NY Icons NCCC (**pending insurance**)
- b. Fall Fest Cheerleading Competition, 10/29/17 at NCCC sponsored by Niagara Cheer Productions & Grand Island High School
- c. Mike Blest Cross Country Run, 9/16/17 at Beaver Island State Park, Grand Island HS and WNY Track & Field Officials
- d. Cataract Basketball Classic (Boys), 12/8 & 12/9/17 at Niagara Falls High School sponsored by Niagara Falls Education Foundation, (**pending insurance**)
- e. NFHS Festival of Lights Bowling Tournament (B/G), 12/28/2017 at Tonawanda Bowling Center (**pending insurance**)
- f. Cataract City Hockey Classic (Boys), 12/29 & 12/30/17 at Hyde Park Ice Rink, hosted by Niagara Falls Education Foundation (**pending insurance**)

5.3 **ACTION ITEM** (Athletic Council): Approval of Senior All Star Applications

- a) Chautauqua Co. St. All-Star Games, Soccer (B/G) 11/12/17 at Martin Road Athletic Complex sponsored by Jamestown High School **insurance in process (Section6)**

5.4 **ACTION ITEM** (Athletic Council): Approval of Friends and Neighbor Applications

- a) Central Baptist Christian School, Yorkshire, NY

6.0 **STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS**

6.1 Combining of Schools Committee

*Nothing to report.*

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6.2 Finance Committee

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6.2.1 Treasurer's Report

No issues or concerns were presented.

6.2.2 Section VI 2016-2017 Audit

The Bonadio Group conducted the 2016-2017 audit this past August. They will submit their final report in the near future.

6.2.3 Travel Policy Update

The long range goal is to make the allotted meal expenses more equitable and then possibly be able to share the savings with member schools that send team sports to state competition. T. Slade and D. Scholla plan to meet with each respective chairperson in the near future to discuss the Finance Ad Hoc Committee's proposal.

6.3 Sectional/Intersectional

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Items 6.7c1 through 6.7c18 were discussed at the September 7, 2017 Sectional Intersectional meeting in order for committee members to review them with their respective Leagues and provide direction to the Boys and Girls Representatives at today's Athletic Council meeting.

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## 6.7 State Executive Committee/Central Committee

### a) Superintendent

*Nothing to report.*

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### b) Principal

*Nothing to report.*

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### c) Boys Rep./Girls Rep.

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- 6.7c1 **ACTION ITEM** (Athletic Council): Approval to direct the Girls and Boys Representatives to support the following language for the representation rule: *"In extenuating circumstances where the student does not have a medical reason for a waiver of the representation rule, the NYSPHSAA Executive Director, in consultation with the Section Executive Director and NYSPHSAA President, shall have the ability to grant a waiver of the representation rule. Waiver requests must be made in writing by the Section's Executive Director."* Effective Start Date: 2017-2018.

The rationale of this proposal, which originated by R. Zayas, NYSPHSAA Executive Director, and R. James, NYSPHSAA Legal Counsel, stems from NYSPHSAA and its 11 Sections encountering circumstances of students who do not meet the representation rule for medical reasons, but have extenuating circumstances. Past examples of extenuating circumstances include a student who had a family member pass away and a student who did not meet the representation rule because of a foster care issue.

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The rationale provided for this proposal is to clarify what has already been voted on and approved language misrepresented in the handbook.

- 6.7c3 **ACTION ITEM** (Athletic Council): Approval to direct the Girls and Boys Representatives to support an oversight committee, to review the classification placement of non-public and charter schools.

The Oversight Committee's responsibilities would be:

- Review the placement of all non-public and charter schools.
- Accept the placements of non-public and charter schools.

-OR-

- Remand placements back to the Sections for rationale and further review. The Oversight Committee would have the ability to make a recommendation on the placement.

If remanded back to the Section, the Section may:

- 1) Revise the placement of the non-public or charter school.
  - If revised, the Oversight Committee will review again.
- 2) Keep the classification placement of the non-public or charter school.
  - Note: Any NYSPHSAA member school may abide by the defined NYSPHSAA appeal policy. The NYSPHSAA Appeal Panel shall have the power to affirm, reverse, or modify the decision of the Section Athletic Council.

- 6.7c4 **ACTION ITEM** (Athletic Council): Approval to direct the Girls and Boys Representatives to support, with League and Section approval, to have the 99 lb. weight class not count in league matches only. Effective Start Date: 2017-2018 season.

The rationale provided for this proposal, generated by the NYSPHSAA Wrestling Committee, stems from the Federation not recognizing the 99lb. weight class. By giving Leagues their choice of counting the class in their scoring the Committee hopes to see how serious coaches and administrators are in either keeping or eliminating it altogether. All non-league matches and tournaments will count in scoring. Small schools are forfeiting this weight class or going into modified to bring one up to fill the weight class.

\*The Section VI Wrestling Committee was split regarding support for this proposal.

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6.7c5 **ACTION ITEM** (Athletic Council): Approval to direct the Girls and Boys Representatives to support limiting the number of two-day non-bracketed tournaments to a maximum of two of the allotted six tournaments in the sport of wrestling. Effective Start Date: 2017-2018 season

The NYSPHSAA Wrestling Committee generated this proposal because these types of tournaments are leading to a higher number of individual wins, which aids the at large criteria. Smaller schools with budget concerns are unable to attend many of these tournaments, and thus are not able to establish the win/loss ratio needed to possibly get an at large bid at the state tournament.

\*The Section VI Wrestling Committee is in favor of this proposal.

6.7c6 **ACTION ITEM** (Athletic Council): Approval to direct the Girls and Boys Representatives to support of Girls Volleyball Standard Operating Procedure for all Regional and State Tournament matches. Effective Start Date: Fall 2017.

The rationale provided for this proposal, generated by the NYSPHSAA Girls Volleyball Committee, is to have consistency and familiarity for players in both regional and state tournament games.

6.7c7 **ACTION ITEM** (for the Athletic Council): Approval to direct the Girls and Boys Representatives to support, in the sport of Boys Volleyball, when there are three teams in a division, if during Championship pool play the teams each win one set (game) a third set (game) would be played immediately. Effective Start Date: November 2018

The rationale provided for this proposal, generated by the NYSPHSAA Boys Volleyball Committee, is an attempt to avoid a one set (game) playoff at the end of pool play for second place and create a more natural flow of play.

\*The Section VI Boys Volleyball Committee is in support of this proposal.

6.7c8 **ACTION ITEM** (Athletic Council): Approval to direct the Girls and Boys Representatives to support the 2017-18 Cheerleading Rubrics and Progression Sheets. Effective Start Date: 2017-18 season.

The proposal was generated by the NYSPHSAA Cheerleading Committee. The Rubrics have been updated and simplified for coaches and judges. The progression sheets give further clarification for both the judges and coaches.

6.7c9 **ACTION ITEM** (Athletic Council): Approval to direct the Girls and Boys Representatives to support requiring all schools competing in the NYSPHSAA State Championship that they have legally purchased the music they will use during their routine. Effective Start Date: Winter 2017-18 season.

The NYSPHSAA Cheerleading Committee generated this proposal as they expect all schools to follow copyright laws and puts the responsibility on the school to ensure they are following the copyright laws.

6.7c10 **ACTION ITEM** (Athletic Council): Approval to direct the Girls and Boys Representatives to support allowing Sections the ability to use video replay at the Section Cheer Championships. Effective Start Date: Winter 2017-18 season.

The rationale provided for this proposal, generated by the NYSPHSAA Cheerleading Committee, stems from NYSPHSAA's success of the use of video replay at the Cheerleading Championship and the committee feels that a Section could also benefit if allowed to use video replay for their Sectional Championship.

\*The Section VI Cheerleading Chair is in favor of this proposal.

6.7c11 **ACTION ITEM** (Athletic Council): Approval to direct the Girls and Boys Representatives to support eliminating the Softball International Tie Breaker Rule for all Regional contests as a two-year experiment 2018 & 2019. Effective Start Date: Spring 2018

The rationale provided for this proposal, generated by the NYSPHSAA Softball Committee, is the same International Tie Breaker Rule waiver in place for State Semifinals and Finals.

\*The Section VI Softball Committee is in favor of this proposal.

6.7c12 **ACTION ITEM** (Athletic Council): Approval to direct the Girls and Boys Representatives to support a Run Rule, in the sport of Softball, for Regional and State Tournament play. The rule would be for 12 runs once a contest becomes an Official game. Effective Start Date: Spring 2018.

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The rationale provided for this proposal, generated by the NYSPHSAA Softball Committee, stems from the fact that many contests have lopsided scores and the Committee feels it would be in the best interest of both teams to end the contest when there is a 12-run difference between both teams.

- 6.7c13 **ACTION ITEM** (Athletic Council): Approval to direct the Girls and Boys Representatives to support, in the sport of Softball, Regional and Championship contests be played to completion consisting of 7 innings or more in the event of extra innings. Effective Start Date: Spring 2018.

The rationale provided for this proposal, generated by the NYSPHSAA Softball Committee, stems from fairness to all teams, all regional and championship contests should be played to completion. There could be extenuating circumstances that may cause a contest to end once it is an official game. When a game is on the “edge” of being suspended there is always a

disadvantage to the teams. With this rule in place, an umpire can now suspend a game at the best possible time for both teams in order to create a balance that currently does not exist. Officials may be pushing the game to become “official” and teams may be playing in conditions that are unsafe for all participants.

- 6.7c14 **ACTION ITEM** (Athletic Council): Approval to direct the Girls and Boys Representatives to support, in the sport of Softball, the elimination of Regional Certificates handed out at Regional games. Effective Start Date: Spring 2018.

The NYSPHSAA Softball Committee unanimously supported this proposal stating that the certificates have become anything but special to the athletes. They have been found in the trash. It is also difficult to distribute to teams, especially the losing teams, when some regionals do not have awards ceremonies following the games.

\*The Section VI Softball Committee does not support this proposal.

- 6.7c15 **ACTION ITEM** (Athletic Council): Approval to direct the Girls and Boys Representatives to support, in the sport of Baseball, State adoption, with section & league approval, a game ending procedure Run Rule. The Run Rule would state that the game will end with a run differential of 10 runs after 5 innings (or 4 ½ if the home team is winning). Effective Start Date: Spring 2018

The Run Rule will have a saving impact on pitch counts and the number of pitchers that are used in games when there is a lack of competitiveness.

- 6.7c16 **ACTION ITEM** (Athletic Council): Approval to direct the Girls and Boys Representatives to support, in the sport of Baseball, increasing the maximum number of games to 22. Effective Start Date: Spring 2018

**\*The NYSPHSAA Baseball Committee rescinded the above proposal**

- 6.7c17 **ACTION ITEM** (for the Athletic Council): Approval to direct the Girls and Boys Representatives to support, in the sport of Baseball, adjusting the regional rotations when a section, because of byes, would go directly to the State Semifinals. Establish May 18, 2018 as a final date to inform the state coordinator of intent to pull out of the regionals and state tournament. Effective Start Date: Spring 2018

The rationale provided for this proposal, generated by the NYSPHSAA Baseball Committee, involves the currently approved regional rotations (6 year rotations), and additional approval to modify the rotations at our annual January meeting when it is announced that a Section will not have a team from a class. This past year there was a situation where the regionals were finalized and approved at the February 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting and in May, a Section which did have a team in a class, informed us that the team would not be participating in the state tournament. As the Baseball Committee finalized the schedule at the February meeting, they did not readjust in May. With approval of this proposal, the Baseball Committee would be allowed at that point, in May, to adjust the Regional schedule to prevent a team from advancing directly to the final four. This cutoff date would allow the coordinator and the committee to adjust and still announce the schedule a minimum of a full week prior to the regional game schedule.

\*This proposal does not impact Section VI.

- 6.7c18 **ACTION ITEM** (for the Athletic Council): Approval to direct the Girls and Boys Representatives to support limiting alternates for relays at the Boys & Girls Swimming State Championship Meets. A school may bring ONE ALTERNATE ONLY FOR A RELAY; AND ONLY IF THE SCHOOL HAS NO OTHER INDIVIDUAL MEMBER PARTICIPATING IN THE STATE CHAMPIONSHIP MEET IN AN EVENT THAT THEY MAY USE IN CASE OF ILLNESS OR INJURY. Effective Start Date: August 14, 2017.

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This proposal was generated by the NYSPHSAA Girls & Boys Swimming and Diving Committees. Currently, a school that has a relay participating in the State Championship Meet may bring as many alternates as they deem appropriate. The Committees would like to restrict the current opportunity that coaches have to bring alternates to the State Meet. These are individuals who are there for the experience and would not be competing in the State Championship Meet.

\*Changing "One Alternate" to "Two Alternates" will be recommended for approval at the following Athletic Council meeting.

## 6.8 Extended Eligibility

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### 6.8.1 Revised NYSED Commissioner's Athletic Eligibility Regulations

The following was approved June 13, 2017

#### Duration of Competition:

Commissioner's regulation relating to the duration of competition, limits the participation of students in high school athletic competition to four consecutive seasons commencing with the student's entry into the ninth grade and prior to graduation. However, the regulation provides that a request for an extension of duration of competition may be granted if sufficient evidence demonstrates that the student's failure to enter competition during one or more seasons was directly caused by illness or accident, and such illness or accident will require the student to attend school for one or more additional semesters to graduate. In response to public comment, the Department revised the amendment to clarify and further define the circumstances under which extended eligibility may be granted. The approved language is as follows:

"If sufficient evidence is presented by the chief school officer to the section to show that the pupil's failure to enter competition during one or more seasons of a sport was caused by illness, [or] accident, or documented social/emotional condition or documented social/emotional circumstances beyond the control of the pupil such pupil's eligibility shall be extended accordingly in that sport..."

Furthermore, school districts will have to determine if students will have a "significant adverse effect" if their eligibility is extended.

Additionally, the Department anticipates issuing further guidance relating to the implementation of the proposed amendments.

## 6.10 Transfer/Foreign Student

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*Reports were emailed*

## 6.15 Corporate Partners

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### July 2016 through June 2017

NYSPHSAA TWC Revenue Share	\$6,038.00
Trophys Trophys AC Luncheon Sponsor	350.00
Toth's Sports AC Luncheon Sponsor	350.00
The Legend Group Recognition Dinner Sponsor	2,500.00
NYSPHSAA Corporate Sponsor – Spalding	42,862.00
Spectrum Sports Section VI Rights	8,000.00
G&G Fitness Hall of Fame Sponsor	2,000.00
GOFan Ticket Revenue Share	<u>4,121.00</u>
Total:	\$66,221.00

## 9.0 GUEST REPORTS

### 9.1 NYSPHSAA Report

J. Altieri, NYSPHSAA Assistant Director, will be present at the following Athletic Council to give the NYSPHSAA report.

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## 9.2 NYSAAA Report

### 9.2.1 Conference Scholarship, Attendance

Section VI is working on increasing the attendance at the annual NYSAAA conference.

### 9.2.2 Membership

The CCAA is discussing the possible addition of NYSAAA membership fees to their League dues.

## 10.0 SPORTS REPORTS

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10.2 **ACTION ITEM** (Athletic Council): Winter 2017-2018 Pre-Season Reports

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## 11.0 OLD BUSINESS

*Nothing to report*

## 12.0 NEW BUSINESS

### 12.1 Modified Sport Seasons

Beginning this winter, modified sports seasons will follow the varsity seasons. Leagues will determine their start date. Adjustments may be made for Leagues with 4 sport seasons.

## 13.0 GOOD OF THE ADJOURNMENT

### 13.1 *Motion to adjourn*

**CARRIED**

**Graczyk/Rabey**

Respectfully Submitted,



Beth Fadeley  
Recording Secretary

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