



## Executive Committee Meeting – October 7, 2020 MINUTES

### HIGHLIGHTS

- 2.1 **CARRIED:** September 16, 2020 Athletic Council meeting minutes
- 4.1 **CARRIED:** Combining of Schools, numbers (1) and (2)
- 6.3.1 **CARRIED:** Treasurer's Report



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### Attendance (\*indicates present)

- \*B. Banker, President
- \*M. Donahue, President-Elect
- \*J. Rabey, Superintendents Representative
- \*A. Gens, Principals Representative
- \*J. Graczyk, Male Representative
- \*M. Fallacaro-Dougherty, Female Representative
- \*A. Stoltman, Past President
- \*T. Slade, Executive Director
- \*D. Scholla, Treasurer

Guest: Mark DiFilippo

### 1.0 **CALL TO ORDER** (Brett Banker)

1.1 Commenced: 9:02am

### 2.0 **MINUTES** (Brett Banker)

#### 2.1 ***Motion to approve the September 16, 2020 Executive Committee meeting minutes***

**CARRIED**

***Fallacaro-Dougherty/Donahue***

### 3.0 **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT** (Timm Slade)

#### 3.1 Football Fall Season 2

It is anticipated that 3 sections will bring forth a February 14/16, 2020 start date in the sport of football at the October 20, 2020 NYSPHSAA Executive Committee meeting. Section VI has not wanted to disrupt either the winter or spring sports seasons. At present, Football and Volleyball is approved to start March 1, 2020.

M. Fallacaro-Dougherty and J. Graczyk were directed to not support a February 14/16, 2020 start date in the sport of football. If winter sports are not held, a February start date will be considered.

#### 3.2 Winter Schedules/Post Season Concerns

There are concerns with the sports of B/G Ice Hockey and Indoor Track and Field. Houghton College has committed to allowing Section VI utilizing their facility for Indoor Track and Field. Section VI will have to creatively schedule so several teams are not on site together.

In addition, there are issues with the time frame of Section VI's winter season. Currently, our winter start date is November 30, 2020. Governor Cuomo has stated that he is not going to act on high risk sports until December 31, 2020. Section VI has 5 high risk winter season sports. At a minimum, with guidance from the Governor, low-risk sports such as swimming may be able to begin November 30, 2020.

Other sections plan to start January 4.

#### 3.3 Sports Chairman Vacancy Update

Section VI continues to work on filling the Boys Golf Chairman position. In addition, with M. DiFilippo being named Section VI's new Executive Director, the Boys Ice Hockey Chairperson position is now vacant. Applications for both positions are posted on the Section VI website.

### 3.4 Boys Basketball Committee – Proposal Data

Per the Executive Committee (September 2019), the Boys Basketball Committee was asked to run their seeding proposal with 2018-2019 and 2019-2020's data. This report will be presented at the November 18, 2020 Athletic Council meeting.

### 3.5 Fall Post Season Award Ceremony

For the sport of Cross County, the chairpersons will present the champions with their awards on-site (at their bus) and take photos. For the sports of Boys Soccer, Girls Soccer, and Field Hockey; the awards will be boxed up and delivered to the respective schools the day after the championship.

### 3.6 Football Class Action Law Suit

Section VI anticipates being named in class action lawsuit regarding the sport of Football. Papers have yet to be served. Updates will be provided when available.

### 3.7 Winter & Spring State Championships

For scheduling purposes, it is anticipated that several sections will recommend cancelling the 2020-2021 Winter and Spring State Championships during the October 20, 2020 NYSPSHAA Executive Committee meeting. If brought to a vote, Section VI will ask for more time as it is believed to be too early to make that decision.

### 3.8 500 Win record Percentage

Currently during the fall season, the Section requires a 500 win record percentage for post season due to daylight saving etc. A 500-win record percentage will not work for the winter season and an open tournament format will have to be considered.

## 4.0 COMMUNICATIONS (Timm Slade)

### 4.1 ***Motion to approve Combining of Schools applications, numbers (1) and (2)***

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|----------------|------------------------------------|---|--------|
| 1. Bowling B/G | <u>Hinsdale</u> , Cuba-Rushford    | V | 226 D2 |
| 2. Track B/G   | <u>Falconer</u> , Cassadaga Valley | V | 339 D2 |

**CARRIED**

***Rabey/Fallacaro-Dougherty***

## 5.0 STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

### 5.1 Combining of Schools Committee (Jeff Rabey)

*Nothing to report*

### 5.2 Charter Schools Classification Committee (Jeff Rabey)

Health Sciences Charter School is appealing the decision to place its Boys Basketball team to the AA Classification, from the A Classification, for the 2020-2021 winter season. The appeal will be heard by the Section VI Executive Committee at 9am on Wednesday, November 18<sup>th</sup>, 2020 at Erie 1 BOCES.

### 5.3 Finance Committee (Don Scholla)

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

**CARRIED**

***Gens/Donahue***

### 6.4 Sectional/Intersectional Committee (Timm Slade)

The next Sectional/Intersectional Committee meeting date will be selected following the October 20, 2020 NYSPSHAA Executive Committee meeting.

5.1 State Executive Committee /Central Committee

- a) Superintendent (Jeff Rabey)

*Nothing to report*

- b) Principal (Al Gens)

*Nothing to report*

- c) Female Rep. / Male Rep. (M. Fallacaro-Dougherty / J. Graczyk)

*Nothing to report*

5.2 Extended Eligibility (Timm Slade)

Concern was expressed over a forthcoming extended eligibility request. Updates will be provided when available.

5.10 Transfer/ Foreign Student (Timm Slade)

*No concerns.*

5.11 Sportsmanship (Jim Graczyk & Doug Ames)

The NYSPHSAA Sportsmanship meeting was held yesterday, October 6<sup>th</sup>. During which, reminders were provided for the following: Coaches Appreciation week begins October 5<sup>th</sup>, Officials Appreciation week begins October 19<sup>th</sup>, as well as a COVID-19 update including the variation of protocols across NYS schools.

5.13 Mixed Competition (Al Gens)

Mixed competition has been approved for a male athlete (Kenmore) in the sport of Girls Field Hockey. If the male athlete’s participation becomes a significant adverse effect upon the opportunity of females to participate successfully in interschool competition, Section VI will re-evaluate his participation.

5.15 Corporate Partner (Timm Slade)

Section VI is working to secure sponsorships for the 20-21 year. Partnerships amount to approximately \$104,000.

**6.0 SPECIAL COMMITTEE REPORTS**

6.2 Charter Schools (Timm Slade)

A reminder was given that the charter schools have opted to not participate in 2020 fall sports.

**7.0 SPORTS REPORTS**

The 20-21 winter pre-season reports were submitted prior to the change in time frame for the winter season. Therefore, the reports were tabled at the September 2020 Athletic Council meeting. P. Turski will work with the chairpeople to revise their respective reports to reflect the new time frame/ Plan B. The current start date for the winter season is November 30, 2020.

**8.0 OLD BUSINESS**

*Nothing to report*

**9.0 NEW BUSINESS**

*Nothing to report*

## 10.0 GOOD OF THE ORDER/ADJOURNMENT

M. DiFilippo was congratulated on being named Section VI Executive Director. T. Slade was thanked for his service in the position of Executive Director.

### 10.1 *Motion to adjourn*

**CARRIED**

***Rabey/Fallacaro-Dougherty***

Respectfully Submitted,



Beth Fadeley  
Recording Secretary