



EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MINUTES

June 12, 2024

HIGHLIGHTS

- 3.1 **CARRIED:** May 15, 2024 Section VI Executive Committee meeting minutes

AC ACTION ITEMS

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Attendance (* indicates present)

- *M. Donahue, President
- *D. Lilleck, President-Elect
- B. Banker, Past President
- *J. Sortisio, Superintendents' Representative
- *C. Alvarez, Principals' Representative
- *M. Fallacaro-Dougherty, Female Representative
- *J. Roth, Male Representative
- *M. DiFilippo, Executive Director

1.0 CALL TO ORDER (M. Donahue)

3.0 MINUTES (M. Donahue)

3.1 **Motion to approve the May 15, 2024 Section VI Executive Committee meeting minutes**

CARRIED

Marisa/Alvarez

4.0 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT (M. DiFilippo)

4.1 Post Season Forfeit, Ineligible next season policy

Two baseball teams forfeited after the 2024 sectional brackets were released. Per 211.1 of the Section VI Policy Manual:

A school team that does not show or refuses to play in a Sectional contest after the seeding meeting, spoils the integrity of the tournament. Schools shall declare their intent to play or not play prior to sectional seeding. (See sectional sport handbook) Schools failing to fulfill their tournament commitment shall be subject to the following sanction: "Ineligibility for sectional play in that sport during the next season. An appeal of this sanction must be submitted in writing to the Executive Director of Section VI within sixty (60) days of the competition of sectional play."

One of the involved schools is anticipated to appeal this decision.

4.2 Personnel Matter

A personnel issue involving inappropriate behavior is being investigated.

4.3 SED Amendment Statement

5.0 COMMUNICATIONS (M. DiFilippo)

5.1 **AC ACTION ITEM:** Approval of the Combining of Schools Applications (1-6)

FALL

1. Field Hockey, **Existing, Wilson**, Royalton-Hartland MODIFIED ONLY, 7/8/9 ONLY, NO Class Mod
2. Soccer G, **New, International Prep**, Culinary Arts, Emerson REMOVE MCKINLEY, V, 1157 Class AA
Removal of McKinley changed the class from 1979 AAA to 1157 AA
3. Soccer G, **New, L DaVinci**, McKinley, V, 1101 Class AA

WINTER

4. Hockey G, **Existing, Amherst (CASH)**, Clarence & Sweet Home, V, 2331 Girls Hockey 1 division
5. Wrestling B/G, **Existing, Falconer**, Cassadaga Valley, V, JV, 78, 314 D2
6. Wrestling G, **New, Chautauqua Lake**, Panama, Clymer, Westfield, Add Brocton & Sherman, V, 789, 759 Girls 1 division

6.0 STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

6.1 Combining of Schools Committee (J. Sortisio)

6.1.1 **AC ACTION ITEM:** Approval of the proposal to use 100% of the BEDS for combined teams (as outlined in the Boys Swim 23-24 post season report) for the sports of Boys Swim, Girls Swim, and Indoor Track

If approved, these sports would be following the state procedure. All three sports committees are in support. The leagues are split in their thoughts.

6.2 Charter Schools Classification Committee (J. Sortisio)

The executive committee directed J. Sortisio to request that the Boys Basketball Committee propose classification placement for Health Sciences (per the comments within the Boys Basketball 23-24 post season report) by June 30, 2024.

6.3 Finance Committee (S. Penhollow)

6.3.1 **AC ACTION ITEM:** Approval of the Treasurer's report (Appendix A)

6.4 Sectional/Intersectional (M. DiFilippo)

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6.4.2 **AC ACTION ITEM:** Approval of the Cheerleading proposal to only approve member school competitions in the fall to have game day divisions only (as requested within the 23-24 Cheerleading post season report).

6.7 State Executive Committee/Central Committee

- a) Superintendent (J. Sortisio)
- b) Principal (C. Alvarez)
- c) Female Rep./Male Rep. (M. Fallacaro-Dougherty/J. Roth)

The following are action items to provide direction for M. Fallacaro-Dougherty, Female Representative, and J. Roth, Male Representative, at the July 2024 NYSPHSAA meeting. (Appendix B)

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6.8 Extended Eligibility (M. DiFilippo)

Nothing to report

6.10 Transfer/Foreign Student (M. DiFilippo)

Reports were distributed to the Executive Committee

6.13 Mixed Competition (C. Alvarez)

Nothing to report

6.14 Nominations (D. Lilleck)

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6.15 Corporate Partners (M. DiFilippo)

Nothing to report

7.0 SPECIAL COMMITTEE REPORTS

7.1 All WNY Scholar Athlete (J. Roth)

9.0 GUEST REPORTS

9.2 NYSAAA Report (J. Roth)

10.0 SPORTS REPORTS

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11.0 OLD BUSINESS

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12.0 NEW BUSINESS

12.1 M. DiFilippo to provide the committee with a year-end disciplinary report for disqualifications.

13.0 GOOD OF THE ORDER/ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn

CARRIED

Roth/Fallacaro-Dougherty