



EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MINUTES

April 19, 2023

HIGHLIGHTS

- 3.1 **CARRIED:** March 22, 2023 Section VI Executive Committee meeting minutes
- 5.1 **CARRIED:** Combining of Schools applications
- 6.3.1 **CARRIED:** Treasurer's report (Appendix A)

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MINUTES

Attendance (*indicates present)

*M. Donahue, President
*D. Lilleck, President-Elect
*B. Banker, Past President
*T. Williams, Superintendent Representative
*M. Fallacaro-Dougherty, Female Representative
*J. Roth, Male Representative
*M. DiFilippo, Executive Director

1.0 **CALL TO ORDER** (M. Donahue)

Commenced: 9:38am

3.0 **MINUTES** (M. Donahue)

3.1 ***Motion to approve the March 22, 2023 Section VI Executive Committee meeting minutes*** ***CARRIED*** ***Fallacaro-Dougherty/Williams***

4.0 **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT** (M. DiFilippo)

4.1 NYS ball adoption agreement

The Executive Committee supports M. DiFilippo and M. Donahue signing the NYSPHSAA ball adoption agreement for the 2024-2025 through 2028-2029 term. The agreement contracts with Spalding. If all 11 sections in NYS opt-in, Section VI will receive \$33,401 in annual revenue share as well as \$2797 in product and an allotment of balls, which are distributed to our sports chairs for sectional play at neutral sites. The NYSPHSAA ball adoption agreement is an action item for approval at the May 2023 NYSPHSAA Executive Committee meeting. M. DiFilippo and M. Donahue were directed to express concern regarding the quality of the balls and to confirm that product pricing won't increase unreasonably during the term.
*Please note: Section VI will receive no revenue share, no product, and no ball allotment for the 23-24 school year.

4.2 Football TV Contract

Section VI has contracted with Spectrum for football broadcasting rights for many years now. Spectrum has sole rights to broadcast Classes AA, A, and B Friday night football games. Recently, WNY Athletics approached Section VI proposing an agreement to broadcast via public broadcasting service across all classes and matching the revenue the Section receives from Spectrum. The benefits of the WNY Athletics proposal as compared to the Spectrum contract include more coverage of the student-athletes within Section VI, a greater availability (everyone has access to public broadcasting), equivalent revenue share, no opposition/restriction to other broadcasting agents. M. DiFilippo was directed to inquire with WNY Athletics about the options of a multi-year agreement and highlighting Section VI Athletics on a weekly basis. He was also asked to provide the proposed WNY Athletics contract and Spectrum contract to the committee to review and compare.

4.3 Mandatory AD Workshops/Makeups

The mandatory athletic director workshop, conducted by NYSPHSAA staff, is scheduled for August 16, 2023. The Executive Committee continued discussions about implementing another annual mandatory meeting in January. Implementing a second annual meeting stems from the need to further educate athletic directors and because of the significant amount of important content they are responsible for within the Section. In addition, athletic council member training, executive committee roles and responsibilities, strategies for leadership growth, athletic director monthly virtual meetings, and promotion of NYSAAA membership continue to be discussed.

4.4 Violation

On April 17, 2023, Iroquois self-reported to Section VI that their Varsity Baseball Coach did not sit-out the first game of the season as of result of his imposed suspension for violating the pitch count rule in the Spring 2022 season. Iroquois has cooperated with sitting the coach an additional game.

5.0 COMMUNICATIONS (M. DiFilippo)

5.1 **Motion to approve Combining of Schools applications, numbers (1) through (13)**

CARRIED

Fallacaro-Dougherty/Roth

1. Cheer GameDay, Burgard, Performing Arts, V, 507
2. Cheer GameDay, Hutch Tech, Emerson, Bflo Cul, City Honors, LDVinci, IPrep & Lafayette, V, 3087
3. Cheer GameDay, LJ Bennett, MEC, East, MST, FL Olmsted, Riverside, Res. Lab, Alt Ed, Pathways, V, 3087
4. Cheer GameDay, West Seneca West, West Seneca East, 7/8, 1387 D1
5. Cross Country BG, West Seneca West, West Seneca East, V, 7/8, 1387 A
6. Field Hockey, West Seneca West, West Seneca East, V, JV, 7/8, 1052 A
7. Golf B, West Seneca West, West Seneca East, V, 1387 D1
8. Gym G Williamsville South, Amherst, V, 1223
9. Soccer B, Salamanca, Cattaraugus/Little Valley VI, 7/8/9, 359 B
10. Soccer B, Westfield, Brocton, VI, 7/8/9, 194 C
11. Soccer B, West Seneca West, West Seneca East, V, JV, 1387 AAA
12. Soccer G, Silver Creek, Forestville, V, 7/8/9, 267 B
13. Swim G, West Seneca West, West Seneca East, V, 1052 D1

6.0 STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

6.3 Finance Committee (B. Fadeley)

6.3.1 **Motion to approve of the Treasurer's report (Appendix A)**

CARRIED

Fallacaro-Dougherty/Lilleck

6.4 Sectional/Intersectional (M. DiFilippo)

Nothing to report

6.7 State Executive Committee/Central Committee

a) Superintendent (T. Williams)

Nothing to report

b) Principal (TBA)

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

Nothing to report

6.8 Extended Eligibility (M. DiFilippo)

Nothing to report

6.10 Transfer/Foreign Student (M. DiFilippo)

Reports were emailed to the Executive Committee

6.13 Mixed Competition (TBA)

Nothing to report

6.14 Nominations (D. Lilleck)

6.14.1 Principals Representative Position

A. Gens resigned from the Principals Representative position, effective immediately (April 3, 2023). The application for the position will be posted today and emailed to the athletic council, principals, and superintendents. The deadline for applications is Friday, May 5. Candidates will be considered for the remainder of current term (through June 30, 2024).

6.14.2 Mixed Competition Chairperson

The Principals Representative, traditionally, takes on the role of Mixed Competition Chairman.

6.14.3 Superintendents Representative Position Update

Jeff Sortisio (Eden) will be recommended to be approved as the Superintendents' Representative at the May 17, 2023 Athletic Council meeting.

6.15 Corporate Partners (M. DiFilippo)

Nothing to report

7.0 **SPECIAL COMMITTEE REPORTS**

7.2 Charter Schools (M. DiFilippo)

10.0 **SPORTS REPORTS**

Nothing to report

11.0 **OLD BUSINESS**

Nothing to report

12.0 **NEW BUSINESS**

12.1 Addition to NYSPHSAA Heat Index Regulation (Appendix B)

The NYSPHSAA Safety Committee recommends listing criteria for WetBulb in addition to the WeatherBug criteria as the readings are measuring differently based on which device is used. M. Fallacaro-Dougherty, Female Representative, and J. Roth, Male Representative, are directed to support this proposal at the May 2023 NYSPHSAA Executive Committee meeting.

13.0 **GOOD OF THE ORDER/ADJOURNMENT**

13.1 **Motion to adjourn**

CARRIED

Fallacaro-Dougherty/Lilleck

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Beth Fadeley".

Beth Fadeley
Recording Secretary

APPENDIX A
Section VI NYSPHSAA, Inc.
Treasurer's Report

As of April 12, 2023
Apr 12, 23

ASSETS

Current Assets

Checking/Savings

1050 · Arbiter Pay 20,965.33

1030 · Bank of America Checking 217,965.31

1040 · Bank of America Money Market 25,990.46

1043 · Northwest Savings Bank 418,865.18

Total Checking/Savings 683,786.28

Total Current Assets 683,786.28

TOTAL ASSETS 683,786.28

LIABILITIES & EQUITY 0.00

New York State Public High School Athletic Association*Executive Committee Meeting – May 3, 2023***Safety Committee: Addition to NYSPHSAA Heat Index Regulation**

- ☒ Action Item
☐ Discussion Item
☐ Informational Item

Presenter:

Todd Nelson, NYSPHSAA Liaison to the Safety Committee

Proposal:

The Safety Committee is recommending adding the Wet Bulb Temperature specific guidance (see attached) to the current NYSPHSAA Heat Index Regulation. The Safety Committee is also recommending adding the map which identifies the different categories to follow depending on the location of the site.

Effective Start Date:

Immediately

Rationale:

The committee was made aware that the current guidance and thresholds in the NYSPHSAA Heat Index regulations do not match up with the use of a Wet Bulb Temperature Indicator. The current thresholds are only good for heat index readings through WeatherBug. The recommended guidance and thresholds are specific to a Wet Bulb Temperature Indicator. The chart has three separate categories of recommendations. Category 1 and Category 2 are to be used for New York State. Most of the state is in Category 1.

Proposal Originated:

NYSPHSAA Safety Committee

Notes:

The Safety Committee feels this addition should be instituted immediately because of the liability some of our schools may in by using a Wet Bulb Temperature Indicator and using the current guidance chart for heat index.

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Attachments:

Cat 3	Cat 2	Cat 1	Activity Guidelines
< 82.0°F <27.8°C	< 79.7°F <26.5°C	< 76.1°F <24.5°C	Normal Activities – Provide at least three separate rest breaks each hour with a minimum duration of 3 min each during the workout.
82.2 - 86.9°F 27.9-30.5°C	79.9 - 84.6°F 26.6-29.2°C	76.3 - 81.0°F 24.6-27.2°C	Use discretion for intense or prolonged exercise; Provide at least three separate rest breaks each hour with a minimum duration of 4 min each.
87.1 - 90.0°F 30.6-32.2°C	84.7 - 87.6°F 29.3-30.9°C	81.1 - 84.0°F 27.3-28.9°C	Maximum practice time is 2 h. <u>For Football</u> : players are restricted to helmet, shoulder pads, and shorts during practice. If the WBGT rises to this level during practice, players may continue to work out wearing football pants without changing to shorts. <u>For All Sports</u> : Provide at least four separate rest breaks each hour with a minimum duration of 4 min each.
90.1 - 91.9°F 32.2-33.3°C	87.8 - 89.6°F 31.0-32.0°C	84.2 - 86.0°F 29.0-30.0°C	Maximum practice time is 1 h. <u>For Football</u> : No protective equipment may be worn during practice, and there may be no conditioning activities. <u>For All Sports</u> : There must be 20 min of rest breaks distributed throughout the hour of practice.
≥ 92.1°F ≥ 33.4°C	≥ 89.8°F ≥32.1°C	≥ 86.2°F ≥30.1°C	No outdoor workouts. Delay practice until a cooler WBGT is reached.

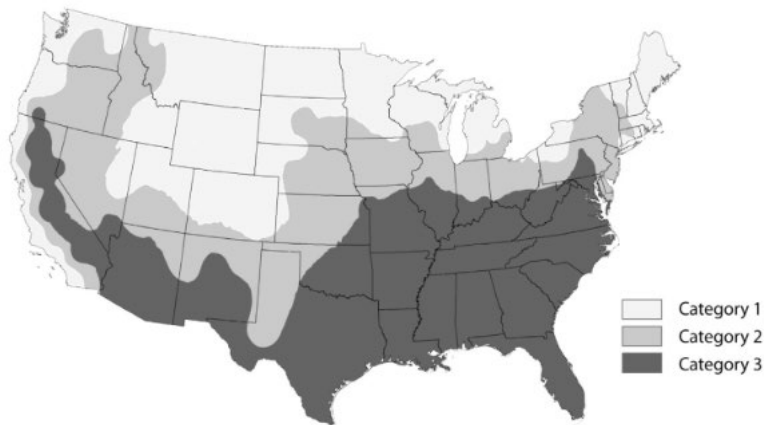


Fig. 2. Heat safety regions.