



ERIE COUNTY INTERSCHOLASTIC CONFERENCE

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Athletic Council Meeting

September 19, 2022 @ Erie 1 BOCES Room B1

Executive Committee 10:00am

Lunch 11:30am followed by Athletic Council Meeting - Noon

GUEST: Laurie Kazimer – New ECIC Website Presentation

Building of ECIC League website. Goal to easier access to website. Constitution, By-Laws, Beds Numbers, Divisional Alignment, Standards, Forms, Combining of Schools (completion of form for ECIC and Section VI). Goal to update frequently.

Roll Call: Absent: Holland, Jamestown, Williamsville North

President's Report:

Vinny Dell'Oso

Welcome Back, Intro. T. Slade (Sweet Home) & Greg Witman (Frontier);

Approval of Minutes from 5/9/22 Athletic Council meeting

Motion to approve minutes

1st Dave Hack (Orchard Park)

2nd Daryl Besant (Lake Shore)

Motion passed

Office Report:

Jim Graczyk

- **Communications Any Needs:** none

- **Officials' assignments--Rank of Priority within League:** Shortage of officials, officials removed from non-league contest still lack of officials for league contests. Depew vs. Maryvale no officials on game. Moving of game may be an option. Varsity league first priority. Orchard Park vs. Nichols, not in rotation.

- **Handout--Sport Chairs & AD Assignment, complete:** ECIC Sports Chairs & Athletic Directors. There are 15 schools with no assignment for any fall, winter or spring sports. Alden, Amherst, Clarence, East Aurora, Eden, Frontier, Iroquois, JFK, Lackawanna, Lancaster, Sweet Home, Tonawanda, Williamsville East, Williamsville North, and Williamsville South.

Boys Volleyball-Sport chair still Robert Pierce and not Brian Lombardo; Brian Lombardo, Athletic Director for boys' volleyball and David Hack Athletic Director for girls' golf.

- **Review Championship Sites 2022-23:** Need ECIC wrestling host. Lackawanna hosted last year. Lancaster and Starpoint currently hosting 1 or 2 sectional events.

Activity Board:

Marisa Fallacaro-Dougherty

- **Spring Alignment--2023 Draft:** Please review DRAFT. Review for accuracy. Missing team, combining of schools, Varsity only next to school, but have JV also. Baseball some teams only have Varsity. Will office schedule games for JV between III and IV so schools do not need to find own games? Division III and IV combined and match up Varsity and JV for Lake Shore, Maryvale, Depew, Alden, Springville, Pioneer & Holland.

Old Business:

Vinny Dell'Oso

- **ECIC Wrestling Champs need a school to Host Jan. 20th, 2023:** Discussed need for host.
- **Charter School Placement Concerns:** Currently decision of the state. Nothing further to discuss.
- **Due--Alternate Voting Form:** Please return form to Executive Director, Jim Graczyk.

New Business:

Action Items:

1. Combining of Schools

Approval of Combining of Schools Applications:

Motion to approve the following combinations of combining of schools

1st Daryl Besant (Lake Shore)

2nd Marisa Fallacaro-Dougherty (West Seneca)

Motion passed

- 1. West Seneca East/West Seneca West:** Varsity girls' swim; boys/girls' cross country; **Springville/West Valley:** girls Basketball
Lake Shore/Silver Creek: boys/girls lacrosse
West Seneca West/West Seneca East: Flag Football, boys Tennis, Unified Basketball.

2. Nominations:

1. Nominations for Section Girls Representative: Renee Smith

Motion to approve girl's representative

1st Marisa Fallacaro-Dougherty (West Seneca)

2nd Pat Cauley (Hamburg)

Motion passed

2. **Chemical Awareness:** vacant
3. **Safety:** Jason Lehmbeck
4. **Non-AD President Elect:** vacant
5. **Senior High School Alternate:** Nominate Jason Jacobs (Holland)
6. **Middle School Alternate:** Steve Smith
7. **Charter Schools Representative:** vacant
8. **Boys Section VI alternate:** Vinny Dell'Oso
9. **Officials Contract:** Vote
10. **Varsity Girls Soccer Cheektowaga:** Forfeit/No Contest Vote

Section VI/NYSPHSAA :

**Marisa Fallacaro-Dougherty
Dave Hack**

Action Items:

1. **Request to Extend the Softball State Championships to a two (2) day tournament:**
Motion to approve extension of softball to 2-day tournament
1st Jason Przybysz (Cleveland Hill)
2nd Matt Adams (Holland)
Motion passed
2. **Wrestling Extension of Pilot Weight Classes:**
Motion to approve wrestling extension of Pilot Weight Classes
1st Brian Hickson (Cheektowaga)
2nd Jason Przybysz (Cleveland Hill)
Motion passed
3. **Wrestling addition of officials at individual wrestling championships:**
Motion to approve wrestling addition of officials at individual wrestling championships
1st Marisa Fallacaro-Dougherty (West Seneca)
2nd Jason Iwanko (Eden)
Motion passed
4. **Boys Soccer Allowing Yellow Cards in Post Season:**
Motion for boys' soccer allowing yellow cards during post season
1st Dave Hack (Orchard Park)
2nd Daryl Besant (Lake Shore)
Motion passed
5. **Establishing a NYSPHSAA GameDay Cheer State Championship:**
Motion for establishing a NYSPHSAA Game Day Cheer state championship
1st Marisa Fallacaro-Dougherty (West Seneca)
2nd Jason Przybysz (Cleveland Hill)
Motion passed (16 favor) (12 opposed)

6. **Mandated NFHS Coaching Course for Unified Sports:**
Motion for Mandated NFHS Coaching Course for Unified Sports
1st Marisa Fallacaro-Dougherty (West Seneca)
2nd Dave Hack (Orchard Park)
Motion passed

7. **Waiver to the NYSPHSAA Representation Rule:**
Motion for Waiver to the NYSPHSAA Representation Rule
1st Pat Cauley (Hamburg)
2nd Jeffrey Wheaton (Amherst)
Motion passed (25 favor) (4 opposed)

8. **Sportsmanship Regulation & Expectation Adding Language to Handbook:**
Motion to combine Sportsmanship Regulations and Expectations
1st Matt Adams (Holland)
2nd Ken Partell (Alden)
Motion passed

Motion to accept Sportsmanship Regulations and Expectations
1st Renee Smith (Tonawanda)
2nd Ken Partell (Alden)
Motion passed

9. **ECIC Tennis: “Absent” player and procedure to adapt to Sport Standards**
Motion to accept into ECIC sports standards “Absent” player and procedure to
1st Bob Skoczylas (Depew)
2nd Dave Hack (Orchard Park)
Motion passed

10. **ECIC: Becky Edwards as Girls’ Volleyball Chair:**
Becky Edwards (Lancaster) is replacing Deb Schrufer (Frontier)

11. **Health Science moved from A to AA in the sport of Boys Basketball:**
Motion for Health Science placed from A to AA sport of Boys Basketball.
1st Marisa Fallacaro-Dougherty (West Seneca)
2nd Jeffrey Wheaton (Amherst)
Motion passed (26 favor) (3 opposed)

12. **Tapestry to move from class C to class B in the sport of Boys Basketball:**
Motion for Tapestry to move from class C to class B in the sport of Boys Basketball
1st Marisa Fallacaro-Dougherty (West Seneca)
2nd Jeffrey Wheaton (Amherst)
Motion passed (28 favor) (1 opposed)

13. Officials Contract Proposal:

Motion for approval of officials' contract

1st Dave Hack (Orchard Park)

2nd Carrie Vetter (Iroquois)

Motion passed (27 favor) (1 opposed)

Discussion Items:

1. **Cheer Class format & BEDS numbers change for Winter:** on hold to be discussed at next meeting.
2. **ECIC Handbook/Constitution Update/Changes:** Review line by line at next Athletic Director's meeting (October). Vote on handbook at next Athletic Council meeting (November).
3. **Frontier #1 & #2 placement:** To remain in Division I.

Good of the Order:

Cheektowaga no contest vs a forfeit for girls' soccer. Season over in girls' varsity soccer. League must determine. If all games are forfeited, it is a win for opponent. If listed as no contest, then alternate schedule can be made. Forfeit counts a contest. No contest—no contest. Section VI Executive Director advised decision up to league. Executive Director, Jim Grazcyk to clarify at later date.

Girls Tennis: Complete by 10/4, Team Champs start 9/24 , 6 matches completed by then to compete.

Sectional/Intersectional direction reducing indoor track 6 competitions to 4 competitions. Request a waiver ahead of season or when season commences.

UNIFIED Dates Handout

Adjourn:

**Athletic Directors 10/3/2022 @ E1Boces Room B1
Athletic Council 11/9/2022 @ E1Boces Room B1**