



ERIE COUNTY INTERSCHOLASTIC CONFERENCE

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Minutes - 7/8/20 10:00 AM

Absent: Jason Lehmbeck, Iroquois, JFK, Joe DeMartino, Kiel Illg, Marisa Fallacaro-Dougherty

Opening Remarks:

Vinny Dell'Oso

There was group interaction regarding the NFHS giving free cameras to live stream your events. Huddle was another vendor they were talking with. This might be a good time to take advantage of live streaming events if spectators are not going to be able to attend events.

President's Report:

Vinny Dell'Oso

Approval of Minutes from 6/2/20 - Adams (Hack) Approved

Executive Director's Report:

Mark DiFilippo

Mark is back in the office, but Sharon is still working from home. If you call her work line, those calls are forwarded to her personal phone and is available during normal working hours. Summer hours are 7:30-3:30. BOCES has still has not completely opened. The ECIC office is supposed to move sometime in the next couple weeks to the 2nd floor.

Auto assign for fall sports has been run and the officials' groups are currently going through them. All the league directors meet next week to finalize those assignments so they can go out to the officials.

We are still looking for a modified soccer chair. Either a Boys and a Girls or one that will cover both. Please let Mark know ASAP.

ECIC Fall Championships- Mark explained that Paul Biddle (Girls Tennis) has been proactive and looking into alternatives with the ECIC Championships. Some of these alternatives could mean more court time at Miller Tennis Center because of spreading out matches to allow for social distancing. The question was brought up about moving the Championships outdoors to the schools? The only concern would be weather and having time to get those in before Sectionals. Mark will have a discussion with Paul and continue talks on contract info with Miller Tennis Center.

Activity Board:

Mark presented last year's spring alignments and asked if the group was ready and willing to approve alignments in August, in case seasons were flipped. There was discussion about if seasons are flipped use last year's alignments and if the seasons stay as is, then approve

them in the fall like we usually do. The group agreed that we should get them right and approve them in August. Mark will have a discussion with Iroquois regarding Boys Tennis and Softball because they or Pioneer would need to move up. He will send out info when he hears along with updated alignments to review.

Lots of discussion from the group about appointing coaches for the fall and concern about whether there were going to be sports at all.

Section VI/NYSPHSAA report:

Marisa Fallacaro, Vinny Dell'Oso, Dave Hack

Committee reports

Sectional/Intersectional No Report

Modified No Report

Safety The WeatherBug app for detecting

thunder/lightning that NYSPHSAA proposed was tabled until September when they can find out further info and other possible solutions. Brian was also asked about the FH goggle rule change that we were sent. Todd Nelson responded to him with they should have more info after the Central Committee meeting in August because they are currently working with the FH coordinators for direction.

Chemical Awareness No Report

Finance No Report

Sportsmanship No Report

Charter Schools No Report

Combining of Schools No Report

Recruitment of Officials No Report

Old Business:

Football coaches meeting	August 18	6:00 PM	webex
Girls Tennis coaches meeting	August 18	6:00 PM	webex
Cheerleading coaches meeting	August 19	6:00 PM	zoom
Boys Volleyball coaches meeting	August 20	11:00 AM	webex
Girls Swim coaches meeting	August 22	10:00 AM	zoom
Boys Soccer coaches meeting	August 22	10:40 AM	webex
Fall Sports Start	August 24		
Girls Gymnastics coaches meeting	August 24	11:30 AM	Maryvale HS
Cross Country coaches meeting	August 24	7:00 PM	webex
Field Hockey coaches meeting	August 25	1:00 PM	webex
Girls Volleyball coaches meeting	August 25	6:30 PM	webex
Girls Soccer coaches meeting	August 25	6:30 PM	webex
Modified football start date	August 27		
Modified Soccer, volleyball, Field hockey, cross country start date	September 1		
Modified coaches meeting	September 2	6:00 PM	BOCES

Golf Standards – We will vote to approve the updated changes at the August meeting. No one had any questions or concerns about the changes that were presented in June.

New Business:

We will vote on the following positions in August. Modified committee rep – Daryl Besant, Girls Swim Chair Adam Smith and Zack Healy, and Principals Rep position –Tim Wiles. If anyone else wants to be put on the ballot, please let Mark know before the August meeting.

Covid Task Force and return to school discussion. Mark explained there was some confusion with what can and cannot be done based on the memo sent out by Robert Zayas. No organized activity with your coaches even if off campus. To cover yourself remind coaches that they are not covered if something happens, and are insubordinate if they do conduct out of season practices/workouts, etc.

There was question and discussions about Re-entry plans to school/PE/Athletics. Many of us are busy with multiple meetings but please share any info to help others. If you want to send info to Mark, he can distribute to the group and/or put in our share folder. Or please feel free to share on your own with the group. There was also discussion about are we doing anything as a league/section so we are on the same page. That will be filtered down once we know the State's direction. Transportation seems like it could be an issue as well as officials for the fall.

Discussion about the scenarios sent out by NYSPHSAA. The common thing most people were against is not making kids that are multiple sport athletes have to choose if offered in the same season.

**Next meeting Date:
August 3rd 10AM Webex**