



MINUTES - Athletic Director's Meeting Agenda

June 2nd, 2025 Erie 1 BOCES Room B2a/B2b

10:00 AM - Activity Board

11:15 AM – Lunch with Secretaries 😊

12:00 PM - AD Meeting

ATTENDANCE (present):

Patrick Lester	<input type="checkbox"/>	Dave Hack	<input type="checkbox"/>	Kristin Tonge	<input type="checkbox"/>
Amy D'Amato	<input type="checkbox"/>	Eric Rupp	<input type="checkbox"/>	Marc LaMorticella	<input type="checkbox"/>
Ben Drake	<input type="checkbox"/>	Jim Helmicki	<input type="checkbox"/>	Marisa Fallacaro-Dougherty	<input type="checkbox"/>
Chris Edwards	<input type="checkbox"/>	Jared Northrup	<input type="checkbox"/>	Matt Adams	<input type="checkbox"/>
Brian Hickson	<input type="checkbox"/>	Jason Iwankow	<input type="checkbox"/>	Melissa Spada	<input type="checkbox"/>
Brian Lombardo	<input type="checkbox"/>	Jason Lehmbeck	<input type="checkbox"/>	Robert (Bob) Skoczylas	<input type="checkbox"/>
Carrie Vetter	A	Jason Przybysz	<input type="checkbox"/>	Robert Adams	<input type="checkbox"/>
Casey Snyder	<input type="checkbox"/>	Joe DeMartino	<input type="checkbox"/>	Jim Harrigan	<input type="checkbox"/>
Chris Mucica	<input type="checkbox"/>	Rich Mazzella	<input type="checkbox"/>	Tim Klimtzak	<input type="checkbox"/>
Christopher Schiumo	<input type="checkbox"/>	Ken Partell	<input type="checkbox"/>	Vinny Dell'Oso	<input type="checkbox"/>
Daryl Besant	<input type="checkbox"/>				

Opening Remarks (Dave Hack):

- Division Breakouts: Determine Division Sportsmanship Nominees for 2025 – **nominations were provided by each division.**
- *Welcome and Thank You to Secretaries for making this all work !*

Athletic Council (Dave Hack):

- Next Meeting is Monday 5/12/2025 @ E1B Room B1

President's Report (Dave Hack):

- Approval of Minutes from May 5th, 2025 Meeting – **Sandy Gauthier and Brian Hickson**
- MODIFIED Girls LAX Chairperson: NEED ! – **move to September agenda**
- Girls Swim Chairperson NEEDED. Liz Osucha (Alden) current Chair resigning but will assist New Chair. – **Pat (from Sweet Home)**
- DRAFT Winter 2025-26 out on 6/2. Return June 16th. – **Pilot: we will use paper and Arbiter for change submissions**
- 2 Year Rotation for Alignments: **Vote – voted down (13 No – 12 Yes)**
- Recognize & Well Wishes for Sandy Gauthier on her Retirement, Ken Partell for his dedication to ECIC, Brian Hickson on his Retirement and Jeff Hart welcome to the ECIC as new Alden AD 😊

Executive Director's Report (Jim Graczyk):

- Office Communications: Any needs?
- Reminder: changing dates, times, contests requires a conversation with opposing school Athletic Office
- GoFan: We still have student Athletes communicating to "us" at Championships that they were unaware of clothing pre-sale
- SPRING Alignment "approval" today & Official on September 8th – **discussed and will complete 6/6 and send out to everyone for review. Vote on Sept 15th**
- F.Hockey official's request: JV/Varsity Double Headers
- Buffalo Science Charter School – Application to ECIC league for 2026-27 received 5/23, next steps? – **Vote in September**
- Purchase tents for Championship use. 10x10, 15x10 – **information only**
- FOIL request for Track Championships – **information only**

Activity Board (Marisa Dougherty, Vinny Dell'Oso)

- Spring 2026 Alignment "DRAFT" – Review Revisions -
- Program Assistance Application- Review from May Mtg. – **Graczyk and Lehmbeck to meet in June and come up with a proposal for the group in Sept.**
- Track 2025 Championships & Dual Meet record – **determined by Dual Meet Record**
- Modified Basketball schools with 2 teams – coordinate Home/Away schedule – **align at school level**
- Lackawanna B&G XC – emerging team, Follow Depew schedule, Scoring?, Sectionals ? - **They will follow Depew's schedule.**

Section VI/NYSPHSAA Report (Carrie Vetter, Dave Hack):

- Voting Items for JULY NYSPHSAA Meeting – Presented in May, Move to AC for **vote – Increase for Boys Wrestling Weight Classes was voted NO, all others were approved.**
- **\$50 dues increase for all schools for NYSPHSAA for Championships. Tickets for Championships will be \$12 for all admissions, with the exception of Football and Wrestling – those will be \$14.**

1:45 p.m., we moved into Athletic Council – Jason Przybysz and Marissa Fallacaro-Dougherty. Adjourned from AC at 2 p.m. – Jason Przybysz and Marissa Fallacaro-Dougherty.

Committee Reports:

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| • Sectional/Intersectional | Jason Przybysz |
| • Modified | Ken Partell/Need replacement? |
| • Safety | Eric Rupp |
| • Chemical Awareness/SAAC | Jason Iwankow |
| • Finance | Brian Hickson /Vinny Dell'Oso |
| • Sportsmanship | Sandy Gauthier/Need replacement? – Jeff Hart |
| (official vote in September) | |

- Combining of Schools

Brian Lombardo – Chautauqua Lake filed a protest

Old Business:

- COS: Check Section VI Website to assure your approved;
- ARBITER PILOT next steps- Trial in Winter 2024-26 (Graczyk/Spada)
- FALL ECIC Coaches meetings – Host school Needed O. Park? Date is Wednesday 8/13 – yes, Orchard Park will host. 5 p.m. start time.

New Business:

- FALL Drafts: Questions ?
- Girls Wrestling : Hack/Lehmbeck – Voting member – Lehmbeck will be the voting member
- UNIFIED Basketball patches – need Division winners - coming from Brian Pane, Chairperson
- Tim Wiles replacement HS Principal rep. (Graczyk) – Mike Lobuzzetta (Clevehill)? Jason Jacobs (Holland)
- UNIFIED Basketball Culminating Activity communication (Skoczylas) – speak with Doug Ames to discuss too many changes. Suggestion for next year: 3 different sites, all scheduled communications through Arbiter, earlier commitment deadline , can we do a Google form to help accommodate availability of Play times

Good of the Order:

- Track Championships @ Hamburg HS - THANK YOU !
- Tennis Championships @ Sweet Home HS - THANK YOU !
- Modified FB schedule (Graczyk)
- UNIFIED Pep Assembly – J. Lehmbeck - DELETE
- Reminder MODIFIED WRESTLING Start date is same as VARSITY for next season (weigh ins)
- Modified FH ECIC with N.O. reach out to schedule scrimmages
- Wrestling Champs change of venue? Lackawanna scheduled to HOST, Lancaster again ? Lancaster will host '25-'26 Championship

Adjourned at 2:26 Sandy Gauthier and Brian Hickson

Next Meeting Dates:

Athletic Directors -9/8/2025 @ E1B Room B1

Athletic Council - 9/15/2025 @ E1B Room B1