



## ERIE COUNTY INTERSCHOLASTIC CONFERENCE

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**AD MEETING 4/4/2022**  
**10:30 AM Activity Board**  
**11:30 AM Lunch**  
12:00 PM Meeting  
Erie 1 BOCES  
Room B1

### Opening Remarks:

*Rich Gray*

- **ECIC Basketball “Showcase” Specifics:** Date, teams playing against each other, organization, schools hosting.
- **Official issue/modified:** would there be any interest in lowering the number of contests on modified games to help with the lack of officials. Example: baseball/softball 12-14 games. How to handle additional non-league games and lack of officials. Lowering number of games on modified games to 12 or 10 games. Not having modified officials does not look good to others and parents at modified level. Schedule and play more games as scrimmages. Suggestion to move schedule. Having less games hurts more than not having an official on a game.
- **Agenda is limited this meeting so please take time to work through:**
- **Division Breakouts:**

### Division 1:

**Officials/Modified:** Start season later for modified or reducing the number of contests. Concern regarding going into June for games. Not liking limiting the number of games.

**Basketball Showcase:** Not much enthusiasm regarding running a basketball show case.

Reason 1: Use a date at conclusion of season. Snow cancellations as well as date would have to fit in before playoffs.

Reason 2: 7 sites needed to host 14 games for Varsity and 7 additional sites for JV games.

### Division II:

**Officials/Modified:** Later start may be appropriate not less games. Umpire schedule at all games for safety reasons and quality of game vs. losing games during the season.

**Basketball Show Case:** One game match-up suggestion without losing as many non-leagues' games. Some sort of deadline and take less teams based on deadline of teams playing match-up games. One division plays top 4 teams in other division. Concern with hosting schools and line up. Neutral site or site based upon match-up.

### **Division III:**

**Officials/Modified:** Later start date other than less games. Giving up games takes pressure off of the officials' organization to continue to seek more officials and try to alleviate the problem.

**Basketball Show Case:** Many on a different page. Division III not in agreement with holding show case. Next year the first normal year in 2 ½ years. Might be better to wait until next year instead of this year. Compile a list of teams wishing to participate, schedule match-up, play 2 sites, play 4 games on a Saturday at 2 different sites. Varsity only with 8 teams/4 games like center court classic. Not scheduled for February 18 date. Schedule for MLK day. Pre-season tournaments already scheduled. No play on last Saturday.

### **Division IV:**

**Officials/Modified:** Not to reduce number of games played.

**Basketball Show Case:** Need for a full year when starting back full strength after COVID. Movement within alignment. Revenue standpoint cost high for all schools to host 4 games on one day. How much revenue will be recognized?

### **Athletic Council**

*Rich Gray*

- Next Meeting is Monday 5/9/2022 @ E1B Room B1

### **President's Report:**

*Rich Gray*

#### ***Approval of Minutes from March Meeting***

Motion to approve minutes

1<sup>st</sup> Pat Cauley (Hamburg)

2<sup>nd</sup> Marissa Fallacaro Dougherty (West Seneca)

Motion passed

- **Office Hiring Timeline/Job Description, Posting:** Interview after spring break.
- **Championship/Cheer Fall '23, Amherst & Starpoint change:** Starpoint fall (2023); Amherst Winter (2023).
- **Patches for Division Champs/Notify Office:** In need of patches please notify office.
- **January '23 AD meeting date change from 16<sup>th</sup> (MLK) to ??? Section Mtg. is on 1/18:** Athletic Directors' meeting scheduled for January 16, 2023 which is Martin Luther King Day. The Section meeting is scheduled January 18, 2023. Move Athletic Directors' meeting to January 17, 2023.

### **Executive Director's Report:**

*Jim Graczyk*

- **Office Communications/Any needs:** None

- **Charter School Placement/Meet with Buffalo to discuss options:** Jim Grazcyk meeting on Wednesday, April 13, 2022 to discuss Charter School placement. Discussion of options.

- **Mod. Track/Please follow what is in Arbiter.** Emilio Mancini forwarded an email which caused confusion regarding schedules. The schedule in arbiter is correct. Download and forward to coaches.

- **ECIC Spring Coaches Meetings/Any issues:** No comments, no issues expressed.

### **Activity Board:**

*Marisa Fallacaro-Dougherty*

- **Fall alignments/Any issues:** Review and advise with regard to any issues. Springville, combine with anyone in winter.

- **Golf: Chairperson Needed**

- **Winter '22-'23 alignments/present DRAFT Varsity & Modified:** Provided to activity board. Alignment provided soon to athletic directors. Review and advise of any changes. Question regarding discussion of alignments before preparation was completed. No discussion took place. Draft to be sent to athletic directors for review. Discussion to take place at next meeting. Lake Shore to have boys' and girls' bowling next year.

### **Section VI/NYSPHSAA Report:**

*M. Fallacaro-Dougherty, D. Hack*

- **Review 3/23 section Meeting:** Discussed last meeting regarding all voting items.  
**Tennis:** Tennis vote not as discussed for adding additional places such as 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> place. To accomplish there would be an additional night's stay. Does not take place in any other state championship. No other state championship. Group was against adding 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> place.

**Field Hockey:** Opposition regarding rotation of bid spot.  
Both votes going to state meeting.

**Football:** Commencement date on 19<sup>th</sup> the Friday before. Varsity and JV only modified not discussed.

- **Change ECIC to allow Senior participation on JV:** Due to league rule this would have to be changed in ECIC Constitution. No section rules. Trying to keep numbers up.

- **ALL complete Sportsmanship & Participation surveys:** Please complete survey and submit as soon as possible.

- **Committee Reports**

**Sectional/Intersectional**

No report

**Jason Przybysz**

**Modified**

No report

**Daryl Besant**

**Safety**

No report

**Eric Rupp**

**Chemical Awareness**

No report

**Jason Iwankow**

**Finance**

No report

**Vinny Dell'Oso**

**Sportsmanship**

No report

**Sandy Gauthier**

**Charter Schools**

No report

**Jeff Wheaton**

**Combining of Schools**

No report

**Daryl Besant**

**Recruitment of Officials**

No report

**Brian Hickson**

**Standards/By-Laws**

No report

**Jason Lehmbeck**

**Old Business:**

- **All ECIC Teams/Follow up:** Attempt to organize committee to look at guidelines for selection. Jim Graczyk to communicate with chair persons from each sport to organize a plan of selection.

- **ECIC Revenue/Admission/Stream/Tourney:** nothing

- **ECIC Basketball tourney:** nothing

**New Business:**

- **Finance/set cost for each sport:** nothing

**Good of the Order:**

- **Football 7/8/9:** Varsity start date previously September 22, 2022 now scheduled for September 19, 2022. What is start date for modified. Held Thursday after start date. September 22, 2022? State handbook may differ with start date. ECIC as a group commence modified a week later.

**Motion to conclude meeting**

1<sup>st</sup> Jason Iwanko (Eden)

2<sup>nd</sup> Pat Cauley (Hamburg)

**Next Meeting Dates:**

*Athletic Directors 5/2/2022 @E1B Room B1*

*Athletic Council –5/9/2022 @ E1B Room B1*