



Athletic Council MINUTES
January 19, 2022 - 11:30 am
Erie 1 BOCES B2a-b

ACTION ITEMS

- 3.1 **CARRIED:** Approval of the November 17, 2021 Athletic Council meeting minutes.
- 5.1 **CARRIED:** Approval of Combining of Schools.
- 5.2 **CARRIED:** Approval of Independent Status in Boys Volleyball for City Honors, Hutch Tech, Olmsted and McKinley.
- 6.1.1 **CARRIED:** Approval to move WNY Maritime/Health Sciences from Class B to Class A in the sport of Football.
- 6.3.1 **CARRIED:** Approval of Treasurer's Report (Appendix A)
- 6.3.2 **CARRIED:** Approval of the proposed 2021-2022 Section VI budget (Appendix B)
- 6.4.1 **CARRIED:** Approval of the North & South 2022-2023 Timelines for Schedules and assignment of Officials.
- 6.4.3 **CARRIED:** Approval of the Fall 2022 Federation Football Alignments.
- 6.7C-a **DEFEATED:** Direct J. Graczyk, Male Representative, and M. Fallacaro-Dougherty, Female Representative, to support the sixth classification proposal.
- 6.7C-b **DEFEATED:** Direct J. Graczyk, Male Representative, and M. Fallacaro-Dougherty, Female Representative, to support the timeline, process, and criteria if the 6 class proposal passes.
- 6.7C-c **CARRIED:** Direct J. Graczyk, Male Representative, and M. Fallacaro-Dougherty, Female Representative, to support the approval to amend the State Officials fees for Boys Ice Hockey.
- 6.17.1 **DEFEATED:** Approval to allow unified bowling to bowl virtually if they choose to.
- 10.1 **CARRIED:** Approval of Fall 2021 post season reports.
- 10.2 **CARRIED:** Approval of Spring 2022 pre-season reports.
- 12.1 **CARRIED:** Approval of the 2022-23 Section VI Meeting Dates



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1.0 CALL TO ORDER (Brett Banker) **Motion to modify 6.4.4 to Action Item**
CARRIED Fallacaro-Dougherty / Graczyk

Pledge of Allegiance

2.0 Introductions Presentations

Rusty Knight - Toth's Sports Presentation (Athletic Council Sponsor)

3.0 MINUTES (Brett Banker)

3.1 Motion to approve the November 17, 2021 Athletic Council meeting minutes
CARRIED Graczyk / Fallacaro-Dougherty

4.0 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT (Mark DiFilippo)

- 4.1 Officials Negotiations - Section VI team has met twice and meet again tomorrow. Met with the individual groups and are now waiting to meet with their negotiating team. Schools should plan for an increase if budgeting for next year.
- 4.2 Winter update – Ice Hockey Championships - Ice Hockey Championships will now be at Harbor Center Monday 2/28 because Key Bank Center will require spectators to be vaccinated. This means we will now require a venue fee. (Mark will check with the chairs to see if they will reconsider to go back to Key Bank)
- 4.3 Upcoming NYSPHSAA Meeting – Sectional Concerns/Waivers - We will be seeking waivers to the representation rule in the sports of Cheer, Indoor Track, & Skiing. We will also bring up the idea of starting football earlier because the 10 days of practice does not allow any wiggle room for missing practices.
- 4.4 Appeal committee/fee proposal (Appendix A) – Presented by Mark and will be an Action item for March.

5.0 COMMUNICATIONS (Mark DiFilippo)

5.1 Motion to approve of Combining of Schools completed in groupings see below items (1-62)

5.1 Items 1-15 CARRIED Rabey /Graczyk

Spring 2022 Sports

1. West Seneca West, and East Flag Football V, 1428

Fall Football 2022

2. Falconer, Cassadaga Valley, Maple Grove – V, JV, 7/8/9 B, 397
3. East Aurora, Holland - V, 7/8/9 B, 481
4. Eden, North Collins – V, 7/8/9 C, 352
5. Franklinville, Ellicottville - V, JV, 7/8 D, 173
6. RoyHart, Barker, Lyndonville- V, JV, 7/8/9 C, 366
7. Silver Creek, Forestville – V, JV, 7/8 C, 273
8. Clymer, Sherman, Panama - V/JV, 7/8 D, 164
9. Gowanda, PineValley – V, 7/8/9 D, 243 pending BOE approval
10. Chautauqua Lake, Westfield, Brocton - V, 7/8/9 C, 264
11. WNY Maritime, Health Sciences - V, JV B, 412 (Recommend to move to Class A)
12. Burgard, Performing Arts – V, JV B, 507
13. Bennett, MEC, East, MST, River., Olms., R.Lab, Alt., Pathways - V, JV AA, 1993
14. Hutch Tech, Emer., Culinary, C. Honors, DaVinci, I-Prep, Laf.- V, JV AA, 3056

Game Day Cheer 2022

15. East Aurora, Holland, Varsity D2, 502

5.1 Items 16- 28 CARRIED Graczyk / Breidenstein**Cross Country 2022**

16. Falconer, Cass Valley – B/G V, 7/8/9	C, 355
17. Franklinville, Ellicottville – B/G V, 7/8	D, 172
18. Panama, Sherman, Clymer – B/G V, 7/8/9	D, 165
19. Pioneer, Holland – B/G V	B, 560
20. Silver Creek, Forestville – B/G V	C, 272
21. West Seneca West, and East – B/G 7/8	modified does not apply
22. Bennett, Alternative Academy – B/G V	C, 342
23. East, Pathways – B/G V	C, 332
24. Buffalo Culinary, Emerson – B/G V	C, 431

Field Hockey 2022

25. East Aurora, Holland - 7/8	
26. Holland, East Aurora – V, JV	B, 480
27. West Seneca West, and East – V, JV, 7/8	A, 1070

Boys Golf 2022

28. West Seneca West, and East – V	1402
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5.1 Items 29-62 CARRIED Fallacaro-Dougherty / Gens**Soccer 2022**

29. West Seneca West, and East – B V, JV	AA, 1402
30. Hutch Tech, Emerson, Buff. Culinary – B/G V, JV	AA, 1505
31. MST, Performing Arts – B V, JV	B, 441
32. Bennett, Alt. Academy – B V, JV	B, 342
33. MEC, Research Lab – B V, JV	B, 315
34. South Park, East, Pathways – B V, JV	AA, 967
35. Riverside, DaVinci – B V, JV	B, 420
36. MEC, Bennett, Research Lab, Alt. Academy – G V, JV	A, 834
37. DaVinci, Riverside, East, Pathways – G V, JV	A, 898
38. Lafayette, Performing Arts, South Park – G V, JV	AA, 1300
39. Cass. Valley, Falconer – B V, 7/8/9	B, 376
40. Salamanca, Catt/LV – B V	B, 352
41. Falconer, Cass. Valley – G V, 7/8/9	B, 376
42. Holland, West Valley – G V, JV, 7/8	C, 226

Girls Swimming 2022

43. All/Limestone, Franklinville – V	350
44. Frewsburg, Falconer – V	379
45. Olean, Portville, Franklinville – V	574
46. Panama, Maple Grove, Clymer - V	220
47. Bennett, MEC, R. Lab, Alt. Academy – V	761
48. Hutch Tech, Emerson, Culinary – V	1137
49. DaVinci, I-Prep, Lafayette – V	713
50. McKinley, Burgard, Riverside – V	964
51. South Park, MST, East, Pathways – V	867
52. Kenmore West and East – V, JV	1452

Girls Tennis 2022

53. Bennett, Alt Academy – V	D2, 354
54. East Community, Pathways – V	D2, 332
55. Buffalo Culinary, Emerson – V	D2, 431

Volleyball 2022

56. Eden, North Collins – B V, JV, 7/8	D2, 363
57. East Aurora, Holland – B V, JV	D2, 502
58. Holland, East Aurora – B 7/8 only	
59. Clymer, Sherman – G V, JV, 7/8	D, 133
60. Buffalo Culinary, Emerson – G V	B, 431

- 61. East Community, Pathways – G V
- 62. Bennett, Alt. Academy – G V

C, 332
C, 342

5.2 Motion to approve Independent Status in Boys Volleyball for City Honors, Hutch Tech, Olmsted and McKinley.

CARRIED Zirkle / Brown

6.0 STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

6.1 Combining of Schools Committee (Jeff Rabey)

6.1.1 **Motion to approve to** move WNY Maritime/Health Sciences from class B to Class A in the sport of Football.

CARRIED Fallacaro-Dougherty / Graczyk

6.2 Charter Schools Classification Committee (Jeff Rabey)
Nothing to Report

6.3 Finance Committee (Don Scholla)

6.3.1 Motion to approve the Treasurer's Report (Appendix B)

CARRIED Graczyk / Taylor

6.3. Motion to approve the proposed 2022-2023 Section VI budget (Appendix C)

CARRIED House / Rabey

Don Scholla Discussed the Finance Committee meeting from January 13, 2022 for Section VI to move to ONLY GOFAN Digital Ticketing for the Winter play-off Neutral site events.

6.4. Sectional/Intersectional Committee (Mark DiFilippo)

6.4.1 **Motion to approve** the North & South 2022-2023 Timelines for Schedules and assignment of Officials (Appendix D and E)

CARRIED Graczyk / Gens

6.4.2 Football Chairman Jay Sirianni to present post season report and 2022 Alignments. In addition to alignments, he also discussed the proposal for reduced penalty length for the "Targeting" call. Request to modify starting date to Friday 8/17/2022, important to consider the 7-day rest and the 15 week season length SED imposes. An issue R Zayas would like to review again with SED.

6.4.3 Motion to approve the Fall 2022 Federation Football Alignments (Appendix F)

CARRIED Fallacaro-Dougherty / Graczyk

6.4.4 Motion to approve the Girls Lacrosse alignment change

CARRIED Graczyk / Fallacaro-Dougherty

6.5 Safety (Matt McKenna)
Nothing to Report

6.6 Modified Report (Matt Librock & Julie Arnold)
Nothing to Report

6.7 State Executive Committee / Central Committee

A) Superintendent (Jeff Rabey) – Nothing to Report

B) Principal (Al Gens) – Nothing to Report

C) Female Rep. / Male Rep. (M. Fallacaro-Dougherty / J. Graczyk)

The following action items are to provide J. Graczyk, Male Representative, and M. Fallacaro-Dougherty, Female Representative, direction on how to vote at the February 2022 NYSPHSAA Executive Committee meeting. (Appendix E)

- a) Motion to approve Direction for J. Graczyk, Male Representative, and M. Fallacaro-Dougherty, Female Representative, to support the sixth classification proposal.

DEFEATED Zirckle / House

- b) Motion to approve Direction for J. Graczyk, Male Representative, and M. Fallacaro-Dougherty, Female Representative, to support the timeline, process, and criteria if the 6 class proposal passes.

CARRIED Graczyk/ Fallacaro-Dougherty

- c) Motion to approve Direction for J. Graczyk, Male Representative, and M. Fallacaro-Dougherty, Female Representative, to support the approval to amend the Officials fees for Boys Ice Hockey.

CARRIED Rabey / Jon Roth

6.8 Extended Eligibility (Mark DiFilippo)
Nothing to Report

6.9 Chemical Awareness (John Grzymala)
Nothing to Report

6.10 Transfer/ Foreign Student (Mark DiFilippo)
b) Reports were emailed

6.11 Sportsmanship (Jim Graczyk & Doug Ames)
Discussion about whether or not leagues want a policy for ejecting spectators from events.

6.12 Veterans (Jim Trampert)
Nothing to report

6.13 Mixed Competition (Al Gens)
Nothing to report

6.14 Nominations (Maureen Donahue)
Following positions are open with applications online: Deadlines are March 1
President Elect, (from Central area) Girls Golf Chair, Girls Swim Chair, Boys Track Chair, Boys Cross Country Chair (we need to add Boys Lacrosse Assigner and Flag Football Chair

6.15 Corporate Partner (Mark DiFilippo)
Gipper Media Platform – The Section has entered into a 3 year agreement with Gipper.

6.16 Hall of Fame (Jim Dunnigan)
Nothing to report

6.17 Unified Sports (Doug Ames)

6.17.1 Motion to approve to allow unified bowling to bowl virtually if they choose to.

DEFEATED Graczyk/ Rabey all opposed

Revised motion was brought to the table Approval to allow Holland Central unified bowling to bowl virtually if they choose to.

DEFEATED Fallacaro-Dougherty / Rabey

7.0 SPECIAL COMMITTEE REPORTS

7.1 All WNY Scholar Athlete (Jeff Roth)

Fall Results Posted

7.2 Charter Schools Placement Committee (Jeff Rabey) The Committee will meet and review the information from the surveys each of the Charter Schools completed.

8.0 STATE SPORT COMMITTEE REPORTS (Appendix F)

- a) Outdoor Track (December 2021)
- b) Baseball (January 2022)
- c) Boys Tennis (December 2021)
- d) Field Hockey (January 2022)
- e) Alpine Ski (December 2021)

9.0 GUEST REPORTS

9.1 NYSPHSAA Report (Robert Zayas)

Requested a representative to serve on the Strategic Planning Committee which will meet in Saratoga February 16-17 will create items to focus for next 5 years.

Four State Officers position are open, Superintendents Rep position, submit resumes to Paul Harrica pharrica@gmail.com , it is an 8-year commitment.

Process of updating the State Championship Protocol for Winter sports.

Informed the group of the venue requirements for Winter State Championships, in the Fall 100 Girls Tennis successfully competed at NY City mandatory requirements for vaccination for athletes, coaches and spectators.

State Association will adhere to the NYS DOH large venue gathering requirement for Wrestling, Boys & Girls Basketball. Full Vaccination and or test to admit.

9.2 NYSAAA Report (Jeff Roth)

9.2.1 NYSAAA Conference: March 14-18, 2022

10.0 SPORTS REPORTS

10.1 Motion to approve of the 2021 Fall Sports post season reports

CARRIED Graczyk / Fallacaro-Dougherty

10.2 Motion to approve of the 2022 Spring Pre-season reports

CARRIED Taylor / Zirkle

11.0 OLD BUSINESS

12.0 NEW BUSINESS

12.1 Motion to approve of 2022-2023 Section VI Meeting Dates

CARRIED Graczyk / Gens

- Sectional/Intersectional (Thurs. 9am Teleconference): Sept. 15, Oct.13, Jan. 12, Feb. 9, Mar. 30
- Finance (Thurs.12pm Teleconference): Sept. 15, Oct 13 (@ Section VI), Jan. 12, Feb. 9, Mar 30
- Athletic Council: Sept. 21, Nov. 16, Jan. 18, Mar. 22, May 17
- Executive Committee: above AC dates plus (Teleconference) Oct.12, Dec. 14, Feb. 15, Apr. 20, June 14

13.0 GOOD OF THE ADJOURNMENT

Motion to Adjourn

CARRIED Graczyk / Rabey