

ATHLETIC COUNCIL MEETING

September 17, 2008

HIGHLIGHTS

Congratulations to the following award winners!!

School of Distinction Award:

Clarence, Grand Island, Iroquois, Williamsville East and Williamsville North

Good Sports Award:

Albion, Lockport, Iroquois, and Forestville

3.2	Approved: Recommendations of the Finance Committee.
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- 4.3 Approved: Support for the concept of a State Regional Wrestling Tournament.
- 4.4 A Program Chairperson* is still needed to collect photos/rosters for the basketball and wrestling programs. Approved: Allowing Sportchairs to hire an individual out of their sports budget for this task if necessary.
- 4.7 Approved: Requests for Combining Schools and Senior All-Star Contests
- 5.2 The new Section 6 website will be rolled out October 1 → www.secton6.e1b.org Sportchairs are now responsible for their sport's representation on this site.
- 7.1 The new Section VI Constitution has been reviewed and updated.
- 9.2/9.9 The mandatory workshops for Athletic Directors on Chemical Awareness and Safety are scheduled for May 11, 2009.
- 14.0 Three AD Hoc Committees were created:
 - Section VI Office Review Committee:

Chairperson Chuck Amo

NFL/NO Rep- Cindy Bullis, ECIC/Buffalo Rep- Chuck Amo, STier/mm - Don Scholla

- Job Description Committee:
 - Chairperson Diane Munro

ECIC Rep- Ron DeCarli, NO Rep- Ken Stoldt

By-Laws Committee:

Chairperson Cindy Bullis

NFL Rep- Pat Burke, NO Rep- Bill Stedman

*Please forward nominations to the Section VI office: 355 Harlem Rd., West Seneca, NY 14224 Fax 716-821-7352 or cszczesny@e1b.org

NYSPHSAA, Section VI Athletic Council Meeting September 17, 2008 Roll Call (* indicates attendance)

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE		COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSONS		<u>SPORTCHAIRS</u>		
	President President-Elect Superintendents Rep Principals Rep Boys Rep Girls Rep Exec. Secretary Asst. Exec. Secretary Treasurer Officials Coordinator Parliamentarian Past President BOCES Rep	* Mike Wendt * Diane Munro * Jeff Rabey * James Dunnigan * Don Scholla * Cindy Bullis * Robert A. Dinse * Cindy Szczesny * Loren Ratajczak * Tom Cowan * Ron Black * Chuck Amo * John Montesanti	Awards Chem. Awareness Ext. Eligibility Finance Media Modified (Boys) Modified (Girls) NYSAAA Policy Handbook Programs Safety Sect./Intersectional Sportsmanship Transfer Chairman Veterans	* Jim Trampert * Doug Ames Jerry Baldelli * Loren Ratajczak Leo Kaminsky * Adam Stoltman Katie McGowan Brett Banker Mark Ward TBA Tim Marong * Robert Dinse * Doug Ames * Ron Black * Jim Trampert	Jim Zubler Pete Szymanski Mike DeBarbieri Israel Martinez Paul Ksionzyk Debby Schruefer GUESTS Joe Altieri	* Cross Country * Indoor Track * Wrestling * Wrestling * Track * Girls Volleyball * NYSPHSAA

<u>LEAGUE</u>	REPRESENTATIVE	<u>ALTERNATE</u>
BUFFALO		
Superintendents Rep/AD	* David Thomas	<mark>TBA</mark>
Girls Rep	Andrea Norton, City Honors	TBA
Boys Rep	Aubrey Lloyd, Emerson	TBA
CATTARAUGUS		
Superintendents Rep	TBA	TBA
Girls Rep	* Paul Ksionzyk, Olean	TBA
Boys Rep	* Rick DeKay, West Valley	Mike DeBarbieri, Portville
CHAUTAUQUA		
Superintendents Rep	* Stephen Vanstrom, Frewsburg	TBA
Girls Rep	* Donna Kubera, Dunkirk	TBA TBA
Boys Rep	* Mel Swanson, Sherman	TBA
E.C.I.C.		
Superintendents Rep	* Ron DeCarli, Frontier	Kim Mueller, Depew
Girls Rep	* Nancy Riccio, Amherst	Timm Slade, West Seneca
Boys Rep	* Jim Graczyk, Pioneer	Dan McGrath, Depew
NIAGARA FRONTIER LEAGU	_	
Superintendents Rep	 Vincent Vecchiarella, N.Tonawanda 	<mark>TBA</mark>
Girls Rep	 * Mark DiFilippo, Niagara Wheatfield 	<mark>TBA</mark>
Boys Rep	* Patrick Burke, Lockport	TBA TBA
NIAGARA ORLEANS		
Superintendents Rep	* Paul Bona, RoyHart	Steve Burley, Newfane
Girls Rep	* Ken Stoldt, Akron	TBA
Boys Rep	* Bill Stedman, Barker	TBA TBA
SUPERINTENDENT RPERES		
Erie 1 BOCES	* Mark Mondanaro, Ken-Ton	<mark>TBA</mark>
Erie 2 BOCXES	* John O'Connor, Forestville	TBA
ON BOCES	* Roger Klatt, Barker	<mark>TBA</mark>
CA BOCES	<mark>TBA</mark>	TBA

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Reports are posted on the Section VI website along with the minutes.

Presentation of Awards:

- Joe Altieri, Assistant Executive Director NYSPHSAA, presented the School of Distinction Award to Clarence, Grand Island, Iroquois, Williamsville East and Williamsville North
- Doug Ames, Sportsmanship Coordinator, presented the Section VI New York Good Sports Award to Albion, Lockport, Iroquois, and Forestville
- 1.0 CALL TO ORDER/ Introductions M.Wendt mwendt@wilson.wnyric.org

To improve meeting efficiency, M.Wendt requested that Athletic Council members contact individuals responsible for agenda items prior to the meetings for clarification of any issues. Emails are noted in the agenda and subsequent minutes for your convenience. Phone numbers are located on page 2 of the Section VI 2008-09 Directory.

2.0 Motion to approve the Minutes of the May 21, 2008 meeting CARRIED

Stedman/Dunnigan

- 3.0 TREASURER'S REPORT
- L. Rataiczak
- 3.1 Treasurer's Report was received. The August payment was received from MJR Dynamic Promotions. We are approximately \$90,000 over our balance from last year at this time. The fund balance is estimated to be in the 50% range. A detailed report on the status of the fund balance and an itemization of our cost for space rental at BOCES will be presented at the Nov. meeting.
- 3.2 Finance Committee Report: Minutes from meeting 7/15/08 are posted on the website: http://www.section6.e1b.org/1139104911730900/lib/1139104911730900/Finance08-7.doc

Motion to approve the following recommendations of the Finance Committee CARRIED Graczyk/Stoldt

- A written contract detailing expenses will be obtained from member schools hosting sectional events
- Approve ECC as the venue for girls basketball finals for 2009.
- Approve admission for girls basketball regionals at \$6.
- For Indoor Track: Establish the following penalty for any athlete failing to comply with Section VI rules and regulations: ejection from competition for that day
- Establish a Section crew of supervisory staff to handle site management at sectional events as needed.
- 3.3 Motion to change the fee for an official's ID card from \$10 to \$5 CARRIED

Munro/Dunnigan

- 4.0 **EX.SECRETARY'S REPORT** R.Dinse
 - 4.1 The use of linespeople in Girls Volleyball was addressed by D.Schruefer, Girls Volleyball Chairperson. Currently all leagues in Section VI except Chautauqua use linespeople. As per the state association, it must be consistent throughout the Section. Concern was expressed about the making the change mid-season.

 Motion to approve the use of linespeople in Girls Volleyball effective 2009-2010 Dunnigan /Thomas Motion to postpone the motion until the November meeting CARRIED Graczyk/Vanstrom
 - 4.2 A.Stoltman, Modified Chairperson, addressed the ECIC proposal for modified football changes for 2009: start date 8/24/09, institute kick-off and kick return, utilize multiple defenses (i.e. 54). This proposal will be reviewed by the Modified Committee in November. Leagues are asked to review the proposal and give feedback to their modified league rep by Nov.14.
 - 4.3 Wrestling:
 - Weight certification will be handled by Pilato Sports Consulting. Athletic Directors should direct coaches to be on time, have paperwork complete and cooperate with assessors.
 - Dates for Assessor Training and weight certification are posted in the September Newsletter (p.3): http://www.section6.e1b.org/11391049121022493/lib/11391049121022493/08-9.pdf
 - I. Martinez summarized the proposal of a State Regional Wrestling Tournament. *Motion to support the concept of a State Regional Wrestling Tournament CARRIED*Ksionzyk/Stedman
 - 4.4 A Program Chairperson is still needed to collect photos and rosters for basketball and wrestling programs. Sports committees will be informed that the programs will be discontinued if someone does not step forward for this task.

Motion to allow sportchairs to hire an individual for this task, if necessary, with the expense taken from their current sport budget CARRIED

Burke/Thomas

Executive Secretary's Report continued:

- 4.5 Indoor Track Site Management Plan 2008-09— see Finance Committee minutes item 4.3: http://www.section6.e1b.org/1139104911730900/lib/1139104911730900/Finance08-7.doc
- 4.6 The Mandatory Workshop for Athletic Directors on Eligibility and Sportsmanship was conducted on August 25. It was very well received.
- 4.7 Motion to approve the following requests to combine schools for athletic participation in 2008-09 CARRIED Veccherialla/Ksionzyk
 - Ripley with Westfield for Baseball
 - Ripley with Westfield for Boys Basketball
 - Pine Valley with Frewsburg for Boys Swimming
 - International Prep School at Grover with Grover Cleveland for all winter and spring sports
 - West Valley with Franklinville for Modified Wrestling

Motion to approve the following Senior All-Star Contests CARRIED

Dunnigan/Munro

- Five-Star Bank Girls Soccer Senior All-Star Contest, 11/1/08 at Portville HS, Cosponsors Five-Star Bank and Portville Central Schools
- Chautauqua Co. Girls and Boys Soccer Senior All-Star Contests, 11/8,9/08 at Red Raider Athletic Complex, Sponsored by Jamestown City Schools
- Boys Senior All-Star Soccer Classic, 11/2/08 at Amherst High School, Co-Sponsored by Amherst and Holland Central Schools, pending receipt of insurance

5.0 **COMMUNICATIONS:** R.Dinse mdinse@roadrunner.com

- 5.1 Four districts have expressed concern regarding the change to one vote per district instead of one vote per school in the new Constitution: Buffalo, Kenmore, West Seneca and Williamsville. D.Thomas indicated that a district with 16 high schools and an enrollment of over 9600 students should <u>not</u> have the same voting privileges as a district with one high school and less than 100 students. It was agreed that the issue will be brought back to the Executive Committee for discussion.
- 5.2 Section 6 website: BOCES has informed the Section that the new site must be rolled out before Oct. 1. This created a number of concerns. See Exec Comm minutes item 4.6: http://www.section6.e1b.org/1139104911730900/lib/1139104911730900/ExecComm08-9.pdf

It was agreed that sportchairs should be responsible for their sport's representation on the website. There are currently two options for sportchairs:

- a) Maintain a webpage(s) on the new section 6 website. This requires training by BOCES in schoolwires and BOCES regulations regarding web publications.
- b) Maintain an independent website. A link to this site from the new section 6 website will be allowed only if the source site complies with BOCES regulations.
- 5.3 Oracle Charter School submitted their acceptance of the Guidelines for the Placement of Charter Schools.
- 5.4 City of Buffalo has notified the Section of 4 new schools: International Prep School at Grover Cleveland will replace Grover Cleveland in three years, Middle College is part of Riverside and will participate in sports as Riverside MC, Math Science Tech at Seneca will replace Seneca in 3 years and Frederick Law Olmsted is a subdivision of City Honors with only 9th grade this year.
- 5.5 Sportchair reports from the state meetings:
 - 5.5.1 Indoor Track- P.Szymanski: Qualifying standards will take effect immediately. We are trying to follow the National Federation rule on sports watches, allowing them to be worn for mid to long distance races in cross country and track. A.Stoltman reminded all that the awarding of ribbons for modified races at invitationals must be to all participants or none. (see item 9.6)
 - 5.5.2 Outdoor Track- Paul Ksionzyk: Reminder that there is a 2nd qualifier in Division 1 and Division 2 for 2009. Section support is needed for allowing sports watches (see 5.5.1)
- 5.6 From NYSPHSAA regarding Friends and Neighbor status:
 - Archbishop Walsh F&N status expired 8/08. An application was approved by the Executive Committee 8/18/08 and will be approved by the state in October 2008.
 - Queen of Heaven F&N status expired 8/08. No application received.
 - Elmwood Franklin F&N status will expire 10/08.
- 5.7 Hazing Workshop: ECIC will conduct NYSPHSAA's Hazing Awareness and Prevention Program on November 3 to help guide districts through the process of developing a hazing policy. All Athletic Directors are invited to participate. Contact C.Funke if interested cfunke@e1b.org 821-7262.

6.0 NYSPHSAA REPORT: Joe Altieri, Assistant Executive Director NYSPHSAA altieri@nysphsaa.org

The most recent State report is posted on the website: http://www.nysphsaa.org/minutes/pdf/aor 0809.pdf

- Note: There are 2 wrestling forms on the state website. The Parent awareness form must be on file for an 6.1 athlete to wrestle. http://www.nysphsaa.org/sports/pdf/wrest ParentPermission.pdf and the Wrestling skin http://www.nysphsaa.org/sports/pdf/wrest SkinForm.pdf
- 6.2 The Baseball Committee is proposing a 2-day format for the state tournament.
- Hall of Fame nominations are due Dec. 15 6.3

7.0 **OLD BUSINESS**

- 7.1 The new Section VI Constitution was approved by post-card ballot on June 30, 2008. This document has been reviewed and updated. The updated version will be distributed to Athletic Council members before the November meeting along with a summary of the major changes, J.Rabey, jrabey@lakeshore.wnyric.org
- 7.2 NYSPHSAA Proposed Penalties will be addressed by the Handbook Committee on September 29.
- 7.3 Centralized Management of Officials 2008-09 Full Report in Newsletter page 4 http://www.section6.e1b.org/11391049121022493/lib/11391049121022493/08-9.pdf Section 6 is now in Year 2 of coordinating centralized management / assigning of sports officials through TheArbiter:
 - Fall North: C.Country, F.Hockey, B&G Soccer, G.Swimming and B&G Volleyball were successfully auto-assigned by the Section VI office. Reassignments are handled by league assigners.
 - Fall South: Sports assigners have successfully used TheArbiter to assign B&G Soccer, G.Swimming and G.Volleyball. Both manual and auto-assigning techniques were used.
 - New for 2008: Football, ice hockey and girls gymnastics officials have been entered and are required to register on-line. The football schedules (N&S) and assignments (N only) are in TheArbiter. The Boys and Girls Soccer chairpersons will pilot the assignment of officials for sectional competition in TheArbiter.
 - Winter: Ice hockey and indoor track schedules and assignments will be entered.
- 7.4 D.Thomas expressed his appreciation to the Athletic Council and Central Committee representatives who supported his request at the Central Committee meeting in August for the 11th football game.

8.0 **CENTRAL COMMITTEE/ STATE REPORTS**

- Superintendent 8.1 J. Rabev irabey@lakeshore.wnyric.org No Report 8.2
 - Principal J. Dunnigan james dunnigan@kenton.k12.ny.us
 - The Friends and Neighbors program at the high school level is supported.
 - The transfer program for S/C students is supported.
 - Eligibility for Empire State Games is not a NYSPHSAA issue.
 - Governance is an issue that needs to be addressed by the sections.
 - NYSPHSAA service, i.e., lobbying with senators and the use of technology, has been well received.
 - Concern was expressed that with the removal of the Principals Rep from the Athletic Council as per the new Constitution there is no constituency for the Principals Rep to the Central Committee. All principals are encouraged to communicate concerns/issues directly to Jim Dunnigan at Kenmore East High School 874-8402 james dunnigan@kenton.k12.ny.us
- 8.3 D. Scholla @scholla@olean.wnvric.org C. Bullis bullisc@lew-port.com Boys/Girls Representative Report from the State Executive Committee Meeting in August: http://www.section6.e1b.org/1139104911730900/lib/1139104911730900/August5-7--2008ExecutiveCommitteeReport.pdf
 - Future discussion topics are: the elimination of Friends and Neighbor Program at the high school level, application of the transfer rule to S/C students
 - Two motions were denied: An increase to the team and individual max # contests for modified sports and three person officiating for boys basketball regionals and finals
- 8.4 NYSAAA B. Banker brett banker@kenton.k12.ny.us No Report

9.0 **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Awards J. Trampert itramOPspt@aol.com 9.1 Sportchairs are encouraged to pick up their awards and sign-off at the Section VI office before the end of September.

9.2	9.2.1 Chemical Awareness: The scheduled for May 11, 200 continue after Year 5. D.A.	e Mandatory Wo 09 at Erie 1 BO mes will contac	CES. Currently, i t NYSPHSAA re	n Athlete Year 5 t is not determine	ed how the program will
0.0	9.2.2 Sportsmanship: Awards we	•	•		N. B.
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9.4			leokaminsky@ro		No Report
9.5			cszczesny@e1l	o.org	
	Program Committee Chairperson:				
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	consist of the same mem	nbers unless of	ther parties expi	ress interest in p	participation. For contract
	negotiations, suggestions			·	•
	9.7.4 NYSPHSAA issued the fol			one official in soc	ccer contests is legal.
9.8			mward@eville.w		No Report
9.9			tmarong@frontie		
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9.10	•		mdinse@roadru	inner com	
3.10	No business was conducted at the				
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	http://www.section6.e1b.org/113910491128		01128/0060/Foreign	Student Reporting	Form pdf
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10.2	Veterans (Retirees) J. Trampert jtramOPspt@aol.com The annual Veterans Recognition Dinner and golf outing was held September 10.				
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10.3	AD Hoc Committees:		014		
	11.3.1 All WNY Scholar Athlete A	Award	G.Kaszubski		r.wnyric.org No Report
			N.Riccio	nriccio@amhers	
	11.3.2 Sportsmanship		G.Kaszubski		r.wnyric.org No Report
	11.3.3 NYSPHSAA Structure and	d Policy Review			r.wnyric.org No Report
	11.3.4 Charter Schools		R.Dinse	mdinse@roadru	nner.com
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	09.		•	-	

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11.0 **FALL SPORTS:** No Reports Due Pre-Season (March) Post-Season (Jan)

12.0 **WINTER SPORTS:** No Reports Due Pre-Season (May) Post-Season (May)

13.0 **POST SEASON SPRING SPORTS:**

All sports reports are posted on the website:

http://www.section6.e1b.org/1139104911730900/blank/browse.asp?a=383&BMDRN=2000&BCOB=0&c=52670

14.0 **NEW BUSINESS**

- 14.1 Three Ad Hoc committees have been established:
 - Section Office Review Committee Charge: to review overall office efficiency issues specifically the current process of central management and assigning of officials through TheArbiter, the website, and other work related activities. The goal of this committee is to improve efficiency by redirecting workload to the leagues and outside agencies where possible. The committee will consist of Chuck Amo as liaison for the ECIC and City of Buffalo, Don Scholla as liaison for the Southern Tier league(s) and Msgr. Martin and Cindy Bullis as liaison for the NFL and NO leagues. The committee will be chaired by Chuck Amo and interact with Clark Evans and Kyler Wilson from TheArbiter, D. Munro and the Section VI office. D. Munro will assist with the website charge by reviewing BOCES regulations regarding web publications and work with B.Dinse and C.Szczesny to develop a plan for clarification and effective communication (see item 5.2). If the office efficiency issue is not remedied by this committee, the Section will request assistance from BOCES to achieve this goal.
 - Job Description Committee: Charge: to develop the job description of the Section VI Executive Director in conjunction with a review of the general structure of the Section VI office and the current office positions. The committee will consist of Chairperson Diane Munro and one member from each league preferably a member of the Athletic Council. A report will be due at the November Executive Committee meeting. Volunteers include Ron DeCarli, ECIC and Ken Stoldt, NO. Other leagues will submit the name of their representative to Ms. Munro or the Section office.
 - By-Laws Committee: Charge: to review the Section VI by-laws and recommended updates in conjunction with the new Constitution. The goal is completion by spring of 2009. The committee will consist of Chairperson Cindy Bullis, Ron Black and one member from each league preferably a member of the Athletic Council. No volunteers stepped forward to serve on this Committee. After further discussion of the importance of this issue, the following individuals volunteered: Pat Burke, NFL and Bill Stedman, NO. Other leagues will submit the name of their representative to Ms. Bullis or the Section office
- 14.2 All are requested to take the following message back to their leagues: All decisions regarding Section business are made by the Athletic Council and/or the Executive Committee of the Athletic Council, not BOCES.

15.0 GOOD OF THE ORDER/ ADJOURNMENT Respectfully submitted,

Cynthia M. Szczemy

Rabey/Thomas

Cynthia Szczesny, Assistant Executive Secretary/ Recording Secretary