

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

February 11, 2009

Present: M.Wendt, D.Munro, J.Dunnigan, C.Bullis, D.Scholla, R.Black, R.Dinse, L.Ratajczak, T.Cowan, C.Amo, J.Montesanti-BOCES Rep
Excused: J.Rabey, D.Ames,
Guests: Jim Walker- Boys Basketball Chairperson, Leo Kaminsky- Girls Basketball/Media Chairperson, Paul Ksionzyk- Track Chairperson

Approved by email since the last meeting:

- A waiver of the minimum # contests for a Hamburg wrestler (2/3/09)

Items highlighted in yellow are reminders to the responsible parties. Items are highlighted in green when completed

- 1.0 The meeting was called to order at 9:30 am.
- 2.0 The minutes of January 21, 2009 were approved.
- 3.0 Treasurer's Report - L.Ratajczak
 - 3.1 Transactions 1/17/08-2/6/09 were reviewed. Concern was expressed regarding expenditures for meals/food at sport committee meetings. It was agreed that a policy is needed. A bill submitted for reimbursement for food expenses must be itemized. The meeting agenda and attendees must be attached. No alcohol can be included. President Wendt directed the Policy Handbook Ad Hoc Committee to review the matter. (reminder emailed 3/18/09)
 - 3.2 The Proposed Section VI Budget 2009-10 will be an action item this afternoon. It was noted that the full-time Executive Director position is included in the budget.
- 4.0 Executive Secretary's Report - R.Dinse
 - 4.1 Indoor Track: At the meeting with B.Kiszewski, AD MM League, it was agreed that the Monsignor Martin League participation in the Section VI Indoor Track program would continue. Their participation generates a revenue of \$6,000. Numbers of athletes at each site will be reduced by setting a maximum of 70 varsity athletes (boys and girls) per school. Use of an entry form at the gate will be considered. The use of Buffalo State will be limited.
 - 4.2 Wrestling: It was noted that problems with hydration and supervision were encountered during weight certification. This will be addressed with the wrestling committee.
- 5.0 Communications - R.Dinse mdinse@roadrunner.com
 - 5.1 A letter was received from the Tonawanda superintendent expressing concern about the football schedule. Chuck Funke worked with the district to resolve the concern. Permission will be requested at the Athletic Council meeting for use of a 9th game in planning the 2009 football schedule. cfunke@e1b.org
 - 5.2 Pat Anderson has withdrawn his application for Assistant Boys Soccer Sportchair position.
 - 5.3 Approval of request to combine Ripley with Westfield for boys and girls track 2009 will be an action item at the Athletic Council meeting.
 - 5.4 An email from NYSPHSAA regarding the action taken on the 13 recommendations of the Fiscal Concerns committee was forwarded to ADs, the Athletic Council and League officers.
 - 5.5 Girls Soccer: 3-person officiating will be discussed at the state CAC meeting in April.
 - 5.6 Boys Lacrosse: A change to the days of the week on which the State tournament are contested will also be reviewed by the CAC in April.
- 6.0 Officials Coordinator's Report – T.Cowan lcowan7@rochester.rr.com
 - 6.1 Officials Contract Negotiations: 30 out of 80 responses to the survey have been received.
 - 6.2 Lackawanna Soccer: The procedure for monitoring the team in Years 2 and 3 will be adjusted.
 - 6.3 Central Management/Assigning of Officials: Contracts were sent to each of the football assigners for the 2009 season with a return date of March 1. Officials for Girls Basketball sectionals will be assigned using thearbiter by C.Durr who piloted this project with girls soccer in fall 2008. A timeline has been developed for 2009-10 and will be reviewed with league assigners. Direction will be needed from the Athletic Council on proceeding with management and assigning of officials in TheArbiter in the future.

7.0 Old Business:

7.1 The Ad Hoc Committee for Job Descriptions: dmunro@alli.wnyric.org Approval of the final draft of the Executive Director job description, qualifications and hiring protocol will be an action item this afternoon. Diane Munro and her committee were thanked for their time and efforts on this task.

7.2 The Ad Hoc Committee for Section VI Office Review: camo@hamburgschools.org
Direction is needed from the Athletic Council regarding the priority of the website and thearbiter.

7.2.1 Website: A meeting was held with Tom Nemmer, Hamburg, regarding a template, guidelines and rules for sports pages on the Section 6 website. Each sport will have the opportunity to be creative on their specific sport page and expand on basic expectations such as the posting of power ratings and sectional standings. **A standard navigation page will be created** for each sport to provide consistency. Sportchairs can appoint non-voting members to their committee to manage their website. **Addition of league pages is being planned** to give leagues the opportunity to become part of the Section website. Training of Sportchairs/designees and league reps will be scheduled in March.

7.2.2 TheArbiter: **Long range plans are still needed** for sports currently not assigned in TheArbiter, assigning post season schedules and central payment of officials.

7.2.3 Sport Committees: Current representatives on committees are coaches with specific team interests. It was agreed that school administrators should sit on these committees or retirees and community members with interest and expertise. **The Ad Hoc Policy committee will review the make-up of committees at the next meeting. (reminder emailed 3/18/09)**

8.0 Sportsmanship Coordinator's Report - D. Ames No Report

9.0 New Business- No Report

10.0 Good of the Order/ Adjournment

Respectfully submitted, Cynthia M. Szczesny, Recording Secretary

