

**MINUTES**  
**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING**  
**November 17, 2010**

Present: D.Munro, J.Rabey, M.Wendt, J.Dunnigan, D.Scholla, T. Slade, R.Black, L.Ratajczak  
Excused: C.Bullis  
Guests: Leo Kaminsky, Girls Basketball & Media Chairperson

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

- 1.0 The meeting was called to order at 9:30 am by President Diane Munro.
- 2.0 Introductions/ Guest Report: Leo Kaminsky
  - 2.1 Girls Basketball: The Girls Basketball committee is not in favor of using NFHS Rules instead of NCAA Rules. Rosters are due on-line by December 1. The Federation Tournament has been moved from Glens Falls to Times Union Center in Albany.
  - 2.2 Media: The football chairs were commended for the successful operation of the post-season tournament and cooperation with the media. Funds collected from media contracts exceeded last year by over \$2,200.
  - 2.3 Empire State Games: \$126,000 profit from the 2009 games will be donated to the Greater Buffalo Hall of Fame. \$50,000 has been dedicated to scholarships for ESG athletes and volunteers. \$2,500 each to one male and one female for the past 10 years. NYS has cancelled the games for 2011.
- 3.0 The minutes of the Executive Committee meeting on October 20, 2010 were approved.
- 4.0 Executive Director's Report – T.Slade [tslade@e1b.org](mailto:tslade@e1b.org)
  - 4.1 Officials Coordination:
    - a) Ejection Appeal: Concern was expressed regarding two instances where the officials organization overturned the call of an ejection of an athlete from a contest. T.Slade was advised to contact T.Cowan to inquire about past occurrences regarding this situation. Discussion with the organizations involved to determine the reason for the change in the call was also recommended.
    - b) Central Management/Assigning of Officials: Fall- All post season contests were entered in arbitersports and the majority of contests were assigned using the system. Winter- All winter post-season contests will be entered and assigned in the system. Payment of Ice Hockey officials using arbiter and RefPay will be piloted.

Discussion items for the Athletic Council meeting will include the following: (4.2-4.6)

  - 4.2 NYSPHSAA Fact Finding Proposal: NYSPHSAA has recommended remaining with the current system for arbitration which is effective and less expensive than the new system that has been proposed.
  - 4.3 Calendar of Season Dates 2011-12. Leagues will be asked to review the calendar. It will be an action item in Jan. <http://www.section6.e1b.org/1139104911730900/lib/1139104911730900/Misc%20Reports/SeasonDates1112.pdf>
  - 4.4 Transfer Rule: NYSPHSAA has proposed a change to the Transfer Rule regarding academic advantage that will allow for a 3-credit combination of any of the following: Dual credit, IB or AP courses.
  - 4.5 Girls Lacrosse Helmets: An Injury Summary for Female Sports (link below) indicates that head injuries in girls lacrosse are not more significant than head injuries in other sports. The game may be played and officiated differently if helmets are mandated. The Section VI Safety Committee does not support the proposal. <http://www.section6.e1b.org/1139104911730900/lib/1139104911730900/Safety%20Reports/Injury%20Summary.pdf>
  - 4.6 Practice at Championship Venues: Indoor sports such as basketball do not allow practice at a championship venue. Should practice be allowed at the championship venue in some sports, such as field hockey where there is a lack of turf fields available for practice?
- 5.0 Communications - T.Slade [tslade@e1b.org](mailto:tslade@e1b.org)
  - 5.1 Action items for the Athletic Council include approvals of Outside Agency & Senior All Star contests.
  - 5.2 Elmwood Franklin school was approved as a Friends and Neighbor school pending retroactive action by the NYSPHSAA Executive Committee.
  - 5.3 Waivers of the minimum number of contests needed for participation in sectionals were approved for Charles Loiacano, Lockport and Wesley Trank, Wilson.

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### 6.0 Committee Reports

6.1 Finance Report/Minutes: L.Ratajczak [lratajczak@e1b.org](mailto:lratajczak@e1b.org)  
<http://www.section6.e1b.org/1139104911730900/lib/1139104911730900/Minutes%20Finance/Finance10-10.pdf>

#### 6.1.1 Treasurers Report:

- a) The transactions 10/15/10-11/12/10 were reviewed. Assets are currently high due to receipt of Indoor Track and Hockey dues. These funds will be expended during the winter season. Payment of bills for fall sports is underway and the majority of gate receipts are in. Section VI successfully handled the gate at neutral sites. All High Stadium for football regionals was impressive. The Football Committee will be asked to give recognition to Buffalo for their facility and management of the event.
- b) The Proposed Budget 2011-12 will be presented at the Athletic Council for review and approval at the January meeting. Highlights include zero dues increase, an increase in office revenue due to fees charged for Central Management of officials (arbitersports) and Buffalo schools participating in Section VI football and also a reduction in office expenditures.

#### Finance Report continued

#### 6.1.2 Action items for the Athletic Council include:

- a) Approve the BOCES Communications Services Proposal for the Section VI website at a one-time cost not to exceed \$2,400. Alternate options have been reviewed. The proposal is currently the most cost effective method to improve the website with athlete recognition and sports updates.
- b) Approve use of funds in the *Benefits to Districts Account* in 2010-11 as a rebate to schools that have participated in state competition. The formula for funds distribution will be presented by the Finance Committee for approval in May 2011.
- c) Appoint Deborah Coder, Business Official Lockport as the Finance Committee Chairperson. This action will comply with the Section Bylaws item 4.1.1.
- d) Approve an increase in the fee for an official's ID card from \$5 to \$10. This will assist with an increase in expenses for equipment and supplies.

6.2 Sectional/Intersectional Report/Minutes T.Slade [tslade@e1b.org](mailto:tslade@e1b.org)  
<http://www.section6.e1b.org/1139104911730900/lib/1139104911730900/Minutes%20Sectional%20Intersectional/SecIntersec10-10.pdf>  
Championship venues are being reviewed to reduce costs. Pre-season Spring Sports Reports have been reviewed except for baseball, softball and track. These will be reviewed at the Jan. 6 meeting. Reports are on the website <http://www.section6.e1b.org/1139104911730900/blank/browse.asp?a=383&BMDRN=2000&BCOB=0&c=53134>

#### 6.3 State Executive Committee/ Central Committee

The fiscal situation in NYS is worsening with additional state "take-backs" from districts and the proposed 2% property tax cap. An extension of the NYSPHSAA fiscal concerns recommendations, including reduction of contests, will be discussed at the Dec. 5-6 NYSPHSAA Executive Committee meeting. Direction is needed for our Central Committee reps. A timeline for the steps to be taken is listed in the Athletic Council agenda and will be discussed.

### 7.0 Special Committee Reports:

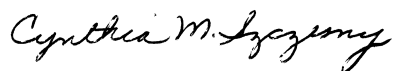
- 7.2 Charter Schools: Health Sciences Charter School has expressed interest in Section VI membership.
- 7.3 Evaluation of Executive Director: The draft of the *Evaluation and Goals Program for the Executive Director* position met with negative response. It was agreed that the evaluation process should be separated from goals established for the Executive Director and that compensation for performance be removed. J. Rabey and the Ad Hoc Committee for Evaluation will continue developing an evaluation process for the Executive Director position. M. Wendt offered to work with a couple of AC members in the process of formulating goals and a vision for Section VI and to assist the Executive Director in developing his annual goals.

11.0 Old Business: Addressed in previous agenda items

12.0 New Business: None discussed

13.0 Good of the Order/ Adjournment

Respectfully submitted



Cynthia M. Szczesny, Executive Assistant/ Recording Secretary

