

Athletic Council Meeting November 16, 2011 – Agenda Item 6.1

FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

Chairperson: Steve Penhollow
November 2011

ACTION ITEMS

- 1.1 Approve placement of non-earmarked sponsorship funds into the Dedicated Fund during the 2-year pilot 2011-12 and 2012-13.
Approved Athletic Council November 16, 2011
- 2.1
- 2.2 Recognize partnerships in the community with a plaque/award at the Recognition Dinner in August.
Approved Athletic Council November 16, 2011
- 4.2 Approve the purchase of 12 sets of rechargeable walkie talkies for use at sectional contests.
Approved Athletic Council November 16, 2011
- 4.3 Approve a \$300 stipend for the Cheerleading Sportchair position
Approved Athletic Council November 16, 2011
- 4.5 Approve reinstatement of the 1st round of wrestlebacks for the state qualifier with Section VI covering the cost of patches and the Wrestling Coaches Association covering the cost of officials.
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DISCUSSION ITEMS

- 1.3 Proposed Budget 2012-13

MINUTES FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING October 27, 2011

Attendance (* indicates present)

Committee: Chairperson: Steve Penhollow*
Section reps: Timm Slade*, Loren Ratajczak*
League Reps: CCAA: Al Gens* ECIC: Greg Witman* (for Jim Graczyk) Buff: Aubrey Lloyd
NO: Joel Reed* NFL: John Forcucci*
Superintendents: ECIC: Jeff Rabey, Depew

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

- 1.0 Fund Balance (agenda item for each meeting):
 - 1.1 Fund Balance:
 - a) The Fund Balance is currently \$170,000 higher than normal. Last year was a good year financially. Kudos were extended to T.Slade for increasing sponsorships and reducing costs in some areas such as legal fees. The larger balance is also due to receipt of dues for Indoor Track and Ice Hockey, which will be expended later in the year. The auditors are completing their review and a report will be given at the next meeting.
 - a) Dedicated Fund for 2011-12 state competition in individual sports. ***Motion to place all sponsorship funds which are not earmarked into the Dedicated Fund during the 2-year pilot 2011-12 and 2012-13 CARRIED Gens/Witman***

Recommendation: Approve placement of non-earmarked sponsorship funds into the Dedicated Fund during the 2-year pilot 2011-12 and 2012-13.
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- 1.2 Section VI office staffing: A line item has been added in the budget for an office position to replace C.Szczesny's position after retirement June 30. The position will be civil service and follow the BOCES contract. It was recommended that the position be filled prior to June to allow for a transition period.
- 1.3 The Proposed BUDGET 2012-13 was prepared for presentation to the Athletic Council.
- 2.0 Sectional championship venues:
- 2.1 Ralph Wilson Stadium: R.Brandon, Bills CEO, has agreed to reduce the rental cost of the stadium from approximately \$18,000 to \$5,000. There will be no extra charge for the Class DD game. Section VI will still pay standard charges for security, ambulance, parking, etc. The Executive Committee suggested that Mr. Brandon be nominated for the NYSAAA Community Service Award for 2012, but it was noted that HSBC and Dunn Tire have also been generous by not charging for usage of their facilities.
- Recommendation:** Recognize partnerships in the community with a plaque/award at the Recognition Dinner in August.
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- It was suggested that appreciation to R.Brandon be extended on the jumbotron.
- 2.2 Championship venue operations at neutral sites: Section VI being responsible for gate personnel has been successful. This year, at the recommendation of the auditors, tickets are being used for each event. Trainers are being assigned by Athleticare.
- 3.0 Old Business- updates on the following
- 3.1 Centralized Management of Officials: Assigner fees (\$25/year) have been received from approximately 50% of the officials' organizations to date. Monsignor Martin League usage fee (\$2,000) for 2011-12 has not been received.
- 3.2 Corporate Sponsorship for Championships:
- a) Spalding: The contract for \$7,000 sponsorship has not been finalized.
 - b) Select Soccer: The contract for \$3,500 sponsorship including soccer balls for sectionals is complete. Select Soccer is also assisting the Soccer Committees by providing jackets and a luncheon.
 - c) Time Warner Cable: The 3-year contract is not finalized. This contract may change if NYSPHSAA obtains a state-wide sponsorship from TWC.
- 3.3 Corporate sponsorship for Athletic Council meetings: Laux will sponsor the November Athletic Council meeting. Toth and Trophys Trophys will be sponsors for January and March. T.Slade will contact Sports Locker in Olean and Jock Shop in Jamestown as potential sponsors for May.
- 3.4 Other sponsorships: It was noted that the boys golf chair Nate Leary has also secured a number of sponsorships.
- 4.0 New Business
- 4.1 Financial report for Boys Basketball 2011 will be reviewed and a report presented at the next meeting.
- 4.2 Anticipated future purchases: With concerns about security and safety, it was agreed that walkie talkies would be very useful at Section championships. Cost per set is approximately \$40-50 and will be researched as a potential purchase through BOCES (aidable expense).
- Recommendation:** Approve the purchase of 12 sets of rechargeable walkie talkies for use at sectional contests.
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- 4.3 Stipend for the Cheerleading Sportchair position: The position is new and the sport is not fully defined, but the Sportchair will be attending state meetings as the Section rep as well as investigating venues for a championship in 2012-13. It was agreed that a starting stipend be established with adjustments being made later if duties increase. **Motion to establish \$300 as the stipend for the Cheerleading Sportchair position effective 2011-12 CARRIED Reed/Gens**
- Recommendation:** Approve a \$300 stipend for the Cheerleading Sportchair position
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- 4.4 Football: Some schools have expressed concerns about charging \$4 for bowl semi-final contests. There is no admission charged for post-season match-up games. This will be reviewed by the Football chairs after the season and a recommendation will be made for 2012.

- 4.5 Wrestling: Concern was expressed regarding wrestlers who may qualify for state competition as a wild card but with the current system receive no wildcard points. ***Motion to include losers of the 1st round in wrestlebacks for the state qualifier with Section VI covering the cost of patches and the Wrestling Coaches Association covering the cost of officials. CARRIED Witman/Forcucci***

Recommendation: Approve reinstatement of the 1st round of wrestlebacks for the state qualifier with Section VI covering the cost of patches and the Wrestling Coaches Association covering the cost of officials.

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FUTURE FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING DATES:

Thursdays 12:00 pm: Jan. 5, Apr. 26 via teleconference