

MINUTES

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

May 19, 2010

Present: M.Wendt, J.Dunnigan, C.Bullis, D.Scholla, T. Slade, C.Amo, R.Black
Excused: D.Munro, J.Rabey, L.Ratajczak

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 Wendt. Ron Black served as proxy for Jeff Rabey for this meeting.
- 2.0 The minutes of the Executive Committee meeting on April 28, 2010 were approved.
- 3.0 Executive Director's Report – T.Slade tslade@e1b.org
 - 4.1 Officials Coordination:
 - a) Approval of the Officials Contract with WNYSO 2010-2013 is an action item at the AC meeting. <http://www.section6.e1b.org/1139104911730900/lib/1139104911730900/Misc%20Reports/AC10-5%20Contract%20&%20Fees%2010-13%20Draft.pdf>
 - b) Central Management/Assigning of Officials:
 - Dan Finucane was selected as the Section VI Football Assigner for the North from the seven candidates who were interviewed by T.Slade, T.Cowan and C.Funke.
 - A mutually agreeable timeline was developed between WNYSO and Section VI for assigning in the North. Central assigning will begin June 18 and the Round Table will be held on June 30. The timelines are posted on the website.
 - c) Recruitment of officials: A new process has been developed for recruitment. Potential officials contact the Section office for information or log onto the Section website. **Their progress through training can then be tracked by our office.** Three ads were placed in the Buffalo News for sports officials. Fifteen responses were received. The information on recruits was shared with the officials organizations.
 - d) A meeting with Presidents of Officials Organizations in the South is scheduled for June 23.
 - 4.2 Appointments will be made at the AC meeting for: Spring Sportchair positions, Superintendents Rep to the Central Committee, Section VI President Elect, Sportsmanship/ Chemical Awareness Chairman and Safety Chairman. Nominations are posted: <http://www.section6.e1b.org/1139104911730900/lib/1139104911730900/Misc%20Reports/AC10-5%20Nominations.pdf>
 - 4.3 Modified Sports issues: Modified Football start date of Aug.23 was approved. This date is permanent and does have to be approved on an annual basis.
 - 4.4 Cheerleading: Direction is needed from each Section on this issue. The NYSPHSAA Ad Hoc Committee will meet May 20.
 - 4.5 Football scheduling concerns in Class D: Five Class D schools requested a change to a non-playoff format schedule. The majority of the D schools preferred status quo. This will be discussed at the Athletic Council meeting.
 - 4.6 Charter Schools: Athletic Council approval will be requested for independent schedules for Buffalo Academy of Science, Global Concepts, Oracle, Tapestry and WNY Maritime Charters in 2010-11
- 5.0 Communications - T.Slade tslade@e1b.org
 - 5.1 Communications from NYSPHSAA: A proxy for Section VI at NYSPHSAA meetings must be approved each year. Approval of Timm Slade as the proxy for the 2010-11 is an action item at the AC meeting.
 - 5.2 Hinsdale, accepted into Section 5 beginning 2010-11, will participate in Section 6 in football and bowling. They have requested an adjusted rate for their annual dues based on participation.
- 6.0 Committee Reports:
 - 6.1 Finance-L.Ratajczak lratajczak@e1b.org <http://www.section6.e1b.org/1139104911730900/lib/1139104911730900/Minutes%20Finance/Finance10-5.pdf>

Action items for the AC meeting include:

 - a) Approve the method for handling excess funds in the Fund Balance.
 - b) Approve the elimination of the discount for pre-sale tickets for football.
 - c) Return the responsibility for sectional basketball games prior to quarter-finals back to the districts on a one-year trial basis. Schools will be reminded that these are sectional contests not league contests. Concerns include placing the financial burden of hosting these contests back on the districts. Additional districts may opt out of the tournament.

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d) Approve distribution of funds to districts from the Benefits to Districts Account in 2009-10 as a reimbursement for travel to state competition as follows:

\$500.00 per team for travel to finals
\$250.00 per team for additional travel to semi-finals (football, boys lacrosse)
\$30.00 per individual competing at states

6.2 Sectional/Intersectional -T.Slade tslade@e1b.org

6.2.1 Action items for the AC recommended by the Sec/ Intersectional Committee March 22:

<http://www.section6.e1b.org/1139104911730900/lib/1139104911730900/Minutes%20Sectional%20Intersectional/SecIntersec10-3a.pdf>

- a) Approve the requirement that 18 schools are needed to split a division. Sportchairs will be reminded that they can appeal to the Athletic Council for a split division if they feel it is justified.
- b) Approve the policy to not allow changes to the seeds after the conclusion of the seeding meeting.
- c) Approve the following change to the Constitution: Item 13.3 Schools must compete within their sectional classification numbers for all sports except Ice Hockey. In the sport of Ice Hockey, teams may move up from the small school division to the large school division for the 2010-11 and/or the 2011-12 schools years. After these two years, the Ice Hockey exemption will be re-evaluated.
- d) Approve the Wrestling proposal for a new format with 5 sectionals tournaments: Class AA, Class A and 3 small school tournaments. Sites will be carefully reviewed. The proposal is posted: <http://www.section6.e1b.org/1139104911730900/lib/1139104911730900/Minutes%20Sectional%20Intersectional/SecIntersec10-3a%20Wrest%20proposal.pdf>
- e) Approve the use of neutral venues for semi-final competition when cost-effective.

6.2.2 Action items for the AC recommended by the Sec/ Intersectional Committee May 6:

<http://www.section6.e1b.org/1139104911730900/lib/1139104911730900/Minutes%20Sectional%20Intersectional/SecIntersec10-5.pdf>

- a) Support the Ice Hockey Federation's request to remove the St. Francis team. It was agreed that there is not enough information to support this request. The Ice Hockey Chairperson will be asked to present the Federation Bylaws to the Section for review and approval. It was noted that all teams in the Federation must abide by Section VI rules regarding maximum number of contests (20) and no team practices before the start of the season (Nov.1).
- b) Approve the Boys Swimming proposal for 3 class championships and a separate state qualifier meet. Venues will be carefully reviewed for costs.
- c) Approve the elimination of linespeople for both boys and girls volleyball during the regular season for 2010-11. This request must be approved annually.

6.3 Safety: Heat Index and Wind Chill procedures were approved by the State Association and are effective immediately. This information was shared with Athletic Directors and will be included in the outdoor sports sectional handbooks.

6.4 Policy- C.Bullis cbullis@lew-port.com

Approval of the drafts of the Constitution, Bylaws and Policy Manual is an action item at the AC meeting. The documents and a summary of the changes are on the website:

<http://www.section6.e1b.org/1139104911730900/lib/1139104911730900/Misc%20Reports/AC10%205%20Summary%20of%20Changes%20May%202010.pdf>

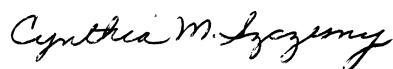
7.0 Old Business:

7.1 Plans for Central Committee meeting (Aug.3-5 at Holiday Valley). Lutka Sports will provide hats. T.Slade will meet with M.Ward to discuss additional donations.

8.0 New Business: None

9.0 Good of the Order/ Adjournment

Respectfully submitted



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