

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MINUTES

May 18, 2011

Present: J.Rabey, M.Wendt, J.Dunnigan, C.Bullis, D.Scholla, T. Slade, R.Black, L.Ratajczak,
Guests: N. Van Erk, Executive Director NYSPHSAA

Items highlighted in yellow are reminders to the responsible parties. Items highlighted in green are complete.
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- 1.0/2.0 Call to order/Introductions The meeting was called to order at 9:35 by J.Rabey jrabey@depew.wnyric.org
- 3.0 **Motion to approve the minutes of the Executive Committee meeting on April 28, 2011 CARRIED**
Dunnigan/Wendt
- 4.0 Executive Director's Report T.Slade tslade@e1b.org
- 4.1 Officials Coordination:
- a) Central Management/Assigning of Officials: Payment of officials assigned in ArbiterSports using RefPay is planned for boys and girls lacrosse semis and finals. Higher ranked officials have been notified to establish their RefPay account.
 - b) League assigners and WNYSO have agreed to the Timelines for Assigning. The fall sports assigning dates were adjusted in consideration of potential program cuts following district budget votes. The Timelines are posted → [North](#) and [South](#)
- 4.2 Appointments to the following Section VI positions are scheduled for the Athletic Council meeting this afternoon. [Current nominations](#) are posted. No additional nominations are anticipated.
- a) Boys Sports Rep to the Central Committee
 - b) Winter Sportchairs
 - c) Section VI President-Elect
- 5.0 Communications - T.Slade tslade@e1b.org
- 5.1-5.3 Action items for the AC include Combining Schools, Senior All-Star, Outside Agency contests and Friends and Neighbor application from Catholic Academy of the Holy Family.
- 5.4 NYSPHSAA communications:
- a) An action item for the AC is approval of T.Slade as proxy for Section VI at state meetings 2011-12.
 - b) Dr. Black (Administrator) and Stacey Schroeder-Watt (Athlete, Grand Island) will be inducted into the NYSPHSAA Hall of Fame this summer. Congratulations!
- 5.5 The [Boys Ice Hockey Federation bylaws](#) have been submitted as requested. This will be referred to Sectional Intersectional Committee for review.
- 6.0 Standing Committee Reports:
- 6.1 [Finance April Report/Minutes](#) L.Ratajczak lratajczak@e1b.org
The Treasurer's Report was reviewed. The finances for winter sports are complete and [Winter Sports Financial Reports](#) are posted. The following recommendations from the Finance Committee were reviewed. These will be action items for the Athletic Council:
- a) Approve the establishment of a Dedicated Fund to cover costs for state competition (instead of issuing a reimbursement) for individual sports and discontinue the reimbursement for team sports on a trial basis for two years.
 - b) Approve the placement of funds remaining after the reimbursement for 2010-11, into the Dedicated Fund for use in the 2011-12 school year for state competition in individual sports
 - c) Approve Steve Penhollow as the Finance Chairperson.
 - d) Approve [Admission Prices for 2011-12](#) with no change from 2010-11.
- 6.2 [Sectional/Intersectional April Report/Minutes](#) T.Slade tslade@e1b.org
The following recommendations from the Sectional Intersectional Committee were reviewed. These will be action items for the Athletic Council:
- a) Approve scheduling baseball regional contests on a Sunday in 2012. It was noted that in previous years, regional contests held on a school night often ended late and created concerns.
 - b) Accept [2012 Pre-season fall sports reports](#) (Girls and Boys Volleyball, Girls Gymnastics and Girls Soccer) as submitted. Girls Volleyball is requesting that linespeople be added to match protocol during the regular season. The elimination of linespeople was approved for the 2010 season only. If there is no motion for elimination again, the use of linespeople will return in 2011.
 - c) Accept [Winter 2011 post-season reports](#) and [Winter 2012 pre-season reports](#) as submitted.

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6.3 **Modified Report**: The modified sports reps will report results of action taken at the May NYSPHSAA Executive Committee meeting.

6.4 Policy C. Bullis cbullis@ntschoools.org

a) The Policy on Executive Committee alternates (below), approved by the Athletic Council 11/20/02, was eliminated from the bylaws but not added to the Policy Manual as was intended. It was noted that this item should be in the bylaws not the Policy Manual. That recommendation will be made at the Athletic Council for approval. **Executive Committee Alternates**: The four members of the Executive Committee who represent a specific constituency (i.e., superintendents' rep, principals' rep, girls' rep and boys' rep) are responsible for obtaining an alternate if they cannot attend a meeting of the Athletic Council or Executive Committee. The alternate should be a member of the group the member represents (e.g., another principal should be an alternate for the principals' rep). If an alternate is not available, the President may select a former member of the Executive Committee who currently chairs a Standing Committee of Section VI or is an officer of one of the leagues to take the place of the absent member. This alternate will have full voting rights during the meeting.

b) Representatives on the Athletic Council: It was noted that the Constitution states that representatives on the Council must be affiliated with the position they represent. **Leagues will be reminded of this requirement before selecting their Athletic Council reps for 2011-12**

6.5 State Executive Committee/ Central Committee

D.Scholla dscholla@olean.wnyric.org C.Bullis cbullis@ntschoools.org

Report from State Exec Meeting May 6-7 Highlights discussed:

a) **Cheerleading** was recognized as a sport. NYSPHSAA will be meeting with SED to work out the details for 2012-13. Districts can determine the type of cheerleading they support (traditional or competitive). Coaches for both types may need to be certified. Certification for coaches of "Ground Bound" traditional cheer squads will be addressed.

b) A **change to NFHS rules** for all sports was NOT approved. Sports using NCAA or ASA rules will continue the status quo.

c) Wearing Section t-shirts at the State Cross Country Championships was approved provided there is no cost to the schools/athletes.

d) The **Championship Philosophy Report** was approved. Cross Country will change from 5 to 4 classifications. The cut-off numbers are TBD.

7.0 Special Committee Reports:

7.1 **Charter Schools Report/Minutes 5/9/11** T.Slade tslade@e1b.org

An action item for the AC will be to approve an independent schedule in 2011-12 for Buffalo Academy of Science, Global Concepts, Health Sciences, Oracle, Tapestry and WNY Maritime Charter Schools. The Charter schools will be encouraged to attend various league meetings to establish relationships and acquire an understanding of league operations. Investigation of the formation of a Charter School League will also be encouraged.

7.2 Evaluation of Executive Director/ Goals & Vision: J.Rabey jrabey@depew.wnyric.org

The evaluation for 2010-11 will be a narrative.

8.0 Old Business- No Report

9.0 New Business

9.1 The proposed meeting dates for 2011-12 will be an action item this afternoon:

- Athletic Council (Wed.): Sept.21, Nov.16, Jan.18, Mar.21, May 16
- Exec. Comm. (Wed.): Above dates plus Oct.19, Dec.14, Feb. 15, Apr. 18, June 13
- Sec/Intersect (Thurs. 9am):Sept. 1, Oct. 27, Jan. 5, Mar. 1, Apr. 26
- Finance (Thurs 12pm): Sept. 1, Oct. 27, Jan. 5, Apr. 26
- Sportchair Pre-season Meetings (Wed. 3:00pm) Fall 6/22/11, Winter 9/28/11, Spring 1/25/12

Other dates:

- NYSPHSAA Meetings: Aug. 2-4, Oct. 23-24, 2011, Jan 2012 TBA, May 4-5, 2012, Aug 2-4, 2011
- The NYSA Conference is scheduled March 14-17, 2012
- Erie 1, Erie 2, Catt-Allegany and NO BOCES and Buffalo breaks for 2011-12 are:
Winter: Feb. 20-24 and Spring: April 6-13, 2012

10.0 Good of the Order/ Adjournment

Dunnigan/Wendt

Respectfully submitted, Cynthia Szczesny, Executive Assistant/ Recording Secretary

Cynthia M. Szczesny