

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MINUTES

May 16, 2012

Items are numbered to correspond to the Athletic Council agenda

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

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

- 1.0/2.0 Call to order/Introductions J.Rabey jrabey@depew.wnyric.org
The meeting was called to order at 9:30 by President Rabey. Ms. Van Erk was welcomed.
- 3.0 **Motion to approve the minutes of the Executive Committee meeting on April 18, 2012 CARRIED**
Dunnigan/Wendt
- 4.0 Executive Director's Report T.Slade tslade@e1b.org
- 4.1 Officials Coordination:
- a) Payment of officials using RefPay is planned for boys and girls lacrosse semis and finals. Higher ranked officials have been notified to establish their RefPay account.
 - b) Payment of officials through BOCES: Erie 1 BOCES and Section VI are investigating central payment of sports officials (by checks rather than direct deposit) processed through BOCES. Cost savings to districts may be significant. The School District Effective Management Grant could not be pursued for funding as this was available to school districts only. Central payment may not be available until the 2013-14 school year.
 - c) ArbiterGame: This scheduling program is being piloted in June 2012 in Michigan. Potential use by Section VI member schools for the school year 2013-14 is being investigated. Most subscriptions to ScheduleStar and LeagueMinder are being renewed through June-July 2013.
 - d) Contract Negotiations with WNYSO: The first negotiating meeting will be held at Erie 1 BOCES on June 20. The WNYSO team includes C.Hope, D.Piekarski, J.Jastremski, J.Kramer, O.Cott. L.Golando will serve as an alternate.
- 4.2 **ACTION ITEMS FOR THE AC:** Appointments to Section VI positions (see → [Current Nominations](#))
- a) Principals Rep to the Central Committee (4-year term 9/1/12 - 8/31/16): Jim Dunnigan's term expires 8/31/12. A biography of each of the 3 nominees was distributed to the leagues. The vote will be by written ballot.
 - b) Fall Sportchairs (3-year term 7/1/12-6/30/15).
 - c) Winter Sportchairs (completing the term being vacated by the chairs stepping down: until 6/30/14)- Girls Ice Hockey, Boys Basketball and Girls Indoor Track. Rick Hopkins, Williamsville was nominated for Girls Ice Hockey. Al Monaco, Williamsville South and Larry Jones, Depew were nominated as co-chairs for Boys Basketball by that committee. No nominations were received for Indoor Track.
- 4.3 Combining schools policy: A new formula was proposed → Use the BEDS # of the largest school plus 50% of the BEDS # of each school merging, to determine the classification of the combined team. This will be voted on at the NYSPHSAA Central Committee meeting in August. League reps will be asked to discuss this at league meetings and report back to T.Slade by the end of June so that direction can be given to the Section reps.
- 5.0 **COMMUNICATIONS:** T. Slade tslade@e1b.org
- 5.1-5.3 **ACTION ITEMS FOR THE AC:** Approval of Senior All-Star Contests, Outside Agency Contests and Combining Schools
- 5.4 Communications from NYSPHSAA: **ACTION ITEM FOR THE AC:** Approve Timm Slade as the proxy for Section VI at NYSPHSAA Executive and Central Committee meetings for the 2012-13 school year.
- 5.5 L.Kaminsky resigned as Media Chairperson effective 6/30/12. These duties will be assumed by the Executive Director.
- 6.0 **STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS**
- 6.1 Finance Committee: [April Report & Minutes](#) 4/26/12 L.Ratajczak lratajczak@e1b.org
ACTION ITEMS FOR THE AC include:
- a) Approve maintaining the current [Admission Prices for 2012-13](#) school year
 - b) Approve funding for the Section VI Field Hockey website at an approximate cost of \$500 with the review of potential corporate sponsorship for the future.

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- c) Approve returning the financial responsibility for boys and girls basketball games prior to semi-finals to the member schools. Several calls were received regarding this issue. T.Slade will recommend that this item be tabled to allow further investigation by the Finance Committee.

Treasurer's Report: The Fund Balance will be reduced before the end of the year. Transactions are routine for this time of year. **Fall and Winter Financial reports will be made available as soon as possible.** It was noted that gate receipts and corresponding written reports from districts are not received in a timely manner which delays the publication of Section reports. The recommendations of the Finance Committee to improve the procedure (April Minutes item 4.2 -see link above) will be followed. **The Section Financial Reports will now be generated from Quickbooks, where all transactions are recorded. The new format will be more detailed and date stamped.**

- 6.2 Sectional/Intersectional: [April Report & Minutes](#) 4/26/12 T.Slade tslade@e1b.org

ACTION ITEMS FOR THE AC include:

- a) Accept the Girls Soccer pre-season report with the recommendation that teams that do not meet the specified deadline be excluded from sectional competition.
- b) Accept the Girls Gymnastics pre-season and winter sports post season reports.
- c) Change the due date for post season winter reports in the Bylaws item 5.5.5 from May 1 to July 1.
- 6.5 Policy: C. Bullis cbullis@ntschoools.org **ACTION ITEMS FOR THE AC** include:
- a) A change to the Constitution Item 12.3: (2/3 vote needed) *In the sport of Ice Hockey, teams may move up from the small school division to the large school division for the 2012-13 and/or the 2013-14 school years. After the two years, the Ice Hockey exemption will be re-evaluated.*
- b) Change the due date for post season winter reports in the Bylaws item 5.5.5 from May 1 to July 1.
- c) Reinstate the Nominating Committee to the Bylaws as item 4.13:
- 4.13 *Nominating Committee*
- 4.13.1 *Membership: Shall consist of five (5) members, one (1) member from each league. The President-Elect will serve as the chairperson.*
- 4.13.2 *Duties: Shall convene when needed to solicit, interview and recommend candidates for the following positions: Central Committee Representative, Athletic Council President, Athletic Council President-Elect and Sport Chairperson.*
- 4.13.3. *Nominations may also be made from the floor for any office in this Association.*
- 6.6 State Executive Committee/ Central Committee [May Report](#). For Section discussion this afternoon:
- Modified Track: Competing simultaneously with Varsity and JV (similar to swim). This may provide cost savings (officials, travel, etc.).

7.0 **SPECIAL COMMITTEE REPORTS**

- 7.2 [Charter Schools Report](#) and Minutes 5/8/12 T.Slade tslade@e1b.org

ACTION ITEM FOR THE AC: Approve an independent schedule in 2012-13 for Buffalo Academy of Science, Global Concepts, Health Sciences, Oracle, Tapestry and WNY Maritime Charter Schools. The ADs will be attending league meetings to discuss scheduling.

9.0 **GUEST REPORT:** Nina Van Erk, Executive Director NYSPHSAA: Reports are posted: [April](#) [May](#)

- a) Uniform waivers have been approved for some sports though 2014-15 however if waivers are needed for other sports for financial reasons, districts should apply to the NYSPHSAA Executive Director.
- b) Please remind ADs to complete their participation survey by May 31 → click [here](#) The results of this survey are very important to the work of the State Association.
- c) Concussion Management Law goes into effect July 1. Information on certification courses, required for nurses, trainers, coaches and physical education staff, will be forwarded when released by SED.

11.0 **OLD BUSINESS**

- 11.1 2012-13 Section VI office/staff planning: A candidate for the position of Senior Account Clerk Typist has been recommended for hire. A start date has not yet been determined.

12.0 **NEW BUSINESS** None

13.0 **GOOD OF THE ORDER/ ADJOURNMENT** *Wendt/Dunnigan*

Respectfully submitted, Cynthia Szczesny, Executive Assistant/ Recording Secretary

Cynthia M. Szczesny