

**SECTIONAL/ INTERSECTIONAL COMMITTEE
SEPTEMBER REPORT
Chairperson: Timm Slade
September 2010**

ACTION ITEMS for the ATHLETIC COUNCIL

Recommendations from the September 2, 2010 meeting:

- 1.1 Bowling:
Approve the procedures for qualifying for bowling sectionals as proposed by the Bowling Committee.
Approved Athletic Council September 22, 2010
- 1.4 Boys and Girls Volleyball:
Approve the use of certified officials as linespeople for all levels of sectional boys and girls volleyball contests.
Approved Athletic Council September 22, 2010
- 2.1 Section Start dates fall sports 2011-12:
Approve starting Football and soccer on the same date for all leagues and starting all other fall sports one week later.
Approved Athletic Council September 22, 2010
- 5.0 Post-season Spring Sports Reports:
Accept reports as submitted. All are posted on the website:
<http://www.section6.e1b.org/1139104911730900/blank/browse.asp?a=383&BMDRN=2000&BCOB=0&c=53076>
Reports were received Athletic Council September 22, 2010

SECTIONAL/INTERSECTIONAL COMMITTEE MINUTES

September 2, 2010

Attendance (* indicates present)

Sect/Intsect: Buff: Aubrey Lloyd CCAA: Ben Drake*, Paul Ksionzyk ECIC: Jim Graczyk*
NFL: Pat Burke* NO: Bill Stedman*, Dave Carson*
Section Reps: Timm Slade*, Loren Ratajczak, Don Scholla*, Cindy Bullis*
Sportchairs: John Seeley*, Bowling Jim Walker*, Boys Basketball

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

1.0 Sports concerns:

- 1.1 Bowling – John Seeley presented a proposal from the bowling committee for new procedures to qualify for sectional competition. (Attached)

Recommendation: Approve the procedures for qualifying for bowling sectionals as proposed by the Bowling Committee.

Approved Athletic Council September 22, 2010

- 1.2 Alignment: Girls Lacrosse and Field Hockey may present a request to subdivide a class.
1.3 Wrestling: The President of Niagara Frontier Wrestling Officials Association indicated there is disruptive behavior on the part of coaches at tournaments. The officials will be stricter this year and more ejections may occur. An NCAA approach, requiring coaches to remain in a sectioned off area of the competition area, may be used. T.Slade will notify AD's and coaches
1.4 Boys and Girls Volleyball: Elimination of linespeople was approved for the 2010 regular season only. Concerns were addressed regarding use of non-trained individuals as linespeople for sectionals.

Recommendation: Approve the use of certified officials as linespeople for all levels of sectional boys and girls volleyball contests.

Approved Athletic Council September 22, 2010

2.0 Section Concerns

- 2.1 Standardizing the Section start date for all fall sports in 2011-12 was discussed.

Recommendation: Start Football and soccer on the same date for all leagues. Start all other fall sports one week later.

Approved Athletic Council September 22, 2010

- 2.2 Winter venues:

<http://www.section6.e1b.org/11391092695045840/lib/11391092695045840/postseas%20winter.pdf>

- Girls Basketball: Parking costs at ECC and the proposed dates are a concern. P.Burke will contact L.Kaminsky with suggestions. T.Slade will attend the next committee meeting.
- Indoor Track: Sectionals will be held at Fredonia, not RIT as initially proposed.
- Boys Swim: the new class meet format will allow for post-season competition to be held at Maryvale HS and Clarence HS.

3.0 NYSPHSAA concerns- Items for Section discussion are highlighted green in the report from the State Executive Committee meeting August 3-4:

<http://www.section6.e1b.org/1139104911730900/lib/1139104911730900/State%20Reports/State%20Report%2010.8.pdf>

- 3.1 Classification of charter schools: Section VI classifies charter schools by BEDS numbers (see Policy Manual #511) It was noted that a protest can be filed against another section's classification of a non-public or charter school.
<http://www.section6.e1b.org/1139101515241457/lib/1139101515241457/Policy%20Manual%20May%202010.pdf>
- 3.2 Discussion of cheerleading as a sport is moving forward.
- 3.3 Leagues are asked to discuss extending the proposal of game reductions for one (or two) more years. This issue will be discussed with a possible vote at December State Executive Committee Meeting. It was noted that each league rep to the Central Committee should vote as the Athletic Council directs them. T.Slade will attend each league meeting to review this issue.
- 3.4 Leagues are asked to review the change regarding 5th year of athletic eligibility for students with disabilities. N. Van Erk is developing a standard form for Sections in requesting the extended eligibility.

- 4.0 AC action items for the September meeting to date include:
- 4.1 The following Finance Committee recommendation was postponed from the May AC meeting to allow for league discussion. It will be an action item at the September meeting. **Leagues are asked to discuss this issue and be prepared to vote 9/22/10: Return the responsibility for sectional basketball games prior to quarter-finals back to the districts on a one-year trial basis.** This is in response to districts' concerns regarding the increase in ticket prices from regular season to post-season. J.Walker, Boys Basketball Chairperson, presented information to leagues to assist them in making an informed decision:
<http://www.section6.e1b.org/1139104911730900/lib/1139104911730900/Misc%20Reports/Response%20to%20Finance.pdf>
- 4.2 Senior All-Star and Outside Agency Contests- Please remind your AD's that applications must be in by **Friday September 17** for approval at the September 22 meeting!!
- 4.3 Combining Schools for winter sports must be approved at the September meeting. Applications must be submitted **by Friday September 17** for approval at the AC meeting on September 22.
- 5.0 Post-season Spring Sports Reports: All are posted on the website
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There was no discussion. All reports can be accepted as submitted.
- 6.0 Winter Sport Handbooks:
- 6.1 Sportchairs will be asked for updates in early September
- 6.2 Girls Ice Hockey Draft HB has been submitted. **Section VI updates will be added and the book will be sent for review**
- 7.0 New Business:
- 7.1 Section VI Championship Facility: T.Slade is having discussions with representatives from ECC South regarding a joint-collaboration to upgrade ECC South's facilities as a Section VI Championship site. Upgrades are needed to the turf field, track, gym. Costs and sponsors are being considered.

DATES FOR 2010-11 teleconference meetings 9:00am- noon:
(THURSDAYS): **Oct. 28, Jan. 6, Mar. 3, Apr. 28**

BOWLING PROPOSAL for 2010-11 August 5, 2010

The Section VI bowling committee met in late July and have decided to modify the process by which teams and individuals qualify for our sectional tournament in February and represent the section at the state tournament in March. The bowling committee decided on the following process:

Procedures that will continue:

1. All teams (boys and girls) that achieve at least a .500 record in league play automatically qualify for the tournament.
2. The remaining sub .500 teams (boys and girls) will be ranked in order of their team average and then allowed to participate in their respective team competition depending on lane availability.
3. Girls on teams that do not qualify for team competition will qualify for the individual All Section (All Star) team competition if their league average is at least a 150 and they have bowled in at least 50% of their league games.

New procedures to qualify for competing to make the six person All Section team (boys or girls).

1. The bowlers who have the highest league average at the end of their league's season will be placed in a separate pool at their respective sectional tournament. Each league will be allowed to have representation based on an agreed upon formula* At the end of a six game set on the day of the sectional tournament the top three bowlers who have the highest composite average for that day will be assigned three of the six slots for the All Section team.
2. The remaining three slots on the All Section team will be filled by the top three bowlers from the remaining teams/individuals who qualify for the tournament and bowl one of the three highest six game sets at their respective tournament.
3. If the school the qualifiers represent become the team tournament champions, then the next highest bowler(s) from that pool will be placed on the All Section team.
4. Boys on teams that do not qualify for team competition will qualify for the individual All Section (All Star) team competition if their league average is at least a 190 (formally a 185 average was the standard) and they have bowled in at least 50% of their league games.

Rationale for the new procedures:

1. All too frequently the highest average bowlers during league competition either have poor day of bowling at the tournament or are eclipsed by an average bowler who suddenly has a superior day. We are trying to eliminate that situation and reward the high average bowlers for their efforts all season long. However, we still would like to award the bowlers who have a superior day at the sectional tournament and deserve the opportunity to be on the All Section team.

*The formula to be used:

- City of Buffalo League will send 4 representatives to the league high average pool.
- The Erie County Interscholastic Conference (ECIC) will send 4 representatives.
- The Niagara Frontier League (NFL) will send 2 representatives.
- The Cattaraugus Chautauqua League (CCAA) will send 3 representatives.
- Bowlers with the highest averages who will represent their respective leagues must have bowled in 50% of their league games.

Note: The Niagara Orleans league does not have any schools bowling in Section VI at this time.

2. The boys bowling averages have increased to the point where the committee felt it was time to raise the standard in order to maintain the competitiveness of the tournament.

Respectfully submitted,
Dan Kaplan and John Seeley