

**Athletic Council Meeting January 20, 2010 - Agenda Item 6.2**

**SECTIONAL/ INTERSECTIONAL COMMITTEE REPORT**

**Chairperson: Timm Slade**

**January 2010**

**ACTION ITEMS FOR THE ATHLETIC COUNCIL**

(See recommendations in the minutes that follow)

- 1.2 Approve the girls lacrosse proposal for 4 sectionals championships A, B1, B2 and C.
- 2.2 Approve the updated Policy on Travel to State Competition:  
<http://www.section6.e1b.org/1139104911730900/lib/1139104911730900/Misc%20Reports/Travel%20Policy%20Oct.09%20DRAFT.pdf>
- 3.4 Approve the Sports Season Calendar for 2010-2011.
- 5.3 Item (5): Reconvene the Ad Hoc Committee on Sportsmanship to discuss separating regular season and post season accumulation of cards as is state policy.

**SUPPORT WAS GIVEN FOR THE FOLLOWING**

- 3.1 A change to the By-Laws that would give the Executive Director the authority to approve Outside Agency and Senior All-Star contests, with formal (retroactive) approval then given by the Athletic Council at the next meeting.
- 3.2 The Proposed Budget 2010-2011.
- 4.0 Pre-Season reports: Baseball, Softball, Track
- 5.0 Post-season reports: All sports

# SECTIONAL/INTERSECTIONAL MINUTES

January 7, 2010

Attendance (\* indicates present)

Sect/Intsect: Buff: Dave Thomas\* CCAA: Ben Drake\*, Paul Ksionzyk\* ECIC: Andy Jacobs\*  
NO: Bill Stedman\* NFL: Mark DiFilippo (for Pat Burke)  
Section: Timm Slade\*, Loren Ratajczak, Don Scholla, Cindy Bullis  
Guests: Girls Lacrosse Co-Sportchair – Rick Schmitt\*  
Boys Basketball Sportchair- Jim Walker\*

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

## 1.0 Sports concerns:

- 1.1 Wrestling: There will be a vote soon to adopt the National Federation rules to enter 96 & 285 lb weight classes in dual meets. Notice will be sent from the Section office if this is approved.
- 1.2 Girls Lacrosse- R.Schmitt: A proposal for a playoff format with A, B1, B2 and C sectional tournaments was discussed. Each classification would have a championship based on equal division alignment (size). Power points for seeding are then determined more equitably (head to head within your division). B1 and B2 would play a championship to determine one team to advance to the Far West Regionals. The proposed Alignment/Divisions: A (6 teams) – one division of league play; B – two divisions of league play: B1 (6 teams); B2 (6 teams); C (4 teams) – one division of league play. The cost for trophies and patches for the additional championship would be funded by outside support. All leagues were in support of this proposal.

**RECOMMENDATION:** Approve the girls lacrosse proposal for 4 sectionals championships A, B1, B2 and C.

- 1.3 Football Federation: The City of Buffalo has elected to join the Football Federation in 2010. The Football Committee is working on a draft schedule to include: Class AA: Bennett, Hutch Tech, Riverside; Class B: East, Lafayette, McKinley, Burgard, South Park; Class C: Intl. Prep at Grover. NYSPHSAA will approve variations to the classification numbers for sports that request variances at a meeting on January 21. This will better define the classes for the Buffalo teams.

## 2.0 Section Concerns

- 2.1 Seeding: Should there be a cut-off date for allowing changes to the seeding? There have been problems in the past with changes requested after the seeding was published (Girls Soccer, Boys Soccer, Volleyball, Baseball). T.Slade will contact the Chairs of the team sports affected for input. This will be an agenda item at the next meeting in March.
- 2.2 Policy on travel to state competition: Updates to the policy were reviewed. The updates clarify that a school who opts out of Section transportation, opts out of housing and meals as well. All leagues were in support of the updates.

**RECOMMENDATION:** Approve the updated Policy on Travel to State Competition->  
<http://www.section6.e1b.org/1139104911730900/lib/1139104911730900/Misc%20Reports/Travel%20Policy%20Oct.09%20DRAFT.pdf>

- 2.3 Spring Sportchair terms expire June 30, 2010. League nominations should be submitted to the Section office.

## 3.0 AC action items for the January meeting to date include:

- 3.1 Senior All-Star and Outside Agency Contests: League reps are asked to remind AD's that applications must be in **by Fri. Jan. 15** for approval at the Jan 20 meeting!! It was noted that the Policy Committee was directed by the Exec Committee on 12/16/09 to develop language for a By-Laws update that would give the Executive Director the authority to approve these contests with formal approval (retroactive) given by the Athletic Council at the next meeting. This By-Laws change will be an action item at the January meeting. All leagues were in support of this concept.
- 3.2 Combining Schools for **spring sports** must be approved by the **January meeting**. Applications must be submitted **by Friday Jan. 15** for approval at the AC meeting on January 20, 2010.
- 3.3 Budget 2010-11: All leagues are in support of the proposed budget.
- 3.4 Sports Season Calendar: Variances to start dates that were requested last year have been included in the proposed calendar. **Leagues are requested to submit any additional variances by Friday Jan. 15.** A variance to the start date for modified football will be requested from NYSPHSAA. All leagues were in support of the calendar.

**RECOMMENDATION:** Approve the Proposed Sports Season Calendar for 2010-2011.  
<http://www.section6.e1b.org/1139104911730900/lib/1139104911730900/Misc%20Reports/SeasonDates1011.pdf>

- 4.0 Pre-season Spring Sports Reports: Reports that were not submitted in time for review at the October 28 meeting were reviewed. Some points discussed:
- 4.1 Baseball: Finals (AA,A,B) and Regionals (A,D) are tentatively scheduled at Coca Cola Park and Finals (C,D) at Jamestown. The Big East format may be used in 2011.
  - 4.2 Softball: The pitching distance is 40 feet. If you play at a Msgr. Martin school the distance is 43 feet.
  - 4.3 Track: Site for finals is Hamburg High School.
- 5.0 Post-season Fall Sports Reports:  
All reports are posted on the website. Some points discussed:
- 5.1 Field Hockey: Concerns include conflicts with SAT dates and Amherst having home school advantage in the finals. T.Slade will work with the committee to schedule around SATs and plan alternate sites for finals if a home-school situation occurs.
  - 5.2 Girls Gymnastics: T.Slade will contact the Chair regarding the state meet in March and the poor attendance at the post season meeting.
  - 5.3 Boys Soccer Report:  
Item 2: T.Slade will contact T.Marquardt for more detail on use of neutral sites for semis.  
Item 3: Leagues agreed that the same site for boys and girls finals was a good idea.  
Item 5: T.Slade will request that the Ad Hoc Committee on Sportsmanship reconvene to discuss the Soccer Sportsmanship Policy.  
B.Stedman noted that the concept of a Section Player of the Year, Coach of the Year and Referee of the Year is not supported by the NO League. As stated in the October minutes, the Section cannot fund it and should not be involved. These awards should be handled at the league level. T.Slade requested that the other league reps to bring their league opinion on these awards to the next meeting.
  - 5.4 Girls Swim: Nina Van Erk has solicited details from each Section Chair regarding qualification for states and how many athletes we send. T.Slade will contact B.Johnson regarding the financial report.
  - 5.5 Boys Volleyball: T.Slade will contact W.Stefani regarding the financial report.
  - 5.6 Girls Volleyball:  
Item 1: Linespeople in 2010: T.Slade requested league input for the next meeting in March.  
Item 3: Senior Game: Since open-tryouts are conducted for this event it is not a Senior All-Star contest by NYSPHSAA standards and does not to be sanctioned. If it is not sponsored by a school, athletes who participate must have no connection to their school in the contest.  
Item 5: Game ball: An official game ball for league and sectional play could be a means of generating revenue. T.Slade will ask sportchairs to survey their coaches regarding the ball used by each school for their sport.  
Item 6: State numbers: More information will be available after the state meeting Jan.21. (see 1.3)  
Item 7: Charter Schools: The method used by basketball should be used to calculate the power points.
- 6.0 Spring Sport Handbooks Status:
- Baseball- Waiting for information from R.Kowal
  - Softball – Updates received. Handbook in process
  - Boys Lacrosse - Waiting for information from J.Faller
  - Girls Lacrosse - Updates received. Handbook will be ready pending approval of the proposal (see 1.2)
  - Track – Some updates received. Handbook in process.
  - Golf and Tennis – completed in fall
- 7.0 Good of the Order
- 7.1 Boys Basketball – J.Walker  
All schools have been informed that if the team roster and photo is not in by January 15, the team will be ineligible for sectional play. 2 rosters and 6 photos are not in to date. League reps were asked to assist by contacting the delinquent schools in their league

**DATES FOR 2009-10 teleconference meetings 9:00am- noon:**  
**Thurs. Mar. 4, Thurs. May 6**

## SECTION VI POLICY on TRAVEL TO STATE COMPETITION

(approved 3/21/07, revised; 3/19/08, 1/21/09, 9/16/09, State approved 5/09, Draft of recommendations 10/09)

Member schools participating in state competition will be responsible for all costs related to that participation. Section VI responsibility for member school participation in state championships is outlined below.

### **SUPERVISION:**

Effective 1/21/09, one or more certified coaches are required to travel with the student athletes from **their school** and must be present on any Section VI contracted bus, as well as the location where the athletes are housed, state competition where the athlete(s) will compete and all related events.

### **TRANSPORTATION:**

#### **Team Sports:**

- a) Schools will make their own transportation arrangements for their athletes involved in state competition in team sports. Schools will be responsible for all transportation costs.
- b) Section VI will apply to NYSPHSAA for the allowed reimbursement of **\$1.30** per mile on the state grid below (for one bus per team) and will forward this reimbursement to the schools upon receipt of funds from the state.

#### **Small Scale Individual sports and Wrestling:** Rifle, Golf, Tennis, Gymnastics and Wrestling

The schools will be responsible for transporting their athletes to state competition and all associated costs.

#### **Large Scale Individual sports:** Bowling, CCountry, Indoor Track, Track & Field, Swimming (Wrestling-see above)

- a) **The Section VI office will contract bus transportation for all athletes. There are two choices for the school:**
  - 1) **A school may choose to have its athlete(s) travel to state competition on the Section contracted bus. The following rules apply:**
    - **The athlete (and coach) must use the lodging and meals if pre-arranged by the Sportchair.**
    - **The athlete (and coach) must remain with the Section until the completion of the athlete's competition. The athlete will not be released prior to completion of competition.**
    - **When competition is completed, the athlete may be released to parents/coach for return home on alternate transportation if the Section release form is completed before the state meet**
  - 2) **A school may choose to have its athlete(s) travel to state competition in an alternate manner under the following stipulations:**
    - **A school that opt-outs of Section transportation will be responsible for arranging their own lodging and meals.**
    - **The school will remain financially liable for each coach's seat and for each athlete's seat(s) on the contracted bus.**
    - **The request to opt-out of travel on the Section VI bus must be submitted in writing to the Sportchair and the Section VI office by the date specified in the sport handbook.**
    - **The school must submit all required release forms to the Sportchair by the specified date.**
    - **The school must arrange for the athlete to rendezvous with the Sportchair (or designee) at a pre-designated time and place prior to the competition.**
- b) Transportation expenses will be billed to Section VI.
- c) Section VI will apply to NYSPHSAA for the allowed reimbursement of **\$1.30** per mile on the state grid (below) and deduct the reimbursement from the total transportation cost.
- d) The remaining balance for transportation expenses will be invoiced to the schools based on a cost per participating athlete.

### **LODGING:**

**Team Sports:** The Sportchair will advise participating schools if accommodations are to be arranged by the state or by the schools. School will be responsible for all lodging costs.

**Individual Sports:** **The Sportchair will be responsible for reserving a block of rooms for all athletes (4 per room). The block will include rooms for coaches (2 per room) for small scale sports. For large scale sports the block will be increased by 50% to allow for coaches. (e.g.: If XC needs a block of 40 rooms for athletes and supervisors, they will now reserve a block of 60 rooms) When the qualifiers have been**

determined, the Sportchair will register all athletes and coaches who are using Section transportation from the block of reserved rooms. Schools that opt-out of Section transportation are responsible for registering their own athletes and coaches. They may register from the remaining rooms in the reserved block until the rooms are exhausted or choose their own lodging.

**MEALS:**

Schools will be responsible for the cost of athletes' meals at state competition. For some individual sports, the Section will facilitate meal handling by paying meal expenses and invoicing the schools per participating athlete. This plan if being used will be listed in the sport handbook.

**NYSPHSAA Transportation Grid: Round-Trip Mileage from Section VI (9/98)**

<b>To Section:</b>	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	NY
<b>Mileage:</b>	840	580	320	420	150	NA	780	930	690	560	1030	880

## SECTION VI PROPOSED SPORTS SEASON CALENDAR 2010-2011

**For approval by the Athletic Council January 20, 2010**

Note: Holidays ARE counted as practice days. Sundays ARE NOT counted as practice days.

SPORT	FIRST PRACTICE DATE	PRACTICES NEEDED		FIRST SCRIMMAGE DATE	FIRST CONTEST DATE	STATE CONTEST	SEASON ENDS
		PRIOR TO SCRIMMAGE	PRIOR TO CONTEST				
<b>FALL SEASON</b> Labor Day is counted as a day of practice.							
Football	8/16	11	15	8/28	9/2	11/26-28	11/28
B&G Cross Country	8/23	10	10	9/3	9/3	11/13	11/28
Field Hockey	8/23	8	10	9/1	9/3	11/19-20	11/28
Boys Golf (fall)	8/23	Training Recommended		8/23		(see spring)	
Girls Golf (fall)	8/23	Training Recommended		8/23		(see spring)	
B Gymnastics	8/23	10	15	9/3	9/9	11/13 (Reg)	11/28
G Gymnastics	8/23	10	15	9/3	9/9	2/26/2011	11/28
B Soccer	8/23*	8	10	9/1	9/3	11/20-21	11/28
G Soccer	8/23*	8	10	9/1	9/3	11/19-20	11/28
B&G Soccer Variance*	8/19*	8	10	8/28	8/31	11/20-21	11/28
G Swimming	8/23	12	12	9/6	9/6	11/19-20	11/28
G Tennis	8/23	6	8	8/30	9/1	11/6-8	11/28
B Volleyball	8/23	6	8	8/30	9/1	11/20	11/28
G Volleyball	8/23*	6	8	8/30	9/1	11/20-21	11/28
GVolleyball Variance*	8/16*	6	8	8/23	8/25	11/20-21	11/28
* NOTE: A variance may be requested for the following: a) NO, ECIC and NFL leagues to start B&G Soccer on 8/19 b) The CCAA league to start Girls Volleyball on 8/16							
<b>WINTER SEASON</b> Veterans Day and Thanksgiving Day are counted as a day of practice.							
B Basketball	11/8	8	10	11/17	11/19	3/18-20	3/28
G Basketball	11/8	8	10	11/17	11/19	3/18-20	3/28
B&G Bowling	11/8	Training Recommended				3/5-6	3/28
Ice Hockey	11/1	8	10	11/10	11/12	3/12-13	3/28
B&G Rifle	11/8	3	5	11/11	11/13	3/5	3/28
B Swimming	11/8	12	12	11/22	11/22	3/4-5	3/28
B&G Winter Track	11/8	10	10	11/19	11/19	3/5	3/28
Wrestling	11/8	10	15	11/19	11/26	2/25-26	3/28
<b>SPRING SEASON</b>							
Baseball	3/7	10	15	3/18	3/24	6/11	6/17
B Golf (spring)	3/7	Training Recommended				6/4-6	6/17
G Golf (spring)	3/7	Training Recommended				6/10-12	6/17
B Lacrosse	3/7	8	10	3/16	3/18	6/11	6/17
G Lacrosse	3/7	8	10	3/16	3/18	6/10-11	6/17
Softball	3/7	6	8	3/14	3/16	6/11	6/17
B Tennis	3/7	6	8	3/14	3/16	6/2-4	6/17
B&G Track	3/7	10	10	3/18	3/18	6/10-11	6/17

### DEVIATIONS

Girls Swimming (winter): NO League, Buffalo  
 Girls Tennis (spring): Buffalo  
 Girls Mod. Basketball (fall): CCAA (Early Bird League)  
 Boys Golf (fall): ECIC, NFL, NO  
 Boys Volleyball (spring): CCAA

### EXAM DATES

PSAT: Oct. 13 (Wednesday), Oct. 16 (Saturday)  
**Proposed SAT:** Oct. 9, Nov. 6, Dec. 4,  
 Jan. 22, Mar. 12, May 7, Jun. 4  
**ACT:** Sept. 11, Oct. 23, Dec. 11, Apr. 9, Jun. 11  
**Regents:** Jan. 25-28, June 15-24

Modified sports listed on next page

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Cross Country	9/1	10	13	9/13	9/16	NA	11/27
Field Hockey	9/1	9	11	9/11	9/14	NA	11/27
Football	9/1	13	17	9/16	9/21	NA	11/27
Soccer	9/1	9	11	9/11	9/14	NA	11/27
Volleyball	9/1	8	10	9/10	9/13	NA	11/27
<b>WINTER MODIFIED SPORTS</b> Veterans Day & Thanksgiving Day are counted as days of practice.							
Basketball	11/1	9	11	11/11	11/13	NA	3/28
Swimming	11/1	12	15	11/15	11/18	NA	3/28
Wrestling	11/1	13	15	11/16	11/18	NA	3/28
Winter Track	NA	10	15			NA	
<b>SPRING MODIFIED SPORTS</b>							
Softball	3/21	8	10	3/30	4/1	NA	6/17
Baseball	3/21	8	10	3/30	4/1	NA	6/17
pitcher	3/21	10	15	4/1	4/7	NA	6/17
Track	3/21	10	15	4/1	4/7	NA	6/17
Lacrosse-Boys	3/21	10	15	4/1	4/7	NA	6/17
Lacrosse-Girls	3/21	10	13	4/1	4/5	NA	6/17

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**ATHLETIC COUNCIL MEETING January 20, 2010 – Agenda item 6.3**

**SAFETY COMMITTEE REPORT  
JANUARY 2010**

**Safety Committee Meeting Minutes  
December 21, 2009  
Danny's South  
12:00 P.M.**

Members present: Chair Tim Marong  
ECIC Keith Lewis, CCAA Matt Minnekine and Alex Conti, NO Charlie Jufer, NFL  
Jon Roth

**Concussion Management:** Committee members are to ask their leagues' athletic directors for their district's Concussion Management Policy and remind them that the written policies are to be submitted to the section office ASAP.

**Girls' Lacrosse:** After much testimony/debate the state safety committee will take no action on requiring helmets for girls' lacrosse. The committee recommends continuing monitoring injuries related to girls' lacrosse both statewide and nationally.

**Heat Index:** Committee members are to share the Heat Index Draft and its ramifications with fellow athletic directors and request feedback. The index draft will be presented to the section at the January meeting.

**H1N1:** Committee members are to remind their fellow athletic directors to be sure that hot water and soap are available to all athletes, and that athletes are being instructed to wash their hands before and after practice. Coaches are not to provide hand sanitizers to student/athletes. Student/athletes may use their own hand sanitizer but may not share it with other athletes.

**Football Practice Proposal:** Committee members are to share the practice proposal to their fellow athletic directors and ask them to check with their football coaches for input.

**Bats at Modified Level:** Committee members are to inform fellow athletic directors about a possible problem with -3 baseball bats. The state safety committee is looking to ban the bats because of their weight. Check with your modified baseball coaches for input.

Meeting adjourned at 2:00 P.M.



## ATHLETIC COUNCIL MEETING January 20, 2010 – Agenda item 6.6

### NYSPHSAA EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

December 5-6, 2009

REPORT: Cindy Bullis, Girls Rep and Don Scholla, Boys Rep

#### Action Items

- **Section 4** -Request a call for a vote to reinstate the maximum number of contests in all sports. **Vote to amend the motion to a one year reduction in the number of contests in all sports. Denied 16-6** (Sections voting YES to reinstate games were 2-4 & 6). **Other discussions concerning the number of games were met with the same outcome.**
- **Boys Basketball Proposal** – Use of NFHS Rule 2-2-1 for all NYSPHSAA Championship semi-final and final games if it can be done at no additional expense to the Association. **Approved 14-8** (Sections 1-5-7-9 voting No)
- **Proposed Dues Increase** - \$30.00 per school and \$0.03 per student for the 2010-2011 school years. **Approved 14-8** (Sections 5-6-10-11 voting No)
- **Section II Wrestling Season Dates** – Section II requests changing the start of the wrestling season to November 9, 2009 for all schools except Green Tech, Christian Brothers Academy, Albany and Warrensburg. **Approved 22-0**
- **Friend and Neighbor** - Christian Central Academy/Section 6 (effective August 2009) and Northern Chautauqua Catholic School/Section 6 (effective October 2009) **Approved 22-0**
- **Membership** -Global Concepts Charter School/Section 6 (effective November 2,2009) **Approved 22-0**
- **2011-2012 Championship Sites and Dates** **Approved 22-0**
- **Rotation for Track & Field Championship** – Every other year at Cicero-North Syracuse and alternate between Sections 2-4-9 in the odd years. **Approved 22-0**
- **State Championships:** Request for the approval of dates and sites for 2010- 2011. **Approved 22-0**  
Request approval that commencing in 2012 and every other year until 2020 the State Outdoor Track & Field Championships be held at Cicero-North Syracuse High School (3). In the odd years the meet would be held in either Section 2-4-9. **Approved 22-0**
- a) **Ice Hockey** – Two (2) Divisions based on enrollment **Approved 20-2** (Section 3 voted No)
  - **Sport Coordinator Appointments: Approved 22-0**
  - **Classifications of Schools Approved 22-0**
  - **Bowling Committee** – Baker Tournament Proposal: **Approved 20-2** (Section 2, voted No)
  - **Girls Basketball** – A waiver from the NCAA Rule Book requiring two (2) visible shot clocks: **Approved 22-0**
  - **Wrestling** – Starting weight class is still drawn: **Approved 22-0**  
Waiver of NFHS Rule 4-5-3 regarding dual met and tournament weigh-ins. **Approved 22-0**  
To allow the PSAL and CHSAA to receive at-large bids: **Approved 16-6** (Sections 2-3-10 voted No).
  - **Softball** – A waiver of ASA Softball rules to prohibit the use of metal cleats. **Approved 21-1** (Section 1= 1 no vote).
  - **Annual Classification of Schools:**
    - 1) Requesting approval of the official enrollment numbers for the 2010-2011 classification of schools. **Approved 22-0**
    - 2) Requesting approval for the following change in the classification cutoff numbers for the 2010-2011 school years. **Approved 22-0**

#### Executive Director's Report (Nina Van Erk)

- **2009-2010 NYSPHSAA Handbook** – 2009-2010 version is available on line. The most recent changes are underlined.

- **CSIET Advisory List** – A link to the 2009-2010 list is available at [www.nysphsaa.org](http://www.nysphsaa.org)
- **NYSPHSAA Hall of Fame – Reminder-** Nominations for the 2010 NYSPHSAA Hall of Fame are due to the association office by December 15<sup>th</sup>. All nominations must be endorsed by a section.
- **Participation Survey-** The participation survey data for 2008-2009 is still being collected and submitted to the data base. Reminders to athletic administrators of the importance of this survey so we may, once again, accomplish our goal of 100% data submission.
- **Senior All-Star Contests / Section 6**  
 11-07-09 Section 6 Senior All-Star Contest – Girls Soccer  
 11-07-09 NFL/NO Senior All-Star Game – Boys & Girls Soccer  
 11-08-09 WNY Exceptional Seniors Soccer – Boys & Girls Soccer  
**Approved 22-0**
- **Combining Of Schools / Section 6**  
 Ripley & Clymer (Boys Basketball) Pine Valley & Frewsburg (Boys Swimming) West Valley & Franklinville (Varsity & JV Wrestling)  
**Approved 22-0**
- **Future Meeting Dates**  
**Executive Committee** – April 30 & May 1, 2010 – Holiday Inn – Binghamton  
**Central Committee** – August 3-5, 2010 – Holiday Valley – Ellicottville (6)  
 (Tuesday-Thursday)

#### Assistant Director's Report (Robert Stulmaker)

- **State Championships**
  - 1) Request for the approval of dates and sites for 2010- 2011. **Approved 22-0**
  - 2) Request approval that commencing in 2012 and every other year until 2020 the State Outdoor Track & Field Championships be held at Cicero-North Syracuse High School (3). In the odd years the meet would be held in either Section 2-4-9. **Approved 22-0**
- **2009-2010 Boys Volleyball Regionals** – change in site – Oneida High School (3)
- **Ice Hockey** – Two (2) Divisions based on enrollment  
 Division I – 1,100 and above  
 Division II – 1,099 and below  
**Approved 20-2** (Section 3 voted No)
- **State Sports Coordinators**  
 Sports who's State Coordinators are up for appointments (reappointments) scheduled during 2009-2010 are: Marbry Gansle (Girls Gymnastics and Girls Cross Country), Judy Hartmann (Boys Volleyball), Dennis O'Brien (Boys Skiing), Bob Underwood (Girls Skiing) and Jacquie Gow (Girls Lacrosse). **Approved 22-0.**
- **Scholar / Athlete Team Award Program** – The winter 2009-2010 deadline is Friday, March 5, 2010. Required filing continues to be electronic.
- **Supervision at Individual Sports Championships:** The local Superintendent and/or Board of Education should approve the individuals who are responsible for supervising the athletes. The athletes should know who is responsible for their supervision.
- The next meeting of the CAC will be Tuesday, April 13, 2010 at 9:30am at the NYSPHSAA office.
- **NYS Federation of Secondary Schools Athletic Association**  
**2009-2010 Meetings:** Winter: December 10, 2009  
 Spring: May 17, 2010  
 Tournament Site Presentations: January 12, 2010  
 Federation Basketball Tournament: March 26, 2010
- **NFHS Student Leadership Conference** - Next years conference date: July 15-18, 2010. All expenses for the student-athletes are covered by the NFHS through a grant by T-Mobile.

### Assistant Director's Report (Todd Nelson)

- **Interstate Contest Sanctioning:** The NFHS is scheduled to have all sanctioning completed on-line, starting in August of 2009. AD's can visit the NFHS website to receive information about sanctioning and to verify if an event has been sanctioned by the NFHS. The fee structure for sanctioning has changed!
- **Coaching Clinics** – check website for all upcoming clinics
- **Annual Classification of Schools:**

3) Requesting approval of the official enrollment numbers for the 2010-2011 classification of schools. **Approved 22-0**

Class	Minimum Enrollment (779)	Schools	Percent
AA	950-up	141	18.12%
A	550-949	153	19.66%
B	325-540	147	18.89%
C	193-324	164	21.07%
D	0-192	174	22.36%

4) Requesting approval for the following change in the classification cutoff numbers for the 2010-2011 school years. **Approved 22-0**

Class	Minimum Enrollment (779)	Schools	Percent
AA	925-up	151	19.38%
A	525-924	158	20.28%
B	305-524	157	20.15%
C	175-304	155	19.90%
D	0-174	158	20.28%

### Assistant Director's Report (Joe Altieri)

- **Corporate Sponsorships are:** US Marines, CSEA, Holiday Inn, Worldwide Sport Supply and TicketLeap.
- **Media Credentials** – requests available via online form on the website.
- **New Log Reminder:** If you are looking to use the new logo we will offer permission in a limited capacity. Please make a request to our office, we will consider it, then supply you with the appropriate style/color and the Logo Guidelines Manual.

### SED Update

- **Pupil Personnel Services Staff** – coaching license issue. The regulation requires PPS staff (guidance counselors, social workers and psychologists) to apply for a Temporary Coaching License/Professional Coaching License to coach.
- **Online Physical Education** – although online course work can be a “part” of a physical education program or alternate physical education program, **it can not comprise the entire course for physical education.** Physical education requires student performance of skills and those can not be accomplished online. The State education Department has not approved online physical education for course/graduation credit.

### Section Correspondence/Concerns

- **Section 3** – Discussion concerning a reduction in price or no price for coaches attending State meets (example: Track & Field)
- **Section 4** - Requested a review, discussion and vote to use the same rules for all sports.
  - Request a call for a vote to reinstate the maximum number of contests in all

sports. **Vote to amend the motion to a one year reduction in the number of contests in all sports. Denied 16-6** (Sections voting YES to reinstate games were 2-4 & 6). **Other discussions concerning the number of games were met with the same outcome.**

- **Section 7** – Asking for reduction in the number of indoor track & field meets to 3 because of facilities available. **Approved 22-0.**
- **Section 8** – Boys volleyball will be moving to the Fall in 2010.

### Sport Coordinators Requests

- **Bowling Committee** – Baker Tournament Proposal: During a controlled Sectional championship tournament, Sections, at their discretion and subject to Section Athletic Council approval, will be allowed to utilize a combination tournament that will consist of a maximum of three (3) standard team games and a maximum of fifteen (15) Baker style games. **Approved 20-2** (Section 2, voted No)
- **Girls Basketball** – A waiver from the NCAA Rule Book requiring two (2) visible shot clocks, one (1) at each end of the court. If the shot clocks are not functional, the waiver would permit the game to be played with an alternate timing device. **Approved 22-0**
- **Wrestling** –
  - 1) Starting weight class is still drawn, recommendation to follow the Federation Rule and have the pre-meet disc toss for choice of odd/even matches in dual meet matches. This would be a removal of the waiver already in place. This would be for the 2010-2011 season. **Approved 22-0**
  - 2) Waiver of NFHS Rule 4-5-3 regarding dual met and tournament weigh-ins. **Approved 22-0**
  - 3) To allow the PSAL and CHSAA to receive at-large bids if the wrestlers placed in the top four (4) of the preceding year's State Tournament and qualified as based on the at-large criteria. This would be in place for the 2009-2010 seasons. **Approved 16-6** (Sections 2-3-10 voted No).
- **Softball** – A waiver of ASA Softball rules to prohibit the use of metal cleats. **Approved 21-1** (Section 1= 1 no vote).

### Championship Philosophy Committee

- Committee met on October 15, 2009.
- Future Review: The committee agreed we need to have the best athletes at our championship events. The committee would like to review the following:
  - 1) The relay procedure for the sports of track & swimming.
  - 2) The Individual Sport formula for the number of varsity programs needed for two divisions.
  - 3) Should it be a choice of the committee or an automatic approval to increase to two divisions when the required number of programs is achieved?
- Next meeting will be held on January 14, 2010 at the NYSPHSAA office.

### NYSED Physical Education Update

- **Commissioner's Regulation Revisions:**
  1. **Elementary PE Required Instruction:** School districts that have grades 5 and/or 6 in a middle level school may now opt to follow the secondary required instruction requirement instead of the elementary required instruction requirement.
  2. **Requirements to Coach in NYS public schools:** Several changes in this area.
    - A. All coaches, whether paid or unpaid must follow the coaching requirements.
    - B. The time line to complete course work has been increased to five years from the date of the initial appointment, with an extension of up to 2 additional years for extenuating circumstances by applying to SED. Philosophy, Principles and Organization of Athletics in Education must still be completed within 2 years of the initial appointment. Time line is the same for both teacher coaches and non-teacher coaches.

- C. Lapse of service extension has been added. A two year extension of time can be added to complete the courses for coaches who had a lapse in coaching service due to pregnancy, military leave, accident/illness or other extenuating circumstance.
- 3. **5<sup>th</sup> Year of Athletic Eligibility for Accident/Illness:** The change increased the requirement of supporting documentation by the chief school officer to include an explanation on how the accident/illness resulted in the athlete needing additional semester(s) to meet the graduation requirements.
- **NYS Guidelines for Coaching Regulations:** Revised guideline that incorporates the coaching changes may now be found on the physical education web page: [www.emsc.nysed.gov/ciai/pe/](http://www.emsc.nysed.gov/ciai/pe/) under the **Toolkit** section.
- **Contact information:** [pkocials@mail.nysed.gov](mailto:pkocials@mail.nysed.gov) or 518-474-5922.

### Modified Committee

- **Baseball/ Softball Re-Entry Rule Motion:** *“In the spirit of modified athletics, in the sports of baseball/softball, the re-entry rule may be waived only if an injured player must be replaced and all eligible substitutions have been used.”*  
**Approved 22-0**
- **Softball Pilot Program:** *“With sectional/league approval, a two year pilot program in modified softball may be implemented that shall allow innings 1-6 to be completed at five runs or three outs. The 7<sup>th</sup> inning shall be played as a normal inning, with three outs and no run restrictions for that inning.”* **Approved 22-0**
- **Badminton/Tennis Motion:** *“For the purpose of ensuring that every eligible badminton/tennis player has the opportunity to play in a match, each player may play one additional singles or doubles match per day. The individual limitations/day for badminton and tennis (Reference: Modified Sports Standards Chart, NYSPSAA handbook, pages 134-5) shall be increased to two matches per day, provided that every individual eligible player plays once before any player plays twice.”* **Approved 22-0**
- **Appointment of New Modified Softball Coordinator:** Micki Bedlington (Section 1) shall be appointed as the NYSPHSAA girls’ modified softball sport coordinator. **Approved 22-0**
- **Spring 2010 Meeting:** Thursday, March 25, 2010 at 9:00am at the NYSPHSAA office.

### Handbook Committee Meeting

- **Sportsmanship and Ethics** – the committee discussed situations where by coaches did not fulfill the penalty of the Sportsmanship Regulation being present at the site of the contest. The long standing interpretation has been that the coach has not fulfilled the penalty and remains ineligible to coach. The committee felt that during the regular season and sectional activity, the Section should impose a penalty on the coach/school. During regional and state championship activity, the NYSPHSAA Executive Director should impose the penalty.
- **Practices** – input is needed for the following: Athletes who switch from a contact/collision or limited contact/impact sport to a strenuous/non contact or nonstrenuous/non contact sport are permitted to count conditioning practices toward their new sport as follows: 1. Sports with less than ten (10) practices for the individual before the first contest will be allowed to carry over three (3) days; 2. Sports with less than ten to fifteen (10-15) practices for the individual before the first contest will be allowed to carry over four (4) days. (Contact/collision or limited contact/impact sports include field hockey, football, ice hockey, lacrosse, soccer, wrestling, baseball, softball, diving, gymnastics, skiing, softball and volleyball. Strenuous/non contact or nonstrenuous/ non contact sports include cross country, track and field, swimming, tennis, bowling, golf and Riflery.
- **Multiple High School Districts** – A suggestion was made to include the approved interpretation in the handbook on page 105 Transfer. **Note:** Multiple High School Districts – The policies/boundaries of the school district will be followed. If the district has an open enrollment policy, the interpretation to be used will be same as used for students of K-8



school districts. When a student enrolls in 9<sup>th</sup> grade that is the district (building) of their residence. Any subsequent transfer would be subject to the Transfer Rule.

- **Scrimmages** - the handbook committee requests each sport committee provide a detailed definition of a scrimmage by the May meeting of the Executive Committee.
- **Next Meeting:** February 10, 2010 at 9:30am

### **Budget & Finance Committee**

- **Conflict of Interest Statement** – The purpose of this conflict of interest policy is to protect the interest of the NYSPHSAA, Inc. when it is contemplating entering into a transaction or arrangement that might benefit the private interest of an officer, committee member, agent or employee of the NYSPHSAA or might result in a possible excess benefit transaction. An excess benefit would be the receipt of benefits, compensation, contracts or other transactions greater than comparable market value. This policy is intended to supplement but not replace any applicable state and federal laws governing conflict of interest applicable to nonprofit and charitable organizations. **Approved 22-0**
- **Championship Ticket Prices** – The committee discussed the need for championship ticket prices to be data driven based on such items as the venue and official cost. The committee would like to see a comparison of Sectional, Regional and State ticket prices.
- **Proposed Dues Increase / 2010-2011 Budget** - \$30.00 per school and \$0.03 per student for the 2010-2011 school years. **Approved 14-8** (Sections voting No were 5-6-10 & 11)

### **Annual Treasurer's Report** (Kathleen Higle, CPA)

- Net Assets in excess of planned uses = \$254,572 (audited at 8/31/09)
- Attendance was down at the Football State Championship games because no Section 3 team were in the finals.

### **Safety Committee Report**

- **Girls Lacrosse Helmets:** continuing to collect data annually concerning this issue. **Approved 22-0**
- **Concussion Management** – Any questions or concerns contact Lloyd Mott at [fit4lifeconsulting@gmail.net](mailto:fit4lifeconsulting@gmail.net)
- **Heat Index** – Sections 7 & 10 are asking for a wind chill factor added to this proposal for all sports.
- **Early Season Football Practices:** Safety committee will be discussing this for the spring meeting.
- **Next Meeting: April 21, 2010**

### **Officials Coordinating Federation Report**

- Request to approve the OCF Officials Agreement for 2010-2012 **Approved 22-0**
- **Schedule of meeting for 2009-2010 school year.**  
Spring: May 2, 2010, 9:00am, Holiday Inn-Carrier Circle, East Syracuse

### **Sportsmanship Committee Report**

- **Citizenship Through Athletics Course:** The CTA course will be offered in the NYSPHSAA office on February 3, 2010.
- **Ejection Free Program:** continuing to work toward securing a sponsor for this program.
- **Sportsmanship Promotion Program:** School assessments are due on April 15<sup>th</sup> annually and nominations for the state banner award are due on May 10<sup>th</sup> annually.
- **Carry-over penalty for our Sportsmanship Standard:** needs to be discussed at the section level and will be a topic on the spring agenda.
- **Coaches not serving penalty for Sportsmanship Standard:** needs to be discussed at the section level and will be a topic on the spring agenda.



# JANUARY 2010 NYSPHSAA OFFICE REPORT

## Action From The December 6-7, 2009 NYSPHSAA Executive Committee Meeting

JANUARY 2010	
7th	Boys Soccer 10:00 Sections 3 & 10
8th	Field Hockey 9:00
9th	Boys Lacrosse 10:00
11th	Girls Soccer 9:30
12th	Sections 9 & 11
13th	Baseball 10:00
14th	Championship Philosophy 10 Wrestling 10:00
20th	Sections 4, 5, 6 & 8 NYS Federation
21st	Section 1

### FUTURE CLINICS

#### LACROSSE

January 22, 2010

SUNY Cortland

#### SOFTBALL

January 29, 2010

Field of Dreams—Utica

#### BASEBALL

February 26, 2010

Hall of Fame - Cooperstown

#### FIELD HOCKEY

March 5, 2010

Field of Dreams—Utica

#### TRACK and FIELD

March 26, 2010

Holiday Inn—Schenectady

#### VOLLEYBALL

March 26, 2010

Union College

#### CHEERLEADING

May 21, 2010

Holiday Inn—Fishkill

#### SOCCER

June 4, 2010

Field of Dreams—Utica

### CITIZENSHIP THROUGH ATHLETICS

No Registration Fee

February 3, 2010

NYSPHSAA Office

### FIELD HOCKEY 2011

SINGLE SOLID WHITE (Home) &  
SINGLE SOLID DARK/BLACK (Away)  
UNIFORMS WILL BE REQUIRED

### SPIRIT SAFETY CERTIFICATION COURSE

On-Line AACCA Course

Go to [WWW.NFHSEARN.ORG](http://WWW.NFHSEARN.ORG)

**Dues Increase - Approved** \$30.00 per school and \$0.03 per student for 2010-2011.

**Classification of Schools – Approved** official enrollments numbers for 2010-2011.

**Cut Off Numbers – Approved** change in cutoff numbers for the 2010-2011 school year.

Class AA 925 - UP, Class A 525 – 924, Class B 305 – 524, Class C 175 – 304, Class D 0 – 174

**Bowling – Approved** with Section approval, a combination tournament that will consist of a maximum of three (3) standard team games and a maximum of fifteen (15) Baker style games which will be permitted in Sectional competition only.

**Girls Basketball – Approved** a waiver requiring two (2) visible shot clocks. If the shot clocks are not functional the game can be played using an alternate timing device.

**Boys Basketball - Approved** the use of NFHS Rule 2-2-1 for all NYSPHSAA Championship semi-final and final games if it can be done at no additional expense to the Association

**Wrestling - Approved** 1. Starting weight class is still drawn, recommendation to follow the Federation Rule and have the pre-meet disc toss for choice of odd/even matches in dual meet matches. This would be a removal of the waiver already in place. 2. Waiver of NFHS Rule 4-5-3 regarding dual meet and tournament weigh-ins.

**Softball – Approved** a waiver of ASA Softball rules to prohibit the use of metal cleats.

**Ice Hockey - Approved** the cut off numbers for two divisions to be Division I -1100 and up and Division II – 1099 and below.

**Modified Athletics: Approved: Baseball and Softball** - players may be allowed to reenter a contest to replace an injured player only if all eligible substitutions were used during the game. **Softball** - With sectional/league approval, a two year pilot program in modified softball may be implemented that shall allow innings 1-6 to be completed at five runs or three outs. The 7<sup>th</sup> inning shall be played as a normal inning, with three outs and no run restrictions.

**Badminton and Tennis** - Each player may play one additional singles or doubles match per day. The individual limitations/day for badminton and tennis (Reference: Modified Sports Standards Chart pages 134-5) shall be increased to two matches per day, provided that every individual eligible player plays once before any player plays twice.

**Maximum Number of Contests - Defeated** action to reinstate the maximum number of contests in all sports for the 2011 – 2012 school year.

### FUTURE DISCUSSION and REVIEW

**PRACTICES** - Athletes who switch from a contact/collision or limited contact/impact sport to a strenuous/non contact or nonstrenuous/non contact sport are permitted to count conditioning practices toward their new sport as follows: 1. Sports with less than ten (10) practices for the individual before the first contest will be allowed to carry over three (3) days; 2. Sports with less than ten to fifteen (10-15) practices for the individual before the first contest will be allowed to carry over four (4) days. (Contact/collision or limited contact/impact sports include field hockey, football, ice hockey, lacrosse, soccer, wrestling, baseball, softball, diving, gymnastics, skiing, softball and volleyball. Strenuous/non contact or nonstrenuous/non contact sports include cross country, track and field, swimming, tennis, bowling, golf and rifle).

**SPORTSMANSHIP** - When coaches do not fulfill the penalty of the Sportsmanship Regulation by being present at the site of the contest the coach has not fulfilled the penalty and remains ineligible to coach. The committee felt that during the regular season and sectional activity, the Section should impose a penalty on the coach/school. During regional and state championship activity, the NYSPHSAA Executive Director should impose the penalty.

**SPORT RULES** - A review, discussion and vote to use the same rules for Boys and Girls Basketball and NFHS rules for all sports when available.