

FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

**Chairperson: Loren Ratajczak
September 2010**

ACTION ITEMS

- 4.2 Approve a stipend of \$400 for the new position of Girls Ice Hockey Chairperson.
- 4.3 Approve the continuation of L.Ratajczak's position as Treasurer and Chairperson of the Finance Committee instead of hiring an account clerk at this time.
- 4.4 Approve the BOCES Communications Services Proposal for the Section VI website at an annual cost not to exceed \$2,400

ADDITIONAL RECOMMENDATIONS

- 4.6 Do not act on financial responsibility for sectional basketball games prior to quarter-finals (item 6.1 (a) on the Athletic Council agenda)
- 5.4 Review the draft of an Evaluation and Incentive System for the Executive Director position for approval at the November meeting.
- 5.5 Refer the wording of Bylaws item 4.1.1 regarding the Finance Chairperson position to the Policy Committee for review.

MINUTES FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING September 16, 2010

Attendance (* indicates present)

Committee:	Chairman/Treasurer	Loren Ratajczak*
Section reps:	Timm Slade*, Diane Munro*	
League Reps:	CCAA: Al Gens*	ECIC: Jim Graczyk* Buff: Aubrey Lloyd
	NO: Joel Reed*	NFL: Greg Whitman
Business Official:	Deborah Coder, Lockport City Schools	
Superintendents:	CCAA: Steve Vanstrom*, Frewsburg; Jane Fosberg*, Falconer, Mark Ward, Ellicottville	
	ECIC:	Jeff Rabey*, Depew

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

- 1.0 Fund Balance:
 - 1.1 Fund Balance: 2010-11 Income from dues increased due to several factors. All schools involved in a combined-team are considered as "having the team" as verified by N. Van Erk, Executive Director NYSPHSAA. They are now assessed the per sport fee, instead of just the school with the representing team, adding \$5700 to dues revenue. Also, some schools added sports (7 added girls ice hockey) and a new charter school become a member of Section VI.
 - 1.2 Special Use Account:
 - a) Checks were issued in June to districts for the FT Exec Director position and travel to state competition in 09-10. The feedback was positive.
 - b) Benefits to Districts Account in 2010-11: It is anticipated that the amount available to reimburse schools for travel to state competition will be greater this year.
- 2.0 Sectional championships review of venues:
 - 2.1 Football championship concerns: Due to the unavailability of Ralph Wilson Stadium, regional competition will be at All High Stadium. Parking is a concern and will be addressed by the Football Committee. A meeting with the Buffalo Bills organization is planned to discuss cost and usage of the stadium in the future
 - 2.2. ECC as a venue:
 - a) Cost for security guards is shared by all users of the facility at a given time.
 - b) The change to class meets in Girls Swimming has enabled that sport to be conducted at high school venues instead of ECC for 2010-11.
 - c) Costs for usage for Girls Basketball are reasonable (~\$2,300) but parking is limited and expensive. The issue is being addressed by the Girls Basketball committee. High school venues are under consideration as an alternative.
 - 2.3 Concessions: The recommendation was made that concessions be open at any venue, including ECC, and that the Section should seek a portion of the profit.
- 3.0 Standard issues for Finance (first meeting of the year):
 - 3.1 Post season review of spring sports: Financial reports (posted on the website) were reviewed. Concern was expressed for the high cost of trainers provided by the Section at neural sites. It was noted that many of the teams participating in sectionals bring their own trainer to the contest. This issue will be reviewed by T.Slade.
 - 3.2 Annual review of the Section Budget: Dues increase is not anticipated for next year. The Proposed Budget 2011-12 will be an agenda item for the **OCTOBER 28** Finance meeting. It will be presented at the November 17 AC meeting for approval at the January 19 meeting.
 - 3.3 Annual review of each sport budget: No discussion
 - 3.4 Philosophical issues: Assessing a fee to schools that participate in sports that do not draw a profit. (ie: golf, tennis) was addressed. This will remain a consideration for the future.
- 4.0 Old Business
 - 4.1 Centralized Management of Sports Officials – costs for Arbitersports:
 - a) Officials organizations will be billed this week for the \$25 annual assigner fee that has been paid by the Section since 2007.
 - b) Section VI member schools pay for Section services of fingerprinting and assigning of officials in ArbiterSports through the dues structure. It was agreed that Monsignor Martin, benefiting from these services since 2007, should now be assessed a fee of \$2,000 per year for this service. T.Slade will advise B.Kiszewski, Executive Director of the league.

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Old Business continued

- 4.2 Girls Ice Hockey Federation:
- a) Expenses 2010-11: Currently unknown.
 - b) Dues: The seven participating schools have been billed \$4,500. It was noted that the Boys Federation added 2 schools, Grand Island and St. Mary's, and members were billed \$5,000.
 - c) The Boys Ice Sportchair stipend is \$600. It was agreed that a stipend for a Girls Ice Hockey Sportchair should be \$400.

RECOMMENDATION:

Approve a stipend of \$400 for the new position of Girls Ice Hockey Chairperson.

- 4.3 Office transition: L.Ratajczak's current position as treasurer.

RECOMMENDATION: Approve continuation of L.Ratajczak's position as Treasurer instead of hiring an account clerk at this time.

- 4.4 Anticipated future expenses - Section VI Website: Improvements are needed to showcase Section VI athletes and sectional competition within the community. Discussions have been held with BOCES webmasters on adding brackets for all team sports and RSS feeds to media articles on Section athletes. BOCES presented a proposal to provide these services at an annual cost not to exceed \$2,400.

RECOMMENDATION: Approve the BOCES Communications Services Proposal for the Section VI website at an annual cost not to exceed \$2,400.

T.Slade noted that he is researching the potential for sale of Section VI apparel through our website. Section VI would receive a percentage of sales.

- 4.5 Policies- It was agreed:

- a) A P.O./invoice system will be used for purchases by Sportchairs and others. L.Ratajczak will create a Purchase Requisition Form and a corresponding P.O. in QuickBooks for each PR submitted. Sportchairs will be notified that the P.R. Form must be submitted to the Section office for approval of all purchases. This new process will be documented in the Policy Manual.
- b) A procedure will be written regarding Section VI credit cards detailing card holders, limits and recording of all expenditures in a log. It was recommended that L.Ratajczak contact BOCES Policy Services for input.

- 4.6 The following Finance Committee recommendation, postponed from the May AC meeting, was re-evaluated: **Return the responsibility for sectional basketball games prior to quarter-finals back to the districts on a one-year trial basis.** It was agreed that the recommendation be withdrawn and Boys and Girls Basketball Financial procedure will remain status quo for 2010-11.

RECOMMENDATION: Do not act on financial responsibility for sectional basketball games prior to quarter-finals (item 6.1 (a) on the Athletic Council agenda)

Leagues will be asked to review financial responsibility for boys and girls basketball and submit a request for change in 2011-12 if desired.

5.0 New Business

- 5.1 Section VI Athletic Complex: T.Slade reported that he is in the process of pursuing a partnership with ECC South to make improvements to their athletic facilities to create a Section VI /ECC Athletic Complex. Cost estimates for lights, upgrading the turf and track and bleachers have been requested and corporate sponsors are being sought. He noted that the site is centrally located, has plentiful parking and concessions stands. The site would be free for Section VI championships for field hockey, football, soccer, lacrosse. It was recommended that T.Slade obtain a written agreement with ECC with the details of the partnership.
- 5.2 Section VI awards were bid through BOCES. The bid was awarded to Trophy's Trophy's (AnyAwards.com, 1700 Union Rd, West Seneca). T.Slade noted that an additional 31 plaques were quoted and the total cost is \$4,200 less than last year.
- 5.3 Audit 2010 is almost complete. Gaines, Kriner Elliott will present a report at the next Finance Committee meeting.
- 5.4 Evaluation and Incentive Program: President Munro presented a draft evaluation system for the new Executive Director position. The draft will be revised as per recommendations by committee members and forwarded to the Executive Committee for review. It will be presented to the Athletic Council at the September meeting with a vote for approval at the November meeting.

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New Business continued

- 5.5 Finance Committee Chairperson: The Bylaws indicate *The Finance Committee of Section VI shall consist of an appointed chairperson (preferably a standing School Business Official), the Executive Director, and one representative from each of the leagues.* It was agreed that if the Athletic Council approves the continuation of L.Ratajczak's position as Treasurer, that he should remain on as Chairperson of the Finance Committee and the Policy Committee should review the wording of Bylaws item 4.1.1.

RECOMMENDATION: Allow L.Ratajczak to continue as Chairperson of the Finance Committee. Refer Bylaws item 4.1.1 to Policy for review.

- 5.6 C. Szczesny will be reimbursed \$189.86 for penalties and interest charged by the IRS and NYS for tax years 2007 and 2008 due to operational issues in Ms. Szczesny's contract.
- 5.7 T.Slade and L.Ratajczak are working to obtain a \$10,000 annual corporate sponsorship from Citizens Bank in exchange for moving all Section VI funds into Citizens Bank. This bank also offers credit with limits more in tune with Section VI needs.

FUTURE FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING DATES:
Noon on Oct. 28, Jan. 6, Mar. 3, Apr. 28

**SECTIONAL/ INTERSECTIONAL COMMITTEE
MAY 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.
- 1.4 **Boys and Girls Volleyball:**
Approve the use of certified officials as linespeople for all levels of sectional boys and girls volleyball contests.
- 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.
- 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>

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

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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.

- 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.

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.

- 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
<http://www.section6.e1b.org/1139104911730900/blank/browse.asp?a=383&BMDRN=2000&BCOB=0&c=53076>
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.

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

ATHLETIC COUNCIL MEETING September 22, 2010 – Agenda item 6.6

NYSPHSAA EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

August 3-5, 2010

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

APPROVED

Section discussion is needed

Action Items

May 2009 Amended Minutes

◆ The expiration date should be May 2011 for the following Friend and Neighbor schools; Annunciation School (1), Horace Mann School (1), School of the Holy Child (1), The Montfort Academy (1), and Rochester School for the Deaf (5). **Approved (Vote 44-0)**

Executive Director's Report

◆ **FRIEND and NEIGHBOR** – There are times when the status of a Friend and Neighbor school will expire mid-year. This causes problems for our member schools who wish to schedule contests with the Friend and Neighbor schools. This also results in the need for immediate action by Sections and retro-active action by the Executive Committee. The following solution is offered to solve this issue. All Friend and Neighbor approval will be granted for a two year period, September 1 – August 31. **Approved (Vote 44-0)**

◆ **SECTION SPORTS SEASONS** - The statewide report of Section Sports Seasons for the 2010 - 2011 school year is included in your packet. Please remember to schedule all contests, including Senior All Star contests, within the section designated season dates.

Assistant Director- Bob Stulmaker

◆ Approval of the following NYSPHSAA championship site change: Boys Swimming and Diving at Nassau Aquatic Center (8), Boys and Girls Skiing at Whiteface and Mt. Van Hoevenberg (7) and Bowling at Strike N Spare Lanes (3). **Approved (Vote 44-0)**

Assistant Director - Todd Nelson

◆ Approval of the Gate List procedures for NYSPHSAA Team Championships (**Semi & Finals**) **Approved (Vote 43-1) for 2010 Fall Season Only at this time!**

Transfer Committee –

◆ **Approval** – Academic advantage is limited to courses that can be taught in public schools. (Implementation Date 2011-2012 School Year) **Approved (Vote 44-0)**

Classification of Non Public and Charter Schools –

◆ All Sections will establish a process for the review of the classification of all non public and Charter Schools in their Section. The evaluation may include but not be limited to:

- BEDS Numbers
- Sport Committee involvement.
- Team Rosters – including addresses and grade entering the school.
- Levels of success over a period of time no less than 2 years. Success at the League, Conference, Sectional, Regional and State levels.
- Reviews will be sport and season specific.

- Placement will be made for a two (2) year period. Mid cycle reviews may occur when the NYSPHSAA Classification cut off numbers are changed.
- Placements will be approved according to the process established in the Section.
- Appeals will be conducted according to the process established in the Section.

Approved (Vote 44-0)

Cheerleading Ad Hoc Committee –

- ◆ A review of the progress of the committee was presented.
(Sent back to Sections for more discussion.)

Championship Philosophy Committee –

- ◆ A review of the committee report will be presented. Input from the Section representatives will be solicited. Time will be provided for comments, questions and concerns. Moving through the process, a potential time frame will be established for alternative proposals from sport committees and additional discussion. **Timeline =**

Sport Committees

- ◆ **Cross Country** - The combined Girls and Boys Cross Country Committee requests a postponement of the recommendation to change the current five classes to four; until accurate participation data is collected later this fall. **Approved (Vote 44-0)**
- ◆ **Wrestling** - Of the six permitted tournaments a maximum of 2 two-day dual meet tournaments will be allowed. **Approve (Vote 44-0)**

Championship Advisory Committee

- ◆ Boys Soccer - A 4th official be used in the Boys Soccer Championship (Semi-Finals & Finals, only) as a two-year experiment. **Approved (Vote 23-22) Tie broken by President.**
Next Meeting: Tuesday, November 23, 2010 at 9:30am at the NYSPHSAA office.

Nominating Committee – Dr. Black

- ◆ Approval of Steve Broadwell as 2nd Vice President **Approved (Vote 44-0)**

Safety Committee –

- ◆ Approval of a memo providing clarification of the NFHS Concussion rule for member schools and sport officials. **Approved (Vote 44-0)**

Officials Coordinating Federation

- ◆ Approval is requested for the following amendment to the Officials Agreement: Amend paragraph 11, Step No. 2 by adding the following sentence at the end of the paragraph: “Failure to respond to the proposed fact finding report or panel’s report on the resolution of the grievance within thirty (30) days after receipt shall result in acceptance of the report. The report will be sent certified mail.” **Approved (Vote 44-0)**
- ◆ Approval is requested for the following addition to the Officials Agreement: Add new paragraph 16: “The attorney for the NYSPHSAA, Inc. will act in an advisory capacity to the fact finding grievance and arbitration panel on behalf of the officials representatives and the NYSPHSAA, Inc. representatives.” **Approved (Vote 44-0)**

Section Concerns

- ◆ **Section 6** – CCAC would like a waiver for an early start date of August 23, 2010 to begin their Boys & Girls Soccer Modified teams. **Approve (Vote 44-0)**

- ◆ **Section 3** – Requesting that the 2 year proposal of game reductions continue for at least one more year. **Sent back to the Sections for further discussion. (Will be discussed with possible vote at December Executive Committee Meeting).**

Executive Director's Report (Nina Van Erk)

- **Mandatory Athletic Director Workshops** – Section 6 / August 30, 2010 at Erie 1 BOCES
- **2009-2010 NYSPHSAA Handbook** – 2010-2012 version is available on line. The most recent changes are underlined.
- **CSIET Advisory List** – A link to the 2010-2011 list is available at www.nysphsaa.org
- **Future Meeting Dates**
Executive Committee –
 December 5-6, 2010 – Holiday Inn – Turf – Albany
 (Sunday 2:30-5:00pm & Monday 9:00am to conclusion)
 May 6-7, 2011 TBA Syracuse/Saratoga
Central Committee – August 2-4, 2011 – High Peaks Resort – Lake Placid (7)
 (Tuesday-Thursday)

Assistant Director's Report (Robert Stulmaker)

- **Scholar / Athlete Team Award Program** - 19th year results (2009-2010)
 # of teams = 6,808 (+162) # of athletes = 82,424 (+3,315)
- **Spring 2010 S/A State Championships / Section 6**
 Clarence Boys Golf 98.229
- **School of Distinction Award Winners for 2009-2010 were:**
 Albion, Clarence, Starpoint and Wilson Schools
- **NYS Federation of Secondary Schools Athletic Association**
2010-2011 Officers are:
 President: Donald Buckley, CHSAA
 Vice President: Bob Stulmaker, PHSAA
 Secretary: Mary Jane Quigley, AISAA
 Treasurer: Nina Van Erk, PHSAA
 Executive Secretary: Walter Eaton

2009-2010 Meetings: Fall: September 30, 2010
 Winter: January 13, 2011
 Spring: May 16, 2011

Assistant Director's Report (Joe Altieri)

- **Corporate Sponsorships** are US marines, American Dairy Association, CSEA, Holiday Inn.
- **Media Credentials** – requests available via online form on the website

Annual Treasurer's Report (Kathleen Higle, CPA)

- Our net Assets should finish the year at \$978,000 or \$353,000 more than the \$625,000 designated for contingencies and private pension.
- Dues did not increase for the 2009-2010 year, but will increase \$30 to \$780 per district and 3 cents to \$.83 for each student over 300 students in grades 7-12 for the 2010-2011 year.

NYSPHSAA Transfer Coordinator's Meeting

- In order to use the same criteria in all Sections, the following recommendations were approved:

1. **Health and Safety** – Require written documentation from the sending school Superintendent or Principal indicating the specific circumstances.
2. **Health and Safety** – Supporting documentation from a third party outside of the school may be submitted. Example: Police report
3. **Educational Waiver** – Courses that cannot be taught in public schools may not be considered for an Educational Waiver beginning in the 2011-2012 school year.

Sport Committee Summary

- **Boys & Girls Cross Country**
Section 1 will host the 2010 Intersectional meet at Pawling on November 13, 2010
Next Meeting: The joint Cross Country Committee meets August 13, 2010 at 10am at the Lakeview Park in Pawling.
- **Field Hockey**
State Championships will be held at CNS in Syracuse the 2010-2011 seasons.
Next Meeting: January 7, 2011 @ 9:30am
- **Football**
2010 NYSPHSAA Regionals: Section V @ Section VI at Ralph Wilson Stadium
November 12 & 13, 2010
2010 Championships: Carrier Dome on Friday, Nov. 26th & Sunday, Nov. 28th.
- **Boys Soccer**
Championship will be moving to Middletown HS in Section IX for the 2010 & 2011 seasons.
Two rule changes have been made regarding uniforms. Beginning in the fall 2012 season, the home team will be required to wear solid white jerseys and socks. Also, goalkeepers will be required to have a number on the back of their jerseys and the front of their jerseys or shorts that is different than any other number used by other players on the team.
- **Girls Soccer**
Rule changes: Beginning the fall 2012 season, the home team will wear white jerseys & stockings and visiting team shall wear dark jerseys & stocking. All jerseys shall be numbered on the back with a different Arabic number. Also any name, patch, emblem, or insignia that represents any Soccer Club, Soccer Association, except for those names, patches, emblems, or insignias that represent their school are prohibited.
- **Girls Swimming & Diving**
State Meet will be at Erie Community College, Buffalo on Friday & Saturday, November 19 & 20, 2010
Next Meeting: Nov. 19, 2010 Girls' State Committee Meeting at State Meet in Buffalo.
- **Girls Tennis**
The 2010 tournament will be held at Eastside Racquet Club on Nov. 6th-8th. The seeding meeting will be held on Friday, Nov. 5th at 8:00am at the Carrier Circle Holiday Inn. The committee teleconference meeting is scheduled for January 24, 2011 at 2:30pm.
- **Girls Volleyball**
2010 State tournament dates are Saturday November 20th and Sunday November 21st at the Glens Falls Civic Center.
Future meetings are scheduled for Saturday, November 20th at the State Tournament and on Tuesday, November 21st a conference call at 10:00am.
- **Boys Volleyball**
The first championship will be scheduled for Nov. 20, 2010 at Cicero North Syracuse.

- **Boys Golf**
Next year's tournament dates at Cornell are June 4th-6th, 2011
Next conference call is scheduled for May 2nd, 2011.
- **Girls Basketball**
Sections are encouraged to determine their sites and times for regional contests no later than December 1st to better improve planning and communication.
State committee meetings: Monday, October 4, 2010 – 9:30am – conference call
Thursday, March 17, 2010 – 5:00pm – Butcher Block
Tournament Dates: Regionals / March 7-12,
States / March 18-20
Federation / March 25-27
- **Boys Basketball**
Tournament Dates: March 18-20, 2011 – Glens Falls Civic Center
Meeting Dates: October 8, 2010 and May 20, 2011 – Conference calls.
- **Boys & Girls Bowling**
Tournament Dates: March 5th & 6th at AMF Strike n Spare in Syracuse, NY / Section 3
Meeting Dates: Friday, March 4th before the State Tournament
- **Girls Gymnastics**
Tournament Dates: March 4th & 5th at Shaker High School / Section 2
- **Boys Gymnastics**
Tournament Dates: Regional will be at SUNY Brockport on Nov. 13th, 2010
- **Ice Hockey**
Tournament Dates: March 12th & 13th at the Utica Memorial Aud.
Division 1 is comprised of schools of 1100 or above.
Division 1 alignment: 9@1, 3@6, 2@10, 4@5
Division 2 alignment: 9@1, 5@6, 7@2, 3@10
- **Boys & Girls Skiing**
Tournament Site: 2011 Championships will be in Lake Placid.
- **Boys Swimming**
Tournament Dates: 2011 March 4th & 5th Nassau County Aquatic Center, Long Island
2012 March 2nd & 3rd Erie County Community College, Buffalo
2013 March 1st & 2nd Webster
- **Girls Winter Track**
Tournament Date: Saturday, March 5th at Cornell, with the boy's going first, then the girls.
Meeting Dates: Conference meeting is scheduled for Sunday, September 12th at 7:00pm.
- **Boys Winter Track**
Tournament Date: Saturday, March 5th –Barton Hall, Cornell University
Meeting Dates:
September 4, 2010 – 10:00am – Boys Committee at NYSPHSAA Office
March 4th – State Committee meeting preceding State Meet at Barton Hall
- **Wrestling**
Tournament Dates: February 25th & 26th, 2011 at the Times Union Center in Albany.
**For the 2010-2011 season, both 96 & 285 will be mandatory for all dual meets & tournaments.
- **Riflery**
Tournament Dates: Regional Tournament will depend upon availability of the facility at West Point. We will be requesting February 26th or March 5th, 2011. Dates depend on NCAA Championships

- **Golf**
Tournament Dates: June 10th -12th, 2011 at SUNY Delhi.
- **Girls Lacrosse**
Tournament Dates: 2011 site is Cortland
Meeting Date: Conference call is scheduled for Wednesday, December 1st at 9:00am
- **Boys Tennis**
Tournament Dates: June 2nd-4th at the USTA Tennis Center
- **Softball**
Tournament Dates: This year's tournament will be held in Section 2.
- **Boys & Girls Track & Field**
Tournament Dates: June 10th & 11th at Caledonia-Mumford HS (V)
Current number of 600 would be the cut-off between large and small schools would be used.
Meeting Dates: Committee meeting will be Sept.12, 2010 at the NYSPHSAA Office 10:00am.

NYSED Physical Education Update

- **5th Year of Athletic Eligibility for Students with Disabilities** –
45 Day Public Comment Period. Nina has been asked to not support this possible change!
- **Contact information:** pkocials@mail.nysed.gov or 518-474-5922.

Championship Advisory Committee

- Cross Country wants to maintain 5 classes
- 2009-2010 data will be used to update the percentages of championship opportunity per participant page in the report.
- **TIME LINE:**
September 2010 – receive any recommendations from individual sport committees.
October & November 2010 - Discussions by Sections of any changes.
December 2010 – Executive Meeting for possible VOTE!
*** Want to implement this for the 2011-2012 school year!

Modified Committee

- **Section 6** – Declared earlier start of August 23rd for Football.
- **Schedule of meetings for 2010-2011 school year.**
Fall: Friday, October 15, 2010 at 9:30am at the NYSPHSAA Office
Spring: Friday, April 1, 2011 at 9:30am at the NYSPHSAA Office

Officials Coordinating Federation Report

- **Schedule of meetings for 2010-2011 school year.**
Fall: October 24, 2010, 9:00am, NYSPHSAA Office
Spring: May 2, 2011, 9:00am, Site TBA



JUNE 2010 NYSPHSAA OFFICE REPORT

APPROVED BY NYSPHSAA EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE (April 30 - May 1)

CALENDAR

MANDATORY ATHLETIC DIRECTOR WORKSHOPS

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AUGUST 30

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OCTOBER 7

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OCTOBER 20

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NYSPHSAA Office - Latham

HIGHLIGHTS for the FALL SEASON

FOOTBALL - HIGH SCHOOL ONLY The first two (2) days of practice must be non-contact, without the use of protective equipment and mechanical blocking devices. The use of cones, ropes, ladders, step-over dummies, soft hand shields and similar devices as teaching aids is permissible. Helmets may be worn. The next three (3) days provide a transition from the conditioning phase to full contact. During this phase, players are permitted to wear a helmet and shoulder pads. Blocking dummies, sleds and similar devices are permitted. During this phase, player-to-player tackling drills, team scrimmaging, running full contact plays, etc. are not permitted. The following six (6) days consist of contact practice with full protective equipment and the use of all training devices. Full player-to-player contact and team scrimmaging is permitted. Four (4) additional practices must be completed by the individual and team prior to the first contest. Interscholastic scrimmages may commence after 11 practices have been completed by the individual player and team. Interscholastic contests may commence after 15 practices have been completed by the individual player and team.

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ADDITIONAL APPROVED ITEMS of IMPORTANCE

Heat and Wind Chill Index Procedures <http://www.nysphsaa.org/safety/default.asp>
Please use this link for the following information: <http://www.nysphsaa.org/minutes/aor.asp>
Definition of Foreign Exchange and International Student
Wrestling - Certification to a Weight Class and 96 & 285 lb. weight classes
Practices - Carrying over practices from one sport to another
Modified—Scrimmages, Football, Wrestling and Baseball & Softball rules

2010 HALL of FAME

INDUCTEES

Nick DeCillis

Sally Kus

Stanley Moore

Martha Slack

Jim Tolle

CONGRATULATIONS

Induction Ceremony

2010 Central Committee Meeting

August 4, 2010

Holiday Valley - Ellicottville (VI)

For Tickets Contact

NYSPHSAA Office

THE NEW 2010 - 2012 NYSPHSAA HANDBOOK

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DISCUSSION ITEMS for FUTURE CONSIDERATION

Contact your Section Representative

Cheerleading - Coaching Certification and Sport Status

Championship Philosophy Report <http://www.nysphsaa.org/minutes/aor.asp>

Wrestling - Of the 20 points permitted in wrestling, Two Day Dual Meet Tournaments would be limited to a maximum of two (2) per season.

OCF—Fact Finding Deadline - Add the following: "Failure to respond to the proposed fact finding report or panel's report on the resolution of the grievance within thirty (30) days after receipt shall result in acceptance of the report. The report will be sent certified mail." "The attorney for the NYSPHSAA will act in an advisory capacity to the fact finding grievance and arbitration panels on behalf of the Officials Representatives and the NYSPHSAA Representatives.



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MEETINGS

September 9 – Section 10

September 12 - Spring Track 10

AM & Winter Track 7 PM

September 14 – Section 9

September 15 – Section 4

September 17 - Ice Hockey 10

September 22 – Section 6

September 23 – Sections 1 & 8

APPROVED BY NYSPHSAA CENTRAL COMMITTEE (August 3-4, 2010)

For additional approved items—please check www.nysphsaa.org

Championship Dates and Sites Boys Swimming & Diving at Nassau Aquatic Center (8), Boys & Girls Skiing at Whiteface/Mt. Van Hoevenberg (7) & Bowling @Strike N Spare Lanes (3).

Transfer - Academic advantage is limited to courses that can be taught in public schools. (Implementation Date 2011-2012 School Year)

Wrestling - Of the six permitted tournaments, a maximum of 2 two-day dual meet tournaments will be allowed.

Cross Country – The continuation of the site rotation for championship events.

Nominating Committee - Steve Broadwell as 2nd Vice President

Safety Committee - Clarification of the NFHS Concussion rule for member schools and sport officials.

Fiscal Concerns - Postpone discussion on a one (or two year) extension of the Fiscal Concerns Committee recommendations to the December 2010 Executive Committee meeting. Representatives should come prepared for a possible vote.

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CONCUSSION CONFERENCE

The Brain Injury Association of NYS will be hosting a one day conference entitled "Heading in the Right Direction: Strategies for Sports Concussion Management" Saturday September 25, 2010 from 8:30am-4:30pm.

This will be held at St. John's University in New York.

For more information contact: The Brain Injury Association of New York State
10 Colvin Ave. Albany, NY 12206

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