

ATHLETIC COUNCIL MEETING May 18, 2011
Appointments to these positions are an ACTION ITEM 4.2

NOMINATIONS FOR SECTION VI POSITIONS

Section VI President-Elect

Brett Banker, Ken-Ton (NFL)

Section VI Boys Sports Rep to the Central Committee

The 4-year term (9/1/11- 8/31/15) Don Scholla, Olean (incumbent)

Winter Sports Chairpersons

3-year terms (7/1/11 - 6/30/14)

<u>Sport</u>	<u>Nominee</u>	<u>Nominated by:</u>
Basketball (Boys)	Jim Walker,	Incumbent
Assistant	Jon Roth	Incumbent
Basketball (Girls)	Leo Kaminsky	Incumbent
Assistant	Chris Durr	Incumbent
Bowling (Boys)	Dan Kaplan	Incumbent
Bowling (Girls)	John Seeley	Incumbent
Ice Hockey (Boys)	Mark DiFilippo	Incumbent
Ice Hockey (Girls)	Jim Rusin	Incumbent
Indoor Track (Boys)	Peter Szymanski	Incumbent
Indoor Track (Girls)	Emilio Mancino	Incumbent
Rifle	Paul Borkowski	Incumbent
Swimming (Boys)	James Graczyk	Incumbent
Co-Chair	Al Fritzing	Incumbent
Wrestling	Mike DeBarbieri	Incumbent
Co-Chair	Israel Martinez	Incumbent

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**2011-2012 Section VI Timeline for Schedules/ Assignment of Officials
NORTH: Buffalo, ECIC, NFL, NO, MM**

5/10/2011

Green: Section responsibility	Yellow: Officials/ Organization's responsibility		
White: School / assigner responsibility			
	Fall 2011	Winter 2011-12	Spring 2012
Delete prior year schedules	Mar. 7, 2011	May 2, 2011	June 20, 2011
Enter fees for the upcoming year	Apr. 11, 2011	July 11, 2011	July 11, 2011
Officials Rankings from coaches/chairs due	May 20, 2011	Sept. 2, 2011	Jan. 13, 2012
Subassigners review rosters in arbitersports and report changes to the Section office.	May 20, 2011	Sept. 2, 2011	Jan. 13, 2012
Draft schedules complete	May 27, 2011	Sept. 19, 2011	Dec. 9, 2011
Reset ALL officials to NOT-ready	June 1, 2011	NA	NA
Email officials with instructions to register	June 1, 2011	Sept. 30, 2011	Feb. 10, 2012
Final schedules complete including non-league games Import of schedules to arbitersports begins	June 13, 2011	Sept. 30, 2011	Jan. 13, 2012
Final date: ALL schedules must be in arbitersports	June 20, 2011	Oct. 7, 2011	Jan. 20, 2012
Officials registered & availabilities listed	June 22, 2011	Oct. 14, 2011	Feb. 24, 2012
*Varsity & JV assignment of officials begins	June 24, 2011	Oct. 17, 2011	Feb. 27, 2012
*Assignments released to the OBR's for 72-hour review	July 1, 2011	Oct. 21, 2011	NA**
*Round Table (with OBRs) to finalize assignments	July 6, 2011	Oct. 26, 2011	NA**
*Publish V,JV assignments (4 days to accept)	July 7, 2011	Oct. 27, 2011	NA**
*Last day to accept assignments	July 11, 2011	Oct. 31, 2011	4 days after publish
Publish Football assignments (4 days to accept)	July 15, 2011		
First possible contest	Aug. 26, 2011	Nov. 11, 2011	Mar. 14, 2012

*Dates apply to the sports where multiple leagues share officials. Auto-assign order Fall: F.Hockey, G.Swim, XC, G.Soccer, B.Soccer, BVB, GVB. Winter: B.Swim, Wrestling, B.Basketball, G.Basketball

**Only Track is affected. Publish date TBD by the leagues

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SOUTH: Cattaraugus & Chautauqua**

5/10/2011

Green: Section responsibility	Yellow: Officials/ Organization's responsibility		
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	Fall 2011	Winter 2011-12	Spring 2012
Delete prior year schedules	Mar. 7, 2011	May 2, 2011	June 20, 2011
Enter fees for the upcoming year	Apr. 11, 2011	July 11, 2011	July 11, 2011
Subassigners review rosters in arbitersports and report changes to the Section office.	May 20, 2011	Sept. 2, 2011	Jan. 13, 2012
Draft schedules complete	May 27, 2011	Sept. 19, 2011	Jan. 13, 2012
Reset ALL officials to NOT-ready	June 1, 2011	NA	NA
Email officials with instructions to register	June 1, 2011	Sept. 30, 2011	Feb. 10, 2012
Final Girls Volleyball schedule complete including non-league games. Import of GVB to ArbiterSports.	June 13, 2011	NA	NA
Final schedules complete including non-league games Import of schedules to arbitersports begins	June 13, 2011	Sept. 30, 2011	Feb. 10, 2012
Final date: ALL schedules must be in arbitersports	June 20, 2011	Oct. 14, 2011	Feb. 24, 2012
Officials registered & availabilities listed	June 22, 2011	Oct. 14, 2011	Feb. 24, 2012
GVB assignments from Group 30** must be complete	June 24, 2011		
Varsity & JV assignment of officials begins	June 24, 2011	Oct. 17, 2011	Feb. 27, 2012
		(Wrestling Nov. 5)	(Boys Volleyball Feb. 29)
Publish V,JV, Mod assignments (4 days to accept)	***	***	***
Publish Football assignments (4 days to accept)	July 15, 2011		
First possible contest	Aug. 26, 2011	Nov. 11, 2011	Mar. 14, 2012

** Assignments from WNYGVOA (Group 30) to Ellicottville, Hinsdale, N.Collins, Portville and W.Valley

*** Dates to be set by Southern Tier assigners

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VARSITY ICE HOCKEY FEDERATION BY-LAWS

ARTICLE I

Section I - Name - Section VI Western New York Varsity Hockey Federation

Section II - Office

Section III – Emblem

ARTICLE II

Section I - Purpose - To provide an interscholastic varsity ice hockey program that benefits both the student athlete and educational community.

ARTICLE III

Section I - The Executive Board shall conduct the league affairs *and communicate recommendations to the General Membership.*

Section II - The executive Board *(7 people)* shall consist of Sectional Chairman, ~~Assistant Chairman, Secretary,~~ *Large School Representative, Small School Representative,* Financial Coordinator, Discipline and Rules Coordinator, Officials Liaison, ~~Past President~~ *Non-Public School Representative.*

Section III – *Beginning with the 2011-12 season,* individuals on the Executive Board shall serve a term of ~~two (2) years~~ *noted below* and shall be elected at the April meeting of the current school year. Nominations and election to office will be made by the ~~schools representative~~ *General Membership (one vote per school) in the Federation.*

<i>Large School Representative</i>	<i>expires 4/2013</i>
<i>Officials Liaison</i>	<i>expires 4/2013</i>
<i>Discipline & Rules Coordinator</i>	<i>expires 4/2013</i>
<i>Small School Representative</i>	<i>expires 4/2012</i>
<i>Non-Public School Representative</i>	<i>expires 4/2012</i>
<i>Financial Coordinator</i>	<i>expires 4/2012</i>
<i>Sectional Chairperson</i>	<i>expires 4/2011</i>

Section IV - A member of the Executive Board may resign by notifying the Sectional Chairman in writing. ~~All vacancies on the Executive Board shall be filled by election of the Federation membership.~~ *All Executive Committee positions that become vacant prior to a term expiring, will be filled by a vote of the General Membership.*

Section V - Executive Board meetings are called by the Sectional Chairperson five (5) times a year (September, November, January, April, June) or ~~when requested for~~ when necessary to deal with urgent ~~reasons~~ *matters.* ~~by a Quorum (2/3=4) of the Executive membership.~~ *Official business can only be conducted when a 2/3 quorum exists*

ARTICLE IV

Section I - Membership is open to all high schools located in Section VI of New York State. *Expansion will be considered if the school expressing interest meets all standards set by the Expansion Committee.* ~~Members are permitted one (1) representative team from each school. By the 2010-2011 season, it is required that each school will enter their best team. Charter members of the Federation are Bishop Timon St. Jude, St. Josephs, St. Francis, Canisius, Williamsville East, Williamsville South, Williamsville North and Amherst. Charter schools cannot be removed from the Federation unless the resignation is voluntary.~~

Section II - Three (3) *General Membership meetings* of the Federation membership will be held each year; ~~one each during the months of~~ October, January, and June. The Sectional Chairman may call additional meetings when deemed necessary. For official business to take place ~~In order to conduct business a quorum~~ *must exist* of the Federation membership ~~must be present.~~

Section III - Quorum - A Quorum will be 3/4 of the Federation *General* membership. Any decision or act of the majority of the members present at any meeting, at which a Quorum is present, shall be considered an act of the full membership. In the case of a vote being affected by an absent member, the vote will be tabled until that member can be contacted.

Section IV - By-Laws cannot be changed without approval of 3/4 of the *General* membership.

Section V - Voting - Each team entered into the Federation shall be represented at Federation meetings by its Athletic Director, or his/her designee, who shall be entitled to cast one vote.

ARTICLE V - OFFICERS

Section I - *The Executive Board (7 people) shall consist of a Sectional Chairperson, Large School Representative, Small School Representative, Financial Coordinator, Discipline & Rules Coordinator, Officials Liaison, Non-Public School Representative. Within the 7-member Executive Board a Secretary and Assitant Chairperson will be selected.* ~~The officers of the Federation shall be its seven (7) Executive Board members. The Sectional Chairman, Assistant Chairman, Financial Coordinator, Secretary, Officials Liaison, and Discipline and Rules Coordinator, must be a Section VI Federation Member/Athletic Director nominated and elected by the Federation membership. The Past President which is a non-voting position, can be non Federation member.~~

A. The Discipline/Rules Committee shall ~~also have a minimum~~ be made up of *at least* three (3) Athletic Directors elected by membership ~~to assist chairman.~~

B. The Discipline/Rules Committee will conduct all Discipline hearings.

ARTICLE VI - DUTIES OF THE OFFICERS

Section I – Sectional Chairperson - Will preside over all meetings of the Executive Board and general membership, and appoint all committees. Chairperson will represent the league at Sectional *and* state meetings. Is responsible for the overall operation of the league.

Section II – Assistant Chairman - In the absence of the President, shall perform the duties of the President and other duties as assigned by the Executive Board. Will oversee League scheduling and post-season play *sub-committees*.

Section III - Secretary - Will attend and keep minutes of all meetings. Shall further have charge of all documents and papers of the Federation except those relating to funds. Will chair expansion committee and will present all reports from *league coaches for all meetings*.

Section IV – Financial Coordinator - Shall collaborate with Section VI Treasurer to: a.) keep the funds and securities of the Federation. ~~Will be in charge of~~ b.) *assist in the collection* of all funds due the Federation *or Section* and make all deposits to the credit of the Federation at such bank or banks as the Executive Board may direct. They will make a financial report at each of the five (5) Executive meetings and three (3) Federation General Membership meetings per year. The Treasurer shall keep a complete and accurate account of monies taken in by the Federation and all disbursements made. Will oversee all game staging aspects of league and sectional games. *An annual internal audit of the books must be performed and approved by the Board of Directors by the annual April meeting.*

Section VI - Discipline and Rules Coordinator - Shall be responsible for conducting discipline hearings and rules interpretation hearings for Federation members as needed. Will make recommendations for new rule and discipline changes. Will interpret and make sure league, sectional, state, and NFHS Hockey Rules are adhered to. Will work closely with Statistician to make sure suspensions are adhered to.

Section VII - Officials Liaison - Will be responsible for the liaison's role with referees and minor officials. This person will ensure that the referees and minor officials association understand league, sectional, state, and NFHS Hockey rules. Will work closely with Discipline and Rules Coordinator to ensure that interpretations are consistent. Will work with assignors and coaches to make sure that all officials are fairly assigned and evaluated.

~~**Section VIII** – Past President – This is a non-voting position that will act as a resource to the Sectional Chairman and League membership. *Power to Act – The Federation Executive Committee and its officers, shall have the power to manage affairs of the Federation and to make recommendations to the General Membership.*~~

~~**Section IX** – Power to Act – The Federation officers, during periods between meetings, shall have the power to manage affairs of the Federation and to hand down decisions on matters concerning Federation Activities.~~

~~**Section XI** – An annual internal audit of the books must be performed and approved by the Board of Directors by the April meeting.~~

ARTICLE VII - COMMITTEES

Shall be appointed by the Sectional Chairman ~~from the membership~~.

ARTICLE VIII - RULES

Current rules governing New York State Public High School Athletic Association and The National Federation of High Schools shall be followed.

ARTICLE IX - ADMISSION

There will be an admission charge for all Federation games *unless there is a reason supported by the Financial Coordinator*. The amount shall be determined by the Federation membership. All gate receipts for Federation play will be turned in to Financial Coordinator.

ARTICLE X - DUES

Each team will be assessed league costs for officials, off-ice officials, adequate security, common proctors, game ice time, and other costs related to league game activities. This assessment will be called a season fee and will be payable 1/2 by Nov. 30, 1/2 by January 30.

ARTICLE XI - NEW MEMBERS

New members will make application to the Federation by the January Executive meeting. Applying schools must be interviewed by the *Federation Expansion Committee*, the Executive Committee, and approved for Federation membership.

Playing Rules

Commitment Rule

~~Prior to January 1, a player who participates in a practice or game for a team other than his Federation high school team, at the same time as a scheduled Federation high school league game, is in violation of the commitment rule, and shall be suspended from the next league game of his team;~~

~~From January 1 on, a player who participates in a practice or game for a team other than his Federation high school team, at the same time as a scheduled high school practice or game (non-league or league), is in violation of the commitment rule, and shall be suspended from the next league game.~~

~~All rostered players shall be required to practice and attend games during the suspension period. A second occurrence of the commitment rule shall result in a two-game suspension to be enforced at the next two league contests. Upon a third violation by the same player, a suspension for the remainder of the Federation regular season and playoffs is incurred. *Players must be rostered and in attendance at 80% of all regular season Federation league games in order to be eligible for playoffs.*~~

Rosters

~~Team rosters shall be unlimited in size, but all players listed shall be required to honor the commitment rule. All players must be rostered with the Federation at the start of the season in order to be eligible to participate. Any additions or deletions must be registered with the Sectional Chair and League Statistician prior to any participation. *Each Federartion team may fill up to 26 roster slots. Teams may not add a player to the list unless a season-ending injury is suffered by a player on the 26-player roster*~~

8th Graders

~~Eighth graders are not permitted to play Ice Hockey. All players must be in at least the ninth grade to be eligible.~~

Eligibility of Middle Schoolers

~~Middle Schoolers are not able to play in the Federation league.~~

Emergency Goalkeeper

~~Each team may designate an emergency goalkeeper at the start of the season, to be approved by the Executive Committee of the Federation. This player must appear on the original roster, and be properly designated. The emergency goalkeeper must abide by NYSPHSAA rules, but shall be exempt from the commitment rule.~~

8 Goal Rule

~~In the spirit of sportsmanship and fair play there will be an eight goal rule with a running clock anytime there is a 8-goal difference or anytime there is a 6-goal difference in the 3rd period. If a team goes ahead by eight goals, from that point the clock will be a running clock for the rest of the game or until the score goes below an eight goal difference. The running clock will be started at the beginning of play after the eighth goal is scored.~~

Start Dates

~~All Federation Members will follow the Section approved start date each season.~~

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FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT Chairperson: Loren Ratajczak (temporary) May 2011

RECOMMENDATIONS for ACTION

- 1.3(a) Approve distribution of funds from the Benefits to Districts Account in 2010-11 to districts as a reimbursement for travel to state competition as follows:
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| \$500.00 | per team for travel to finals |
| \$250.00 | per team for additional travel to semi-finals (football, boys lacrosse) |
| \$30.00 | per individual competing at states |
- 1.3(b) Approve the establishment of a Dedicated Fund to cover costs for state competition (instead of issuing a reimbursement) for individual sports and discontinue the reimbursement for team sports on a trial basis for two years.
- 1.3(c) Approve the placement of any funds remaining after the reimbursement for 2010-11, into the Dedicated Fund for use in the 2011-12 school year for state competition in individual sports
- 3.1 Approve Steve Penhollow as the Finance Chairperson.
- 4.2 Approve [Admission Prices for 2011-12](#) with no change from 2010-11.

MINUTES FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING April 28, 2011

Attendance (* indicates present)

Committee:

Chairperson: TBA

Section reps: Timm Slade*, Loren Ratajczak*

League Reps: CCAA: Al Gens ECIC: Greg Witman* (for J.Graczyk) Buff: Aubrey Lloyd
NO: Joel Reed* NFL: John Forcucci*

Superintendents: CCAA: Steve Vanstrom*, Frewsburg; Steve Penhollow, Falconer, Mark Ward, Ellicottville
ECIC: Jeff Rabey, Depew

Guests: Jim Walker, Boys Basketball

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

The meeting was run by Section Treasurer L.Ratajczak and Executive Director T.Slade.

1.0 Fund Balance:

1.1 Treasurer's Report/ Fund Balance: The Fund Balance remains stable

1.2 Post-season review of Winter Financial Reports 2011 and winter sports budgets 2012:

- Wrestling: The Chairmen are looking for sponsorship for the wall charts (cost of \$565.50) which could net the Section approximately \$3,000. Hosting the State Qualifiers at one venue on one day is being reviewed for cost savings as well as convenience for spectators.
- Bowling: Concerns regarding additional coaches attending state championships this year are being addressed.
- Boys Basketball: Current plans are to split Class C, which will be beneficial for Class C schools.
- Indoor Track: T.Slade will meet with the sportchairs to address savings to participating schools with regards to awards.
- Boys Swimming: The Sportchairs were commended for a great job with the new format. The class meets at Maryvale were profitable.

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Fund Balance continued

1.3 Benefits to District Athletics Account:

- a) Reimbursement Formula: Approximately \$48,000 is available for reimbursement to schools attending state competition in 2010-11. L.Ratajczak reviewed the # of teams and individuals that attended state competition from each district for fall and winter and estimated for spring. It was agreed that the formula used in 2009-10 be used again to reimburse districts for state competition.

RECOMMENDATION: Approve distribution of funds from the Benefits to Districts Account in 2010-11 to districts as a reimbursement for travel to state competition as follows:
\$500.00 per team for travel to finals
\$250.00 per team for additional travel to semi-finals (football, boys lacrosse)
\$30.00 per individual competing at states

It was agreed that the \$1.30 per mile reimbursement from NYSPHSAA for travel will be included. Both reimbursements will be sent in one check with a letter of explanation to the Superintendent and a copy to the Athletic Director.

- b) Individual sports/Dedicated fund: The current process for state competition in individual sports is not cost effective. The Section pays expenses, bills the districts for their athletes' participation each season, then reimburses districts as per the established formula (item a above) at the end of the year. Also, invoices issued to districts are not timely, causing concerns for the business offices. To streamline the process, it was suggested that a dedicated fund within the Fund Balance be established for direct payment of expenses for state competition in individual sports, relieving the districts of this financial responsibility. With the Section assuming the financial responsibility for individual sports, there would be no reimbursement to districts for state competition for team sports. Districts would continue to receive mileage reimbursement from the state for team sports. **Motion to approve a Dedicated Fund as described CARRIED Witman/Vanstrom**

RECOMMENDATION: Approve the establishment of a Dedicated Fund to cover costs for state competition instead of a reimbursement for individual sports and discontinue the reimbursement for team sports on a trial basis for two years.
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- c) Reimbursement balance 10-11: If the formula in item (a) is approved, there will be a balance of approximately \$10,000 remaining.

RECOMMENDATION: Approve the placement of any funds remaining after reimbursement into the Dedicated Fund for use in the 2011-12 school year for state competition in individual sports

2.0 Sectional championship venues:

- 2.1) Ralph Wilson (football): The Bills organization has verbally agreed for Section VI usage on a Thurs./Fri. at a reduced cost. T.Slade and K.Stoldt will meet with the CEO in the near future.
- 2.2) All High Stadium: Buffalo has signed a venue contract for usage of the stadium at a cost of \$450 for boys lacrosse and \$450 for girls lacrosse, reduced from the original estimates.

3.0 Old Business:

- 3.1 **Motion to recommend Steve Penhollow be appointed as the Finance Chairperson CARRIED Witman/Forcucci**

RECOMMENDATION: Approve Steve Penhollow as the Finance Chairperson..

3.2 Centralized Management of Officials:

- a) Officials organizations were recently invoiced the \$25/year assigner fee approved in the Officials Contract signed June 2010. The Monsignor Martin league was invoiced a \$2,000 usage fee, but being too late in the current year for budget purposes, has agreed to pay the usage fee beginning in 2011-12.
- b) The total cost in transactions fees for payment of ice hockey officials through Arbitersports/RefPay was \$164.59 (177 payments)
- c) Some assigners use the Section VI Arbitersports account for non-Section VI assigning (Boys lacrosse club, Catt Co Section 5 teams). It was agreed that some fee should be assessed. This will be reviewed.

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Old Business continued

- 3.3 Section VI Championship facility at ECC: The final proposal for costs related to resurfacing the turf field and track and adding lights is almost complete. When the proposal is complete, **corporate sponsors will be sought**. Ciminelli, Benderson, Musco Lighting as well as construction companies that receive bids from Section VI member schools will be contacted.
- 3.4 Corporate Sponsorship: Sponsors have been obtained for 3 of the 5 Athletic Council luncheons at \$350 per luncheon. A sponsorship with First Niagara Bank is almost complete. Also, Citizens Bank, HSBC and Northwest Savings Bank are being pursued for corporate sponsorships.
- 3.5 Injury Management for 2011-12 will go out to bid in the near future with stipulations added to avoid coverage of events that are covered by district trainers.
- 3.6 Remuneration for Boys Ice Hockey Chairperson position: T.Slade was directed by the Sectional/Intersectional Committee to also meet with the Executive Board of the Hockey Federation to discuss a more appropriate remuneration.

4.0 New Business

- 4.1 Future purchases/expenses (Equipment, etc): An upgrade to the XC/Track software is anticipated at a cost of \$300.

- 4.2 **Admission Prices for 2011-12: Motion to recommend that admission prices for 2011-12 remain the same as 2010-11 CARRIED Witman/Reed**

Recommendation: Approve Admission Prices for 2011-12 with no change from 2010-11.

- 4.3 Band member admission fee for sectional championships: **Motion that Section VI follow the cheerleading model regarding admission to sectionals for band members Forcucci no second** Section VI follows the NYSPHSAA model by admitting 16 cheerleaders free. Concerns for doing the same for band members include the seating of the band, the distraction of the band to the opposing team and the possibility of other auxiliary groups requesting the same advantages. No action was taken.
- 4.4 Meeting dates 2011-12 via teleconference: Sept. 1 (review of spring sports), Jan. 5 (review of fall sports), Apr. 26 (review of winter sports). The Oct. 27 meeting for budget review will be conducted in-person at E1 BOCES. It was agreed that a meeting is not needed in March. See below for summary of all dates.
- 4.5 Congratulations were extended to Steve Vanstrom and Jane Fosberg on their retirements and a sincere thank you for their dedication and effort as members of the Section VI Finance Committee over the last several years!

5.0 Adjournment: **Witman/Vanstrom**

Proposed Meeting dates for approval at the May Athletic Council meeting:

Athletic Council (Wed.): Sept.21, Nov.16, Jan.18, Mar.21, May 16

Exec. Comm. (Wed.): Above dates plus Oct.19, Dec.14, Feb. 15, Apr. 18, June 13

Sec/Intersect (Thurs. 9am):Sept. 1, Oct. 27, Jan. 5, Mar. 1, Apr. 26

Finance (Thurs 12pm): Sept. 1, Oct. 27, Jan. 5, ~~Mar. 4~~, Apr. 26

Sportchair Pre-season Meetings (Wed. 3:00pm) Fall 6/22/11, Winter 9/28/11, Spring 1/25/12

Other dates:

- NYSPHSAA Meetings: 8/2-4/11, 10/23-24/11, Jan 2012 TBA, 5/4-5/12, 7/31-8/2/12
- The NYSAAA Conference is scheduled March 14-17, 2012
- Erie 1, Erie 2, Catt-Allegany and NO BOCES and Buffalo breaks for 2011-12 are:
Winter: Feb. 20-24 and Spring: April 6-13, 2012

FUTURE FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING DATES:

Sept. 1, Oct. 27(in-person at E1 BOCES), Jan. 5, Apr. 26

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PROPOSED: Same as 10-11 2011-12 POST SEASON ADMISSIONS with VENUE COST ANALYSIS

Pre-sale pricing for tickets has been eliminated for all sports except football and basketball

SPORT	Proposed 5/18/11	VENUE DATA		
	ADMISSION Pre-school free	VENUE	VENUE COST	SECTION NET
FALL 2011		Fall 2010 Venue		2010
Cross Country	Sectionals NC / States NC	Elma Meadows / Lakeside Park (1)	\$835	(521)
Field Hockey	Semis \$4/ Finals \$4 Regionals \$5 States \$8	Amherst ,OP,Medina/ Amherst (A,C),OP(B) Penfield (5) Cicero-North Syracuse (3)	\$0	466
Football	Semis \$4/ Bowls \$4 Finals \$7 (no pre-sale) Regionals \$8 /States \$10	Home schools/ Southwestern, Pioneer, Depew Ralph Wilson Stadium All-High (6)/ Carrier Dome, Syrac(3)	\$32856	S 79390 R 25064
Boys Gymnastics	Sectionals \$4 Regionals \$8	Williamsville South SUNY Brockport (5) Cancelled	\$0	(528)
Girls Gymnastics	Sectionals \$4 States \$8	Clarence Shaker HS (2)	\$0	117
Boys Soccer	Semis \$4 Finals \$4 Regionals \$5 States \$8	Hamburg(A,AA), All High (B), Southwestern(C) Hamburg(A,B,AA), Southwestern(C&D) Hamburg(6) Hall of Fame, Oneonta (4)	\$468	5993
Girls Soccer	Semis \$4 Finals \$4 Regionals \$5 States \$8	Amherst(B), Depew(AA,A), Pioneer(C,D) Amherst (AA,A,B) Pioneer C/D (5), SUNY Cortland (3)	\$468	3931
Girls Swimming	Sectionals \$4 States \$8	ECC City Campus ECC City Campus(6)	\$4105	(1727)
Girls Tennis	Sectionals \$4 (if viewable) States \$?	Village Glen, Williamsville Eastside Racquet Club NYC	\$1200	(344)
Boys Volleyball	Sectionals \$4 Regionals \$8 / States \$8	Semis-Orchard Park, Finals-Eden Orchard Park (5) Cicero-N.Syracuse(3)	\$0	2250
Girls Volleyball	Semis \$4/ Finals \$4 Regionals \$5/ States \$8	Home schools/ Lakeshore & JCC(D) Lockport(6) /Glens Falls Civic Center (2)	\$500	2865
Winter 2011-12		Winter 2010-11 Venue		2010-11
Boys Basketball	Pre-Q & Q \$3 (\$2 Pre-sale) Semis \$5 Finals \$6 Regionals \$6 / States \$10	Home schools Buff State, JCC(D,C) Buff State, JCC(D,C), Buff State (6) / Glens Falls (2)	24974	29156
Girls Basketball	Pre-Q & Q \$3 (\$2 Pre-sale) Semis \$5 Finals \$6 Regionals \$6 / States \$10	Home schools Lockport, WSenE, Jamestown, Will E, Chaut.Lake ECC, Jamestown (C&D) Gates HS (5)/ Hudson Valley (2)	2168	S-10608 R-6539
Boys/Girls Bowling	Sectionals \$4 States \$8	Thruway Lanes Mardi Bob, Poughkeepsie(9)	4081	(877)
Ice Hockey	Pre-Q, Q, Semis \$5 Finals \$5 (\$2 students) Regionals \$5 /States \$8	Pepsi Center HSBC Section 1 &7 / Utica Auditorium (3)	FREE	
Indoor Track	9/10 Meet. \$2 Sectionals \$5 States \$9 (up to age 2 -\$2)	Fredonia State Fredonia State Cornell Univ. (4)	1150	2272
Rifle	Sectionals NC/Regionals NC	Alden Middle /West Point (9)	0*	(0)
Boys Swimming	Sectionals \$4 / States \$8	Maryvale/Clarence	700	(934) *NC
Wrestling	Div./Sect. Tourn. \$5/Session All Tourn. \$10/ States \$12	Lockport, Starpoint, Albion, Falconer, Chaut.L Lake Shore, East Aurora	400	(84)
Spring 2012		Spring 2010 Venue		2010
Boys Golf/ Girls Golf	Sectionals NC States NC	Boys-Lancaster CC / Girls- Brookfield CC Boys Ithaca(4) / Girls Baldwinsville(3)	Boys \$750 Girls \$0	B (650) G (445)
Boys Lacrosse	Semis-\$3/ Finals-\$5 Regionals-\$5 States-\$8	Home Schools/ Canisius College St. John Fisher(5) / Paetec Park (5)	\$0	S 2917 R 3306
Girls Lacrosse	Semis-\$3/ Finals- \$5 Regionals-\$6 States-\$8	Home Schools/ Orchard Park Brighton (5)/ SUNY Cortland (3)	\$0	S (598) R 2198
Baseball	Semis- NC, Finals-\$5 Regionals-\$5 States-\$8	Diethrick (B,C,D); Coca Cola Field (AA,A) Diethrick (AA,C,B); Dwyer Sec 5 (A,D) Binghamton (4)	\$375	S 2470 R 3280
Softball	Semis-NC / Finals- \$5 Regionals-\$5 / States-\$8	Promenshankle, Dunkirk (C,D) Pepsi Ctr (AA,A,B) Sec 5 (AA,A,B) Olean (C,D) / Waterloo (5)	\$0	S (636) R (64)
Boys Tennis	Sectionals NC / States NC	Lancaster / National Tennis Center	\$0	(825)
Track & Field	State Qualifier \$5/day States-\$8	Pioneer Cicero N Syracuse (3)	\$2175	2227

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SECTIONAL/ INTERSECTIONAL COMMITTEE May 2011 REPORT Chairperson: Timm Slade

Action Items for the Athletic Council

- 1.2 Approve scheduling baseball regional contests on a Sunday in 2012.
- 6.1 Accept Girls and Boys Volleyball, Girls Gymnastics and Girls Soccer pre-season reports as submitted.
- 6.2 Accept Winter 2011 post-season reports and Winter 2012 pre-season reports as submitted.

Informational Items

- 1.2 The Divisional Track proposal for 2012 is not recommended.

MINUTES SECTIONAL/INTERSECTIONAL COMMITTEE

April 28, 2011

Please use Ctrl + click to follow [hot links \(in blue\)](#) to each report

Attendance (* indicates present)

Sect insect: Buff: Aubrey Lloyd CCAA: Ben Drake*, Paul Ksionzyk ECIC: C.DeMarco*(for J.Graczyk)
NFL: C.Bullis (for P.Burke) NO: Dave Carson*

Section Reps: Timm Slade*, Loren Ratajczak*, Don Scholla*

Sportchairs: Jim Walker*-Boys Basketball

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

1.0 Sports concerns:

- 1.1 Track: The Divisional Track proposal for 2012 was discussed. It was agreed that although it is a good concept, league championships may be negatively affected. The proposal is not recommended.
- 1.2 NYSPHSAA approved conducting Regional baseball on a Sunday with Section approval. The Section VI baseball committee requests permission to conduct the regional contests in Section VI on a Sunday in 2012. Rationale includes a) Educational: athletes do not miss school or play late on a school night b) Financial: increased attendance on a Sunday c) An extra rain date becomes available. The majority was in support.

Recommendation: Approve scheduling baseball regional contests on a Sunday in 2012.

2.0 Section Concerns

- 2.1 Venues:
 - a) Ralph Wilson (football): The Bills organization has verbally agreed for Section VI usage on a Thurs./Fri. at a reduced cost. T.Slade and K.Stoldt will meet with the CEO in the near future.
 - b) All High Stadium: Buffalo has signed a venue contract for usage of the stadium at a cost of \$450 for boys lacrosse and \$450 for girls lacrosse, reduced from the original estimates.
- 2.2 Section VI Cheerleading Championship/ Chairman was placed on hold until after the NYSPHSAA meeting May 6.

3.0 NYSPHSAA concerns:

- 3.1 Cheerleading as a sport will be voted on at the May NYSPHSAA Executive Committee meeting May 6. League votes on this issue, due April 29, will give direction to our reps.

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- 4.0 AC action items for the next Athletic Council meeting to date include:
- 4.1 **Senior All-Star** and **Outside Agency Contests**- League reps are asked to remind AD's that applications must be in by **Friday May 13** for approval at the next AC meeting!! Check the charts at the hot-links for current approvals.
- 4.2 **Combining Schools** requests for fall sports are due at the May meeting and must be in by **Friday May 13** for approval at the next AC meeting!! Check the chart at the hot-link for current approvals.
- 4.3 Action items for MAY include appointments for Winter Sportchair positions, Boys Sports Rep to the Central Committee and Section VI President-Elect. Click here for **Current Nominees**
- 5.0 Old Business
- 5.1 Section VI Championship facility at ECC: The final proposal for costs related to resurfacing the turf field and track and adding lights is almost complete. When the proposal is complete, **corporate sponsors will be sought**. Ciminelli, Benderson, Musco Lighting as well as construction companies that receive bids from Section VI member schools will be contacted.
- 5.2 Remuneration for Boys Ice Hockey Chairperson position: T.Slade has discussed the responsibilities of the position with M.DiFilippo and will be meeting with him in the near future. **Mr. Slade was advised to also meet with the Executive Board of the Hockey Federation to discuss a more appropriate remuneration.**
- 6.0 New Business
- 6.1 **2012 Pre-season fall sports reports:** G & B Volleyball, Girls Gymnastics, Girls Soccer
- Girls Volleyball is proposing that the use of lines people during the regular season be returned to match protocol. The waiver for use of linespeople was approved for 2010-11 only. **It will be verified at the May 6 state meeting if a waiver for linespeople must be section-wide. League reps were requested to be prepared to vote on a waiver for linespeople in 2011-12 at the May 18 Athletic Council meeting.**
- Recommendation:** Accept Girls and Boys Volleyball, Girls Gymnastics and Girls Soccer pre-season reports as submitted.
- 6.2 **2011 Post-Season Winter Reports** and **2012 Pre-Season Winter Reports** were reviewed
- Boys Basketball: Plans are to split Class C. It was noted that this will be beneficial for the Class C schools.
 - Wrestling: The National Federation has updated weight classes. There is no longer a 96# class. 106# will be the lowest weight class. NYS has not adopted the new classes to date. **T.Slade will report back on any new developments.**
- Recommendation:** Accept Winter 2011 post-season reports and Winter 2012 pre-season reports as submitted.
- 6.3 Fall Sports Handbooks: Sportchairs have been requested for updates.
- 6.3 All agreed to the following meeting dates for 2011-12: **Sept. 1, Oct. 27, Jan. 5, Mar. 1, Apr 26**
It was noted that although the BOCES are on split winter and spring breaks, some schools will maintain the 2-week break (e.g. Niagara Falls).

Proposed meeting dates for 2011-12 for approval at the May AC meeting

Athletic Council (Wed.): Sept.21, Nov.16, Jan.18, Mar.21, May 16

Exec. Comm. (Wed.): Above dates plus Oct.19, Dec.14, Feb. 15, Apr. 18, June 13

Sec/Intersect (Thurs. 9am):Sept. 1, Oct. 27, Jan. 5, Mar. 1, Apr. 26

Finance (Thurs 12pm): Sept. 1, Oct. 27, Jan. 5, Mar. 1, Apr. 26

Sportchair Pre-season Meetings (Wed. 3:00pm) Fall 6/22/11, Winter 9/28/11, Spring 1/25/12

Other dates:

- NYSPHSAA Meetings: 8/2-4/11, 10/23-24/11, Jan 2012 TBA, 5/4-5/12, 7/31-8/2/12
- The NYSAAA Conference is scheduled March 14-17, 2012
- Erie 1, Erie 2, Catt-Allegany and NO BOCES and Buffalo breaks for 2011-12 are:
Winter: Feb. 20-24 and Spring: April 6-13, 2012

DATES FOR 2011-12 teleconference meetings 9:00am-noon: (THURSDAYS):
Sept. 1, Oct. 27, Jan. 5, Mar. 1, Apr 26

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******* Not recommended by Sectional Intersectional Committee *******
Meeting on April 28, 2011

**Divisional Track & Field Championship
Meet Proposal – 2012**

- **Divisional Meets** – 5 divisions of approx. 17 teams in each division
 - Boys & Girls divisional meets run together – one day
 - Divisions not based on current 5 team sport classifications
- **Dates** – Wed. thru Sat. the week before the State Qualifier Meet
- **Entries** – 1 per event with a second entry by standard
- **Order of Events**
 - Same as NFHS – 400m relay after the 1600/1500m
 - No Steeplechase or Pentathlon
 - Timed finals – no semi's
- **Sites & Meet Directors - tentative**
 - Randolph – Division V – Paul Steward
 - Jamestown – Division IV – Mike LeBaron
 - Royalton-Hartland – Division III – Paul Ksionzyk
 - Pioneer – Division II – Mary Doud
 - Hamburg – Division I – Marty Madore
- **Awards**
 - Team Champions & 2nd place plaques
 - Patches – 1st thru 4th places
- **Officials** – minimal certified officials along with each team having responsibilities – timers, field event judges, hurdle crews etc.
- **State Qualifier Meet** – at Starpoint - 2012
 - Date – Fri. & Sat. before State Meet
 - No changes to format – 16 athletes per event
- **League Meets** – can be scheduled prior to the divisional meets
- **Costs Related to Divisional Meets – Loren can provide the first three**
 - Plaques – 10 - 1st place and 10 - 2nd place
 - Patches – 10 sets of 26 - 1st thru 4th place
 - Officials – as few as contract will allow - we might have to negotiate
 - Timing system – would try and get donations for each meet to cover costs – approx. \$500 - \$900 for each meet.

Paul Ksionzyk – Boy's Track & Field Chairman

Walt McLaughlin – Girl's Track & Field Chairman

ATHLETIC COUNCIL MEETING May 18, 2011 – Agenda item 6.4

Modified Committee Report

May 2011

Chairpersons: Adam Stoltman (Boys), Katie McGowan (Girls)

NYSPPHSAA Committee for Modified Athletics Spring 2011 Meeting Report

The spring meeting of the State Committee for Modified Athletics took place on April 8, 2011 in Latham, New York. A synopsis of the meeting is as follows:

Items that will go to the State Executive Committee for Approval

A. Volleyball Service Line

Motion

“With Sectional/league approval, the service line in modified boys’ and girls’ volleyball may be moved up into the court, at a distance not to exceed two meters from the regulation service line.”

B. Goal keepers in Extended Playing Time

Motion

“An editorial change shall be made to the modified Extended Playing Time Rule (Reference: NYSPHSAA handbook, page 131, beneath chart) as follows: ‘In boys’ and girls’ lacrosse and in girls’ field hockey, if a team has only one goal keeper, that goal keeper may play in all periods of 4 Quarter Extended Play or in all periods of 5 Period Play. Except for the goal keeper, the “time” allocated for the game will not be extended. All players except for the goal keeper will follow the 4 quarter or 5 period extended playing time format and are therefore only eligible to play 3 periods.”

Items that will go to the NYSPHSAA Safety Committee for Approval. If passed, they will be forwarded to the Executive Committee

A. Wrestling Weight Classes

Motion

“Editorial changes shall be made to Modified Wrestling Game Rule #1 (Program 1), sentence 3, as follows: (Reference: NYSPHSAA handbook, page 154) ‘Optional classes may be 74, 165 (instead of 158), and unlimited classes with contestants competing weighing within 10 pounds of each other. A minimum weight of 67 pounds will be required to compete in the optional 74 pound weight class.”

B. Softball Pitching Distance

Motion:

“With sectional/league approval, the modified softball pitching distance may be established at 40’ or 43’.

C. Soccer Helmet

Motion:

“The requirement of the goalie helmet in modified boys’ and girls’ modified soccer will be eliminated. Soccer Game Rule #4(c) (Reference, NYSPHSAA handbook page 148) will be edited to eliminate the foam helmet requirement.”

Action Item for Next Meeting Our section's vote is required now on this item:

Three Point Shot in Basketball

Motion:

"With sectional/league approval, the 3-point shot may be used in modified boys' and girls' basketball. Boys' Basketball Game Rule #5 and Girls' Basketball Game Rule #4 (Reference: NYSPHSAA handbook pages 141 and 142) will be eliminated."

Information Items

1. Data is still being collected for the pilot programs for the track and field boys' hurdle height, and the softball innings completion in 3 outs or 5 runs for innings 1-6, with a normal 7th inning. Surveys are available online on the NYSPHSAA website at <http://nysphsaa.org/surveys> . They are easy and quick to fill out, and require no mailings. But we need you to encourage every one of your modified coaches who is coaching these sports to fill them out annually! Please help us secure a good sectional return.
2. Any coach/athletic director/school representative can suggest a game modification to their modified sectional representative or share a good idea; we are open to making a recommendation to the State Committee for our section. Please remember that the State Committee will emphasize safety and educationally sound decisions; some variations may not fly for younger athletes.
3. The State modified tennis sport coordinator is Pat Levy from Section I. Pat is available to assist you in initiating or promoting your tennis program with the assistance of the USTA. Grants are available to obtain equipment, supplies and promotional items for your Physical Education students and your athletes. Contact Pat at 914-764-3031 (home), 914-588-0818 (cell) or at pat@slought.org for help. The best direct USTA contact, recommended by Pat, is Sandy Hoffman. You can contact her at 914-980-8216 or at hoffman@usta.com .
4. It is regrettable that many sections across the state are experiencing severe reductions in their modified program; some schools have eliminated modified athletic programs. We must continue to advocate and educate to maintain modified athletics. There are ways to cut costs while supporting modified athletics: scheduling up to three scrimmages in addition to the allowed number of games, scheduling up to 50% of your scheduled games as scrimmages following the NYSPHSAA guidelines, sharing transportation to away games by having multiple teams travel together (boys' and girls' teams, or modified with high school teams), the use of Extended Playing Time, and the use of doubleheaders and multi-school contests.
5. Beginning in 2011-2012, the NYSPHSAA recommends that all coaches/advisors of Cheerleading (sideline, spirit and competitive) complete the following coaching courses: First Aid for Coaches, CPR/AED and the AACCA Safety Course.

2011-2012 Modified Committee Meetings

The fall and spring meetings of the Committee will take place on:

Friday, October 14, 2011

9:30 AM

Friday, March 30, 2012

10:00 AM

The meeting will take place at the NYSPHSAA office in Latham, NY.

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NYSPHSAA EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

May 6-7, 2011

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

ACTION ITEMS

OLD BUSINESS -

- ◆ NCAA/ASA Rules or NFHS Rules **DENIED (5 YES/17 NO)** will stay the same no changes
- ◆ Cross Country – Mandate the wearing of Section t-shirts at the State Championship at no cost to School /sectional /or individual **APPROVED (14 YES / 8 NO)**
- ◆ Safety Committee – Mandatory safety meeting be required every other year **APPROVED 19-0**

STAFF REPORTS

- ◆ Go paperless for all NYSPHSAA meetings beginning with the fall of 2011 **APPROVED 22-0**
- ◆ Permission to notify the Commissioner of Education with our concerns so the Department of Education may take the appropriate action against the PSAL for their blatant disregard of the regulations **APPROVED 19-0**
- ◆ Permission to survey our member schools on a yearly basis **APPROVED 22-0**
- ◆ Championship Sites
 - 1) Girls Swimming & Diving will be held at Erie Community College, Buffalo (6) **APPROVED 22-0**
 - 2) Football East Semi-Final at Dietz Stadium, Kingston (9) and Football West Semi-Final at Marina Auto Stadium, Rochester (5) **APPROVED 22-0**
 - 3) Boys Volleyball Regionals at Canastota HS (3) on March 10, 2012 **APPROVED 22-0**
- ◆ Section participation in 2011-2012 NYSPHSAA Championships and Regionals **APPROVED 22-0**
- ◆ Glens Falls Civic Center (2) to host the Girls State Volleyball Regionals for 2012-2014 **APPROVED 22-0**
- ◆ Sport Coordinator Appointments - Girls Basketball - Peter Bly, effective September 1, 2011 through August 31, **APPROVED 22-0**

AD HOC COMMITTEE REPORTS

- ◆ Cheerleading Report – To recognize Competitive Cheer as a sport **APPROVED 14-8**
- ◆ Championship Philosophy Committee – To adopt the proposed Championship Philosophy **APPROVED 20-2**

SPORT COMMITTEES

- ◆ Ice Hockey – A maximum of two disqualification penalties per game **APPROVED 22-0**
- ◆ Boys/Girls Tennis – Commitment to Compete **APPROVED 22-0**
- ◆ Swimming – Use of new qualifying standards **APPROVED 22-0**

HANDBOOK COMMITTEE

- ◆ Foreign Exchange and International Students - School districts may apply to the Section for a

waiver if the student is living with a member of the school's coaching staff or athletic director and if the student has not played the sport competitively. **APPROVED 19-0**

- ◆ PENALTIES – Individual Sports “c” – “In the sports of wrestling, cross country, indoor track and outdoor track when an individual exceeds the maximum number of contests, only the individual would no longer be eligible for that season”. **APPROVED 19-0**

BUDGET

- ◆ 2011-2012 Budget **APPROVED 19-0**

MODIFIED COMMITTEE

- ◆ Volleyball Service Line - With Sectional/league approval, the service line in modified boys' and girls' volleyball may be moved up into the court, at a distance not to exceed two meters from the regulation service line. **APPROVED 19-0**
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- ◆ Soccer Helmet - The requirement of the goalie helmet in boys' and girls' modified soccer will be eliminated. Soccer Game Rule #4(c) (Reference, NYSPHSAA handbook page 148) will be edited to eliminate the foam helmet requirement. **APPROVED 17-2**

CHAMPIONSHIP ADVISORY COMMITTEE

- ◆ The 2010-2011 Officials Fees and Policies be extended for the 2011-2012 school year **APPROVED 22-0**
- ◆ Girls Soccer - That a standby official be used in the State Semi-finals and Finals for one year. **APPROVED 22-0**
- ◆ Girls Lacrosse - That a 4th official (table official) be used at the State Semi-finals and Finals for the spring of 2011 **DENIED (10 YES, 11 NO)**
- ◆ Field Hockey - Five (5) year Regional Rotation. The first game of the State Finals, which will now be played on a Sunday, begins at 10 a.m. **APPROVED 22-0**

SAFETY COMMITTEE

- ◆ Minimum Weight Certification Program - Starting with the 2011 – 2012 season, step two of the appeal process (hydrostatic testing) will be eliminated from the program. **APPROVED 18-1**
- ◆ Concussion Policy - Adopt the revised draft policy based on the recommendations made by the NYSSBA. **APPROVED 19-0**

LIFE OF AN ATHLETE

- ◆ Life of an Athlete – Recommend Thad Lawrence as Co-Chair **APPROVED 19-0**

Information for Athletic Council May 18, 2011 Agenda item #6.6(d)

NYSPHSAA STRATEGIC PLAN 2011 – 2016

	Initiative	Planning Strategy	Cost	Responsibility and Timeline
Legal & Legislative Initiative #1	Continue our “lobbying” and promotion of athletics as well as serving as a resource to our statewide legislators regarding athletic issues.	Collaborate with Director of Government Relations to schedule meetings with key legislators to address current issues and influence legislation when appropriate	Budgeted as Legislative Consultant	Director of Government Relations along with the Executive Director and when appropriate additional staff members
Legal & Legislative Initiative #2	Charge the Handbook Committee with developing a “Dignity for all Students Act” policy.	To work collaboratively with the NYSPHSAA legal counsel to develop a policy to protect transgendered students from discrimination.	No Budgetary Implications	Executive Director
	Continue legal support and educational information to school districts. Topics such as: school athletic policies, mergers of athletic programs, legal issues	Through the Athletic Administrators Workshops continue to educate athletic administrators on pertinent topics, issues and regulations.	No Budgetary Implications	NYSPHSAA Staff
		Host a Legal Seminar for Section Executive Directors, Section Legal Counsel and other interested parties.	No Budgetary Implications	NYSPHSAA Staff
Legal & Legislative Initiative #3	Maintain our current policy and protocols regarding safety, risk management, and insurance.	Continue to study and research the best practices in the areas of safety and risk minimization.	No Budgetary Implications	Assistant Director for Safety and Research
		Identify new concerns and issues in regards to safety and risk minimization that affect our member schools and student athletes.	No Budgetary Implications	Assistant Director for Safety and Research
Staffing Initiative #1	Explore the possibility of a technology coordinator (website and technical support - possibly an intern in this area).	Utilize the skills of a technology major to serve as an intern to maintain the “basic” of the NYSPHSAA website each semester of the year.	No Budgetary Implications	NYSPHSAA Staff
Staffing Initiative #2	Review current policy and procedures for hiring practices for administrative positions.	Appoint a subcommittee to make appropriate changes to the current procedures	No Budgetary Implications	Subcommittee and Executive/Central Committees

	Initiative	Planning Strategy	Cost	Responsibility and Timeline
Technology/Sports Information Initiative #1	Explore a more user friendly website (championships scores, schedules, up to date information).	Explore e-commerce opportunities in such areas as the on-line store and on-line ticket sales.	No Budgetary Implications	Director of Marketing
		Continue to improve the website to enhance its effectiveness as a communication tool for the NYSPHSAA.	Budgeted as Computer Services	NYSPHSAA Staff
		Develop a scrolling scoreboard on the NYSPHSAA Home page to display up to date championship results and other current information.	Budgeted as Computer Services	Director of Marketing
Technology/Sports Information Initiative #2	Create student surveys – membership surveys – Are we meeting our members’ needs?	Use survey services such as Google and Survey Monkey to survey targeted individuals in a cost effective manner.	Budgeted as Computer Services	NYSPHSAA Staff
Technology/Sports Information Initiative #3	Expanding technology services for information Webinars, video broadcasts, instructional resources, social networking sites, instructional clinics, recruiting, etc)	Collaborate with various committees, administrators, coaches, counselors, and student athletes to develop pertinent survey questions.	No Budgetary Implications	NYSPHSAA Staff
		Use data derived from the surveys to address the needs and enhance the opportunities for student athletes.	No Budgetary Implications	NYSPHSAA Staff
		Develop monthly audio/video presentations on Association updates, rule changes or current issues that can be accessed from the website.	Budget Expense \$5,000	NYSPHSAA Staff
		Continue to provide educational programs addressing current health and safety concerns.	Budgeted as Current Issues	NYSPHSAA Staff
		Create a Facebook account to promote and communicate Association initiatives.	No Budgetary Implications	NYSPHSAA Staff

	Initiative	Planning Strategy	Cost	Responsibility and Timeline
Technology/Sports Information Initiative #4	Promote statewide as well as support local initiatives for recruitment of officials (junior official concept).	Continue to work with the OCF to enhance their recruitment of officials program.	No Budgetary Implications	Assistant Director - Officials Liaison
		Guide the OCF and Modified Committees to develop and recommend a Junior Officials program for member schools	Budget Expense \$3,000	Assistant Director - Officials Liaison Assistant Director - Modified Liaison
		At the Officials Summit, host a session for the recruitment of officials in a variety of sports.	Budget Expense \$2,000	Assistant Director - Officials Liaison
y/Sports Information Initiative	Maintain the integrity of our high school programs as instructional programs vs. outside club sports (travel teams, AAU, etc.).	MAKE THIS THE FIRST STATEMENT IN THE STRATEGIC PLAN		
Marketing Initiative #1	Create a philosophy regarding the guidelines and protocols of sponsorship money while increasing revenue	Develop criteria for title and presenting sponsorship for state tournaments outlining potential benefit opportunities	No Budgetary Implications	Director of Marketing
		Investigate the high school sponsorship market to be sure NYSPHSAA pricing strategies are in line with other state associations and the overall market	No Budgetary Implications	Director of Marketing
		Continue evaluating sponsorship benefits while seeking to develop additional benefits	No Budgetary Implications	Director of Marketing
Marketing Initiative #2	Expand our championship broadcast coverage to the world using technology	Investigate the development of a radio network so all communities across NYS can broadcast championships via radio	No Budgetary Implications	Director of Marketing

	Initiative	Planning Strategy	Cost	Responsibility and Timeline
Championships Initiative #1	Standardize accounting procedures with auditing protocols and controls while maximizing revenue.	Require all NYSPHSAA championship financial support, expenditures and revenue be administered by the NYSPHSAA office.	No Budgetary Implications	Assistant Director – Championships NYSPHSAA Treasurer
		Maximize financial revenue at all championship sites through admission and parking fees.	No Budgetary Implications	Assistant Director – Championships
		Acknowledge tournament sponsors and financial contributors with a standard letter indicating their support of a 501c3.	Minimal Budgetary Implications	Assistant Director – Championships NYSPHSAA Treasurer
Championships Initiative #2	Support the possibility of potential new championship events such as cheerleading and other emerging sports.	Charge the sport committee to review (bi annually) championship formats to ensure the needs of our student athletes are being met.	No Budgetary Implications	NYSPHSAA Staff
		Monitor the growth of competitive cheerleading programs in order to appropriately plan for a state championship event.	No Budgetary Implications	NYSPHSAA Staff
		Seek potential sponsors and venues for a cheerleading championship	No Budgetary Implications	Director of Marketing
		Organize and plan for logistics to set forth a plan for cheerleading event	Budget Expense \$15,000	NYSPHSAA Staff
Championships Initiative #3	Study and report the findings and impact of common sites for State tournaments.	Collaborate with respective Sport Coordinators and their committees to investigate the financial advantages of common championship sites for similar sports	No Budgetary Implications	NYSPHSAA Staff
		Determine needs and requirements to host similar sports at a central site, i.e. Hotels, restaurants, venue.	No Budgetary Implications	NYSPHSAA Staff
		Compile an economic impact report for the event to present to potential bidders.	No Budgetary Implications	Director of Marketing
Championships Initiative #4	Reconvene the Sports Seasons Committee to evaluate sport season balance for both boys and girls sports.	Appoint an Ad Hoc Committee to review and make appropriate recommendations to balance the sport offerings for male and female student athletes.	No Budgetary Implications	2012 - 2013

	Initiative	Planning Strategy	Level	Responsibility and Timeline
Sportsmanship Initiative #1	Continue to endorse sportsmanship activities and provide recognition for exemplary model schools (Citizenship Through Athletics course, ejection-free program, etc.).	Develop an online program for the Citizenship Through Athletics Course.	Budget Expense \$5,000 - \$15,000	Assistant Director for Sportsmanship
		To collect and publicize the names of schools that were ejection free for the entire school year in Scholastic Athletics.	No Budgetary Implications	Assistant Director for Sportsmanship
Sportsmanship Initiative #2	Explore new programs to enhance the promotion of sportsmanship.	Offer a live webinar on Hazing Prevention and Recognition before each sport season.	Budget Expense \$3,000	Assistant Director for Sportsmanship
		Develop a brochure with the Sportsmanship Committee to be distributed to all member schools to assist in the promotion of positive sportsmanship in their schools.	Minimal Budgetary Implications	Assistant Director for Sportsmanship
NYSED & Legislative Initiative #1	As NYSPHSAA and NYSED separately have regulations for student-athletes, the NYSPHSAA will continue to support the current Commissioner's Regulations while limiting our Association's liability and will continue to be a resource.	Maintain open lines of communications with the NYSED liaison for the benefit of the interscholastic athletic program.	No Budgetary Implications	NYSPHSAA Staff
		Assist the new NYSED liaison in their transition to their new position by acting as a resource.	No Budgetary Implications	NYSPHSAA Staff
		Act in a proactive manner to divert potential appeals and litigation from the new Regents Regulation change from the NYSPHSAA to the NYSED.	No Budgetary Implications	NYSPHSAA Staff

ATHLETIC COUNCIL MEETING May 18 2011– Agenda Item 7.2

**Ad Hoc Committee: Charter Schools
MAY 2011 REPORT
Chairperson: Timm Slade**

**AD Hoc Committee - Placement of Charter Schools
Minutes May 9, 2011**

Attendance (* indicates present)

Committee: Chairman Timm Slade*

League Reps: CCAA: Rick DeKay* Buff: Aubrey Lloyd

ECIC: Keith Lewis*

NO: Bill Stedman*, Dave Carson*

NFL: Scott Townsend*

1.0 Charter School Reports:

The reports submitted by the charter schools were reviewed. All schools were commended for growing their programs.

RECOMMENDATION: Approve an independent schedule in 2011-12 for Buffalo Academy of Science, Global Concepts, Health Sciences, Oracle, Tapestry, and WNY Maritime Charter schools.

2.0 The Charter schools will be encouraged to:

- a) Attend various league meetings to establish relationships and acquire an understanding of league operations.
- b) Investigate the formation of a Charter School League.
- c) Secure League Bylaws and Constitutions for reference purposes

Next meeting **TBA** at Erie 1 BOCES, West Seneca



APRIL 2011 NYSPHSAA OFFICE REPORT

NYSPHSAA EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING - May 6-7, 2011

ACTION ITEMS

- Cross Country** - In the State Championship, athletes from each Section will wear their sectional colored t-shirts, providing there is no cost to the individual Section's budget.
- Safety Committee** - Recommends the safety meeting mandate be required every other year.
- Boys and Girls Tennis** - Commitment to Compete Form. "Failure to honor your commitment to complete the tournament for reasons other than injury or illness will result in forfeiture from the tournament and ineligibility from next season's NYSPHSAA State Tennis Tournament. This incident will also be reported to the student's school administration."
- Ice Hockey** - Recommends a waiver of NFHS rule to allow a maximum of 2 game disqualifications per contest for a coach or player.

AD HOC COMMITTEE REPORTS Championship Philosophy and Cheerleading Committees

IMPORTANT REMINDERS

Softball: Pitching distance is 43 ft for all high school (9th, JV and Varsity) programs for spring of 2011. Modified Pitching Distance may not exceed 40 feet. Metal cleats are prohibited.

SCRIMMAGES—Review SCRIMMAGE RULES with coaches prior to the start of the season.

Softball and Baseball scrimmages must include free substitutions and lineup cards will not be exchanged. Scrimmages must also include *one or more* of the following: 1. Play six (6) outs per half inning (example - 3 outs clear the field/ 3 more outs). 2. Batting order must be altered or modified to include more batters than rules permit. 3. Start with a runner(s) on base with a predetermined situation for at least two (2) full innings.

Lacrosse scrimmages must have modified time periods and include *one or more* of the following: 1. Alternate possessions. 2. Start the scrimmage with either a Draw (girls) or a Face-Off (boys) 3. Include the following game situations: Face-Off/Draws - Boys/Girls, Clears and Rides - Boys/Girls, Extra Man and Man-Down – Boys/Girls, Fast Breaks - Boys/Girls.

Golf - See page 115. **Track** - See page 116. **Tennis** - See page 118.

COMMUNITY SERVICE CHALLENGE AWARD - You Can Help Change The World. Application and program information is available online @ www.nysphsaa.org. Deadline for Section Award is May 1. Program deadline for NYSPHSAA Award - June 1.

Send Us Your Campus News - Please email altieri@nysphsaa.org. Deadline is Monday, May 2nd.

Sportsmanship - All member schools are encouraged to fill out the Sportsmanship Promotion Survey on-line at www.nysphsaa.org by April 15, 2011. All schools that fill out the survey will receive a certificate from the NYSPHSAA and will be eligible for the section plaque award and the state banner award sponsored by Pupil Benefits Inc.

Concussion Management - Schools are encouraged to develop a Board of Education approved concussion management policy. A draft policy and guidelines can be found on the NYSPHSAA website. Educate your coaching staff through a FREE on-line course at www.nfhslearn.org.

NFHS Licensing Program Information - Schools receiving royalty checks this winter also received individual school agreements to continue participation in the program. The LRG agreement is non-exclusive so schools who want to continue local agreements for their booster clubs, fundraising and with others may do so. There are other companies seeking agreements with schools for licensing programs. While the LRG/NFHS/NYSPHSAA program must stand on its own merits, schools should know that the NFHS/NYSPHSAA has no relationship with any company for licensing high school merchandise except for LRG. This includes companies desiring to be agents for schools or companies desiring to enter into exclusive licensing agreements. It is not recommended that schools sign 'exclusive' licensing agreements, limiting their options to participate in other programs. Questions, please contact the NFHS or LRG. NFHS Marketing: 317-972-6900, LRG: Dick Welsh 513-492-9278 or Tom Lagone:616-395-0676. Schools may also sign-up for the NFHS/LRG program and find more information at www.nfhslicensing.com.

2011 CALENDAR

April 4

Wrestling - 10:00 AM

April 7

Section 7 - 9:30 AM

April 8

Modified Committee - 9:30 AM

Wrestling Advisory - 9:00 AM

April 12

Section 9 - 9:30 AM

April 13

Safety Committee - 9:00AM

Section 2 - 10:00 AM

April 25

Skiing - 1:00 PM

April 26

Section 1 - 8:30 AM

Championship Advisory-9:30 AM

May 1

OCF - 9:00 AM

May 2

Boys Golf - 10:00 AM

May 5

Section 10 - 9:00 AM

May 6-7

Executive Committee

Liverpool

2011 CLINICS

April 2

Volleyball - Broome CC College

May 13

Cheerleading - Rochester

June 3

Soccer @ Utica

Field of Dreams

BASEBALL

COMPOSITE BATS

FOR A LIST OF APPROVED BATS

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MAY 2011 NYSPHSAA OFFICE REPORT

NYSPHSAA EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING - May 6-7, 2011

SOME ACTION ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION

Cross Country - In the State Championship, athletes from each Section will wear their sectional colored t-shirts, providing there is no cost to the individual Section's budget.

Safety Committee - Recommends the safety meeting mandate be required every other year.

Boys and Girls Tennis - Commitment to Compete Form. "Failure to honor your commitment to complete the tournament for reasons other than injury or illness will result in forfeiture from the tournament and ineligibility from next season's NYSPHSAA State Tennis Tournament. This incident will also be reported to the student's school administration."

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GATE LISTS - Schools that are participating in the semifinal and finals of the Baseball, Softball, Boy's Lacrosse, and Girl's Lacrosse Championships are reminded that the School Championship Gate List is to be sent to the NYSPHSAA office two days prior to the championship event. Athletic Administrators can obtain a copy of the Championship Gate List at www.nysphsaa.org, under championships.

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Sportsmanship Promotion Award - Sections are to submit their Sportsmanship Promotion Plaque winners to the NYSPHSAA office by May 10, 2011. Sections will need to identify one or two of those schools to be considered for the Sportsmanship Promotion Banner Award. Schools that are nominated for the Banner Award will need to submit supporting documentation by May 20th to the NYSPHSAA office.

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2011 SPRING CHAMPIONSHIP EVENTS

Boys Tennis - June 2-4 at US Tennis Center (NYC)

Boys Golf - June 4-6 at Cornell University (4)

Boys Lacrosse Semi Finals - June 8 at White Plains HS (1) and St John Fisher (5)

Girls Golf - June 10-12 at SUNY Delhi (4)

Track and Field - June 10-11 at Caledonia Mumford (5)

Girls Lacrosse - June 10-11 at SUNY Cortland (3)

Boys Lacrosse Finals - June 11 at Cicero North Syracuse (3)

Baseball - June 11 at Binghamton Area Fields (4)

Softball - June 11 at Adirondack Sports Complex (2)

NYSPHSAA State Tournament tickets for

Lacrosse, Baseball, Softball and Outdoor Track and Field can now be purchased online at www.nysphsaa.org or www.nysphsaa.ticketleap.com.

Please let your schools know of this convenience.

2011 CALENDAR

May 1

OCF - 9:00 AM

May 2

Boys Golf - 10:00 AM

May 5

Section 10 - 9:00 AM

May 6-7

Executive Committee

Liverpool

May 12

Strategic Planning Committee

May 13

Transfer Coordinators

May 17

Section XI

May 18

Sections V, VI, and IX

May 19

Bowling Committee

Section VIII

May 24

Classification of Schools

May 26

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