

Athletic Council Meeting September 21, 2011 – Agenda Item 6.1

FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

Chairperson: Steve Penhollow
September 2011

NO RECOMMENDATIONS at this time

**MINUTES
FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING
September 1, 2011**

Attendance (* indicates present)

Committee: Chairperson: Steve Penhollow*
Section reps: Timm Slade*, Loren Ratajczak*
League Reps: CCAA: Al Gens ECIC: Jim Graczyk* Buff: Aubrey Lloyd
NO: Joel Reed* NFL: John Forcucci*
Superintendents: ECIC: Jeff Rabey, Depew

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

1.0 Fund Balance (agenda item for each meeting):

1.1 At the end of June, the Fund Balance was approximately \$672,000.

- a) Reimbursement to districts for state competition 2010-11 using the formula approved at the May Athletic Council meeting was approximately \$24,600.
- b) The balance remaining after district reimbursement (approx \$61,000) was placed into the Dedicated Fund for state competition in individual sports for 2011-12.
- c) Anticipated mileage reimbursement from NYSPHSAA (approx.\$10,000) will be placed into the Dedicated Fund when received.

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| \$672,000 | Fund Balance (approx) |
| <u>- 412,600</u> | 2011-12 Reserve accounts funds for sports, office, retirement |
| \$259,400 | Benefits to Districts account |
| X 33% | |
| \$ 85,600 | Max allowed for reimbursement to districts |
| <u>- 24,600</u> | Actual reimbursement as per formula |
| \$ 61,000 | Dedicated Fund for State Competition |
| <u>+10,000</u> | NYSPHSAA mileage reimbursement |
| \$ 71,000 | Dedicated Fund for State Competition 2011-12 as of September 1 |

- d) The Dedicated Fund for State Competition will cover the following expenses:
 - Transportation, lodging and meals for Cross Country, B&G Swim, Indoor and Outdoor Track and Bowling.
 - Lodging and meals for G Gymnastics, B&G Golf
 - Lodging for wrestlingNOTE: In 2011-12, both B&G Swim State competition will be held in Section 6 at no cost to the Section.

1.2 Spring Financial Reports 2011 are posted on the [Sept 21 AC page](#) Baseball, softball and lacrosse will change slightly. There was no discussion.

1.3 A draft of the Section Budget for 2012-13 will be prepared for discussion at the October meeting.

1.4 Philosophical issues: It was noted that annual sports budgets are difficult to prepare due to the many variables involved.

2.0 Sectional championship venues:

2.1 Football at Ralph Wilson: The Football Chairs and T.Slade will meet Sept. 13 with CEO Russ Brandon to discuss potential reduction in cost (approx. \$44,000). Rent for the stadium (\$18,000) is charged in addition to many fees. Committee members will be notified of the results of this meeting.

- 2.2 Wrestling: A meeting will be held with the sportchairs to discuss potential cost savings by hosting the state qualifiers at one venue on one day; or one venue such as Lake Shore on two days.
- 3.0 Old Business
- 3.1 Bid results for 2011-12: The bids selected by Section 6 for wards and bus service must be approved by BOCES at the BOE meeting on Sept. 14 before the companies can be notified. The company selected for patches will save the Section \$.21 per patch from 2010; \$.71 from 2009. Injury Management was an RFP. Altheticare's quote was \$10,000 lower then UB Sports Medicine. An agreement was included that competing schools will be contacted to determine if school trainers will be present to avoid double coverage and save costs.
- 3.2 Centralized Management of Officials:
- Collection of assigner fees from officials organizations (\$25/year) was completed this summer for 2010-11. Invoices for 11-12 will be sent out in the near future. Monsignor Martin will be invoiced a \$2,000 usage fee for 2011-12.
 - Boys and girls lacrosse officials were paid for finals by Section VI using Arbitersports/RefPay: The system worked well. Total cost in transactions fees was \$23.01 for 26 payments.
 - Arbiter fees for non-Section VI usage by assigners (Boys lacrosse club, Catt Co Section 5 teams): It was agreed that assigners using the Section VI arbiter account will be charged \$1 for each non-Section 6 assignment made in our account.
 - Arbiter Games: It was noted that ArbiterSports is developing a scheduling module similar to LeagueMinder and Schedule Star that will be available in May 2012. This could be a time and cost saving venture for Section member schools that will be investigated.
- 3.3 Section VI Championship Facility: The search for sponsors is ongoing. Sahlen's and Coca Cola have been contacted.
- 3.4 Corporate Sponsorship under development include:
- Spalding: \$7,000/year to Section 6 plus basketballs for boys and girls sectionals
 - Soccer: \$3,500/year plus soccer balls for sectionals. The balls to be used are being tested by our sportchairs.
 - Time Warner Cable: \$7,500/year with sole rights to the Football Game of the week. Details are being worked out.
 - Laux, Toth Sports and Trophy's Trophy's have each agreed to donate \$350 to Section VI as a sponsorship for one Athletic Council luncheon. Each company would attend an AC meeting for a brief presentation. These funds will be placed into the Dedicated Fund for State Competition.
- 3.5 Remuneration for the Boys Ice Hockey Sportchair position: T.Slade will attend the Ice Hockey Federation Executive Committee meeting end of September for a recommendation on this issue.
- 3.6 Costs for computer scorers at sectional events differ widely depending on the date and the sport (wrestling, swimming and track). T.Slade will discuss the issue with the sportchairs and investigate the suggestion that computer scoring service be put out to bid.
- 3.7 Bowling Sportchairs will be informed that additional coaches will not be allowed to travel with the Section to attend state competition.
- 4.0 New Business
- 4.1 Anticipated future purchases/expenses: One lap-top computer for the Section office at a cost of approximately \$1,000.
- 4.2 Recommendations for September Athletic Council meeting: None at this time

FUTURE FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING DATES:

Thursdays 12:00 pm: Oct. 27 (at the Section office)

Jan. 5, Apr. 26 via teleconference

Athletic Council Meeting September 21, 2011 - Agenda Item 6.2

**SECTIONAL/ INTERSECTIONAL COMMITTEE
September 2011 REPORT
Chairperson: Timm Slade**

Action Items for the Athletic Council

- 1.1 Bowling: Approve the use of the new qualifying format for bowling sectionals.
- 1.4 Approve the use Ralph Wilson Stadium for the Class DD Championship game if there is no cost to the Section on a one-year trial basis.
- 1.5 Approve Michelle Ziegler as Section VI Sportchair for Cheerleading and plan a Section VI Championship in the winter season.
- 2.1 Approve the Boys Ice Hockey Federation Bylaws.
- 2.2 Approve the Sports Seasons Calendar for 2012-2013.

MINUTES SECTIONAL/INTERSECTIONAL COMMITTEE

September 8

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

Attendance (* indicates present)

Sect insect: Buff: Aubrey Lloyd CCAA: Ben Drake* ECIC: Jim Graczyk*
NFL: P.Burke* NO: Dave Carson*

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

Sportchairs: Rick Schmitt*-Girls Lacrosse, Ken Stoldt*-Football,
Dan Kaplan and John Seeley- Bowling

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Items highlighted BLUE are hot-links to reports

1.0 Sports concerns:

- 1.1 Bowling: Dan Kaplan & John Seeley explained that the proposed [Qualifying format for sectionals](#) will reward the athletes that excel in their league and add competitiveness for the sectional title.

Recommendation: Approve the use of the new qualifying format for bowling sectionals.

- 1.2 Wrestling: Reps were asked to inform Athletic Directors of the following updates approved at the Central Committee meeting August:

- New NFHS Weight Classes with the addition of the 99lb. weight class: 99, 106, 113, 120, 126, 132, 138, 145, 152, 160, 170, 182, 195, 220, 285.
- Selectively Classified athletes must weigh in excess of: 91 lbs for the 99lb weight class, 96lbs. for the 106 lb. weight class, 185 lbs. for the 220lb. weight class and 210 lbs. for the 285 lb. weight class. Students in grades 9-12 do not have to make minimum weight.
- The amended Wrestling Communicable Skin Disease Form must be used. It includes the statement "... an appropriate health care provider is defined as a licensed physician, physician assistant, or nurse practitioner".

- 1.3 Girls Lacrosse Alignment - Rick Schmitt: The alignment for 2012 will be a league alignment with 2 leagues (NFL and ECIC) to provide more competitive schedules. The assigner, L.Moore, will continue to assign all games as in the past. The committee is currently investigating the method of qualifying for sectionals and will report back.

- 1.4 Football - Ken Stoldt: The Class DD championship can be held at Ralph Wilson stadium at 3pm Thursday Nov. 3. T.Slade will verify that there will be no additional charge for this game at a meeting Sept. 13 with Bills CEO R.Brandon. The football committee recommends the contest be held at the Ralph to revive the football programs in this smaller division. It may serve as a recruiting incentive for these teams to help develop their programs. **Motion to recommend use of Ralph Wilson if there is no additional cost to the Section on a one-year trial basis for the Class DD Championship CARRIED Drake/Graczyk**

Recommendation: Approve the use Ralph Wilson Stadium for the Class DD Championship game if there is no cost to the Section on a one-year trial basis.

- 1.5 Cheerleading: NYSPHSAA has approved cheerleading as a sport. Michelle Ziegler, the Chairperson of the AD Hoc Committee on cheerleading has volunteered to take on the duties of a cheerleading chairperson and plan a Section VI Championship.

Recommendation: Approve Michelle Ziegler as Section VI Sportchair for Cheerleading and plan a Section VI Championship in the winter season.

- 1.6 Swimming: Qualifying Standards for State Championships were updated at the August meeting. The new standards are in the Girls swim handbook on the website and will be in the boys this winter.

2.0 Section Concerns

- 2.1 The [Boys Ice Hockey Federation bylaws](#): There were no concerns with the document.

Recommendation: Approve the Boys Ice Hockey Federation Bylaws.

- 2.2 [Sports Seasons Calendar 2012-13](#): The calendar was discussed. One concern was the same start day for boys and girls soccer as football. It was noted that the Athletic Council approved this concept.

Recommendation: Approve the Sports Seasons Calendar for 2012-2013.

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Section concerns continued

- 2.3 Open Sportchairs positions – Baseball, Girls Basketball and Cheerleading: Leagues are encouraged to forward nominations to the Section VI office prior to Friday September 16. Current nominations:
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| Baseball | Jim Conley | Nominated by the Baseball Committee |
| Girls Basketball | Chris Durr, Will East | Nominated by the Girls Basketball Committee |
| Cheerleading | Michele Ziegler, Lancaster | Nominated by Sect/Intersec Committee |
- 2.4 Venues:
- Ralph Wilson (football): The Football Chairs and T.Slade will meet Sept. 13 with CEO Russ Brandon to discuss potential reduction in cost (approx. \$44,000). Rent for the stadium (\$18,000) is charged in addition to many fees. **Committee members will be notified of the Results of this meeting.**
 - Fall: Venue contracts are being obtained as per the **Fall Post-Season Calendar**
 - Winter venues: The initial **Winter post season calendar** is posted. Dates for Ice Hockey and, Girls Basketball are TBA. Sites for wrestling are a concern. **A meeting will be held with the sportchairs to discuss potential cost savings** by hosting the state qualifiers at one venue on one day; or one venue such as Lake Shore on two days.
- 3.0 NYSPPHSAA concerns:
- 3.1 NYSPPHSAA has requested that each Section discuss the following change to the Transfer Rule – *b. “A student who transfers without a corresponding change in residence of his/her parents (or other persons with whom the student has resided for at least six months) is ineligible to participate in any interscholastic athletic contest in a particular sport for a period of one (1) year if as a 9-12 grade student participated in that sport, or as a student in grade 7-8 participated in that sport at the high school level through the Selection Classification process during the one (1) year period immediately preceding his/her transfer.”*
- It was noted that this is more of a concern in sections that have Catholic schools as members. Reps are asked to discuss this at their league meetings and be prepared to vote at the Sept. AC meeting to give our Central committee reps direction.
- 4.0 AC action items for the September meeting to date include:
- 4.1 Schools are requested to review the charts on the website for the status on → **Senior All-Star, Outside Agency Contests** and **Combining Schools** requests. Applications must be in by **Friday September 16** for approval at the Sept. meeting!! Combining Schools for winter sports must be approved at the Sept. meeting.
- 4.2 The tentative AC agenda was emailed Friday September 9. Please review at league meetings for other action items.
- 4.3 Post-season Spring Sports Reports: Posted on→ **Athletic Council Page 9/21/11** The lacrosse financial reports will be updated as one invoice remains outstanding. Baseball and softball have noted that sites for 2012 sectionals and regionals will be determined when the teams participating are known (North vs South)
- 5.0 Old Business:
- 5.1 Section VI Championship facility at ECC: The search for sponsors is ongoing. Sahlen's and Coca Cola have been contacted.
- 5.2 Remuneration for Boys Ice Hockey Chairperson position: T. Slade will attend the next meeting of the Executive Board of the Hockey Federation to discuss a more appropriate remuneration. Meeting date is TBA
- 6.0 New Business
- 6.1 Winter Sport Handbooks: Sportchairs have been asked for updates. Boys Basketball updates will be sent Sept. 13. Boys swim committee meets Sept.12 and will submit updates afterwards.
- 6.2 Recognition Dinner: T.Slade reported that the Coaches Sportsmanship Awards presentation was very meaningful. Leagues were commended for nominations that were well-thought out.

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| DATES FOR 2011-12 teleconference meetings 9:00am- noon: (THURSDAYS): Oct. 27, Jan. 5, Mar. 1, Apr. 26 |
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Sectional Intersectional Meeting Sept. 1- Agenda item 1.1

BOWLING

REQUEST FOR CHANGE IN PROCEDURE

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. * Buffalo – 8, CCAA – 6, ECIC – 8, NFL – 4
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.

Note:

Last season we created two pools of the top bowlers and once a bowler was selected from the first pool a bowler from the second pool in the same league was moved into the first pool. This proved to be cumbersome so the committee decided to establish a single pool and simply doubled the number who could qualify from each league.

PROPOSED SECTION VI SPORTS SEASON CALENDAR 2012-2013

Pending Approval by the Athletic Council

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

| SPORT | First Possible Practice | PRACTICES NEEDED | | | | First Possible Scrimmage | First Possible Contest | State Contest | SEASON ENDS |
|--|-------------------------|----------------------|------|------------------|------|--------------------------|------------------------|---------------|-------------|
| | | Prior to Scrimmage | | Prior to Contest | | | | | |
| | | Team | Ind. | Team | Ind. | | | | |
| FALL SEASON Labor Day is counted as a day of practice. | | | | | | | | | |
| Football | 8/13 | 11 | 11 | 15 | 15 | 8/25 | 8/20 | 11/23-25 | 11/25 |
| B&G Cross Country | 8/20 | 10 | 8 | 10 | 10 | 8/31 | 8/31 | 11/10 | 11/25 |
| Field Hockey | 8/20 | 8 | 6 | 10 | 8 | 8/29 | 8/31 | 11/17-18 | 11/25 |
| Boys Golf (fall) | 8/20 | Training Recommended | | | | - | - | 6/1-3 | 11/25 |
| Girls Golf (fall) | 8/20 | Training Recommended | | | | - | - | 6/7-9 | 11/25 |
| B Gymnastics | 8/20 | 10 | 8 | 15 | 13 | 8/31 | 9/6 | 11/10 | 11/25 |
| G Gymnastics | 8/20 | 10 | 8 | 15 | 13 | 8/31 | 9/6 | 2/23 | 11/25 |
| B Soccer | 8/13 | 8 | 6 | 10 | 8 | 8/22 | 8/24 | 11/17-18 | 11/25 |
| G Soccer | 8/13 | 8 | 6 | 10 | 8 | 8/22 | 8/24 | 11/17-18 | 11/25 |
| G Swimming | 8/20 | 12 | 10 | 12 | 10 | 9/3 | 9/3 | 11/16-17 | 11/25 |
| G Tennis | 8/20 | 6 | 4 | 8 | 6 | 8/27 | 8/29 | 11/3-5 | 11/25 |
| B Volleyball | 8/20 | 6 | 4 | 8 | 6 | 8/27 | 8/29 | 11/17 | 11/25 |
| G Volleyball | 8/20 | 6 | 4 | 8 | 6 | 8/27 | 8/29 | 11/17-18 | 11/25 |
| WINTER SEASON Veterans Day and Thanksgiving Day are counted as a day of practice. | | | | | | | | | |
| B Basketball | 11/5 | 8 | 6 | 10 | 8 | 11/14 | 11/16 | 3/15-17 | 3/26 |
| G Basketball | 11/5 | 8 | 6 | 10 | 8 | 11/14 | 11/16 | 3/15-17 | 3/26 |
| B&G Bowling | 11/5 | Training Recommended | | | | - | - | 3/2-3 | 3/26 |
| B&G Ice Hockey | 10/29 | 8 | 6 | 10 | 8 | 11/7 | 11/9 | 3/9-10 | 3/26 |
| B&G Rifle | 11/5 | 3 | 2 | 5 | 3 | 11/8 | 11/10 | NA | 3/26 |
| B Swimming | 11/5 | 12 | 10 | 12 | 10 | 11/19 | 11/19 | 3/1-2 | 3/26 |
| B&G Winter Track | 11/5 | 10 | 8 | 10 | 10 | 11/16 | 11/16 | 3/2 | 3/26 |
| Wrestling | 11/5 | 10 | 8 | 15 | 13 | 11/16 | 11/22 | 2/22-23 | 3/26 |
| WINTER/SPRING SEASON (CCAA League only) | | | | | | | | | |
| Boys Volleyball | 2/18 | 6 | 4 | 8 | 6 | 2/25 | 2/27 | NA | 3/16 |
| SPRING SEASON | | | | | | | | | |
| Baseball | 3/4 | 8 | 6 | 10 | 8 | 3/13 | 3/15 | 6/8 | 6/15 |
| Baseball Battery | 3/4 | 10 | 8 | 15 | 13 | | | | 6/15 |
| B Golf (spring) | 3/4 | Training Recommended | | | | - | - | 6/1-3 | 6/15 |
| G Golf (spring) | 3/4 | Training Recommended | | | | - | - | 6/7-9 | 6/15 |
| B Lacrosse | 3/4 | 8 | 6 | 10 | 8 | 3/13 | 3/15 | 6/7-8 | 6/15 |
| G Lacrosse | 3/4 | 8 | 6 | 10 | 8 | 3/13 | 3/15 | 6/7-8 | 6/15 |
| Softball | 3/4 | 6 | 4 | 8 | 6 | 3/11 | 3/13 | 6/8 | 6/15 |
| B Tennis | 3/4 | 6 | 4 | 8 | 6 | 3/11 | 3/13 | 5/30-6/1 | 6/15 |
| B&G Track | 3/4 | 10 | 8 | 10 | 10 | 3/15 | 3/15 | 6/7-8 | 6/15 |

DEVIATIONS

Girls Swimming (winter): NO League, Buffalo

Girls Tennis (spring) Buffalo

Girls Mod. Basketball (fall): CCAA (Early Bird League)

Boys Golf (fall): ECIC, NFL, NO

Boys Volleyball (spring): CCAA

EXAM DATES

PSAT: Oct. 12 (Wednesday), Oct. 15 (Saturday)

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| Football | 8/23 | 13 | 17 | 9/7 | 9/12 | NA | 11/24 |
| Soccer | 8/30 | 9 | 11 | 9/10 | 9/12 | NA | 11/24 |
| Mod Soccer Variance* | 8/13 | 9 | 11 | 8/23 | 8/25 | NA | 11/25 |
| Volleyball | 8/30 | 8 | 10 | 9/8 | 9/11 | NA | 11/24 |
| * CCAA – Mod B/G Soccer Program 7-8-9 follows the Varsity schedule | | | | | | | |
| WINTER MODIFIED SPORTS Veterans Day & Thanksgiving Day are counted as days of practice. | | | | | | | |
| Basketball | 11/1 | 9 | 11 | 11/12 | 11/14 | NA | 3/26 |
| Swimming | 11/1 | 12 | 15 | 11/15 | 11/19 | NA | 3/26 |
| Wrestling | 11/1 | 13 | 15 | 11/16 | 11/19 | NA | 3/26 |
| SPRING MODIFIED SPORTS | | | | | | | |
| Softball | 3/18 | 8 | 10 | 3/27 | 3/29 | NA | 6/15 |
| Baseball | 3/18 | 8 | 10 | 3/27 | 3/29 | NA | 6/15 |
| pitcher | 3/18 | 10 | 15 | 3/29 | 4/5 | NA | 6/15 |
| Track | 3/18 | 10 | 15 | 3/29 | 4/5 | NA | 6/15 |
| Lacrosse-Boys | 3/18 | 10 | 15 | 3/29 | 4/5 | NA | 6/15 |
| Lacrosse-Girls | 3/18 | 10 | 13 | 3/29 | 4/3 | NA | 6/15 |

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ATHLETIC COUNCIL MEETING September 21, 2011 – Agenda item 6.6

NYSPHSAA EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

August 2-4, 2011

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

- ◆ **NYSPHSAA State Championship Pass Policy** – To approve the establishment of a policy for the issuance of two year and Lifetime passes. **APPROVED 44-0**
- ◆ **SECTION SPORTS SEASONS** - To approve the statewide report of Section Sports Seasons for the 2011 - 2012 school year. **APPROVED 44-0**
- ◆ **SITES and DATES** - To approve the following NYSPHSAA championship site changes: Girls Gymnastics at Shaker High School (2) on Saturday, March 3, 2012, Boys and Girls Bowling at Valley Bowling Center in Waverly (4), West Semi Final Football at East Syracuse Minoa (3,) and Boys and Girls Skiing at Whiteface and Mt. Van Hoevenberg (7) February 27-28, 2012. **APPROVED 44-0**
- ◆ **BOYS SWIMMING ASSISTANT COORDINATOR** – To approve Scott Warner (Section 9) as the Assistant Boys Swimming Coordinator effective September 1, 2011 through August 31, 2013. **APPROVED 44-0**
- ◆ **CROSS COUNTRY CLASSIFICATION VARIATION** - To approve a variation in the classification numbers for Cross Country: Class A 911 and up, Class B 470-910, Class C 260-469 and Class D 259 and below. **APPROVED 28-16**
- ◆ **CHAMPIONSHIP GATE LIST** - To approve the Gate List procedures for NYSPHSAA Championships to be reduced to six (6) school representatives from eight (8) representatives. **DENIED** To keep the Gate List to eight (8) school representatives. **APPROVED 44-0**
- ◆ **STRATEGIC PLAN** - To approve THE 2011-2016 Strategic Plan. **APPROVED 44-0**
- ◆ **SWIMMING and DIVING** - To approve the Swimming and Diving Protocol to Qualify for the NYSPHSAA State Championship . **APPROVED 44-0**
- ◆ **SWIMMING and DIVING** - To approve the Boys and Girls Swimming and Diving Qualifying Times for the 2011-2012 State Championship. **APPROVED 44-0**
- ◆ **WRESTLING** – To approve the additional language when a wrestler comes out for the team after the team’s certification day. “A wrestler cannot begin practice until the waiver is approved. The approval date of the waiver starts the 14-day clock for certification”. **APPROVED 44-0**
- ◆ **WRESTLING** – To approve the new NFHS Weight Classes with the addition of the 99lb. weight class. 99, 106, 113, 120, 126, 132, 138, 145, 152, 160, 170, 182, 195, 220, 285. **APPROVED 44-0**
- ◆ **WRESTLING** – To approve Selectively Classified athletes must weigh in excess of: 91 lbs for the 99lb weight class, 96lbs. for the 106 lb. weight class, 185lbs. for the 220lb. weight class and 210lbs. for the 285 lb. weight class. Students in grades 9-12 do not have to make minimum weight. **APPROVED 44-0**
- ◆ **BOYS VOLLEYBALL** - To approve the addition of the following language to NCAA Rule 2.1.2 Net Height: For boys competition, the height of the net from the center of the court is 7 '11 5/8". **APPROVED 44-0**

◆ **TRANSFER RULE** - To approve Transfer Rule – b. “A student who transfers without a corresponding change in residence of his/her parents (or other persons with whom the student has resided for at least six months) is ineligible to participate in any interscholastic athletic contest in a particular sport for a period of one (1) year if as a 9-12 grade student participated in that sport, **or as a student in grade 7-8 participated in that sport at the high school level through the Selection Classification process** during the one (1) year period immediately preceding his/her transfer.” **SENT BACK TO SECTIONS FOR MORE DISCUSSION.**

◆ **APPEAL PROCEDURE** - To approve letter b. Appeals from the decisions of league presidents and section presidents **shall** be made to the Athletic Council **or its designated appeal panel** which will review the evidence, may hear arguments, and shall have the power to affirm, reverse, or modify the decisions of the league or section president. **APPROVED 44-0**

◆ **MINIMUM WEIGHT CERTIFICATION PROGRAM** - To approve “requiring a third measurement to all skin fold sites and to input the data using Optimal Performance Calculator on the NWCA website. **APPROVED 44-0**

◆ **WRESTLING COMMUNICABLE SKIN DISEASE FORM** - To approve the use of the amended Wrestling Communicable Skin Disease Form to include “For NYSPHSAA member schools an appropriate health care provider is defined as a licensed physician, physician assistant, or nurse practitioner”. **APPROVED 44-0**

◆ **EARLY START DATES** - To approve Section V early start dates for Football August 29, 2011, Wayne County Winter I Boys basketball October 24, 2011 and Livingston County Winter I Girls Basketball and Wrestling October 24, 2011 . **APPROVED 44-0**

◆ **FRIEND AND NEIGHBORS** - To approve Rye Country Day School (Section 1), St. Mary’s School (Section 5) and Catholic Academy of the Holy Family (Section 6). **APPROVED 44-0**

◆ **NEW MEMBERS** - To approve Blessed Virgin Mary Mother of God Academy (Section 3), Eugenio Maria de Hostos Charter School (Section 5), University Preparatory Charter School for Young Men (Section 5), Rochester Academy Charter School (Section 5) and Genesee Country Christian School (Section 5). **APPROVED 44-0**

◆ **NYSPHSAA DUES** – To freeze the dues for the next two years (2012-2013 & 2013-2014) to the same school districts are playing for the 2011-2012 school year. **APPROVED 44-0**

MANDATORY ATHLETIC DIRECTOR WORKSHOP

- Section 6 / Erie 1 BOCES on August 29th

CLASSIFICATION –BEDS NUMBERS

- Central committee will have a conference call in December to approve BEDS numbers for the 2012-2013 school year.

UNIFORM WAIVER

- Individual schools do not need Section approval for a uniform waiver. Each individual school may contact Nina Van Erk at the State office to get a waiver if needed. Waivers are only needed for Varsity sport programs.

FUTURE MEETING DATES

- **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**
October 23-24, 2011 – Holiday Inn – Turf – Albany
Sunday -2:30 to 5:00pm Monday 9:00am to conclusion
January 24, 2012 – Conference Call 9:00am
May 4-5, 2012 – Holiday Inn, Lake George
- **CENTRAL COMMITTEE**
July 31 – August 2, 2012 – Fort William Henry Resort, Lake George (2)
July 29-31, 2013 – Woodcliff Resort and Spa, Fairport (5)

FINANCE

- Dues for 2011-12 will be \$810.00 per district plus 86 cents per student over 300 students and is based on fall 2010 BEDS numbers. Invoices were sent out June 1.

NYSED PHYSICAL EDUCATION & ATHLETICS UPDATE

- **Revision of Selection & Classification-** The guidance document is in revision and will be getting a major overhaul. Some of the items currently under consideration for revision:
 - 1) SED waivers – notice of all successful athletes to league/section/AND SED
 - 2) Athletic Performance Tests (may become Presidential Fitness Test)
 - 3) Separate “packets” and “checklists” for the Director of PE/Athletics and School Medical Officers to ensure the steps to be taken are completed
 - 4) Elimination/consolidation of some forms
 - 5) Renaming the process (**Advanced Athletic Placement**)
- Guidance document for Eligibility Extension for Students with Disabilities will be out soon.
- Guidance document for elementary physical education will be out soon.

Athletic Council September 21, 2011 Agenda Item 8.1
Cross Country NYSPHSAA Committee Meeting Minutes
At Vernon Verona Sherrill High School
August 12, 2011 10 AM

1. Election of a Vice Chairman and Secretary
Mike Janisch and Dale Ladd were re-elected to Vice Chairman and Secretary respectively.
2. Updating mailing list **Bring FAX number and Email addresses**
3. Update on rotation, and competition shirt confirmation
Rotation sites were reviewed. Section 8 is to notify us in the spring as to their ability to host in 2013. If they cannot host, we will go to Sect. 2; in Queensbury. Likewise due to site availability there may be a switch between Sections 10 and 9 in 2015 and 2016. All these possible change will not change the concept of rotation.
Shirt sponsorship looks to be highly possible. There was a discussion about t-shirts vs. singlets. It will probably come down to what the sponsor is willing to pay.
4. Welcome by NYSPHSAA
 - Assistant Director Todd Nelson was questioned heavily about the loss of a class of athletes. He reassured the group it was a decision about philosophy amongst the Philosophy Committee and not about money.
 - Todd also explained the process of determining the new cutoff numbers. He followed a process that has been followed in other sports. He wanted to make sure there was no automatics going to the states and likewise there was as much equitable competition as possible in the B,C and D classes. It was clearly pointed out by the committee that if we stayed with five classes; it would have been more fair and equitable.
 - There was a brief discussion of running separate championships; if money was an issue in any discussions.
5. Track & Field and Cross Country Officials --- Mary Onken and Bob Headwell
 - Mary Onken introduced Bob Headwell, the incoming president.
 - Jewelry rule is now and individual penalty with a warning first, directly to the athlete. A DQ only if the athlete does not comply.
 - Colored stitching is not counted as a color if it is part of the construction of the uniform.
 - Course measurement is now the shortest route the runner can take.
 - Chips in the bib and or in shoes is now legal.
6. Modified Cross Country Update – Pat Patterson Nothing new to report
7. Review of 2010 meet at Lakeside Park
Overall the meet was successful. There was a major problem with the busses moving spectators. Chip timing was a MAJOR success all around.
8. Update on 2011 meet at VVS
 - a. Review upcoming meets time schedule
 - The proposed Time schedule was adopted. Opening ceremony at 9AM First race at 9:15 with a half hour between each race.
 - Host race directors Todd Bauer and Jason Merrill introduced their staffs, that are providing services.
 - There will be an athlete's dinner on Friday night for those who want to take part; at Vernon Downs hotel. The coordinator dinner will also be at the hotel.
 - Box lunch forms were given out.
 - No restrictions for spectators on the course.
 - Schools vehicles only will be parking on the school grounds. Spectator parking will be at Vernon Downs. There will be a \$10 parking fee. Busses will be numerous with designated pick up and drop-off sites.
 - Thursday night shirt pick up will be at the hotel also.
 - Coordinators meeting will be at 9AM on Friday. The Dinner will be at 7PM at the hotel.
 - Lanes were drawn by Todd. Sections have the same lane for all races.
Lane 1(5), lane 2 (1), lane 3 (11), lane 4 (8), lane 5 (6), lane 6 (9), lane 7(4), lane 8 (7), lane 9 (2), lane 10 (3), lane 11 (10)

b. Vendor sales / bid requirements: Contact Joe Altieri if anyone wants to be a vendor.

9. Review/Update 2011 Federation Meet
 - a. Federations procedures--**forms due Friday before State Meet**
Procedures are basically the same. The Holiday Inn in Fishkill is now a Ramada. Bob Beer gave everyone a flash drive to send in entries.
 - b. **Pre seed teams on Friday after meeting in VVS**
9. Review and update 2012 meet in Section VI at Elma Meadows
Plans are progressing well. The course will be Elma Meadows. Parking and awards will be Iroquois High School. A hotel list was handed out. The headquarters hotel is yet to be determined. There will be NO practices or Invitational. A video is being worked on. As in the past there could be a FROST delay of one hour. So plan transportation accordingly.
11. Importance of Codes of Conduct and their collection. Review procedures
Codes of Conduct are to be printed by each section. Codes need to be collected by each coordinator or their designee prior to the competition. After the competition, they are to be retained for one year.
12. Picture submission guidelines: Guidelines were distributed. It will be the same procedure as the past.
13. History updates/Cross Country coaching records. Bring updated records from your section.
These are included in the program. Please make sure they are submitted.
14. Meeting minutes to all schools
15. Web Site: Sanctioned events. NYSPHSAA.org. Sanctioning
Hotel/ Motel report NYSPHSAA.ORG Forms
A list of website addresses was distributed showing how to access all the necessary information about our meet and Cross Country. Make sure your team is part of a sanctioned event.
16. Weather cancellation: Lighting and thunder rules were reviewed. The referee is the primary one to call an event. Meet management is responsible if no official is present or not aware.
17. Heat and Chill index procedure: The procedures to be followed were distributed. Our season has such variable weather; we need to be very cautious. .
18. "Where are They Now" procedure
Todd explained how this is used in promoting our sport as well as the benefit to programs sales.
19. Coaches Association awards: Applications will be available in Nov.
Official ATTENDANCE
Section 1 Rich Clark, Dan Doherty
Section 2 Ed Springstead, Marbry Gansle
Section 3 Jack Bernard, Michelle Rauber, assistants, Dan Reid, Jim Paccia
Section 4 Steve Baxter, Lee Schaeffer
Section 5 Dale Ladd, Bob Goodell
Section 6 Mike Janisch, Jim Zubler
Section 7 Brian Kiely, Kathy Champagne
Section 8 Adam McKenzie, Katie Dunne
Section 9 Jim Glover
Section 10 Chris McRoberts ,April Martin
Section 11 Joe Pennacchio
Modified Pat Patterson
Federation Bob Baratta
NYSTF&CC Mary Onken, Bob Headwell
NYSPHSAA Todd Heimer
Next Meeting Nov. 11th 9 AM VVS High School

ATHLETIC COUNCIL MEETING September 21, 2011 – Agenda item 9.2

**NYS Athletic Administrators Association Report
Chapter 6 Rep: Brett Banker
September 2011**

Officers

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| Chapter Rep | Brett Banker | Kenmore-Tonawanda |
| Asst Chapter Rep | Mark DiFilippo | Niagara Wheatfield |
| Awards | Pat Burke | Lockport |
| Membership | Dave Carson | Barker |
| Resolutions | Nancy Riccio | Amherst |
| Prof. Development | Chris DeMarco | Sweet Home |
| Publications | Jeff Roth | Wilson |
| Certifications | Fred Thornley | East Aurora |
| Treasurer | Al Gens | Dunkirk |

Annual Conference

2012 *Tentative Schedule* is a change from previous years. In summary:

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|---------------------|---|
| Tuesday, March 13 | LTC Courses |
| Wednesday, March 14 | LTC, Registration at 1 pm, Opening Workshop at 2 pm, Exhibit Hall Festival, 5:30 |
| Thursday, March 15 | Breakout Sessions by day and Awards Dinner by night |
| Friday, March 16 | Sessions, Awards Luncheon, AAA Mtg with Door Prizes No traditional Saturday morning 'get away' breakfast |

MEMBERSHIP

Please remind your AD's that our **membership year begins on July 1 and ends on June 30 of each year**. Because we are a "dual membership" state, that includes both NYS and NIAAA membership. If there is a lapse in membership dues, and they are not paid by July 31, then members may have a lapse in their \$2,500 insurance benefit which they get with their national membership.

Members who join later, as in September or later, may lose valuable national benefits, including the life insurance. Should anything happen to one of our members, we would regret having to inform them that their insurance had expired because their dues weren't paid up.

Sections or leagues that pay membership dues for their members should do so in a timely manner to avoid this. Individuals who pay their own member dues should be reminded and encouraged to do so immediately.

Today, we were notified by our national office that **over 300 members have lapsed** dues and therefore their life insurance benefit has expired, along with their \$2M liability insurance coverage, award winning magazine, and other valuable benefits. Please urge them to get their member dues in immediately in order to reinstate their benefits. **Future lapses can be avoided by submitting member dues prior to June 30 of each year.**

Thanks for your assistance in this important matter. Best wishes for a successful school year.

Alan A. Mallanda, CMAA

Executive Director

New York State Athletic Administrators Association, Inc.

BENEFITS OF MEMBERSHIP

Professional Development: Orientation, Mentoring, Continuing Education, Leadership Training, Certification

[Professional Contacts/Support](#)
[Awards Program](#)
[Legislative Lobbying](#)
[Publications](#)
[Annual Conference](#)
[Involvement at State Level](#)

2012 Awards Program-*begin thinking of worthy candidates, notify Pat Burke @ Lockport*

Athletic Administrator of the Year
Non Athletic Administrator of the Year
Community Service
Secretary

NIAAA Student Leader Scholarship-Essay-Deadline will be announced in mid-September

Purpose of Scholarship: In accordance with National Interscholastic Athletic Administrators Association's (NIAAA) purpose to promote, facilitate and increase the knowledge and understanding of the vital role of interscholastic athletics in the educational system, this scholarship program will foster and recognize the partnership between the NIAAA and secondary education. The scholarships will recognize the distinguished scholastic, leadership and sportsmanship attributes of high school student-athletes, and the importance of high school athletics in each student's life.

Essay Topic: "How High School Athletics has Impacted my Life"

Minimum Requirements:

- Applicant must have achieved at least two (2) of the following: (a) minimum of B+ average; (b) ranked in the top 25% of class; (c) ACT score of 24 or an SAT score of 1100
- Applicant must have participated in two sports for two years in each sport
- Applicant must have earned at least one varsity letter in each of two sports
- Applicant must complete attached scholar application
- Applicant must have a letter of recommendation from the high school athletic administrator/director
- School athletic administrator/director must be an NIAAA member and a member of their respective state athletic administrators association
- The principal or athletic administrator/director must sign the application to ensure that the academic information submitted is accurately

Chapter Goal Setting

- a) Become a more active chapter
- b) Increase membership
- c) More active membership
 - 1. regular meetings, LTC Courses offered in Chapter, Mini Conference w/social
- d) Building a Chapter Treasury
 - Funds are required for:
 - a. Chapter Gift at Saratoga \$100
 - b. AAA Student Scholarships \$400
 - c. Mini Conference Start Up Fund \$1,000
 - \$1,500

Options for Generating Funds for Chapter

Identify a sponsor

Invoice each league? Buff, CCAA, ECIC, NFL, N-O, Monsignor Martin=\$250 per league per year
Invoice each school; \$1,500/90 schools (not counting MM) = \$17 per school in Section VI



JUNE 2011 NYSPHSAA OFFICE REPORT

NYSPHSAA EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING - May 6-7, 2011

APPROVED 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, student or school..

Safety Committee - Safety meeting mandate will be required every other year.

Boys and Girls Tennis - Failure to honor the Commitment to Compete Form penalty.

Ice Hockey - A waiver of NFHS rule to allow a maximum of 2 game disqualifications per contest for a coach or player.

Participation Survey - The survey will be conducted on a yearly basis.

Cheerleading - The NYSPHSAA staff will communicate and collaborate with the NYS Department of Education to incorporate cheerleading, both competitive cheer and traditional cheer, where appropriate, into Part 135.4 of the Commissioner's Regulations.

Championship Philosophy - The recommendations of the Championship Philosophy Committee to be implemented in the fall of 2011.

Modified Boys' and Girls' Volleyball - With Sectional/League approval the service line may be moved into the court, at a distance not to exceed 2 meters from the regulation service line.

Boys' and Girls' Modified Soccer - The requirement of a goalie helmet will be eliminated.

Wrestling - Step Two of the appeal process (hydrostatic testing) will be eliminated from the program beginning with the 2011-2012 season.

Foreign Exchange/International Student - 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.

Exceeding the Maximum Number of Contests Penalty - 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.

For additional information refer to Executive Committee minutes at www.nysphsaa.org.

IMPORTANT REMINDERS

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.

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.

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.

2011 CALENDAR

June 1

Section II - 1:00 AM

June 2

Section VII - 10:00 AM

June 6

Section VIII - 9:30 AM

June 9

Section III - 9:00 AM

June 13

Girls Swim/Dive Committee 9:00

June 14

Boys Swim/Dive Committee 9:00

Sections I - 8:30 AM

Section IX - 9:30 AM

June 15

Safety/Wrestling Advisory 9:00

Section IV - 2:00 PM

June 20

Section X - 9:00 AM

FALL 2011 MANDATORY ATHLETIC ADMINISTRATORS WORKSHOPS

August 29

Section VI

August 30

Section V

September 13

Section VII

September 14

Section X

September 26

Section VIII

September 27

Section XI

September 29

Section IV

October 3

Section I

October 4

Section IX

October 12

Section II

October 13

Section III

October 20

NYSPHSAA Office

SCHOOL OF DISTINCTION AWARD DEADLINE JUNE 30, 2011



SEPTEMBER 2011 NYSPHSAA OFFICE REPORT

2011 CALENDAR

September 8
Section III - 9:00 AM

September 11
Indoor Track - 7:00 PM

September 13
Section IX - 9:30 AM
Section VII Workshop

September 14
Section X Workshop

September 16
Ice Hockey - 10:00 AM

September 18
Spring Track - 10:00 AM

September 21
Sections II, IV, V and VI

September 22
Sections I, VII, VIII

September 26
Section VIII Workshop

September 27
Section XI Workshop

September 29
Section IV Workshop

September 30
Boys Basketball 10:00 AM

FALL 2011 MANDATORY ATHLETIC ADMINISTRATORS WORKSHOPS

September 13
Section VII

September 14
Section X

September 26
Section VIII

September 27
Section XI

September 29
Section IV

October 3
Section I

October 4
Section IX

October 12
Section II

October 13
Section III

October 20
NYSPHSAA Office

NYSPHSAA CENTRAL COMMITTEE MEETING - August 2-4, 2011

APPROVED ITEMS

Member Dues

Member dues will be the same as the amount paid in 2011-2012 for the next two school years (2012-2013 and 2013-2014).

Strategic Plan

The Strategic Plan for 2011-2016.

2011-2012 State Championship Sites

Football West Semi's - East Syracuse-Minoa High School (3) – November 18-19 (Fri.-Sat)

Girls Gymnastics - Shaker High School, Latham (2) – Saturday, March 3, 2012

Bowling - Valley Bowling Center, Waverly (4)

Skiing - Whiteface, Mt. Van Hoevenberg, Lake Placid (7) – February 27-28 (Mon.-Tues)

Swimming

Scott Warner (9) as the Assistant Boys Swimming and Diving Coordinator

Protocol to Qualify for the NYSPHSAA State Championship (www.nysphsaa.org)

Qualifying Times for the 2011-2012 State Championship (www.nysphsaa.org)

Cross Country

Classification Numbers: Class A: 911 and up; Class B: 470 – 910; Class C: 260 – 469; Class D: 259 and below.

Wrestling

14 Day Rule - A wrestler cannot begin practice until the waiver is approved. The approval date of the waiver starts the 14-day clock for certification.

Weight Classes 99, 106, 113, 120, 126, 132, 138, 145, 152, 160, 170, 182, 195, 220 and 285.

Selectively Classified athletes must weigh in excess of: 91 lbs. for 99 lb. weight class, 96 lbs. for 106 lb. weight class, 185 lbs for 220 lb. weight class and 210 lbs. for 285 lb. weight class. Students in grades 9-12 do not have to make minimum weight.

Weight Certification - Beginning in 2011, a third measurement to all skin fold sites is required. The data must be submitted by using Optimal Performance Calculation on the NWCA website.

Skin Disease Form - "For NYSPHSAA member schools an appropriate health care provider is defined as a licensed physician, physician assistant or nurse practitioner."

Boys Volleyball

Net Height Waiver: The height of the net from the center of court is 7'11 5/8".

IMPORTANT REMINDERS

PRACTICE SESSIONS - Highlights of Rule - No student or team may be permitted to participate in school organized practice or play on seven consecutive days during the regular season. Specifically, during the regular season, **physical and/or instructional activities related to the sport on seven consecutive days is prohibited. Only one practice session a day and only six days of a calendar week may be counted toward the total practice sessions required. A practice session conducted on the same day as a game cannot be counted to meet the minimum practice requirement to be eligible for that day's contest.** All required practice sessions shall be organized and planned for a reasonable length of time and **shall include vigorous activity specific to the sport** for the purpose of improving the physical condition of the players. **Each of the required number of practices for an individual must include vigorous activity;** however, practice sessions required for the team beyond those needed by the individual may be used solely for meetings, film review and similar activities.

(Reference the entire Practice Regulation found on pages 101-102 of the NYSPHSAA Handbook or pages 102-103 of the on-line version of the Handbook.)

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