Meeting: Championship Advisory Committee (CAC)

Date: Wednesday, April 3, 2019 at the NYSPHSAA Office

Topics Discussed:

1) Welcome, Announcements, Review of Feb Exec Committee approvals
2) ACTION ITEMS: G Lax Regional Rotation & Classification, B Lax Classification, B Volleyball Classification, FB Classification & 7-year Rotation, B Tennis At Large, G Tennis At Large & Revise Tournament Days, Baseball Summary Form, B Swimming Standards, Championship Packets
3) DISCUSSION ITEMS: G Tennis Practice Penalty & Eliminate Consolations, G VB Reg Rotation, B VB Tie-Breaker, B Lax Site Selection, G Soc Site Selection

ACTION ITEMS (These items will be presented for a vote at the May 2nd Executive Committee Meeting)

Boys Volleyball Classification Cut-Offs for 2020-21 – Coordinator John Coletta and Todd explained the proposal for the change in cut-off numbers. **MOTION by Eileen to support the proposed numbers. SECOND by Deb. Carried 11-0.**

State Championship Packets – Robert explained the proposal and importance of making the NYSPHSAA packet the official operations and planning document for all State Tournaments. Patricia asked if there are any opportunities to include a disclaimer that changes in the packet could occur but would go through the NYSPHSAA Office. Kristen indicated we can add that. Steve asked if we can make it Championship Operations Packet instead of Championship Information Packet. John asked if there was a listing of the coordinator’s duties. Joe stated “no” but they are listed in the Sport Coordinator Manual. **MOTION by Oscar to support the packet as the official tournament operating document. SECOND by Steve. Carried 11-0.**

Boys Lacrosse Classification Cut-Offs for 2020-21 – Todd explained the proposal for the change in cut-off numbers. **MOTION by Mike M. to support the proposed numbers. SECOND by Oscar. Carried 11-0.**

Football Classification Cut-Off for 2020-21 – Coordinator Gary Vanderzee and Todd explained the proposal for the change in cut-off numbers. Mark felt the numbers drive Class D up or into 8-man football and thought the “balance” shouldn’t matter. Gary indicated he’s promoted football aggressively and feels going to six classes solves the issue. Todd explained what may happen when the numbers increase in the future. Eileen asked about the Class D schools and how many would play 8-man football. John thought adjusting the variation doesn’t help the Class D schools. Paul asked how many C schools are D schools with a merger. Mark suggested we do more research and have it in a report form to analyze and make a decision. Eileen asked how many D schools are there for this coming fall. Greg wondered if we can get the numbers before the Philosophy and Executive Committee. Steve suggested the office be involved in the next football proposal which was done by a football section coordinator. **MOTION by Mike M. to support the proposed numbers. SECOND by Mike A. Defeated 9-2.**
Football 7-Year Regional/At Large Rotation—Coordinator Gary Vanderzee and Todd explained the proposal for the a new 7-year regional rotation and adding at-large teams. Mike A. asked if this was a similar scenario to ice hockey. Yes, it was confirmed. **MOTION by Eileen to support the proposed numbers. SECOND by Patricia. Carried 11-0.**

Boys Tennis At Large – Coordinator Selina DeCicco explained the proposal. **MOTION by Deb to support the proposal. SECOND by Mike A. Carried 11-0.**

Girls Tennis At Large—Coordinator Chris Horgan explained the proposal. **MOTION by Mark to support the proposal. SECOND by Steve. Carried 11-0**

Girls Tennis Revise Tournament Dates—Coordinator Chris Horgan explained the proposal. Joe noted how this proposal works in unison with re-bidding the tournament for 2020-22 since only one unendorsed bid (by host Section) was submitted. **MOTION by Deb to support the proposal. SECOND by Mike A. Carried 11-0.**

Baseball Pitch Count Summary Form—Coordinator Al Roy explained the proposal. John asked how teams would know pitch counts for more than two games taking place over a short period of time. Example being the possibility of three games in a five day period where pitches will matter from game one to game three. Joe noted the forms will be advanced to the next game starting with Sectional Finals so everyone is aware. **MOTION by Carl to support the proposal. SECOND by John R. Carried 8-3.**

Boys Swimming Standards—Assistant Coordinator Pat Ryan explained the proposal. **MOTION by Oscar to support the proposal. SECOND by Mike M. Carried 11-0.**

Girls Lacrosse Regional Rotation 2020-22 – Coordinator Liz Parry explained the proposal. **MOTION by Patricia to support the proposal. SECOND by Steve. Carried 11-0.**

Girls Lacrosse Classification Cut-Off for 2020-21 – Coordinator Liz Parry and Todd explained the proposal for the change in cut-off numbers. **MOTION by Mike A. to support the proposed numbers. SECOND by Carl. Carried 11-0.**

**FOR DISCUSSION:**

NOTE: These items were introduced for discussion today and will be presented for action at the June CAC meeting then subsequently at the July Central Committee meeting, unless noted otherwise.

Boys Volleyball State Tournament Tie-Breaker –Coordinator John Coletta explained the proposal and history of the rule. Eileen clarified if it was Fall 2019 and 2020. Confirmed. Deb asked if teams actually had to play using the current tie-breaker rule. Yes two teams did use the tie-breaker and played two intense games that ultimately didn’t mean anything.

Girls Practice Penalty—Coordinator Chris Horgan explained the proposal. Patricia asked how this will be policed. Joe noted we will work through the tennis clubs to enforce it and it will be included in the tournament packet. Robert indicated we would also work through the coaches to inform them.

Girls Tennis Elimination of Consolation Matches—Coordinator Chris Horgan explained the proposal. CAC expressed no concerns.

Girls Volleyball Modify SOP Procedures to Include NCAA Rule – Coordinator Patti Perone explained the proposal for the change in the procedure. Steve asked if we really want to tie it to the NCAA rule. Robert noted if the NFHS
rules are approved in May, then he would ask for a two-year delay in implementation to give everyone time to prepare.

FOR REVIEW/INPUT, CHAMPIONSHIP SITE SELECTIONS:
Boys Lacrosse EAST SEMIFINAL Site Selection – Joe explained the bids from UAlbany and Middletown High School. He noted the committee and staff were in agreement on UAlbany as the recommendation. Mike A. noted the many cost concerns for the recommended site. It was clarified costs were a concern but side-by-side turf fields were a primary reason for the recommendation and that it’s a Division 1 facility. Deb asked if we make money or lose money going to UAlbany. Robert noted we will likely lose money but it would be the first time we would have the semifinals (in 4 classes) at one site, which would save on paying for a second site anyway. It was asked if two fields at one facility was included in the bid. Robert said it was preferred but not required. **CAC expressed no other concerns in the committee and staff recommending UAlbany.**

Boys Lacrosse WEST SEMIFINAL Site Selection – Joe explained the bids from Cicero-North Syracuse High School and SUNY Cortland. He noted the committee and staff were in agreement on SUNY Cortland as the recommendation. **CAC expressed no other concerns in the committee and staff recommending SUNY Cortland.**

Girls Soccer Site Selection – Joe explained the bids from Cortland, Rochester and Monroe Woodbury. He noted the committee (Cortland) and staff (Rochester) were split on their recommendation. Robert emphasized the lack of opportunities to host our tournament at SUNY Cortland due to SUNY hosting their teams for postseasons during our dates. Mike A. noted it was unanimous the committee recommended Cortland and that should be taken into account, in addition to their success the last 12 years in Cortland. Robert further explained the staff’s justification for Rochester. John R supported Mike A for Cortland. Paul indicated snow removal needs to be guaranteed to be in place (currently verbal, not in writing). Carl asked how many years we have not been able to use SUNY Cortland for the tournament. Todd noted at least the last four years. Mike A said a Plan B is always in place in Cortland. A discussion continued about the venues and costs for Cortland and Rochester. **The CAC agreed it would report to Executive Committee that it felt strongly about going back to Cortland.**

Girls Tennis Site Selection – Joe explained one bid was submitted for girls tennis by the current venue, and the bid was unendorsed, had 2016 hotel commitment letters, and had a 50% increase in cost. He noted the committee and staff were in agreement to re-bid the tournament after getting approval to revise the days to Thursday through Saturday so more clubs would be interested in bidding. **CAC agreed and saw no other concerns with the proposal.**

ADJOURNMENT
MOTION by Deb. SECOND by Mike M. The meeting adjourned at 12:58 pm.

Minutes respectfully submitted by NYSPHSAA liaison Joe Altieri; reviewed/approved by CAC Chair, members and the NYSPHSAA Executive Director prior to distribution on April 5, 2019.

Next Meeting: Thursday, June 20 at 10 am at the NYSPHSAA Office