NYSPHSAA
CENTRAL COMMITTEE MEETING

VIDEO CONFERENCE

* July 29, 2020 Central Committee meeting will be held via video conference*

Wednesday, July 29, 2020
9:00 AM

A ZOOM Video Conference link will be provided via email.

(A) Action (D) Discussion (I) Information

I. Call Meeting To Order

Pledge of Allegiance

Dr. Robert Zayas,
NYSPHSAA Executive Director

Roll Call – Ascertain A Quorum

Dr. Robert Zayas,
NYSPHSAA Executive Director

Announcements & Introduction of Guests

Dr. Robert Zayas,
NYSPHSAA Executive Director

II. Approval of Agenda

(A) Approval of Agenda (Pg. 1-6) APPROVED

Paul Harrica,
NYSPHSAA President

III. Approval of Minutes

(A) May 27, 2020 Executive Committee Meeting Minutes (Pg. 7) APPROVED

Paul Harrica,
NYSPHSAA President

IV. Reports

1. President – Paul Harrica
2. First Vice President – Julie Bergman
3. Second Vice President – Russell Bartlett
4. Past President – Jim Osborne
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5. Executive Director – Dr. Robert Zayas (Pg. 8-9)
6. Assistant Director – Joe Altieri (Pg. 10-11)
7. Assistant Director – Todd Nelson (Pg. 12)
8. Assistant Director – Kristen Jadin (Pg. 13-14)
9. Director of Finance – Lisa Hand (Pg. 15-34)
10. Director of Communications – Chris Watson (Pg. 35)
11. Director of Foundation & Marketing – Chris Joyce (Pg. 36)
12. Legal Counsel – Renee James

V. **Sectional Concerns (Advanced Sectional Concerns) (Pg. 37)**
(A) **Section I:** Exceeding the maximum contest prescribed penalty

(Pg. 38-40)
APPROVED W/ AMENDED LANGUAGE 32-15

**Section III:** Cohort numbers for classification (Pg. 41)

**Section VI:** Sportsmanship Pledge - Inclusion of “no racial slurs”

VI. **Ex-Officio Reports**
1. Pupil Benefits – Thomas McGuire
2. New York State Education Department – Darryl Daily (Pg. 42-50)
3. New York State Athletic Administrators Association – Alan Mallanda, Brett Banker, & Dr. Jim Wright (Pg. 51-52)

VII. **Standing Committees**
1. Compensation Committee – Marisa Fallacaro-Dougherty

2. Budget/Audit Committee – Julie Bergman

3. Championship Advisory Committee (CAC) – Greg Ransom (Pg. 53-55)

4. Handbook Committee – Pat Pizzarelli
(A) Consider approval to modify the NYSPHSAA Player Sportsmanship Standard. (Pg. 56) APPROVED

5. Student-Athlete Development Committee (SADC) – Kristen Jadin

6. Student-Athlete Advisory Committee (SAAC) – Kristen Jadin (Pg. 57-58)

7. Sportsmanship Committee – Todd Nelson & Kristen Jadin
(A) Consider approval to expand the current Officials/Coaches Appreciation Day to include all three seasons during the year. (Pg. 59) APPROVED

8. Safety Committee – Todd Nelson
(A) Consider approval to amend the current NYSPHSAA Lightning and Thunder Policy. **Request to be tabled for further discussion**

9. Modified Committee – Jim Rose
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10. Officials Coordinating Federation (OCF) – Dennis Burkett

11. Sport Committee Report Questions & Concerns
   *Note: Committee reports distributed via email

VIII. General Action Items

1. (A) Consider approval to only present NYSPHSAA awards during NYSPHSAA State Championships award ceremonies beginning in Fall 2020. *(Pg. 60)*
   APPROVED 32-15
   Dr. Robert Zayas, NYSPHSAA Executive Director

2. (A) Consider approval of waivers of the representation rule for various Sections. *None at this time*
   Dr. Robert Zayas, NYSPHSAA Executive Director

3. (A) Consider approval of Friends & Neighbors and new member schools. *(Pg. 61)*
   APPROVED
   Dr. Robert Zayas, NYSPHSAA Executive Director

4. (A) Consider approval of NYSPHSAA State Sport Coordinators. *(Pg. 62)*
   APPROVED
   Joe Altieri, NYSPHSAA Assistant Director

5. (A) Consider approval of NYSPHSAA Officials Contracts. *(Pg. 63-66)*
   APPROVED
   Todd Nelson, NYSPHSAA Assistant Director

IX. Sports Action/Discussion Items

FALL

6. (D) Consideration of approval to change designation from individual to team/individual and adopt the NYSPHSAA Girls and Boys Tennis State Team Championship in addition to the state (individual) championship format already in place – to begin in Fall 2021 (girls) and Spring 2022 (boys). *(Pg. 67-70)*
   Girls/Boys Tennis Committees

7. (D) Consideration of approval to utilize NCAA Rule for two libero system in Boys Volleyball. *(Pg. 71)*
   Boys Volleyball Committee

8. (D) Consideration of approval for a waiver of rule 9.2.4.3 in Girls and Boys Volleyball and allow players to go to the bench and then switch sides. *(Pg. 72)*
   DEFEATED 12-35
   Girls/Boys Volleyball Committees

9. (A) Consider approval of the Albany Capital Center as the host of the 2021-2023 NYSPHSAA Boys Volleyball State Championships. *(Pg. 73)*
   APPROVED
   Boys Volleyball Committee

10. (A) Consider approval of Cool Insuring Arena as the host of the 2021-2023 NYSPHSAA Girls Volleyball State Championships. *(Pg. 74)*
    APPROVED
    Girls Volleyball Committee
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11. (A) Consider approval to revise Rule 4.22 (Game Clock) in the sport of Field Hockey. *(Pg. 75)*  

**APPROVED**  
Field Hockey Committee

12. (A) Consider approval to allow defensive players to wear a face mask on penalty corners only (with certain protocols) in the sport of Field Hockey. *(Pg. 76-77)*  

**APPROVED 43-4**  
Field Hockey Committee

13. (A) Consider approval of a waiver of the nights rest rule and the max number of contests for JV Football Players. *(Pg. 78-80)*  

**APPROVED 36-11**  
Football Committee

WINTER

14. (D) Consideration of approval to add additional value parts for the Uneven Bars to the current NYSPHSAA Gymnastics Technical Handbook. *(Pg. 81)*  

**Gymnastics Committee**

15. (D) Consideration of approval to permanently adopt the 2018 pilot that established a structure, training and scoring format for the NYSPHSAA Competitive Cheerleading Championships. *(Pg. 82-90)*  

**Competitive Cheerleading Committee**

16. (D) Consideration of approval of modifications to the scoring areas of the State Scoresheet for Competitive Cheerleading. *(Pg. 91-95)*  

**Competitive Cheerleading Committee**

17. (D) Consideration of approval to implement Game Day Cheer Regional Competitions in the fall of 2021 to be held during week #17 on the NYSPHSAA calendar. *(Pg. 96)*  

**Competitive Cheerleading Committee**

18. (D) Consideration of approval to be permitted to annually approve sites to host Boys Ice Hockey regional contests. *(Pg. 97)*  

**Boys Ice Hockey Committee**

19. (D) Consideration of approval to implement a two-year pilot program to change from the current At-Large Procedure for the NYSPHSAA Championship to an Automatic Qualifying Procedure effective for the 2020-2021 season. *(Pg. 98-101)*  

**Wrestling Committee**

20. (D) Consideration of approval to require all sections to wrestle to a true second place finish in the Sectional Wrestling Championships beginning in the 2020-2021 season. *(Pg. 102)*  

**REMOVED**  
Wrestling Committee

21. (A) Consider approval to utilize 13 wrestling weight classes (currently 15) beginning in the 2020-2021 season as a two-year pilot. *(Pg. 103)*  

**APPROVED 28-19**  
Wrestling Committee

22. (A) Consider approval of changes to wrestling handbook. *(Pg. 104-105)*  

**APPROVED**  
Wrestling Committee
23. (A) Consider approval to adopt 17-minute periods (currently 15 minutes) and adjust penalty times from 1.5 minor, 4 major and 7.5 misconduct to 2-minute minor, 5-minute major and 10-minute misconducts in the sport of Boys Ice Hockey beginning in the 2020-2021 season. *(Pg. 106-107)* APPROVED 24-15-8

Boys Ice Hockey Committee

24. (A) Consider approval to adopt a 2 referee, 1 linesman officiating system for all regional and State Final Four games in the sport of Boys Ice Hockey beginning in the 2020-2021 season. *(Pg. 108-109)* APPROVED 37-6-4

Boys Ice Hockey Committee

25. (A) Consider approval to allow a maximum of 1 relay team per school at the NYSPHSAA B/G Indoor Track/Field State Championships. *(Pg. 110)* APPROVED 39-8

B/G Indoor Track & Field Committee

26. (A) Consider approval to amend Bowling Rule #5.01 in the NYSPHSAA Handbook to adopt USBC Playing Rules (Chapter No. 2 “General Playing Rules” and Chapter No. 8 “Equipment Specifications” Only) and #5.07 Waivers of USBC Rules. *(Pg. 111)* APPROVED

B/G Bowling Committees

SPRING

27. (A) Consider approval to advance the 2020 state tournament at-large rotation to the spring 2021 season for Boys Tennis. *(Pg. 112)* APPROVED

Boys Tennis Committee

28. (A) Consider approval to revise the baseball pitch count restrictions. *(Pg. 113-114)* APPROVED

Baseball Committee

X. Information Items

1. (I) Approved Senior All-Star Contests & Combining of Teams

*None at this time

Dr. Robert Zayas, NYSPHSAA Executive Director

XI. Consultants

1. Legislative Lobbyist – Kevin Banes
2. Council of Administrators (COA) – Ron Whitcomb
3. NYS Coaches Association – Ron Woodruff *(Pg. 115-116)*
4. NYS Council of Superintendents – Dr. Jeff Rabey

XII. Good of the Order

1. Recognition of outgoing/incoming Officers & outgoing Central Committee members

Dr. Robert Zayas, NYSPHSAA Executive Director & Paul Harrica, NYSPHSAA President

2. Passing of the gavel from Paul Harrica to Julie Bergman

Paul Harrica, NYSPHSAA President
XIII. Adjournment

Future Executive/ Central Committee Meetings

October 21, 2020 – Saratoga Springs Embassy Suites
February 3, 2021 – Saratoga Springs Embassy Suites
May 5, 2021 – Saratoga Springs Embassy Suites
July 27-28, 2021 – World Resort Catskills, Monticello

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