The Executive Committee meeting was called to order by President Kathryn Faber at 12:55 PM on May 6, 2005. Executive Director Nina VanErk introduced Kevin Seaman, the new attorney for the Association. Executive Director Nina VanErk introduced members of the Executive Committee and took attendance as follows:

**Officers & Staff**
- President Kathryn Faber
- Second Vice President Patrick Pizzarelli
- Past President Patrick Calnon
- Executive Director Nina Van Erk
- Assistant Director Walter Eaton
- Assistant Director Lloyd Mott
- Assistant Director Joe Altieri
- Counsel Kevin Seaman
- Secretary Sandra Schanck

**Past Presidents**
- Marc Martone
- Bob Munn
- Tony Sabella
- Jim Tolle
- Dean Veenhof

**Honorary Past President**
- Al Doyle

**Section Representatives**
- Section 1: Karen Peterson, Greg Ransom (proxy for Vito DiCesare)
- Section 2: Eileen Troy, Glenn Westfall
- Section 3: Evelyn Sammons, Bruce Quimby
- Section 4: Jack Jones, Ben Nelson (proxy for Ernestine Marshall)
- Section 5: Kathy Smith, Ed Stores (proxy for Jim Zumbo)
- Section 6: Pam Maryjanowski, Don Scholla
- Section 7: Patricia Ryan-Curry, John Gallagher (proxy for Joe Staves)
- Section 8: Laura Orticelle, John Piropato
- Section 9: Roberta Greene, Jim Wolfe
- Section 10: Stephanie Putney, Ernie Witkowski
- Section 11: Paula Nickerson, Nick DeCillis

**Ex-Officio & Consultants**
- Carol Rog, Handbook Coordinator
- Kent Gray-SED
- Bob Stulmaker, President-NYSAAA
- Greg Geer-NYSCOSS

**Section Executive Directors**
- Greg Ransom (1)
- Ed Stores (5)
- Bob Dinse (6)
- Carl Normandin (10)
- Ed Cinelli (11)

**Guests**
- Rise Van Iderstine, Section 2
The January 2005 Executive Committee minutes were APPROVED in a motion by Sammons/Greene.

ORAL AND PRINTED REPORTS WERE PRESENTED BY ASSOCIATION OFFICERS AND STAFF

President Kathryn Faber announced First Vice President Ron Black had received the Irving Schwartz Distinguished Retiree Award given by SAANYS for his contributions to the students and schools in Western New York and to the many professional associations he has participated in and led.

Executive Director Nina Van Erk reported on the conferences, meetings and championships she attended during the months of January through May. She announced the nine inductees of the 2005 Class of the NYSPHSAA Hall of Fame who will be inducted at the August Central Committee meeting on Long Island are: Catherine Gallagher (Administrator), Mickey Kasner (Administrator), Putt LaMay (Administrator), Tony Sabella (Administrator), Jack Halloran (Coach), Arthur Jessup (Coach), Ed Leibinger (Official), John Trautmann (Athlete) and John Trembley (Athlete). She reported at the NFHS summer meeting in July in San Antonio, Dr. Sandra Scott, former Executive Director of the NYSPHSAA will be inducted into the NFHS Hall of Fame. She stated the NYSPHSAA will be hosting the Section Appeal Coordinators Meeting on Tuesday, May 18th at the Holiday Inn-Turf. She reported a copy of Steroid Bill #S494A introduced by Senator Dean G. Skelos (R-Nassau County) was included in the meeting folders. It would require the education department to establish guidelines for drug testing of student athletes by public and non-public school authorities wishing to conduct such testing with the consent of the student and parent or guardian. It also addresses the sale of anabolic steroids to minors. She stated the NFHS Board of Directors at their April 21st meeting approved that all states regardless of which rules they utilize will have the opportunity to participate in all sport questionnaires. She announced the NFHS has increased the price of the diving score sheets to $8.00 for the 2005-2006 school year. New shipping/handling prices for orders over $100 that are sent from the Association office were also announced. She reported the NCAA initial-eligibility rules have changed for students entering college in the Fall of 2005 or after who wish to participate in either Division I or II and stated a quick reference sheet outlining the changes to the NCAA regulation was included in
the meeting folder. She stated the 2005-2006 CSIET Advisory List is now available on the CSIET website, www.csiet.org. She reported she and Assistant Director Lloyd Mott will be meeting with Senator Stephen M. Saland (R-Columbia, Dutchess), Chairman of the Education Committee, on May 16th to voice the Association’s concerns with Assemblyman Morelle’s Fairness in Competition Act. She reminded everyone of the dues increase for 2005-2006; the base district fee will be raised by $50 to $650 and the per pupil cost will rise $.05 to $.70 per student (over 300) in grades 7-12. Future meeting dates were noted as follows:

- August 3-5, 2005 – Hyatt – Long Island
- October 23-24, 2005 – Holiday Inn-Turf, Albany
- January 27-28, 2006 – Prime Hotel – Saratoga
- May 5-6, 2006 – Holiday Inn - Syracuse
- August 9-11, 2006 – Holiday Inn – Grand Island

**Assistant Director Walter Eaton** stated financial summaries of the 2004-2005 Fall and Winter State Championships known to date were included in the meeting folders. He stated the girls golf regional is scheduled for June 6, 2005 at Foxfire Golf Club (3) with Sections 3, 5, 9 and 10 participating. He noted AED providers and Emergency Plans confirmation notices for the 2005 Spring Championships will be mailed to Section Executive Directors by May 20, 2005. He reported softball’s 2 year 5 class experiment will conclude with the June 2005 State Tournament. Girls lacrosse will begin its 2 year 3 class experiment in Spring 2005. He noted the schedules of known dates/sites for 2005-2006 were in the meeting folders with an update that in Field Hockey P&C Stadium was renamed Alliance Bank Stadium and in Girls Gymnastics, the State Tournament is now being held at Shaker High School (2). In a motion by Troy/Nickerson it was **APPROVED** for section participation in 2005-2006 NYSPHSAA Championships and Regionals as per NYSPHSAA Constitution Article V, 5. The following State Sports Coordinators were reappointed/appointed for a 5 year term effective September 1, 2005 to August 31, 2010: a motion by Troy/Putney **APPROVED** the reappointment of Patti Perone, Girls Volleyball State Coordinator and appointed Peggy Seese (2) as Girls Volleyball Assistant State Coordinator; a motion by Ransom/Quimby **APPROVED** the reappointment of Marbry Gansle as Girls Gymnastics State Coordinator; a motion by Orticelle/Quimby **APPROVED** the reappointment of George Hathaway as Rifle State Coordinator; a motion by Witkowski/Smith **APPROVED** the reappointment of Dennis O’Brien as Boys Skiing State Coordinator and a motion by Westfall/Jones **APPROVED** the appointment of Robert Underwood as Girls Skiing State Coordinator. He reported the State Sports Coordinators will be meeting for an extended group meeting session on Thursday, August 4, 2005 during the Central Committee meeting. Any Section input for agenda items for the Sport Coordinators meeting may be sent to him prior to the meeting. He reported the Winter 2004-2005 Scholar/Athlete Team Award program had completed its season with a slight decrease in the number of schools participating. He stated a list of the Winter 2004-2005 Scholar/Athlete Team Award State Champions with NYSPHSAA award presenters was included in the meeting folders. He announced the deadline for the Spring 2005 Scholar/Athlete Team Award application is Friday, May 20th. He noted the School of
Distinction Award applications; in order to be placed on the NYSPHSAA “Academic Honor Roll” are to be completed following the Spring 2005 deadline and must be received no later than June 30, 2005. Award winners will be announced at the Annual Meeting. He reported the next meeting of the NYS Federation of Secondary Schools Athletic Association will be Tuesday, May 10, 2005. On the agenda will be enhancement of the Federation’s identity as an organization; basketball site selection process for 2008-2010; and sanctioning of interstate contests. He congratulated the NYSPHSAA Basketball teams who were crowned 2005 Basketball Tournament Champions: Boys Class AA-Niagara Falls (6) and Girls Class B-Elwood-John Glenn (11).

Assistant Director Lloyd Mott reported the coaching clinics for lacrosse, softball, sports training, baseball, field hockey and track/field & cross country have been held and were successful. Clinics are scheduled for soccer at the Soccer Hall of Fame in Oneonta on May 20th and for volleyball at SUNY Oneonta on June 17th. He stated a meeting is scheduled for June 20th to plan a wrestling coaches clinic prior to the 2005-2006 season. He reported the Coaching Certification Committee met at the NYSSAAA Conference in Saratoga Springs on March 17th. The Committee has increased the number of course resources and have an updated list of sites where courses are taught along with the name of the person in charge of instruction at each site. He noted they will meet again on June 22nd in the Association Office to review the Philosophy and Principles Course Outline in depth, recommending new curricula and citing resources. He stated he will be talking with Jerry Casciani, Director of Physical Education at SUNY Cortland who has recommended the Association take over his online coaching certification course and place it on our website. He reported that he and Executive Director Nina VanErk have been in communication with the NFHS and several State Associations in an attempt to improve the aspect of sanctioning that affects non-member/non-approved schools. He requested Kent Gray of the State Education Department to convene a committee to review Commissioner’s Regulations. He has received questions relative to the Registration Rule (pg. 46-NYSPHSAA Handbook) and would like to see the possibility of this rule being eliminated and being replaced by our Transfer Rule. This will be addressed by the Appeal Coordinators at their May 17th meeting.

Assistant Director Joe Altieri reported on the sport committee meetings, sport tournament committee meetings, Section Athletic Council meetings, State Championships and corporate sponsorship meetings he attended during the months of January through May. He stated the Winter 2005 Championship program sales were $4,532 not including commissions paid out to salespeople for wrestling, bowling and track which are anticipated to be under $2,500. He noted an increase of $600 from 2004 for Winter 2005 television and radio broadcasts was received. He reported World Wide Sport had withdrawn its interest from corporate sponsorship for the wrestling tournament in March due to the fact that we already contracted a souvenir/t-shirt vendor and they wanted to add the opportunity to sell championship apparel at the tournament to their contract but interest remains for the 2006 tournament. He noted he had met with TimeStone Clocks to discuss a sponsorship for the Fall 2005
championships. He reported the Association is meeting with Holiday Inn later in May to finalize an agreement for a three-year corporate sponsorship. He stated Real Pro Wrestling had agreed to a $2,200 sponsorship for the 2005 wrestling championship which included a booth/table set up, signage, program advertising and distribution of flyers to athletes and spectators. He reported, with the assistance of the Pepsi Arena in Albany, we were able to secure a $5,000 sponsorship from Pepsi Co. for the 2005 wrestling championships which were split 50/50 with the Pepsi Arena. He stated he met with Crowley and discussed a $4,000 sponsorship for the 2005 baseball tournament and a $30,000 all sports sponsorship for 2005-06. He noted a sponsorship had been agreed on with the Verizon Bobsled Recruiting Tour for the outdoor track championships this spring. He reported he had contacted both the New York Jets and the New York Giants teams to propose partnering with us for our high school tournaments, specifically football, but both teams indicated they are “committed to funding and promoting the PSAL” and are “putting all resources toward PSAL high school football”. He announced the radio stations to market our Spring 2005 Championships. He stated transit advertising in Binghamton has been set up to market the baseball tournament. He noted with possible sponsorship from Crowley, we are hopeful we can utilize sponsorship funds to run a two-week advertising campaign on ABC and NBC Binghamton to promote the baseball tournament. He stated letters and posters have been distributed to businesses in Syracuse and Binghamton asking merchants to hang posters in their storefronts to promote our Softball, Outdoor Track and Baseball tournaments. He reported on the various marketing initiatives used to promote the 2005 wrestling tournament. He stated press releases had been distributed state wide regarding the Hall of Fame inductees announcement, coaching clinics and the Spring tournaments. He reported Mr. Desmond Silfies recently completed his spring semester internship with the Association and reviewed his accomplishments.

**Treasurer's Report** was reviewed by Executive Director Nina Van Erk. She reviewed the audit results from 2003-04 stating the year end result was $323,000 better than budget and places our net assets in the black for the first time in several years. She reviewed the “year to date” report which gives actual expenses to date and projected expenses for the rest of the year and stated due to investment income and actual dues revenue higher than budget, we should also end the year in a fiscally sound position. She reminded everyone of the dues increase for 2005-06. She reported on the search for a new office building.

**Counselor Kevin Seaman** stated he had been in the business since 1975 representing Section XI. He intends to get more information out to the Sections and their counsels regarding updates on matters of concern. He reported he had attended the NFHS Summit and Legal Meeting in Indianapolis with Nina. He noted he is involved in writing correspondence to the different state legislators on the Education Committee in both the Senate and Assembly regarding the concerns of the Association with the proposed Morelle legislation. He reported he and Nina have been very proactive in the North Rockland wrestling issue. He noted he is looking forward to attending the
Section Appeals Coordinators meeting on May 17th. He stated he is also looking forward to working with everyone and feels privileged to represent the Association.

SPORT COORDINATOR ISSUES & REPORTS

Girls Volleyball
A motion by Quimby/DeCillis APPROVED a waiver of the NCAA warm up protocol. The waiver reads that teams can warm up behind or adjacent to the court during the warm up period.

Boys Volleyball
In a motion by Troy/Putney, it was APPROVED to modify USA Uniform Rule 4.3.3.2: The uniform numbers must be a minimum of 10 cm (4”) in height on the chest and a minimum of 15 cm (6”) in height on the back. Centering of the numbers on both the front and back of the uniform is recommended now and required by September 1, 2009. (The present rule calls for implementation on November 1, 2006.)

Boys Soccer
In a motion by Jones/Wolfe it was APPROVED for Section II to experiment with a change in the overtime procedure beginning in the 2005 season. During the regular season there will continue to be two ten-minute overtime periods, but that they will both be sudden victory. If both teams play both of these periods without a goal being scored, then the game is recorded as a tie. During sectional play there will be two ten-minute periods, followed by two five-minute periods, with all periods being sudden victory. If the score is still tied, the game would then go to penalty kicks as per the rule book.

In a motion by DeCillis/Troy it was APPROVED for Section 11 to join the experiment to play 2 forty-five minute halves with no overtimes during the regular season.

Boys/Girls Skiing
In a motion by Smith/Sammons it was APPROVED to continue the waiver granted from the USSA ski equipment regulation requiring minimum ski lengths for SL and GS competitive equipment.

Boys/Girls Swimming/Diving
In a motion by Nelson/Maryjanowski it was APPROVED to participate in the NFHS no-recall experiment for 2005-06.

SECTION CONCERNS AND INPUT

Discussion was held on Senator Skelos’ proposed legislation which requires the State Education Department to establish guidelines for drug testing of student athletes by
public and non-public school authorities wishing to conduct such testing; specifies that the student and parent or guardian must consent to testing; makes numerous related provisions and establishes the Class C felony of criminal sale of an anabolic steroid to a minor or, being over 21 years of age, knowingly and unlawfully selling an anabolic steroid to a person who is under 21 years of age. Consensus of opinion was that it couldn’t be determined how prevalent steroid use was in high schools. In a motion by Ransom/Greene it was APPROVED for the Association to write a letter to Senator Skelos in support of his steroid legislation with encouragement to provide funding for education and prevention strategies.

Section 11 asked if other Sections would agree with doing away with the Friend & Neighbor category at the high school level. This will be a Cracker Barrel session topic at the August Central Committee meeting.

Section 3, 7, 9 and 10 requested a waiver of linespersons in girls volleyball during regular season play was APPROVED in a motion by Greene/Peterson.

Section 8 asked if having a Physician’s Assistant in lieu of a doctor was acceptable at football games. They stated Cross Country would like to return to 4 classes and inquired where the cut-off numbers for 2 classes came from. They asked if Sections can devise their own classifications based on their enrollment numbers, specifically in wrestling. They voiced a concern with being able to play seven days in a row during playoffs and not being able to play seven days in a row during the regular season.

Section 5 stated at their Section meeting on Wednesday, May 11th, their Wrestling Coordinator would be seeking permission to bring forward a proposal regarding a multiple entry format in wrestling.

Section 3 stated their Transfer Committee had asked if an individual in a private school whose school had lost in Sectional playoffs could transfer back to their school of residence who was still participating in Sectionals. They had a concern with a K-8 private school who wants to combine with 3 other neighboring schools in modified basketball. They asked if we still need the Code of Conduct for state meets. This will be a Cracker Barrel session topic at the August Central Committee meeting.

Section 1 asked if there was still a 3 year cap for combining of schools.

COMBINING OF SCHOOLS

The following combining school teams have been approved by their respective leagues and sections for the 2004-2005 school year, and are presented for your information. (Eligibility Standard #6)

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Sauquoit Valley & Mt. Markham
New York Mills & Mt. Markham
Herkimer & St. Francis de Sales
Brookfield & Madison

Bowling-G
Wrestling
Volleyball-B
All Modified Springs Sports
Baseball

Arkport & Jasper-Troupsburg
Greece Arcadia & Greece Olympia
Greece Athena & Greece Odyssey
Pittsford Mendon & Pittsford Sutherland
Rochester School of the Arts & East

Softball
Golf-G
Lacrosse-B
Lacrosse-B/G
Track-G
Track-B

Allegany-Limestone & Olean

Swimming-B

Colton-Pierrepont & Canton
Holy Family & Franklin Academy
Basketball

Wrestling
Parishville & Canton
Parishville & St. Lawrence
Ogdensburg Free Academy & Heuvelton
Brushton-Moira & Salmon River
Lisbon & Canton

Hockey
Lacrosse-B (Mod.)
Hockey
Football
Cross Country-B/G
Spring Track-B/G
Football
Indoor Track-B/G
Wrestling

Hermon-DeKalb & Canton
Madrid-Waddington & Canton
Edwards-Knox & Canton

Football

Southampton & Tuckahoe
East Islip & Cleary
Centereach & Newfield

All Sports (Modified only)

Cross Country-B/G (V)

Gymnastics-G-V
Tennis-B/G (V,Mod.)
Bowling-B/G (V)
Winter Track-B/G (V)
Golf-B (V)
Lacrosse-B/G (V, JV)
Track-G (V)

Smithtown East & Smithtown West

Cross Country-B/G (V)

Gymnastics-B/G (V, Mod.)
Swimming-B/G (V)
Bowling-B (V)
Winter Track-B/G (V)
Tennis-B (V, Mod.)

Half Hollow Hills East & Half Hollow Hills West

Cross Country-G (V)
Field Hockey (V, JV)
Gymnastics - G (V)
Soccer - G (V, JV)
Swimming - B/G (V)
Volleyball - B (V, JV)
Lacrosse - B (JV9)
Lacrosse - G (V, JV)
Swimming - B (Modified)

Pierson & Ross

Field Hockey (V)

Field Hockey (JV, Mod.)

Field Hockey (V, JV, Mod.)

Pierson, Bridgehampton & Shelter Island

Lacrosse - B/G (JV, Mod.)

Football (V, JV)

East Hampton, Bridgehampton & Pierson

Bowling - B (V)

Tennis - B (V, JV, Mod.)

East Hampton, Bridgehampton, Pierson & Springs

Football (Modified)

Greenport, Southold, Mattituck & Shelter Island

Greenport & Southold

Golf - B

Sachem North & Sachem East

Basketball - G (V, JV, Mod.)

Baseball (V, JV, Mod.)

Softball (V, JV, Mod.)

Hampton Bays & Southampton

Soccer - G (V, JV, Mod.)

Basketball - G (V, JV, Mod.)

Baseball (V, JV, Mod.)

Softball (V, JV, Mod.)

Pierson & Bridgehampton

Soccer - B (V, JV, Mod.)

Bretton & Southold

Tennis - B (V, JV, Mod.)

Ross & Shelter Island

Tennis - B (V, JV, Mod.)

Baseball (V, JV, Mod.)

Ross, Shelter Island & Pierson

Soccer - G (JV)

Lacrosse - B/G (JV)

Track - B/G (V)

East Hampton, Springs & Montauk

Soccer - G (Mod.)

Lacrosse - B (Mod.)

Central Islip, Brentwood & Commack

Swimming - B/G (V)

Sayville & Bayport

Swimming - B/G (V)

Deer Park & North Babylon

Swimming - B/G (V)

Southold, Shelter Island & Greenport

Tennis - G (V, JV, Mod.)

East Hampton & Bridgehampton

Volleyball - B (V, JV, Mod.)

Wrestling (V)

Mattituck & Greenport

East Hampton, Bridgehampton, Pierson, Springs & Montauk

Wrestling (Modified)

East Hampton, Springs, Montauk, Bridgehampton, Pierson & Ross

Brentwood & Central Islip

Swimming - B (Mod.)

East Hampton, Bridgehampton & Springs

Track - B (Mod.)
SENIOR ALL-STAR CONTESTS

The following contests were approved by the Executive Director per Executive Committee authorization and are presented for your information. (Eligibility Standard #9).

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FRIENDS AND NEIGHBORS

A motion by Ransom/Greene APPROVED School of the Holy Child (1), 2225 Westchester Avenue, Rye, NY 10580 (Grades 7-12) as a Friend and Neighbor.

NEW MEMBERS

A motion by Wolfe/Jones APPROVED St. Francis de Sales Regional Catholic School (3),
ORAL AND/ OR PRINTED REPORTS WERE PRESENTED BY THE FOLLOWING STANDING COMMITTEES

Budget Committee. 2nd Vice President Pat Pizzarelli reviewed the budget for the 2005-2006 school year stating that it was a balanced budget. He reported there was an increase in expenses of 4% and an increase in revenue of 5% over last years’ budget with a bottom line increase of 2.5% overall. In a motion by DeCillis/Wolfe the 2005-2006 budget was APPROVED.

Modified Committee. Assistant Director Lloyd Mott reviewed the synopsis of the Spring 2005 meeting. In a motion by DeCillis/Putney the following was APPROVED; “For the purposes of scheduling or rescheduling, the minimum time interval between ice hockey contests may be decreased from two nights to one night, with the following restrictions: this may occur no more than three times per season; a team may never play three days in a row; and there shall not be more than three contests played per calendar week.” In a motion by Greene/Maryjanowski it was APPROVED “with sectional approval, variations of modified athletic game rules and conditions may be adopted selectively for use by specified conferences or leagues.” A motion by Greene/Westfall APPROVED the appointment of Dan Hytko as the modified boys’ and girls’ soccer sports coordinator. He announced the Fall meeting of the Modified Committee was scheduled for Friday, October 14, 2005 at 9:00AM and the Spring meeting for Friday, April 7, 2006 at 9:00AM.

ACTION on TARGET. Assistant Director Walter Eaton reported training workshops for the “Life of an Athlete” have been completed in Sections 3, 4, 6, 7, 8, 10 and 11. He stated he has sent letters to Section 1, 2, 5 and 9 to encourage them to schedule a training by Fall 2005. He noted John Underwood and Joe Altieri are putting together a press release that can be used by the sections to help promote this program. He reported representatives of the Sportsmanship and Action on Target committees met in December and March to work on their combined workshop and training entitled “Code Matrix” for next year. He stated the committee will be developing a position statement on adult use of alcohol in the presence of student athletes. He noted they will also be looking at and discussing our strategic plan dealing with the current problems on steroid use. He stated John Underwood was created and produced a CD on steroid use. He announced the next meeting is scheduled for Monday, May 16 at 10:00AM at the NYSPHSAA Office.

Safety Committee. Assistant Director Lloyd Mott reviewed the minutes of the April 6, 2005 meeting. He stated it is the choice of the school to use the softball face mask for Spring 2005. He reminded that the softball and baseball coaches to fill out the survey
for this season found on our website (www.nysphsaa.org/surveys). He reported a letter was received from Maine-Endwell High School expressing concern over the hardness of the turf in the Syracuse Carrier Dome and will send a letter passing the concerns on to Pat Campbell at the Dome. He stated he would be doing a workshop for the Brain Injury Association on June 9th in Albany and invited one or two committee members to join him. He noted he had sent via email the 2004 Catastrophic Injury Report from the NFHS Sport Medicine Advisory Committee. This report can also be reviewed online by going to www.nfhs.org. He reported the committee will attempt to develop guidelines on MRSA (Methicillin-Resistant Staphylococcus Aureus), an antibiotic resistant skin infection that is believed to be transmitted through skin-to-skin contact, sharing towels or equipment. MRSA is a form of “staph” that is aggressive and can spread quickly, usually appearing as a boil or abscess. If MRSA is suspected, a doctor should be contacted immediately and a culturing is necessary to ensure the proper antibiotics are used. He noted the third edition of the NFHS Sports Medicine Handbook is completed and may be available on the Fall 2005 Rule Book Order Form found in the NYSPHSAA’s Scholastic Athletics. He stated every minimum weight assessor must use the data calculation program on the state website as this is the only program approved for use. He reported he will send to the State Education Department Dr. Cynthia Devore’s proposal which requests that the NYSPHSAA recommend, if not require, a tetanus shot/ten year booster for participation in all interscholastic sports as this kind of regulation has been mandated by SED/Health Related Services in the past. He stated Doug Sackett reported the Department of Health is leaning towards requiring schools to have a certified life guard in the swimming pool that is not the coach nor the instructor, but is appointed to life guard only. He announced next year’s meetings are scheduled for October 19, 2005 and April 26, 2006 at 9:00AM.

**Sportsmanship Committee.** Assistant Director Lloyd Mott reviewed the minutes of the March 17, 2005 meeting highlighting the New York Good Sports Program and Awards process, the updating of the New York Sportsmanship Guide, and the combined Sportsmanship Committee/Action on Target Committee programs to be implemented in 2005-06. He stated the certified Citizenship Through Athletics Instructors will be listed on the Association website by Section. He reported SUNY Cortland has agreed to be a Parents for Good Sports Training Center, holding training sessions for schools this spring, allowing the attending schools to implement the program this fall.

**Handbook Committee.** Coordinator Carol Rog reported the minutes of the April 20, 2005 meeting were in the meeting folders. In a motion by Gallagher/Wolf it was APPROVED to add under Transfer (page 74)-Exemptions #1, “and can substantiate that they are independent and self supporting.” In a motion by Witkowski/Ransom it was APPROVED to add after the last sentence under Representation (page 69), “School districts may submit a written request to the Section for adjustment of contests for individual participants.” She requested any cases, background material or concerns regarding Extended Eligibility – Intentional Retention be forwarded to Nina. She
stated the Handbook Committee has requested the Action on Target Committee to compose a position statement on the consumption and sale of alcohol at sporting events, recognition dinners and championship venues. She noted the Handbook Committee supports Nina’s suggestion to host a workshop for state and local sport coordinators highlighting rules and regulations. She reported the committee will be reviewing the Code of Ethics of the NYSSAA and the NIAAA. She thanked Joanna Commander who is retiring from the Handbook Committee for her years of service. She announced the next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, June 22, 2005 at 9:30AM at the NYSPHSAA office.

AD HOC COMMITTEE REPORTS

Site Selection Committee. Assistant Director Walter Eaton reviewed the summary of recommendations on the philosophy and a policy for the Association to select championship sites for the future. In a motion by Wolfe/Gallagher it was APPROVED to send the Site Selection Committee’s draft of recommendations back to the Sections for discussion with a possible vote at the August Central Committee meeting.

Strategic Planning Committee. A draft copy of the Strategic Plan was passed out to each Section. Chairman Patrick Pizzarelli thanked Executive Director Nina VanErk for her guidance during the process of writing a new plan and Past President Patrick Calnon and his committee from 5 years ago for developing the Strategic Plan which was used as a guide for the current Strategic Plan. He stated the same format was used with the addition of categories in technology, insurance, communications and outside influences. He asked that the draft be reviewed by the Executive Committee members and if there are any additions or corrections to please contact him or Nina immediately as the draft is going to be sent to the committee members for their approval and then it will be brought to the August Central Committee meeting for final approval.

REPORTS FROM EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS AND CONSULTANTS

State Education Department. Kent Gray stated whenever legislation goes through the Assembly/ Senate of the state legislature regarding physical education or athletics, he receives a comment sheet. He reported he had received a comment sheet on Assemblyman Morelle’s proposed legislation. He stated after a review of the proposed legislation he documented the same concerns as the Association, especially in regards to increased cost. He forwarded his document to oppose the legislation to the Commissioner’s office who will then forward it on to the appropriate office. He reported he was happy to hear that Senator Skelos is addressing the issue of steroid use but had a concern with the cost factor of drug testing and felt that should be addressed. He stated at the NYSSAA Conference on March 18, 2005 he announced the revised approved Selection Classification document is now available on the SED
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**NYS Athletic Administrators Association.** President Bob Stulmaker reported their
annual conference on March 16-19, 2005 in Saratoga Springs was the most well
tended in recent years. He thanked out-going president Pat Pizzarelli and his
conference planners for doing a great job. He also thanked Nina and Lloyd for putting
on very informative workshops. He congratulated Dick Bader for receiving the first
annual Otis Sennett Award of Excellence and Bob Goldberg for receiving the NIAAA
State Award of Merit. He announced their slate of officers: Bill Bryant, Ithaca High
School-Vice President; Roger Brown, Unatego High School-Secretary; Todd Heimer, Ex.
Director(8)-Membership Chair; and David Garbarino, Binghamton High School-
Membership Co-Chair. He stated next year’s annual conference will be held March 15-
18, 2006 in Saratoga and is titled, “It’s About the Kids”. On behalf of the NYS Athletic
Administrators Association, he thanked the NYSPHSAA for their help and partnership
in doing what’s best for student athletes, coaches and programs.

**New York State Council of Superintendents.** Representative Dr. Greg Geer stated he
had been appointed to fill the slot of Phill Langton of Spencerport who is retiring. He
gave a brief synopsis of his background in athletics. He stated he is very interested in
the Morelle legislation and has been in contact with the NYS Wrestling Coaches
Association, Ed Stores, Executive Director-Section 5, Mark Hoyt-Section 5 Wrestling
Coordinator, Don DeBadts-State Wrestling Coordinator, Assemblyman Morelle and his
staff in Albany, all the Superintendents in the GV BOCES and Bill Kays from Section 3.
He anticipates Mark Hoyt, Section 5 Wrestling Coordinator will introduce the NYS
Wrestling Coaches multi-entry proposal as it is shown on the NYS Wrestling Coaches
website.

A motion by Gallagher/Greene to adjourn at 5:10PM was APPROVED.

Respectfully submitted,

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Nina Van Erk
Executive Director